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Onkwe'tà:ke lakotokénhstha PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Dates and new format announced for seasonal Community Meetings

(Kahnawake – 3, Enníska/February 2024)

The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke Office of the Council of Chiefs (OCC) wishes to inform Kahnawa'kehró:non that the Community Meeting dates have been set for 2024 and that there is a planned format change to how they will be moderated.

Further to an evaluation of previous Community meetings and feedback from concerned community members, the Ratitsénhaienhs have determined that a new meeting format is essential to increase their effectiveness. This new format will encourage respectful dialogue and ensure that the meetings remain a space that is both productive and safe for all. Community members are encouraged to review the proposed guidelines that will be in effect at the next meeting, scheduled for Wednesday, 28 Enníska/February.

Community meetings are a tool for community members to engage with and receive information from Ratitsénhaienhs. Feedback on the guidelines will be received until Thursday, February 15, at 4pm. Feedback can be submitted in several ways:

- Email feedback@mck.ca
- Call Political Press Attaché Lisa Lahache at 450-632-7500
- Reach out directly to the Ratitsénhaienhs
- Drop by the lobby by the Caisse Populaire Kahnawake for a kiosk on Tuesday, February 6, and Wednesday, February 7, from noon – 1pm

Lastly, the remaining dates for the meetings are as follows:

- Wednesday, 8 Onerahtohkó:wa/May
- Wednesday, 18 Seskehkó:wa/September
- Wednesday, 20 Kentenhkó:wa/November

All meetings are scheduled to begin at 7pm. Venues and agenda items will be announced in advance of all meetings. Please note that dates are subject to change in cases where circumstances dictate.