



## **Mohawk Council Communiqué**

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# **Monday, 2 Enníska/February 2026**

### **Meeting at Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke**

**In:** Ratitsénhaienhs Ryan Montour (Chairperson), Cody Diabo, Jeremiah Johnson, Iohahí:io Delisle, Paul Rice, Melanie Morrison, Jeffrey Diabo, Ross Montour, Tonya Perron, Arnold Boyer

**Out:** Nitsénhaienhs David Diabo and Stephen McComber (Travel)

**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 Ratitsénhaienhs), Sarah Delisle and Taiawentetie Hemlock (Virtual) (Executive Assistants to the Kahnawa'kehró:non Ratitsénhaienhs)

#### **Housekeeping**

- Ohén:ton Karihwatéhkwen by Ryan Montour
- Ratitsénhaienhs March Break 2026 Out of Office — **Dates identified**
- Cheque Signers: Nitsénhaienhs identified
- Public Relations Items: Ratitsénhaienhs Report — **Melanie Morrison confirmed/ Paul Rice and Ryan Montour confirmed for MCK Friday on February 6, at noon**
- Minutes Approvals – November 3, December 16 & 17, 2025 — **Approved by Consensus**
- Invitation: Activities and Training of the Elected Women Council — **Melanie Morrison to follow up**
- Become a member – First Nations Major Projects Coalition — **Paul Rice to follow up**
- Tribal Gaming Conference in Six Nations — **Paul Rice to follow up**
- Nominations: Lieutenant Governor of Québec's First Nations and Inuit Medals — **Ryan Montour to follow up**
- **Jeremiah Johnson:** Wednesday: Security Management, Terrapure working group, and Accessibility Policy meetings; Thursday: Regulatory Board and Commissions Portfolio meetings; Friday: Mortgage Reconciliation meeting
- **Iohahí:io Delisle:** Tuesday: Assembly of First Nations Economic Development and Infrastructure Summit in Quebec City; Wednesday: Security Management, Terrapure working group, and Economic Development Portfolio meetinga; Thursday: Regulatory Board and Commissions Portfolio meetings; Friday: Municipalités régionales de comté (MRC) meeting with the Mayor of St. Catherine
- **Paul Rice:** Wednesday: Multi-Purpose Building Capital campaign, Mercier Bridge special committee meeting, Office of the Council of Chiefs Lunch meeting, Economic Development Portfolio meeting, and Lands meetings; Thursday: Regulatory Boards and Commissions Portfolio meeting; Friday: Jacques Cartier and Champlain Bridges Incorporated (JCCBI) meeting, and Gaming Working Group (GWG) meetings, MCK Friday attendance
- **Melanie Morrison:** Thursday: Language and Culture network meeting; Friday: JCCBI
- **Ryan Montour:** Wednesday: Justice Commission monthly, Kahnawà:ke Peacekeepers security measures, Kahnawà:ke-Quebec Relations (KQR) and Kahnawà:ke-Canada



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Relations (KCR) meetings; Thursday: KCR meeting; Friday: Mortgage Reconciliation meeting, Public Safety commission meeting, and GWG meetings

- **Jeffrey Diabo:** Wednesday: Mercier Bridge special committee meeting, KQR meeting; Thursday: Regulatory Boards and Commissions Portfolio meeting; Friday: MRC meeting with the Mayor of St. Catherine
- **Ross Montour:** Wednesday: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada meeting, Terrapure working group; Thursday: Onkwehón:we project, KCR, and Seigneurie of Sault Saint Louis (SSSL) meetings; Friday: Montreal Port Authority, MRC meeting with the Mayor of St. Catherine
- **Tonya Perron:** Wednesday: Justice Commission monthly meeting, Donations Policy Amendments, Terrapure working group, and Governance Advisory Team (GAT) meetings; Thursday: Regulatory Boards and Commissions Portfolio meeting, and Onkwata'karitáhtshera meetings; Friday: Wellness
- **Arnold Boyer:** Wednesday: Mercier Bridge special committee, Terrapure working group, Accessibility Policy, and Kahnawà:ke Shakotiia'takéhnhas Community Service Financial Committee meetings; Thursday: Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre meeting; Friday: JCCBI, and MCK Hydro-Quebec meeting
- **Cody Diabo:** Wednesday: Recurring alignment, Terrapure working group, internal discussion in Grand Chiefs Office, GAT meeting, community member meetings; Thursday: Quebec City Special Chiefs Assembly; Friday: Canada Space Agency phone-call, MRC meeting with the Mayor of St. Catherine, GWG meeting, Ministry of Finance meeting

### **Agenda Items**

#### **Gaming Working Group Update/Direction**

*Portfolio Chief: Cody Diabo, Technician: Tonia Jacobs (OCC Strategist)*

The Gaming Working Group (GWG) presents communication framework to the table for further direction — **Reviewed and approved**

#### **Litigation Update – External Legal Counsel**

*Presence of: Suzanne Jackson (MCK Legal Counsel)*

This item is confidential

#### **Executive Office Updates**

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

Dawn Marquis-Deere provided updates on out of offices, internal trainings, ICE Fest, Housing, Kahnawà:ke Sports and Recreation Unit outdoor storage, Portfolio assignments

#### **Ratitsénhaienhs Updates**

**Iohahí:io Delisle** provided updates on in-person meetings with the Mayor of St. Catherine, and the Regulatory Boards and Commissions Portfolio

**Melanie Morrison** provided updates on Mercier Bridge monument installation, and the Multi-Purpose Building Capital campaign

**Paul Rice** provided updates on KGC Chairpersons, GWG, Hertel Investment meeting, Economic Development Portfolio team

**Ryan Montour** provided updates on Public Safety and Housing



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**Jeffrey Diabo** provided updates on MRC meetings, Terrapure, In-person meeting with the Mayor of St. Catherine

**Ross Montour** provided updates on Lands, Port Authority, Terrapure, and the Onkwehón:we project

**Tonya Perron** provided updates on Governance Portfolio, the K-Gov video, and MNP meetings

**Arnold Boyer** provided updates on St. Francis Xavier Church tree trimming, JCCBI meetings, the Orange Shirt Day banner, and Transport Sectorial table

**Cody Diabo** provided updates on EGR, SSSL, and GWG meetings

### **Adjournment**

Meeting closed by at 4:02pm by Cody Diabo