

**MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION
INFRASTRUCTURE & DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
PUBLIC MINUTES
Monday, April 1, 2019**

Start 9:05 am

Finish 11:45 am

Chief Councillor

R. Stacey Laforme

Councillor

Erma Ferrell

Councillor

Cathie Jamieson

Councillor

Larry Sault (Excused)

Councillor

Evan Sault (Excused)

Councillor

Rodger LaForme

Councillor

Veronica King-Jamieson

Councillor/Chair

Stephanie LaForme

Executive Director

Cynthia Jamieson (Vacation)

Recorder

Charlotte Smith

HR Manager

Kerri King (filling in for Executive Director)

PW Director

Arland LaForme

DOCA Director

Mark LaForme

SHS Director

Rachelle Ingrao

Legal Counsel

Alex Monem

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Stephanie LaForme opened the meeting at 9:05 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT AGENDA

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY RODGER LAFORME

That the MCFN Infrastructure & Development Council accepts the Agenda with the following addition:

- Agenda Item No. 10a) – Assets Future End/Use (PW Director).

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT PUBLIC MINUTES OF INFRASTRUCTURE & DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL DATED MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2019

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the MCFN Infrastructure & Development Council accepts the Public Minutes of Infrastructure & Development Council Meeting dated Monday, March 4, 2019.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4.1 – Letter of Condolence sent to Six Nations Chief and Council regarding the passing of Councillor Wray Maracle.

CONSULTATION & ACCOMMODATION

DOCA Director and Alex Monem (Legal Counsel) in at 8:55 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – MCFN DECLARATION OF RIGHTS

DOCA Director noted in his Briefing Note that he would like Chief and Council to review the MCFN Declaration of Rights.

The MCFN Declaration of Rights is a document intended to be the basis of an MCFN Constitution. This Declaration of Rights was drafted pursuant to the Recognition of Indigenous Rights and Self Determination (RIRSD or Governance) table discussions.

This is the first draft for Chief and Council to review. This document was presented at the TARC Committee Meeting with direction being given to forward to Chief and Council for review.

Alex Monem (Legal Counsel) reiterated that this is a draft for discussion purposes. Chief and Council have the power to create laws and reassert fundamental rights. He also stated that a more high level document is needed which contains constitutional rights.

Fundamental rights and responsibilities include jurisdiction, self-determination, good governance, accountability etc.

Alex pointed out that Chief and Council have to decide how to bring and ratify this document to Band Members. Further discussion is needed going forward.

Councillor EF suggested that it would be beneficial to the TARC Committee to be put on Monday's meetings. DOCA Director agrees that everything TARC is dealing with should be brought to the Council Table. Chief added that items regarding TARC can be put on the Regular Council Agenda, and from here can be transported to various Committees.

DOCA Director stated that claims will be a standing item on the Regular Council Agenda.

Chief stated that the Governance Committee will also come to Regular Council.

If Chief and Council have comments on the draft Declaration of Rights, they can be forwarded to the DOCA Director.

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the MCFN Infrastructure & Development Council directs that the MCFN Declaration of Rights will come back to the next Regular Council Meeting for further discussion.

It was agreed that Chief and Council will provide further input on the Declaration of Rights.

As the TARC Committee has fulfilled its mandate, the TARC Committee will be dissolved, and will now become a standing item on the Regular Council Agenda.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – MCFN CANADA PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT

DOCA Director noted in his Briefing Note that he would like Chief and Council to review the MCFN/CANADA PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT.

The MCFN/CANADA PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT is a document that was drafted pursuant to the Recognition of Indigenous Rights and Self-Determination (RIRSD or Governance) table discussions to ensure that a commitment is in place to continue the RIRSD process in the event there is a change in leadership of the Government of Canada.

This is the final draft of the MCFN/CANADA PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT for Chief and Council's review. This document was presented at the TARC Committee Meeting with direction being given to forward to Chief and Council for review.

DOCA Director informed that there is still two more years of funding.

Legal Counsel Alex Monem explained that the exploratory table became the framework for the Preliminary Agreement and is non-binding. Therefore, this documents firms up things.

Alex referred to Page 11 of the above document which is the Appendix. It is a list of subject matters for the negotiation process. The list includes (this is not an exhaustive list) Resolution of MCFN Claims, Acquisition or Transfer of Lands as a Potential Resolution of MCFN Claims, Mechanisms to Recognize and Implement MCFN Stewardship Rights, Renewed Fiscal Relationship, Advancing MCFN Governance Institution and Instruments and Advancing Broader Nation-Level Governance Discussions. This list is just what is possible. MCFN's jurisdiction covers all Treaty Lands.

Page 4 talks about getting out of the Indian Act, however, taking all this on requires time and money. Indian Act has no fans in the federal government. This would be a federal transfer and is the New Fiscal Relationship.

Alex noted that self-government reserves are very underfunded.

Chief and Council will have to interact with the Mississauga Nation. The goal is to have this Agreement signed by the second week of May 2019. Chief advised that we have to make sure we know where we are going before we sign anything.

Chief stated that this is our Agreement, not Canada's.

Alex informed that Canada is prepared to talk as is MCFN.

Councillor CJ stated that this is exploratory and we can push as far as possible.

Chief stated that MCFN should pass an "Election Law", not an Election Code.

Alex and DOCA Director were thanked for their presentation and left at 10:10 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

There was no Other/New Business.

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

SHS Director in at 9:30 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – ISC AMENDMENT A0005 FOR AGREEMENT 1819-ON-000006 (SHS DIRECTOR) (AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED BY CHIEF & COUNCIL)

SHS Director noted that she requires Chief and Council authorization for Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) amendment A0005 for Flexible Agreement 1819-ON-000006

MCFN is moving from a Flexible Agreement into a block model under the Comprehensive Funding Agreement (CFA) as of April 1, 2019. As such, the current Flexible Agreement requires an amendment to ensure the carrying forward of any unspent funds from 2018-2019 to 2019-2020 under the flexible model (all 2019-20 funds will be under the CFA).

The purpose of the amendment is to change the end date of this agreement (current, Flexible Agreement) to March 31, 2020 to permit the carrying forward of any unspent fiscal year 2018-2019 Flexible funding; and reduce funding to \$0 for fiscal year 2019-2020 and onward in the agreement as funding has been added to the new MCFN Comprehensive Funding Agreement (CFA) effective April 1/19.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

That the MCFN Infrastructure & Development Council authorizes and signs Indigenous Services Canada amendment A0005 for agreement 1819-ON-000006, for the purpose of carrying forward 2018-2019 unspent flexible funds into the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

Chief and Council signed the above Agreement.

SHS Director out at 10:20 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – RADIO AIR TIME WITH 106.5 FM AS PER CHIEF & COUNCIL MOTION OF MARCH 18, 2019 (REGULAR COUNCIL) (EF)

Councillor EF was directed to work with the MCD Director on purchasing advertising air time from 106.5 FM Toronto. To date, both have been unable to coordinate their schedules to travel to Toronto and meet with the staff at 106.5 FM.

In order to keep moving forward with this project, Councillor EF contacted the sales person she met in January 2019. The proposal for MCFN to work with the staff at 106.5 FM will be revised and is included in the Motion below.

Every Pillar Lead will work with the MCD Director regarding a schedule as to when they would be aired on the radio station.

Councillor EF stated that the Land Acknowledgement needs to be sent to the Hamilton School Board. Councillor VKJ added that a standard letter should be prepared that would go to all the

PW Director in at 10:30 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10a) – ASSETS FUTURE END/USE (PW DIRECTOR)

PW Director noted in his Briefing Note that a Motion is required to authorize the Public Works Department to meet with Pillar 6 Lead/Departments/Committees and determine the Future/End Use of Assets shown below.

In the past, PWD has been budgeting items for asset maintenance to address Health & Safety issues to ensure occupation and visitor safety.

In the past three (3) years, annual budgets were prepared on the basis for maintenance items only. No confirmed future/end-use of these assets in line with the Strategic Plan has been determined.

Future planning in line with MCFN Strategic Plan for assets is required for the following:

- Agimaw Gamig \$335,000.00
- Rumpus Hall \$210,000.00
- Council House \$3,010,000.00
- Dining Hall \$285,000.00

Councillor SL informed that she has a meeting with the Cultural Committee either today or tomorrow.

PW Director questioned why does the Cultural Committee think they have veto power. He needs to be clear on this so it can be addressed in his Workplan.

PW Director informed that there is some confusion going forward. He would like to know which Pillar Leads would be involved.

Councillor EF is not in agreement with demolishing the Dining Hall. PW Director replied that the floor is dangerous. Councillor EF then stated that the job of the Proposal Writer is to find dollars for this sort of thing. HR Manager suggested using the TP Community Development Fund. Chief suggested doing a review of the Dining Hall.

It was noted by Councillor EF that outside dollars are needed to restore the Council House. Councillor EF replied that the Proposal Writer be directed to review the Council House information and where dollars could be obtained.

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON
That the MCFN Infrastructure & Development Council authorize Public Works Department to address operation and maintenance issues in 2019/2020 budget only. Further, PWD to strategically plan for future Assets Future / End Use as follows:

Renovations:

- **Agimaw Gamig: \$335,000.00**
- **Rumpus Hall: \$210,000.00** – To provide additional programming office space on Upper Level ONLY and Storage on Lower Level. If MCFN wanted to pursue full access to access the fire existing issue with the installation of another exit the Class “D” renovation costs would be \$210,000.00
- **Dining Hall (Church):** review & provide an assessment on the Church Dining Hall

Maintain:

- **Council House:** PWD to continue with Operation and Maintain and work with Pillar 6 Lead to rehabilitate this asset to its original state and to satisfy classification requirements related to museum status for MCFN.
- **Direct the Proposal Writer** to look for dollars to rehabilitate the Council House.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

PW Director out at 11:00 am.

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY RODGER LAFORME SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME
That the MCFN Infrastructure & Development Council moved In-Camera.

Carried