AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Arland LaForme opened the meeting at 9:02 am. Chief R. Stacey Laforme is away in Ottawa on Council business. Councillor Cathie Jamieson opened in prayer.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT AGENDA

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON SECONDED BY MARGARET SAULT
That the MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council accepts the Agenda with the following addition:

- Agenda Item No. 12a) – Two Deer were hit on Townline Road.

Carried
AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT INFRASTRUCTURE & DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (PUBLIC) MINUTES FROM MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2016

MOTION NO. 2
MOVED BY CATHIE JAMIESON                SECONDED BY MARGARET SAULT
That the MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council accepts the Infrastructure & Development (Public) Council Minutes of Monday, February 1, 2016.
Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

Council moved to an In-Camera session at 9:15 am.

Council moved out of the In-Camera session at 10:15 am.
CONSULTATION & ACCOMMODATION

Guests Kevin O’Connor, Gloria Resler and Jim Robb in at 10:20 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – GUESTS – PRESENTATION ON ROUGE NATIONAL PARK

Chair introduced the guests.

Jim Robb and guests are from an organization called “Friends of the Rouge”. He informed that the Rouge Park used to be 156 acres, but now is only 120. Mr. Robb presented handouts and a map of the Park. He stated that people who live in the area are more concerned with keeping the Park and not commercializing it. Another concern is water.

There is a Carolinian Eco Zone in this Park area.

Communications Director stated that the federal MP and the Chief have good dialogue, and that they are building a relationship. She also advised that the Advisory Circle, MP and herself could speak to Mr. Robb regarding a meeting. Mr. Robb suggested that there could be some sort of celebration around Earth Day.

Mr. Robb stated that Band Member Carolyn King is involved with a lot of these things. He said Friends of the Rouge would like to make sure the government follows through in protecting the land.

Guests were thanked and left at 10:45 am. DOCA out at 10:45 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

There was no Other/New Business.
OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – DISCUSSION ON MEETING WITH THE UNION OF ONTARIO INDIANS

It was agreed by Council that the meeting with the Union of Ontario Indians would be here at that next Infrastructure & Development Council Meeting on Monday, April 4, 2016.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

There was no Other/New Business.
PUBLIC WORKS

PW Director, Stephanie Allen, Janet Robins and Craig King in at 10:50 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 – GUEST – JANET ROBINS FROM ROBIN’S ENVIRONMENTAL TO GIVE PRESENTATION ON DRAFT SOLID WASTE POLICY GUIDE (PLEASE BRING YOUR BOOKLET TO THE MEETING)

PW Director sent a copy of the Draft Solid Waste Policy Guide to Chief and Council and asked for their comments. Councillor Margaret Sault was the only one who returned her comments. It was noted that the Guide is a draft at this point. It was also noted that Stephanie Allen is a good resource for the First Nation as is Janet Robins.

Ms Robins received the comments from Councillor Margaret Sault. Ms. Robins will be adding a new tab to the Guide and the tab will be titled Annual Complaints to Emterra.

Councillor reiterated that housing lumber (any extras) can be taken to Canboro, but PW Director stated that Band Members do not have to go all the way to Canboro when they can go to Norfolk but will have to pay $85.00 per tonne.

Councillor questioned if once this Guide is finalized will it be presented to the Community. It was suggested just to give the Community the guidelines and not the whole document.

Stephanie Allen stated that New Credit is the first Community to be doing this. Maps and charges will also go in the booklet. Councillor noted that this is a working document going forward and will be added to the Policy Review.

Regarding the issue of the wind blowing the garbage everywhere and the dogs ripping the bags open, would it be wise for the Band Members to purchase their own bins. Some Band Members have already purchased bins and bungi cords. PW Director informed that her department has carts/bins which costs $75.00 each. These carts are cheaper than buying elsewhere unless a Band Member finds them on sale where they would be even cheaper.

Stephanie Allen and Janet Robins were thanked and left at 11:25 am.

MOTION NO. 6
MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON
That the MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council approves the Solid Waste Policy Guide on Monday, March 7, 2016 as presented along with the further comments to be incorporated.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12a) – TWO DEER WERE HIT & DIED ON TOWNLINE ROAD

Councillor reported that there were two deer that were hit and died, one on each side of Town Line Road. PW Director stated it is the responsibility of Haldimand County to remove the dead deer. She informed that she will put this in the Newsletter that Haldimand County is responsible for the road and road allowance.
Craig King and PW Director out at 11:30 am.

LUNCH BREAK 11:30 TO 12:30 PM
HOUSING

Guests Rachel Isaacs and Craig King in at 12:35 pm.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13 – BEAUTIFICATION OF TOWNLINE ESTATES (GUESTS - RACHEL ISAACS & CRAIG KING WILL BE PRESENT SHOULD COUNCIL HAVE ANY QUESTIONS)

Rachel Isaacs was introduced and then she presented a Power Point Presentation. Housing Program Director gave some background information before the presentation.

When consultation with Community Members were asked to give feedback, Councillor questioned if there was a good collection of data other than from the nine people. Housing Program Director replied that she had set up a table at Caring Together Week and people did come and ask questions and give some ideas.

Councillor noted that this is the first step in working toward development.

Ms. Isaacs stated that the philosophy of Bienenstock is getting kids exposed to nature.

Since this development is along New Credit Road where would people park? It was pointed out that there are six extra parking spaces. Ms. Isaacs stated that a parking area would be needed, and Bienenstock or New Credit could do this. Councillor noted that under the ground there are wires and pipes etc. so care would have to be taken when installing a parking lot.

Councillor questioned where would buses with wheel chairs park, and where would the drop off be. Ms. Isaacs informed that consultation from handicapped people would be required.

The drawings show a pavilion and Councillor does not want to see this turn into a hangout for teenagers with nothing to do. One of the ways to remedy this would be to install surveillance

Ms. Isaacs was thanked for her presentation and left at 1:10 pm.

MOTION NO. 7
MOVED BY CASEY JONATHAN SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL
That the MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council approves the Program & Housing Director to continue moving forward with Bienenstock regarding Beautification of Townline Estates, Phase 1.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

Craig King out at 1:20 pm.
AGENDA ITEM NO. 14 – HOUSING PROGRAM – NEW CONSTRUCTION

Housing Program Director provided some background information. Councillor questioned if the people who only borrowed $40,000.00, could come back and request the whole allotment? Housing Program Director said this has never happened before.

Housing Program Director informed that with regard to defaulting on a loan, she just sent one to the lawyer. Approximately five have went to the lawyer for non-completion and non-compliance.

MOTION NO. 8
MOVED BY CASEY JONATHAN SECONDED BY MARGARET SAULT
That the MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council approves the 2016/2017 Housing New Allotment to be increased from $110,000.00 (One Hundred, Ten Thousand Dollars) to $150,000.00 (One Hundred, Fifty Thousand Dollars) @ 3% interest. Effective April 1, 2016. Dollars will come from the Housing Reserve Fund.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15 – UPDATE ON PILOT PROJECT – LENDER LOAN

Housing Program Director provided an update and background information on this item. Because the Lender Loan is a pilot project only one Band Member was allowed to take part as he already had approval from a bank for financing. The total amount of this project is $125,000.00 which MNCFN lent to the Band Member. The Pilot Project is doing well and all dollars received are reverting back to the Housing Reserve Fund. The Band Member is paying a higher interest rate. It does not appear that Council is ready to make this commitment again and neither is the Housing Program Director. There have been three other Band Members who are interested in the Pilot Project. Housing Program Director would like this amount increased to $150,000.00.

Housing Program Director will confirm with Councillor that a budget of $150,000.00 is allowed.
MOTION NO. 9
MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL
That the MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council approves the Housing Department to offer the Lender Loan “to purchase an existing home located on New Credit, and will approve only one loan per year, effective April 1, 2016 with stipulations and criteria set as follows:

- Fixed 5 year term (interest to be determined at time of loan as per bank approval)
- Collateral (house and services eg. Water and sewer access to road)
- Dollars to come from Housing Reserve fund
- Inspection will be done by the MNCFN Public Works Department
- Default procedure of Three Notices
- Amount of loan not to exceed $150,000.00
- Pre approved for a loan by a reputable Financial Institution, Bank, Credit Union, etc prior to approaching MNCFN for a loan. Dollars to come from the Housing Reserve Fund

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

Opposed: Councillor Margaret Sault – amount is too low; Councillor Casey Jonathan – need confirmation that $150,000.00 is in the budget.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 16 – UPDATE ON HaaB – HOUSING AS A BUSINESS

Housing Program Director reiterated that a Feasibility Study was done long ago.

DSED stated that HaaB (Housing As A Business) would fit under the Business Development Corporation. HaaB could also go through 839 Co. it was noted that MRP will also affect Housing. HaaB would be an additional program besides what Housing already has.

It was agreed that Council would move forward with this HaaB.

MOTION NO. 10
MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON
That the MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council agrees to move forward with HaaB (Housing as a Business) as presented by the Housing Program Director.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

DIRECTION NO. 2
That the MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council gives direction to the Housing Program Director and DSED to work together on the initiative of Housing as a Business (HaaB).

DIRECTION NO.3
That the MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council gives direction to the Housing Program Director to set up a meeting with Chief and Council regarding Housing as a Business (HaaB).
AGENDA ITEM NO. 17 – CANADA MORTGAGE & HOUSING CORPORATION (CMHC SECTION 95 – “EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST”)

Housing Program Director advised that locking in for the long term and the interest rates is the reason why HaaB was discussed. The deadline for this application to be received is no later than April 8, 2016 and it can be cancelled at any time. Dollars for maintenance is provided until the loan is paid. Interest rates are low, but over the long term lots of interest is paid.

Council is not interested in pursuing Section 95 – Expressions of Interest with CMHC.

MOTION NO. 11
MOVED BY SECONDED BY
That the MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council approves the Housing Department to complete the Canada Mortgage & Housing Corporation – Section 95 – Expressions of Interest no later than April 8, 2016 – Midnight.

Chair called for Mover three times and no one responded.

Motion Defeated

Housing Program Director out at 2:05 pm.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 18 – OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

There was no Other/New Business.
LANDS, MEMBERSHIP & RESEARCH

A/LMR Director in at 2:05 pm.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 19 – VIDEO OF ELDERS

MOTION NO. 12
MOVED BY ERMA FERRELLSECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON
That the MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council agrees that the budget proposal to be prepared by Joan Holmes & Associates will include costs associated with obtaining Oral History of Elder Sault as well as additional Elders.

Carried.
2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 20 – CODE OF ETHICS

DIRECTION NO. 4
That the MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council gives direction to the A/LMR Director to contact various Elders to attend a brainstorming session regarding the Code of Ethics. A/LMR Director will contact Elders to get a date as to when they will be available.

MOTION NO. 13
MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESONSECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL
That the MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council agrees to pay Elder Nancy Rowe for consultation with the A/LMR Director regarding the Code of Ethics in the amount of $125.00 (One Hundred Twenty Five Dollars). Dollars will come from Casino Rama.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 21 – BOSTON CREEK SUB-WATERSHED

Councillor Veronica King-Jamieson excused herself because of a conflict of interest in this item. She left at 2:33 pm.

Councillor thought that a 50/50 split with Six Nations on this project is high for New Credit.

Clynt King will be attending the next Infrastructure & Development Council Meeting on Monday, April 4, 2016 to give a presentation on this item.
MOTION NO. 14
MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON
That the MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council agrees to invite Clynt King to the next Infrastructure & Development Council Meeting on Monday, April 4, 2016, to make a presentation on the Proposed Joint Venture with Six Nations regarding the Boston Creek Sub-Watershed.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

Councillor Veronica King-Jamieson returned at 2:45 pm.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 22 – OTHER/NEW BUSINESS
There was no Other/New Business.

Council moved to an In-Camera session at 2:35 pm.