# Mohawk Council Communiqué

## Monday, 12 Enníska/February 2018

<u>In</u>: Ratitsénhaienhs Joe Norton, Rhonda Kirby, Martin Leborgne, Kenneth McComber, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Clinton Phillips, Carl Horn, Bobby Patton, Arlene Jacobs, and Billy Diabo

<u>Absent</u>: Kenitsénhaienhs Christine Zachary-Deom (Wellness Day), and Gina Deer (Medical Leave, returning to office on Monday, 12 Enniskó:wa/March)

<u>Also Present</u>: Trina Diabo-Jacobs (Council Meeting Administrator), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), and Joe Delaronde (Political Press Attaché)

#### **House Keeping**

- Cheque Signers: Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer & Kenneth McComber
- Chief & Council will be attending the Winter Community Meeting on Tuesday evening
- Clinton Phillips: Medical appointment on Wednesday; requested approval for trip to Toronto to attend Radioactive Waste Working Group meeting on 28, Enniskó:wa/
- March
- **Billy Diabo**: Social Assistance meeting on Tuesday; meeting with Homeland Security representatives on Wednesday
- **Bobby Patton**: Social Assistance meeting on Tuesday; attending Iroquois Caucus in London, Ontario on 21 & 22, Enníska/February
- **Kenneth McComber**: Finance, Administration & Operations committee meeting on Tuesday; informed table that he will take Vacation from 26, Enníska/February to 2, Enniskó:wa/March
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer: Finance, Administration & Operations committee
  meeting on Tuesday; attending Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador Special
  Chiefs' Assembly in Ottawa from Wednesday to Friday (see press release dated 14,
  Enníska/February; will attend Iroquois Caucus on Thursday, 22, Enníska/February
- Martin Leborgne: Social Assistance meeting on Tuesday; attending Iroquois Caucus in London, Ontario on 21 & 22, Enníska/February
- **Arlene Jacobs**: Finance, Administration & Operations committee meeting on Tuesday; Public Works managers meeting on Friday
- Rhonda Kirby: Kahnawake Shakotiia'takéhnhas Community Services board meeting on Monday; Community Health Care Initiative meetings on Thursday and Friday

#### **Formal Agenda Items**

None submitted

### **Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives**

None submitted

#### **Discussions/Updates**

- David Lahache, Mackenzie Whyte, Lloyd Phillips and Kenneth McComber provided information regarding a request from Scouts Canada to hold an event in the community. Due to logistical concerns the request was denied.
- Bobby Patton began a discussion on the situation regarding the death of Colten Boushie and the fallout after the charges against the person who shot him were dismissed. It was agreed that MCK will send a letter of protest to the Prime Minister.
- Arlene Jacobs discussed the situation regarding the discussions being held between the MCK and the Gas Retailers, which is an agenda item for the Winter Community Meeting.
- Martin Leborgne provided a brief update on certain activities as an MCK Liaison on the Tewatohnhi'saktha Board of Directors.
- Billy Diabo provided updates on various meetings relating to Tioweró:ton, including one with Notre-Dame-de-Mercier Town Council.
- Joe Norton updated the table on his visit to Ireland, where he met to discuss educational possibilities with institutions interested in Indigenous studies. He also provided an update on his participation at the annual International Gaming Exposition ('ICE') conference in London, England.
- Rhonda Kirby provided an update on a 26, Enníska/February meeting with regional mayors and/or representatives regarding the 'Urban Boulevard' project
- Meeting was adjourned at 11:35am