# Mohawk Council Communiqué

### Monday, 14 Tsothóhrha/December 2015

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

Out: Billy Diabo (Medical Leave extended to January 24, 2016), Gina Deer, (Wellness),

<u>Also Present</u>: Trina Diabo-Jacobs (Recorder), Dwaine White (Office of the Council of Chiefs General Manager), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor); Alana Goodleaf-Rice (Executive Director)

#### **Housekeeping**

- Minute Acceptance for November 2 and November 23, 2015. Passed unanimously
- Request for Decision: Contract for Chief Executive Officer Dean Montour Mohawk Online. Passed, with two objections (Carl Horn, Clinton Phillips)
- Kenneth McComber: meetings with Lands Unit and Environment Protection Office on Tuesday (with Arlene Jacobs and Christine Zachary-Deom) and regarding Montreal 375<sup>th</sup> Anniversary events on Tuesday; Hydro Quebec working group prep meeting on Wednesday; Hydro Quebec meeting on Thursday (with Bobby Patton); Wellness day on Friday
- Arlene Jacobs: Finance, Administration & Operations Committee meeting on Wednesday (with Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer and Kenneth McComber; Wellness day on Friday
- Clinton Phillips: Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations main table meeting in Ottawa (with Joe Norton and Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer); meeting with Tewatohnhi'sakta regarding Montreal's raw sewage dumping follow-up on Wednesday (with Christine Zachary-Deom); Land Management meeting on Thursday; meeting regarding potential access to Highway 30 by JFK Quarry; Vacation December 21-23
- Bobby Patton: Tobacco meeting on Tuesday; Kahnawà:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission meeting on Wednesday (with Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer)
- Christine Zachary-Deom: meeting regarding Quebec Port project on Monday
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer: attending Kahnawake Youth Center breakfast on Friday; Vacation from December 21-23
- Rhonda Kirby: Kateri Memorial Hospital Center board meeting on Wednesday
- Martin Leborgne: invited fellow Chiefs to attend meeting with two Mohawk Council of Akwesasne Chiefs to discuss historical matters (date to be determined)
- Joe Norton: announced that he plans to attend the upcoming ICE gaming show and meeting with representatives of the Jersey Gaming Commission at London, England in February 2016

#### Formal Agenda Items

#### Discussion: Highway 30/Bill 85 Action Plan

Presence of Kyle Delisle (Tewatohnhi'sakta), Francis Walsh, Jean Pommainville (Legal Services), David Lahache, Neil McComber and Gene Diabo. It was determined to continue with development of plans and strategies regarding the Highway 30/Bill 85 issues. Legal Services is conducting a legal analysis. Agreement between MCK and Quebec Ministers Geoff Kelley and Pierre Moreau that upcoming meeting with Quebec Premier Philippe Couillard needs to be scheduled quickly, as it is high priority (see press release dated December 14, 2015 for details).

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

## Request for Decision: Tewatohnhi'sakta, Aboriginal Initiatives Fund (AIF) Hotel Study Project Completion

Presence of David Lahache. Study conducted for private potential business venture. \$13,500 in AIF funding (50% of total cost). Project completed, passed unanimously

Meeting closed at 12:05pm