



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday 3, Seskéha/August 2026

Meeting at Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke

In: Ratitsénhaïenhs Cody Diabo (Chairperson), Jeremiah Johnson, Paul Rice, Melanie Morrison, Ryan Montour, Jeffrey Diabo, David Diabo, Stephen McComber, Ross Montour, Tonya Perron, and Arnold Boyer (all present)

Also Present: Jaime-Lynn Deere (Council Meeting Administrator) (Online partial meeting), Abbey Diabo (Director of the Office of the Council of Chiefs), Tehosterihens Deer (Public Relations Specialist, Political) (virtual), Dawn Marquis-Deere (Executive Director), and for Housekeeping only: Olivia Diabo (Office of the Council of Chiefs [OCC] Coordinator), Patrick Zachary (OCC Project Technician), Trina C. Diabo (OCC General Manager), and Kelly Marquis (OCC Strategist)

Housekeeping

- Ohén:ton Karihwatéhkwén by Cody Diabo
- Out of Offices: Melanie Morrison on August 10-11 (vacation), Ryan Montour on August 25-28 (Peacekeepers Service Board retreat), Arnold Boyer August 25-28, and September 4 (wellness), Cody Diabo August 10-14 (vacation)
- Public Relations Items: Ratitsénhaïenhs Report Thursday — **Ryan Montour confirmed; K1037 MCK Friday - MCK Jeffrey Diabo and Paul Rice confirmed**
- Invitation: 2026 National Earth Observation Forum on October 26-28 in Brossard — **Deferred**
- Grand Opening of Kanatahkwen:ke on September 10-11 at 10am -- **All Ratitsénhaïenhs confirmed to attend**
- (2) Incoming letters from community members – **(1) follow up letter from community member read on record with response to be sent from Tyanna Kirby; (2) Letter requesting for action regarding private helicopter operations in residential neighbourhoods. The table will respond and reconvene on this matter as more dialogue is needed. Executive Assistant to Ohén:ton Í:rate ne Ratitsénhaïenhs to follow up**
- Mohawk Council Executive Directive (MCED) - Update to Public Works Mandate: Request to change the mandate of the Public Works' Waste Management division to improve overall performance — **passed by consensus**
- **Jeremiah Johnson:** Wednesday: Information Governance and Artificial Intelligence (AI), Kahnawà:ke Legislative Services (KLS) Working Group, Community Initiatives Fund (CIF) policy review; Thursday: Housing Reconciliation; Friday: Public Safety technical meeting; (August 12) Wednesday: Golden Age Club visit; Thursday-Friday: (August 13-14) Documents review (Legislation file/Portfolio)
- **Paul Rice:** Tuesday: Tewatohnhi'saktha board meeting attendance; Wednesday: strategics review, Finance and Technical Committee, Economic Development phone call, and weekly project MOL 2.0 meetings; Thursday: Administrative Affairs portfolio, bi-weekly Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission (KGC) chairperson, and CIF Policy review meetings; Monday: (August 10) Regulatory Boards/Commissions & Labor portfolio meeting; Tuesday: (August 11) Land Fund project planning session; Wednesday: (August 12) Golden Age Club visit; Friday: (August 14) Jaques-Cartier and Champlain Bridges Incorporated (JCCBI) bi monthly meeting
- **Melanie Morrison:** Wednesday: Finance and Technical Committee meeting; Thursday: Administrative Affairs portfolio; Friday: Review of Memorandum of Understanding; Wednesday: (August 12) Golden Age Club visit, meeting to rename streets in Longueuil; Thursday: (August 13) international advocacy preparation session; Friday: (August 14) JCCBI bimonthly
- **Ryan Montour:** Wednesday: House demolition, Land Use agreement, Kateri Memorial Foundation Committee dinner, and weekly project MOL 2.0 meetings; Thursday: CIF policy review, Housing Reconciliation; Friday: Kahnawà:ke-Canada Relations internal meeting; Tuesday: Public Safety Technical meeting,



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Board of Directors; Wednesday: (August 12) Golden Age Club visit, and weekly project MOL 2.0 meetings

- **Jeffrey Diabo:** Wednesday: Specific Claims meeting, and Kateri Memorial Foundation Committee dinner; Saturday: Taxation concerns Kiosk meeting at Golden Age Club; Wednesday: (August 12) Golden Age Club visit, Additions to Reserve (ATR) internal meeting; Thursday: (August 13) Municipal and highway (HWY) 132, and visit to the University of Albany meetings
- **David Diabo:** Wednesday: Land use agreement, and Information Governance AI, and Deer Management meetings; Thursday- Friday: Quebec Safety of the Land workshop at Dorval airport; Wednesday: (August 12) Land Fund project planning session, Golden Age Club visit, and ATR internal meetings; Thursday: (August 13) Harvest Working Group meeting in Tyendinaga; Friday: (August 14) JCCBI meeting
- **Stephen McComber:** Thursday: Opening ceremony invitation in Montreal; Friday: Environment Portfolio meeting; Wednesday: (August 12) Golden Age Club visit, meeting to rename streets in Longueuil
- **Ross Montour:** Tuesday: 325 anniversary of the Great Peace of Montreal speaking engagement; Wednesday: Internal meeting with KRR staff; Friday: Archeology meeting, ALTO Rail discussion, and Environment Portfolio meetings; Monday: (August 10) Seigneurie of Sault St. Louis Land Grievance (SSSL) Wednesday: (August 12) Land Fund project planning session, Golden Age Club visit; Thursday: (August 13) Municipal Relations meetings, Municipal and HWY 132
- **Tonya Perron:** Wednesday: Information Governance AI, KLC monthly, Thursday; Administrative Affairs portfolio, and Onkwata'karitáhtshera meetings; Friday: Governance Advisory Team meeting; Monday: Regulatory Boards/Commissions & Labor portfolio meeting; Wednesday: (August 12) Public Safety training, Golden Age Club visit; Thursday: (August 13) KLS Working Group meeting, international advocacy session; Friday: (August 14) KLS document review
- **Arnold Boyer:** Thursday: Onkwata'karitáhtshera
- **Cody Diabo:** Wednesday: Meeting with Radio Canada at St-Remi Lands, Jay Treaty Border Alliance executive committee meeting, and Kateri Memorial Foundation Committee dinner; Thursday: ATR internal meetings; Friday: Discussion with OCC, Kahnawà:ke Environment Protection discussion, and GAT meetings

Agenda Items:

MCED: St-Remi Lands Interim Agreements

Presence of: Kahonwentha Stacey (KRR Strategist), Patrick Zachary (OCC Project Technician), Francis Walsh (Legal Counsel), Portfolio Lead: Cody Diabo

This item is Client Attorney Privilege

Record of Decision: Litigation Update

Presence of: Francis Walsh (Legal Counsel)

This item is Client Attorney Privilege & Confidential

MCED: Approval of MCK Donations Policy

Presence of: Alan John Rice (Executive Operations Officer), Nikola Mirkovic (Director of Finance), Portfolio Lead: Tonya Perron

Requesting approval for the revised MCK Donations Policy V3.04, approve the revised MCK Donation Application Form V2.03, and approve the MCK Donation Amount Schedule V0.05 — **Approved by consensus**

MCED: Allotment of Land

Presence of: Veronica Leborgne (Director, Lands Unit), Lanny Jacobs (GM Land Management), Portfolio Lead: David Diabo

A community member passed away without a spouse, children, or a will. As there were no direct heirs, ownership of the land reverted to the Mohawks of Kahnawà:ke under section 48(8) of the Indian Act. With the consent of the next of kin, and recognizing that



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the requesting community member has resided at and maintained the property since 2021, Council declared consensus to approve the transfer of Village Lot 21, Block L.

ROD: Land Purchase

Presence of: Veronica Leborgne (Director, Lands Unit), Lanny Jacobs (GM Land Management), Joelle Perron Thibodeau (Legal Counsel), Portfolio Lead: David Diabo
This item is Client Attorney Privilege & confidential

MCED: Cannabis Control Board Caretaker

Presence of: Suzanne Jackson (Legal Counsel), Nikola Mirkovic (Director of Finance)
File Lead: Tonya Perron

Request for an MCED creating a temporary Kahnawà:ke Cannabis Control Board Caretaker — consensus declared

ROD: Purchase for Community Housing

Presence of: Alan John Rice (Executive Operations Officer), Areti Malliarou (Director of Housing), Brooke Deer (Housing Program Manager), File Lead: Ryan Montour
Request that the Council of Chiefs approve the purchase of a family home for community housing — **Consensus declared to pursue with the purchase**

Ratitsénhaiehs Updates

Jeffrey Diabo provided updates on Land Back discussions

Paul Rice provided updates on Transport User Fees, Free Trade Agreements & Western Chiefs Economic Alliance discussions, and the Tolls file

Cody Diabo provided updates on environmental and Terrapure matters, and also on Land Back

Adjournment

Meeting closed at 3:54pm by Cody Diabo