



Mohawk Council Communiqué

**Tuesday, 7 Seskehkó:wa/September
2021**

Meeting held at Kahnawà:ke Office Complex

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Tonya Perron, Cody Diabo, Alan John Rice, Jessica Lazare, Ross Montour, Michael Delisle, Jr., Lindsay LeBorgne, Arnold Boyer, Ryan Montour, Barton Goodleaf, and Harry Rice (All present)

Also Present: Trina Diabo-Jacobs (Council Meeting Administrator), Onerahtókha Marquis (Executive Director), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), Joe Delaronde & Justus Polson-Lahache (Public Relations).

Housekeeping

- *Ohén:ton Karihwatéhkwen* by Cody Diabo
- Cheque signers: Lindsay LeBorgne & Michael Delisle, Jr.
- Minute Acceptance for August 23, 2021
- Letter from Ekuanitshit Chief Jean-Charles Piétacho regarding Cabot Square. Request to mandate representative(s) from the MCK as a representative within the working group being organized to ensure the continuation/sustainability of the Espace Raphaël “Napa” André at Cabot Square. Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Barton Goodleaf & Michael Delisle, Jr. have agreed to participate.
- Thursday: COVID-19 Weekly Update
- **Lindsay LeBorgne:** Friday: Asbestos Civil Investigation meeting; Saturday: giving speech 9/11 commemoration in Montreal
- **Ryan Montour:** Thursday: Community Watch meeting; Friday: Peacekeepers meeting
- **Arnold Boyer:** Waste management meeting (TBD)
- **Barton Goodleaf:** Cabot Square “Connect” meeting (TBC)
- **Cody Diabo:** Friday: ACI meeting, and meeting with Community member
- **Michael Delisle, Jr.:** Tuesday: Indigenous Online Gaming meeting; Wednesday: Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission meeting
- **Harry Rice:** Lands meeting (TBD)
- **Alan John Rice:** Social Affairs Portfolio meeting (TBC)
- **Ross Montour:** Comprehensive Community Planning meeting (TBC); Wednesday: meeting with Kahnawà:ke Environment Protection Office; Thursday: meeting with Hydro-Québec
- **Jessica Lazare:** Thursday: Kahnawà:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission (KLCC) working group meeting
- **Tonya Perron:** Wednesday: meeting with Canada Correctional Services regarding Parole Supervision, and Cannabis Control Board meeting; Thursday: KLCC working group meeting; Friday: MCK Friday talkshow on K1037
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Tuesday: meeting with the Longhouse on the 207 (with Ross Montour, Cody Diabo & Alan John Rice); Wednesday: Grand Chief updating meeting; Friday: MCK Friday talkshow on K1037; Vacation Days on Thursday & Friday

Agenda Items

Mohawk Council Executive Directives (X2): Re-appointment of Peacekeeper Services Board (PSB) Members

Presence of Lloyd Phillips (Commissioner of Public Safety). Portfolio Chief: Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer. Request to re-appoint Leanda Johnson and Elizabeth Montour, each to one-year terms, as members of the Peacekeeper Services Board, which is the independent administrative oversight body for the Peacekeepers. The terms take effect from August 31, 2021 until August 31, 2022. **Passed by Consensus**



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Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Portfolio Allocations

Presence of Winona Polson-Lahache. Portfolio Chief: Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer. Request to approve the Portfolio Allocations for the 2021-2024 term. For this term, sixteen (16) portfolios were identified. The following are the allocations, with the Lead Portfolio Chief indicated:

1. **Heritage** - Lead: Jessica Lazare, with Harry Rice and Lindsay LeBorgne
2. **Environment** - Lead: Ross Montour, with Cody Diabo and Alan John Rice
3. **Lands & Territories** - Lead: Cody Diabo, with Ross Montour, Harry Rice and Barton Goodleaf
4. **Indigenous Rights & Research** - Lead: Ross Montour, with Barton Goodleaf, Alan John Rice, Jessica Lazare and Mike Delisle, Jr.
5. **External Government Relations** - Lead: Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, with Mike Delisle, Jr., Ross Montour and Cody Diabo
6. **Administrative Affairs (Finance, Administration & Operations Committee)** - Lead: Lindsay LeBorgne, with Tonya Perron and Alan John Rice
7. **MCK Governance** - Lead: Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, with Tonya Perron and Jessica Lazare
8. **Economic Development** - Lead: Mike Delisle, Jr., with Barton Goodleaf, Ross Montour and Cody Diabo
9. **Legislation** - Lead: Tonya Perron, with Jessica Lazare
10. **Justice** - Lead: Tonya Perron, with Jessica Lazare
11. **Infrastructure, Transport & Operations** - Lead: Arnold Boyer, with Lindsay LeBorgne, Ryan Montour and Cody Diabo
12. **Public Safety** - Lead: Ryan Montour, with Arnold Boyer and Barton Goodleaf
13. **Regulatory Boards/Commissions & Labor** - Lead: Ryan Montour, with Mike Delisle, Jr. Harry Rice, Cody Diabo and Tonya Perron
14. **Health** - Lead: Barton Goodleaf, with Arnold Boyer and Lindsay LeBorgne
15. **Community Social Affairs** - Lead: Alan John Rice, with Ryan Montour, Arnold Boyer, Mike Delisle, Jr. and Harry Rice
16. **Education** - Lead: Harry Rice, with Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer and Ross Montour

The complete Portfolio Allocation document, which includes detailed information on Files/Projects, Related Legislation, and Sectoral Tables related to or impacted by each Portfolio is available for viewing on the MCK website

www.kahnawake.com/council/chiefcouncil/asp.

Request for Decision: Legal Matter

Presence of Eric Doucet & Stacey Douglas (MCK Legal Services).

Client/Attorney Privileged

Discussion: Public Safety Measures

Presence of Mary Lee Armstrong (Director, MCK Legal Services). Client/Attorney Privileged

Discussion: Community Meetings

Presence of Justus Polson-Lahache (Director of Public Relations). Discussion on the status of seasonal Community Meetings, which have been on hold since the pandemic began in March 2020, and plans/ideas to improve community engagement during continued application of safety measures. Public Relations Unit has been directed to conduct a survey to gauge opinions on the matter.

Additional Mohawk Council Executive Directives

One (1) Land Allotment

Council Updates

- Ryan Montour gave a short update on the Kateri Food basket



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- Harry Rice updated on fundraising effort, with \$4,000 donated to Orange Shirt Day and Purple Ribbon Walk; intends to coach an elite girls soccer team October 6, 7, 8 and 12, using Vacation Days
- Lindsay LeBorgne updated on the progress of an Internet connectivity project in the territory
- Ross Montour updated on last week's Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador, reporting that Assembly of First Nations National Chief Roseanne Archibald is planning to visit Kahnawà:ke at a future date; updated briefly on Kahnawà:ke Economic Relief Measures Fund
- Cody Diabo updated on the progress/status of the Asbestos Civil Investigation Final Report; updated that additional updates will be sent by email
- Meeting ended at **4:26pm**