

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE NEW CREDIT FIRST NATION
Executive Finance Council Meeting
PUBLIC MINUTES
Monday, July 25, 2016

Start: 9:07 am

Finish: 12:25 pm

Chief Councillor

R. Stacey Laforme

Councillor

Evan Sault

Councillor

Cathie Jamieson

Councillor/Chair

Veronica King-Jamieson

Councillor

Margaret Sault

Councillor

Erma Ferrell

Councillor

Casey Jonathan

Executive Director

Cynthia Jamieson

Recording Officer

Charlotte Smith

Communications Director

Deanna Dunham

Finance Director

Lilia Moos

Director of SED

Kevin Wassegijig

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Erma Ferrell opened the meeting at 9:07 am. Councillor Casey Jonathan will be a few minutes late.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT AGENDA

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Agenda with the following additions:

- Agenda Item No. 11a) – Band Member Request (EF);
- Agenda Item No. 11b) – Debriefing of Monthly Gathering Meeting of Saturday, July 23, 2016.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE (PUBLIC) MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE FINANCE COUNCIL DATED MAY 24, 2016

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Public Minutes of Executive Finance Council dated May 24, 2016.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3a) – REVIEW & ACCEPT SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF NANFAN PROJECT UPDATE & NEXT PHASE OF MOVING FORWARD – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2016

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Special Council Minutes of Nanfan Project Update & Next Phase of Moving Forward dated February 16, 2016.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3b) – REVIEW & ACCEPT SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF APPEAL – TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2016

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Special Council Minutes – Appeal dated Tuesday, April 5, 2016.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3c) – REVIEW & ACCEPT SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29, 2016

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Special Council Minutes of Wednesday, June 29, 2016.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3d) – REVIEW & ACCEPT SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF MNCFN TRANSFER POLICY – WEDNESDAY, JULY 6, 2016

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Special Council Minutes of the MNCFN Transfer Policy dated Wednesday, July 6, 2016.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3e) – REVIEW & ACCEPT SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF 8392692 CANADA INC. (839 CO.)

MOTION NO. 7

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Special Council Minutes of 8392692 Canada Inc. (839 Co.) with noted corrections.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – MAJOR EVENTS COMMITTEE – TERMS OF REFERENCE
(COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR)**

Communications Director brought this item to Council. The intent of the Terms of Reference was to clarify the roles and responsibilities of the Major Events Committee, and what the event is pertaining to.

On Page 2 of the Terms of Reference, Councillor advised that meetings should be the call of the Chair.

It is noted that the budget may have to be increased.

On Page 2 under Authority add the following words “appropriate departments to be included as needed.”

Chief pointed out there is no section on Communication.

Councillor stated that the issue she has is when Council finds out about events at the last minute. Communications Director answered that NAIG is difficult right now i.e. NAIG informed on Thursday that there was a meeting on Friday; the meetings will be every month for two hours (4:30 to 6:30 pm). Communications Director will send out reminders. She also stated that she is the point of contact for NAIG, as is Councillor Veronica King-Jamieson and the DSED.

As a sidenote, Councillor questioned the Communications Director as to why the purchases for the Community Centre have not been done when she (Communications Director) was provided with a budget. Communications Director answered that she is still in talks with Public Works.

She (Communications Director) informed that the Content Writer resigned this week. She will do a short term contract with the budget that is already in place.

MOTION NO. 8

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY CASEY JONATHAN

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council approves the Major Events Committee Terms of Reference with noted corrections.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – MAJOR EVENTS COMMITTEE – YOUTH MEMBER
(COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR)**

MOTION NO. 9

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY CASEY JONATHAN

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council approves the addition of a Youth Representative, age 18-29, to the Major Events Committee (MEC) and further approves an increase in the MEC budget of \$1,650.00 (One Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Dollars) for the remainder of the 2016/17 fiscal budget. Funds to be provided through the Enterprise Fund.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – MNCFN ANNUAL REPORT – COUNCIL CONTRIBUTIONS
(COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR)**

It was agreed that Chief and Council would each contribute their own report to the Annual Report. The Content Writer will prepare the information she is given by Chief and Council.

MOTION NO. 10

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY MARGARET SAULT

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council approves the contribution of messages from the Chief and **EACH** Councillor in the MNCFN Annual Report.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – TRANSPORTATION COMPARISON LIST (OFFICE CLERK)

The Transportation Comparison List that was prepared by the Office Clerk is accepted as an FYI.

Councillor questioned why there is no recommendation. Executive Director answered that the Office Clerk was only to explore the costs.

Chief stated that a comparison is needed for a standard year. Councillor added that this item should stay status quo until there are actuals.

Executive Director pointed out that she contacts all the departments before the Christmas Break regarding the budgets as departments have to start constructing their budgets in January of each year.

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council gives direction to the Office Clerk to bring an update of the Transportation Comparison List to the Executive Finance Council Meeting on November 28, 2016.

Chief R. Stacey Laforme left the room at 10:10 am because of a conflict of interest in the next item.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – ELECTORAL OFFICER – NOMINATIONS & ELECTION DAY

Executive Director highlighted this item as follows: The last election was held Saturday December 2015; however Councillor Arland LaForme tendered his resignation effective May 16, 2016. Subsequently, Council agreed to have a By-Election conducted to fill the vacancy. The first posting for an Electoral Officer resulted in no applications, thereby creating the need to repost. It was reposted and two people applied.

In the event of a postal strike, this By-Election could be subject to an appeal.

The Monthly Gathering is the same day (Saturday, October 22, 2016) as the By-Election. Does Council want to have the Election on the same day, or have the Monthly Gathering moved to the following Saturday, October 29, 2016?

It was agreed that the Monthly Gathering would be moved to Saturday, October 29, 2016.

MOTION NO. 11

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council hereby appoints Julie A. LaForme as the Electoral Officer for the 2016 Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation By- Election, which will be held on Saturday, October 22, 2016. and the Nominations which will be held on Saturday, Sept. 10, 2016; and further authorizes the Lands/Membership/Research Department to request the Voter's List from INAC on behalf of the Electoral Officer and to provide the last known addresses of Off-Reserve Band Members to the Electoral Officer.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

See BCR No. 166 – 2016-2017

DIRECTION NO. 2

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council gives direction to the Communications Director to reschedule the October Monthly Gathering from October 22 to October 29, 2016 as the MNCFN By-Election will take place on Saturday, October 22, 2016.

Chief back in at 10:25 am.

Finance Director in at 10:25 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE MONTHS OF APRIL, MAY & JUNE 2016

Finance Director pointed out that Page 11 is Consultation & Accommodation and not Band Administration.

These are the Financial Statements since March 31, 2016. Finance Director stated that approximately \$569,000.00 will not be collected. There was a figure of \$36,200.79 that was paid to Scotiabank for the overdraft amount of Country Style. There is \$165,000.00 still owing from SN Technologies. Executive Director informed that the agreement with SN Technologies was amended to be paid at the end of June 2016.

Councillor reiterated that Council has not received any Financial Statements from Country Style. It was noted that the DSED was to provide reports to the Finance Director. Finance Director informed that this new Auditor (BDO) is not alright with having no Financial Statements from Country Style and NCVGB. She suggested that the DSED put together final numbers for March 31, 2016 because there is nothing in place. Chief replied that the Finance Department was to take care of this. Finance Director answered that a recommendation is needed regarding the Financial Statements of Country Style and NCVGB.

Chief questioned when dollars were transferred from NCVGB. Finance Director answered January of 2015.

Finance Director stated that it is time to bring back the Financial Statements of NCVGB to the Finance Department. Executive Director informed that the Briefing Note should come from the Finance Director in this regard. Executive Director reiterated that NCVGB is a part of the MNCFN organization and has to come under the Administration. The Finance Department would also do payroll and other duties.

Executive Director informed that a Contribution Agreement was signed on behalf of Housing with the Housing Program Director. This will come to the next Infrastructure and Development Council Meeting. Executive Director also stated that agreements come unexpectedly and have to be signed immediately.

Executive Director informed that the province has a software system for Ontario Works which no one wanted to use. There were things to be worked out regarding the case management system.

Councillor informed that she and another Councillor met with the Office Manager at DOCA to discuss DOCA finances. Information has been obtained from the Finance Director and now both Councillors have to meet with the Office Manager again and do a chart for DOCA and bring it back to Council.

Finance Director out at 11:25 am.

DIRECTION NO. 3

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council gives direction to the Finance Director and the DSED to bring back a report regarding the loan with SN Technologies and when full payment can be expected. This information will come back to the next Infrastructure & Development Council Meeting on Tuesday, August 2, 2016.

DIRECTION NO. 4

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council gives direction to the Executive Director to meet with the DSED and follow up regarding the Financial Statements of Country Style and NCVGB. This report will come back to the next Infrastructure & Development Council Meeting on Tuesday, August 2, 2016.

DIRECTION NO. 5

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council gives direction to the Finance Director to bring back to Council a recommendation of the financial reporting process of New Credit Variety & Gas Bar (NCVGB).

DIRECTION NO. 6

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council gives direction to the SHS Director to bring an update to the next Education & Social Services Council Meeting on Monday, August 8, 2016 on the reporting of welfare payments.

MOTION NO. 12

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Financial Statements dated June 30, 2016 with noted corrections.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11a) – BAND MEMBER REQUEST

Councillor advised that a Band Member wanted to know if there could be anything put in place whereby there could be a Music Jam once per month, similar to what was happening at Country Style before it closed.

Councillor stated that she would bring a recommendation to Council regarding opening the Community Centre on one Saturday or Sunday per month – what the costs would be for the rental, janitors, where the dollars would come from etc.

Chief informed that the Band Member would not meet the criteria for the Events Policy.

One Councillor suggested having the Music Jam on the afternoon of the Monthly Gathering.

It was suggested that the Band Member could come and make a presentation to Council

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 11b) – DEBRIEFING OF MONTHLY GATHERING MEETING –
TRANSFER POLICY OF SATURDAY, JULY 23, 2016**

Councillor questioned the Chief as to when the last set of Minutes had been completed for the Monthly Gathering. Chief answered that hopefully the Minutes will be in the summary for September.

Another Councillor stated that Membership 101 is needed regarding Bill C-31 and Bill C-3. A/LMR Director was to take the summary back and revise it and bring it back to Chief and Council.

Chief suggested having a meeting with the Youth. A/LMR Director will bring back answers to questions that were asked.

MOTION NO. 13

MOVED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

SECONDED BY CASEY JONATHAN

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council moved In-Camera at 11:55 am.

Carried