

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION
Executive Finance Council Meeting
PUBLIC MINUTES
Monday, September 23, 2019

Start: 9:05 am

Finish: 1:00 pm

Chief Councillor

R. Stacey Laforme

Councillor

Evan Sault

Councillor

Cathie Jamieson

Councillor

Veronica King-Jamieson

Councillor/Chair

Erma Ferrell

Councillor

Rodger LaForme

Councillor

Larry Sault

Councillor

Stephanie LaForme

Chief Operating Officer

Kailey Thomson

Recording Officer

Charlotte Smith

HR Manager

Kerri King

MCD Director

Donna Duric

Guests from OTE

Scott Hill and Dale Sault

Band Member

Tim Sault

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Erma Ferrell opened the meeting at 9:05 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT AGENDA

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

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

- Agenda Item No. 8a) – Requesting Update on former Green Willow Property (EF);
- Agenda Item No. 8b) – Requesting Update on D. Carriere (EF);
- Agenda Item No. 8c) – Update on Financial Statements (KT);
- Agenda Item No. 8d) – Motion to be Read into Minutes (ES);
- Agenda Item No. 16a) – In-Camera Item.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE (PUBLIC) MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE FINANCE COUNCIL DATED MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2019

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY RODGER LAFORME

That the MCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Public Minutes of the Executive Finance Council Meeting dated Monday, August 26, 2019.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – MOTION TO BE READ INTO THE MINUTES – JONATHAN FERRIER - APPLICATION FOR GRANT

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY STEPHANIE LAFORME

That the MCFN Executive Finance Council approves and supports Jonathan Ferrier in applying to the National Science and Engineering Council of Canada (NSERC) Discovery Grant for the proposed project titled “Ethnobiology of Northeastern Turtle Island Food, Medicine and Material Cultural Security.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

MCD Director in at 9:20 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – FRENCH TRANSLATION OF MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION (MCD DIRECTOR)

MCD Director noted that inquiries about the French translation of “Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation” have been coming in to the Media & Communications office.

MCD Director is requesting a French translation as she believes there is none at this time, therefore, she sought the assistance of a French speaker.

Councillor VKJ questioned if the MCD Director reached out to the LMR Director, Donald Smith etc. MCD Director answered that she only reached out to the Culture & Events Coordinator.

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the MCFN Executive Finance Council directs the MCD Director obtain additional information from other sources such as the LMR Director, Donald Smith etc. to get the proper French spelling of “Mississaugas of the Credit”.

NOTE: The War of 1812 Exhibit in the Community Centre also has the French spelling.

MCD Director out at 9:30 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – PRESENTATION OF DONATION BY ORIGINAL TRADERS ENERGY (OTE) TO MCFN – SCOTT HILL

Councillor LS noted that others, for example, Bradshaw (former fuel distributor), did not donate to the MCFN Community, and if they did it was very minimal.

Band Member Tim Sault questioned the quality of the gas. Chair answered that Council will find out.

Council will come back to this Agenda Item as the guests from OTE have not yet arrived.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8a) – UPDATE ON FORMER GREEN WILLOW PROPERTY

Chair/Councillor EF received an email from the University of Waterloo. They would like to build another structure (they already built an Arbor in the grove) whenever the Pow Wow is moved to the former Willow Park property. Chair directed them to work with Pillar 6 Lead (Councillor Stephanie LaForme).

Band Member Tim Sault questioned if any decision was made on the former Green Willow property yet, and Chair answered not yet.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8b) – UPDATE ON D. CARRIERE

It was noted by the Chair that Diane Carriere will be here on October 8 – 9, 2019 to interview Senior Managers and the Chief Operating Officer.

Chair informed that she will ask Diane Carriere if she'll accept a written report from any of the Senior Managers in the event that he/she is absent.

Councillor LS requested that Diane provide Chief and Council with a scope of work that she will be doing.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8c) – REQUEST FOR UPDATE ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (EF)

Chief Operating Officer provided an update on the Finance Department. As everyone knows, the Finance Director is on sick leave. In the interim, Lucy Popoli has been contracted and will be coming to work in the Finance Department. Chief Operating Officer will bring a recommendation to Council regarding a further update.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8d) – MOTION TO BE READ INTO THE MINUTES – INDIGENOUS HEALTH STRATEGY - HAMILTON

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY STEPHANIE LAFORME

That the MCFN Executive Finance Council authorizes participation in an interview by Terry Ramierz, Indigenous Health Strategy Specialist for the purpose of improving health outcomes for MCFN Membership accessing Public Health Services in Hamilton, ON. It is understood that the information collected will remain qualitative in nature, and MCFN will have the opportunity to review and approve the information gathered before any reports or data are released to outside agencies.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

Council moved back to Agenda Item No. 7.

Dale Sault and Scott Hill from OTE in at 9:37 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – PRESENTATION OF DONATION BY ORIGINAL TRADERS ENERGY (OTE) TO MCFN – SCOTT HILL

Introductions were made around the Council Table.

Scott Hill stated that in accordance with the Agreement (Agreement was made on March 1, 2019) between MCFN and Original Traders Energy (OTE), effective March to June (quarterly sales), this is the first quarterly donation cheque to MCFN.

Councillor LS questioned the quality assurance of the fuel. Scott answered that OTE sends the fuel away to Montreal weekly to be checked for quality. He stated that there are always rumours about water in the fuel, however, he is not afraid of such rumours anymore and believes it is racism coming from non-Native distributors. Councillor LS added that there is always a fight in the non-Native Community as they believe that First Nations are infringing on their businesses.

Chief pointed out that NCVGB should have a quality test notice in the store. Dale Sault answered that OTE sends the regular notices to the Working Manager.

Councillor LS stated that no other fuel distributor has donated as OTE has to our Community, and he is very supportive of our own First Nations businesses.

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the MCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the first donation cheque in the amount of \$17,063.54 (Seventeen Thousand Sixty-Three Dollars and Fifty-Four Cents) from Original Traders Energy. As per the Specific Terms for Supply of Petroleum Fuels delivered to NCVGB, Section (b), it is noted that OTE shall donate quarterly to the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation one half cent for every litre of fuel sold to NCVGB. The original Agreement is dated March 1, 2019.

NOTE: It was agreed that the above cheque would be deposited to the NCVGB Account.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

Dale Sault and Scott Hill out at 9:50 am.

DIRECTION NO. 2

That the MCFN Executive Finance Council directs the Chief Operating Officer to obtain the information from the Working Manager (Shirley Watson) on the quality testing of fuel from Original Traders Energy. Once received, it will be posted.

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY RODGER LAFORME

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the MCFN Executive Finance Council moved In-Camera at 9:50 am.

Carried