



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 11 Onerahtohkó:wa/May 2020

PLEASE NOTE THAT (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COVID-19 TASK FORCE) ALL MEETINGS REFERENCED BELOW ARE VIA TELECONFERENCE

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Tonya Perron (Chairperson), Cody Diabo, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Gina Deer, Frankie McComber, Clinton Phillips, Rhonda Kirby, Mike Delisle, Jr., Harry Rice, Ross Montour, Lindsay LeBorgne and Joe Norton (All Present)

Also Present: Trina Diabo-Jacobs (Council Meeting Administrator), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor) and Joe Delaronde (Public Relations)

House Keeping

- Cheque signers: Nitsénhaiehns Rhonda Kirby & Lindsay LeBorgne
- Minutes Acceptance for April 27, 2020
- COVID-19 Task Force Update for Chief & Council, Wednesday morning
- **Cody Diabo:** Wednesday: (tentative); Thursday: Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations (K/CR) Lands/Seigneurie of Sault St. Louis (SSSL) internal joint meeting; Thursday: Aquaponics Feasibility Study meeting
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Tuesday: Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitíohkwa Language & Cultural Center Board meeting; Thursday: Kahnawà:ke Emergency Relief Measures (KERM) Fund meeting
- **Gina Deer:** Thursday: KERM meetings
- **Frankie McComber:** Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: COVID-19 Task Force meetings; Wednesday: Health Portfolio meeting
- **Clinton Phillips:** Thursday: K/CR Lands/SSSL internal joint meeting; Friday: Lands meeting
- **Rhonda Kirby:** Wednesday: Health Portfolio meeting; Thursday: Indian Day Schools Settlement workplan meeting
- **Mike Delisle, Jr.:** Wednesday: Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission, and Income security meetings; Thursday: KERM, and K/CR Lands/SSSL joint internal meetings
- **Harry Rice:** Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: COVID-19 Task Force meetings
- **Ross Montour:** Tuesday: Oral History project meeting; Wednesday: Health Portfolio, and Archaeology file meetings; Thursday: K/CR Lands/SSSL joint internal, Champlain Bridge Deconstruction project, and Ad-hoc Transition Committee; Friday: Consultation/Accommodation policy meetings
- **Lindsay LeBorgne:** Thursday: Ad-hoc Transition Committee meeting
- **Joe Norton:** Wednesday: Health Portfolio meeting; Thursday: Ad-hoc Transition Committee meeting
- **Tonya Perron:** Thursday: Champlain Bridge Deconstruction project; Friday: Consultation/Accommodation policy meeting

Formal Agenda Items

Request for Decision: Request to Purchase Laptops

Presence of Dwaine White. Portfolio: Joe Norton. Request to purchase Laptop Computers for the purposes of establishing and normalizing work operations for Chief & Council during the COVID-19 pandemic. Current meetings are held via teleconference but have limitations due to the technologies currently in use (desktop computers and cellphones). This project will replace these with laptop units (tablets) to enable users to conduct work from a portable office. The units will remain the property of the MCK. Passed by consensus.

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Canada Mortgage & Housing Corporation On-Reserve Non-Profit Housing Program, Section 95

Presence of Davis Montour & Erica Delisle. Portfolio Lead Gina Deer. Request for MCK to formally provide a signed resolution confirming certain information for the purposes of participating in the above CMHC program. This new initiative is designated as "CMHC On Reserve Non-Profit Housing Project #8" and will provide eight (8) Rental units to be built to provide affordable housing for community members. The MCK confirmed the following information:

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1. Choice of Lender
2. Amount of Equity
3. Confirmation of compliance with tenant selection criteria, and
4. Persons authorized to sign the commitment documents

Passed by consensus. (*Please note that Harry Rice and Frankie McComber left to attend COVID-19 Task Force meeting at 9:58am and were not part of the decision. Both returned at conclusion of Task Force meeting and participated in Chief & Council Updates.*)

Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives

None submitted

Chief & Council Updates

- Discussion regarding MCK/Tewatohni'saktha relationship, with Paul Rice present – MCK has assigned Joe Norton, Gina Deer and Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer to sit on a committee to meet with a three-person team from Tewatohni'saktha to create agenda for upcoming meeting between Tewatohni'saktha and the Council of Chiefs
- Cody Diabo briefly updated on Kanawaki sub-committee meeting
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer reported on Kahnawà:ke Economic Relief Measures (KERM) Fund matters. Also reported on complaints from community members regarding Residency matters – it was decided that the matter will need to be discussed more formally at an upcoming Strategic session
- Gina Deer reported on COVID-19 Resource webinar, Tewatohni'saktha, and Iroquois Caucus meetings
- Frankie McComber CP Rail matter, Tewatohni'saktha, Asbestos Working Group, and Tobacco meetings
- Clinton Phillips reported on Kahnawà:ke Environment Protection Office & Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations team internal meeting to discuss Recreation Bay project; and Marina Lease meetings
- Rhonda Kirby updated on Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre, and Indian Day School Settlement matters
- Mike Delisle, Jr. updated on Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission, KERM matters, and Collective Impact
- Harry Rice gave brief update on COVID-19 Task Force
- Ross Montour reported on Consultation on Contrecoeur (Montreal) & Laurentia (Quebec) ports, Ad-hoc Transition Committee, Cannabis Control Board regulations, and Iroquois Caucus meetings
- Lindsay LeBorgne updated on Ad-hoc Transition Committee, and operational issues
- Joe Norton updated on potential Economic Development opportunities, discussion with Kanawaki Golf Club General Manager, and discussion with Six Nations Grand Chief Mark Hill, Québec/ Kahnawà:ke Relations issues (*Please note that Grand Chief Norton left the meeting for an appointment at approximately 3:15pm*)
- Tonya Perron reported on Cannabis Control Board matters, and Kahnawà:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission meeting
- Meeting ended at **4:12pm**