

Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 6 Enniskó:wa/March 2017

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Joe Norton, Rhonda Kirby, Martin Leborgne, Kenneth McComber, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Clinton Phillips, Christine Zachary-Deom, Bobby Patton, Arlene Jacobs

Absent: Billy Diabo (Wellness), Gina Deer (Vacation), Carl Horn (Vacation)

<u>Also Present</u>: Trina Diabo-Jacobs (Council Meeting Administrator), Dwaine White (General Manager, Office of the Council of Chiefs), Alana Goodleaf-Rice (Executive Director), Kevin Kennedy (Executive Operations Officer), Ron Skye (Commissioner of Public Safety)

<u>House Keeping</u>

- Funding Review of First Nations & Inuit Childcare Program (Step By Step). Received unanimous support
- Request to Transfer Funding (TD Bank): more research to be conducted before a decision is made
- Clinton Phillips: Lands meeting on Tuesday, Wellness time Tuesday afternoon; Vacation Days on Wednesday and Thursday
- Bobby Patton: Alcoholic Beverages Control Board meeting on Tuesday; Protest working group meeting on Friday (with Kenneth McComber); request to attend Justice Forum in Akwesasne next week with Christine Zachary-Deom (approved); meeting in Tyendinaga on March 21 regarding Iroquois Caucus issue. Proposed that next Iroquois Caucus take place in Kahnawà:ke on April 19 and 20 (approved)
- Arlene Jacobs: Client Based Services meeting on Tuesday; Vacation from Friday, March 10 to Friday, March 17
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer: internal Membership meeting on Tuesday (with Arlene Jacobs); attending Citizenship conference in Tucson, Arizona from Wednesday to Saturday (see Press Release dated March 9); Vacation from March 13 to 17
- Martin Leborgne: Wellness Days from Wednesday to Friday
- Rhonda Kirby: meeting on Tax issue on Wednesday, Medical Cannabis working group meeting on Wednesday; Vacation Day on Thursday
- Christine Zachary-Deom: request to attend Association of Archaeology Quebec conference from April 27 to 30, with additional request for students to be paid to attend; Wellness Day on Thursday

Formal Agenda Items

Request for Decision, Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Formal Presentation of 2017-2018 Annual Budget

Presence of Paul Rice and Erica Delisle. Presentation of the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke 2017-2018 Budget. This year's total will see an increase of 2%. Full details of the Budget will be announced at a Press Conference scheduled for Tuesday, March 28th. Passed unanimously.

Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives

Land Allotment. Passed Unanimously

Discussions/Updates

- Kenneth McComber provided update on Hydro meetings and negotiations
- Bobby Patton updated the table on hunting & fishing agreements for all Mohawk or Iroquois territories and potential Treaties with other Indigenous communities
- Rhonda Kirby provided an update on the issue of the Solidarity Tax Credit (see press release dated February 15, 2017 for details)
- Clinton Phillips discussed various issues related to Tioweró:ton
- Christine Zachary-Deom reported that she and Ghislain Picard (Regional Chief of the Assembly of First Nations of Quebec & Labrador) have been asked to join the Montreal 375th Anniversary 'flag change' committee
- Meeting was adjourned at 11:57am