



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 1 Tsothóhrha/December 2025

Meeting at Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke

In: Ratitsénhaïenhs Paul Rice (Chairperson), Jeremiah Johnson, Iohahí:io Delisle, Ryan Montour, Jeffrey Diabo (Remotely), David Diabo, Stephen McComber, Ross Montour, Tonya Perron, Arnold Boyer, Cody Diabo (Remotely)

Out: Ietsénhaïenhs Melanie Morrison (Medical Leave)

Also Present: Jaime-Lynn Deere (Council Meeting Administrator), Abbey Diabo (Director of the Office of the Council of Chiefs), Lloyd Phillips (Chief Political Advisor), Tehosterihens Deer (Public Relations Specialist, Political), Dawn Marquis-Deere (Executive Administrative Officer/Interim Executive Director), and for Housekeeping only: Tyanna Kirby (Executive Assistant to Ohén:ton Í:rate ne Ratitsénhaïenhs), and Taiawentetie Hemlock (Executive Assistant to the Kahnawà'kehró:n Ratitsénhaïenhs)

Housekeeping

- Ohén:ton Karihwatéhkwén by Cody Diabo (virtually)
- Cheque Signers: Two Nitsénhaïenhs identified
- Public Relations Items: Ratitsénhaïenhs Report – **Cody Diabo confirmed. MCK Friday - David Diabo and Jeffrey Diabo confirmed**
- Invitation: Anchoring Today, Building Tomorrow - Grand Economic Circle of Indigenous Peoples and Quebec – February 3rd - 4th 2026 — **Iohahí:io Delisle to attend**
- Invitation: Christmas Reception - Embassy of Ireland — December 3rd – **Cody Diabo to attend**
- Invitation: Colloque 2026 de l'AQPER — **Eric Doucet (MCK Legal Counsel) to follow up**
- “Communityship” program - First Nations Executive Education — Team building workshop on Wednesday, March 25, 2026 and Thursday, March 26, 2026 — **Approved and location is to be determined**
- Movember donations 2025 – Arnold Boyer — **Final tally amount raised \$1505**
- Consultation Restructure Retreat Proposal — Overnight Kanien'kehá:ka Rights and Research Unit strategic session on December 11 - 12 at Chateau Vaudreuil — **Approved by consensus**
- **Jeremiah Johnson:** Wednesday: Meeting with Golden Age Club (**GAC**); Thursday: Kahnawà:ke Legislative Committee (KLC) meeting, KLC Christmas lunch
- **Iohahí:io Delisle:** Wednesday: Meeting with (**GAC**) members; Thursday: Lands Portfolio Team meeting; Friday: Parti Québécois (PQ) meeting on Quebec Constitution
- **Paul Rice:** Wednesday: Strategics review, Meeting with (**GAC**) members, Multi-Purpose Building Capital campaign, and Heritage Portfolio funding application discussions; Thursday: Lands Portfolio Team meeting, First Nations Gaming Association meeting, and Prep for Green Giants Podcast; Friday: Grand Chiefs Office (GCO), and Gaming consultant meetings
- **Ryan Montour:** Wednesday: Assembly of First Nations (AFN) in Ottawa; Thursday: Ottawa Embassy of Ireland visit



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- **Jeffrey Diabo:** Wednesday: Meeting with **(GAC)** members; Friday: PQ meeting on Quebec Constitution
- **David Diabo:** Wednesday: Meeting with **(GAC)** members; Thursday: Lands Portfolio Team meeting; Friday: JFK Quarry meeting
- **Stephen McComber:** Wednesday: Meeting with **(GAC)** members; Thursday: Kahnawà:ke Collective Impact
- **Ross Montour:** Wednesday: Meeting with **(GAC)** members; Thursday: Lands portfolio meeting, Vaudreuil Dorion External Government Relations (EGR) meeting
- **Tonya Perron:** Wednesday: Meeting with **(GAC)** members, and Governance Advisory Team meeting (GAT); Thursday: KLC meetings, and Finance and Operations (FAO) working group; Friday: Wellness
- **Arnold Boyer:** Wednesday: Meeting with **(GAC)** members, and Kahnawà:ke Shakotia'takehnhas Community Services (KSCS) Finance committee meeting; Thursday: Route 207 discussions, and Onkwata'karitáhtshera meetings; Friday: Bill 2 discussions
- **Cody Diabo:** Wednesday: AFN in Ottawa; Friday: PQ meeting on Quebec Constitution

Agenda Items

Impromptu Confidential and CAP Legal Update

This item was Client Attorney Privilege

Mohawk Council Executive Directive (MCED): (2) MCK Pension Decisions

Presence of: Dawn Marquis-Deere (Interim-Executive Director) & Kyle Delisle (Executive Financial Officer), Portfolio Chief: Cody Diabo

Confidential

Approval of Installation of Pedestrian Bridge by St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation (SLSMC) to Tekakwitha Island

Presence of: Veronica Leborgne (Director of Lands Unit), Portfolio Chief: Ratsénhaienhs Arnold Boyer

Installation of pedestrian bridge by (SLSMC) to Tekakwitha Island — **Approved by Consensus**

MCED: Indigenous Cultural Partnership Program

Presence of: Portfolio Chief: Ratsénhaienhs Stephen McComber & Ratsénhaienhs Paul Rice
Ratsénhaienhs to approve the 25% contribution to the Indigenous Cultural Partnership Program and Indigenous Cultural Coordinator Position, and to approve Interim Executive Director Dawn Marquis-Deere as the authorized signer for the related funding agreement. Additionally, to allocate \$27,500 from the 2025/26 Operational Surplus to cover the MCK's contribution.

— **Approved by Consensus**

Executive Office Updates

Presence of: Dawn Marquis-Deere (Interim-Executive Director)

Dawn Marquis-Deere provided updates on building maintenance matters, Tewatohnhi'saktha workforce development funding, MCK office space lease



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Ratitsénhaiehs Updates

Jeremiah Johnson - updated on the Community Meeting, Housing Reconciliations, Kahnawà:ke Legislative Services, and Senate Committee Bill S-2

Iohahí:io Delisle - updated on the Sports and Recreation file

Paul Rice - updated on the Investment Revenue Committee, Community Meeting, Kahnawà:ke Sovereign Wealth Fund, Hertel Line kiosk, Gaming Working Group (GWG), FAO, and the Social Supports policy

Ryan Montour - updated on Public Safety meetings, Housing Reconciliations, and the GWG

Jeffrey Diabo - updated on Assembly of First Nations of Quebec & Labrador, and the Quebec Constitution

David Diabo - updated on the Irish Night on the Hill event

Stephen McComber - updated on Kahnawake Collective Impact meetings

Ross Montour - updated on the Seigneurie of Sault Saint Louis Team discussion, and Environment Canada meeting

Tonya Perron - updated on Justice Commission, GAT, and Enoch Cree consultation

Arnold Boyer - updated on OCR roadwork, Jacques Cartier and Champlain Bridges Incorporated (JCCBI) meetings, the Health Portfolio, and meeting with Minister of Health Christian Dubé

Adjournment

Meeting closed by Stephen McComber at 4pm