



Tuesday, 2 Onerahtókha/April 2024

Meeting at Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Cody Diabo, Jessica Lazare, Ryan Montour, Harry Rice, Stephen McComber, Ross Montour, Lindsay LeBorgne, Tonya Perron (Attended virtually)

Out: Ratsénhaienhs Arnold Boyer (Bereavement), Iohahí:io Delisle (Wellness)

Also Present: Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), Lisa Lahache (Public Relations), Jaime-Lynn Deere (Council Meeting Administrator), Tyanna Kirby, Sarah Delisle & Taiawentetie Hemlock (Assistants to the Council of Chiefs), and Iris Montour (Office of the Council of Chiefs Project Leader)

Housekeeping

- Ohén:ton Karihwatéhkwén by Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer
- Cheque Signers Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer and Lindsay LeBorgne
- Public Relations Items: MCK Friday: Cody Diabo and Ryan Montour; Chiefs Uncut: Stephen McComber
- Invitation: 2024 National Indigenous Disability and Wellness Gathering (Victoria, BC – November 19-24) **Deferred until after election. Letter of interest to be sent.**
- Invitation: Embassy of Ireland Tree Planting Reception (Ottawa – April 11) **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer to attend, Jessica Lazare alternate**
- Request for support: Draft letter to government of Canada **Deferred**
- **Cody Diabo:** Wednesday: Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission meeting; Thursday: Meeting with Deputy Minister of Environment Canada, Industrial Fuel Spill Crisis Response Team (CRT) meeting; Friday: External Government Relations (EGR) meeting
- **Jessica Lazare:** Wednesday: Multi-Purpose Building Committee meeting
- **Ryan Montour:** Thursday: Industrial Fuel Spill CRT and Peacekeeper Services Board meetings
- **Harry Rice:** In office Tuesday and Thursday: re-orientation
- **Stephen McComber:** Thursday: Seigneurie of Sault Saint Louis (SSSL) and Kateri Food Basket meetings
- **Ross Montour** Thursday: SSSL meeting; Friday: EGR, Saint Lawrence Regional Impact Assessment meeting
- **Lindsay LeBorgne:** Thursday: Public Works weekly meeting; Friday: Jacques Cartier and Champlain Bridges Incorporated and Ministry of Transport Quebec bi-monthly coordination and Economic Development portfolio meetings
- **Tonya Perron:** Thursday: Strategic Discussion Weekly Planning, Kahnawake Legislative Services (KLS) working group meeting; Friday: KLS Working Group meeting
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Thursday: Jay Treaty Border Alliance, Industrial Fuel Spill CRT meetings; Friday: EGR meeting

Agenda Items

Mohawk Council Resolution: Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke Election Law Enactment
Presence of Marylee Armstrong (Director of Legal Services), Trisha Delormier (MCK Legal Counsel for Kahnawà:ke Legislative Services), Alan John Rice (Executive Operations Officer), Chris Bush-Diabo (Kahnawà:ke Legislative Commission Coordinator), Andrea Montour (General Manager of the Executive Office), and Kasonniio Patton (Executive Assistant). Request to accept various amendments to the *Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke Election Law* that are intended to address governance issues and to better manage the election process as efficiently and effectively as possible, while ensuring that the process is legally defensible. **Passed by consensus**

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke Election Law Regulations

Presence of Marylee Armstrong (Director of Legal Services), Trisha Delormier (MCK Legal Counsel), Alan John Rice (Executive Operations Officer), Chris Bush-Diabo (Kahnawà:ke Legislative Commission Coordinator), Andrea Montour (General Manager of the Executive Office), and Kasonniio Patton (Executive Assistant). Request to enact the Regulations and ancillary amendments to the Regulations, to bring them into conformity with the newly amended *Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke Election Law*. **Passed by Consensus**

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Mohawk Council Communiqué

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Kahnawà:ke Policy on Archaeological Heritage and Ancestral Human Remains

Presence of Katsitsahente Cross Delisle (Archaeological Technician), Kelly Marquis (Archaeological Technician), Trina C. Diabo (OCC Project Technician), and Francis Walsh (MCK Legal Counsel) Portfolio Chief Ross Montour. Request to the Council of Chiefs to adopt and approve for circulation amongst the Ministry of Culture and Communications, archaeologists, and other proponents, the *Kahnawà:ke Policy on Archaeological Heritage and Ancestral Human Remains*, to assist the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke Archaeological Team.
Passed by Consensus

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Reburial Agreement - St Joseph's Oratory

Presence of Katsitsahente Cross Delisle (Archaeological Technician), Kelly Marquis (Archaeological Technician), Trina C. Diabo (OCC Project Technician), and Francis Walsh (MCK Legal Counsel) Portfolio Chief Ross Montour. Approval of the Agreement with Saint Joseph's Oratory for the reburial of Ancestral remains found at the Oratory to be reburied on the Oratory grounds, and directing Portfolio Chief Ross Montour to sign the Agreement on behalf of the MCK. **Passed by Consensus**

Updates:

Cody Diabo updated on the Alcoholic Beverages Control Board, Gaming, Transport, and Fuel Spill CRT

Jessica Lazare updated on the First Nations Education Council (FNEC), and the FNEC/Assembly of First Nations Quebec and Labrador's (AFNQL) First Languages Committee, and the Heritage Portfolio

Tonya Perron updated on the Iroquois Caucus

Ross Montour updated on the SSSL

Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer updated on status of complaint filed with the Quebec Native Women's Association, AFNQL meeting on child welfare settlement agreement, and meeting with U.S. Ambassador Cohen and U.S. General Consul Robert Sanders

Closing by Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer. Meeting ended at **12:20pm**