

# Mohawk Council Communiqué

# Monday, 14 Enniskó:wa/March 2011

**In:** Chiefs Mike Delisle Jr., Johnny Montour, Clinton Phillips, Martin Leborgne, Peggy Mayo-Standup, Rhonda Kirby, Mike Bush, John Dee Delormier, Carl Horn, Lloyd Phillips, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Kenneth McComber (all in attendance).

**Also attending:** Mike O'Brien (Chief of Staff, Office of the Council of Chiefs), Kevin Kennedy (Interim Executive Director).

## Housekeeping/Travel

- Chief & Council received a response from March 8 letter to Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development (DIAND) regarding Multi-Year Funding Agreement (MYFA). DIAND agreed to maintain 'Membership' definition 'as is' for the duration of this agreement. Therefore, Chief & Council have accepted and signed the MYFA for fiscal years 2011 to 2016.
- Chiefs Mike Bush and Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer will be in Akwesasne on Friday for a Justice meeting.

#### Agenda Item

### **Annual Budget Presentation**

Presence of Ryan Rice, Paul Rice, Erica Delisle (Finance and Administration). Budgets for Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke and organizations that receive funding through the MCK presented and accepted. Director of Finance Ryan Rice announced that, while a zero balance has been achieved, revenues no longer meet budgetary needs. He and Erica Delisle have authority to make adjustments on the budget based on recommendations made by Chief & Council. Preparation underway for budget press conference to be held on March 30, 2011.

Most budgetary requests passed unanimously, with the following exceptions: 1) Library funding to increase for this year only: Grand Chief Mike Delisle against this submission based on Library's continued need for increase to budget, 2) Development/implementation of gasoline/fuel tax-free pump for use by MCK vehicles: passed, with Chiefs Martin Leborgne, Carl Horn and Johnny Montour not in support, 3) Kahnawake Gaming Commission operations budget passed, with Chief Carl Horn not in support.

Meeting called to order at 8:30am. Adjourned at 3:35pm.

### **Strategic Discussions**

Tuesday:	Discussion on Revenue Strategy. Presence of Ryan Rice, Paul Rice, Mike O'Brien and Kevin Kennedy.
Wednesday:	<ul> <li>Direction on Consultation Request. Presence of Christine Zachary- Deom.</li> </ul>
Thursday:	<ul> <li>Update, Kahnawá:ke Gaming Commission. Presence of Dean Montour, Murray Marshall and Marnie Lahache.</li> </ul>