

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION
LAND, WATER & SUSTAINABLE PROSPERITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC MINUTES
Tuesday, June 15, 2021

Start 10:05 am

Finish 12:30 pm

Chief Councillor

R. Stacey Laforme (Excused)

Councillor

Erma Ferrell (via Telephone)

Councillor/Chair

Cathie Jamieson

Councillor

Julie Laforme (via Zoom)

Councillor

Evan Sault (via Zoom)

Councillor

Rodger LaForme via Zoom)

Councillor

Veronica King-Jamieson (via Zoom)

Recorder

Charlotte Smith

Executive Director of Operations

Kerri King

Peace Hills Trust

Georgina Villeneuve & Jeff Frketich (via Zoom)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Cathie Jamieson opened the meeting at 10:05 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT AGENDA & DECLARE CONFLICT OF INTEREST

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY RODGER BILL LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Land, Water & Sustainable Prosperity Council accepts the Agenda with the following addition:

- Agenda Item No. 10b) – MCFN Flags (EF).

Carried

There were no conflicts of interest on any of the Agenda Items.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE PUBLIC MINUTES OF LAND, WATER & SUSTAINABLE PROSPERITY COUNCIL MEETING DATED TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY JULIE LAFORME

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Land, Water & Sustainable Prosperity Council accepts the Public Minutes of the Land, Water and Sustainable Prosperity Council Meeting dated Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4a) **FYI** - Three letters have been signed by the Chief and sent to each MCFN Member via email. These are In-Camera Items.

Council acknowledged the above letters.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – CITY OF TORONTO – MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) (EF)

Councillor EF noted that there was to be a meeting with the Chief, Councillor ES and herself to meet with representatives from the City of Toronto Advisory Council to discuss an MOU (Memorandum of Understanding).

On Friday, June 4, 2021 at 11:00 am, a zoom meeting took place with Selena Young and Jennifer Franks to discuss an MOU with the City of Toronto and MCFN.

Alex Monem (Legal Counsel) will prepare a draft MOU for Council's approval, and then another meeting with Selena Young and Jennifer Franks will be scheduled.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY RODGER BILL LAFORME SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON
That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Land, Water & Sustainable Prosperity Council acknowledges the update of the meeting which was held on Friday, June 4, 2021 at 11:00 am via zoom to discuss a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Selina Young, Jennifer Franks of the City of Toronto Advisory Council, Chief R. Stacey Laforme, and Councillors Erma Ferrell and Evan Sault.

And further, another meeting will be scheduled later during the month of June 2021.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – RYERSON UNIVERSITY LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (EF)

Councillor EF noted in her Briefing that she and the Chief sent a letter to the President of Ryerson University regarding present concerns on their current University Land Acknowledgement which is posted on their website. A meeting was arranged by the President on Wednesday, June 10, 2021 with two of his colleagues and the Chief and Councillor EF.

The President stated that the Land Acknowledgement is a living document and is reviewed on a regular basis.

The Chief did express some concern that MCFN is the Treaty Holder and was not included in the Land Acknowledgment, and further the Chief had some concerns with the Dish With One Spoon being mentioned. The information was well received and another meeting will be scheduled.

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Land, Water & Sustainable Prosperity Council acknowledges the follow up information from the Wednesday June 09, 2021, Land Acknowledgement Discussion with President Lachemi/Ryerson University, two of his staff, Chief R. Stacey Laforme and Councillor Erma Ferrell.

NOTE: Another meeting in the near future will be scheduled, to discuss the current Land Acknowledgement on the Ryerson University website.

Ryerson University Land Acknowledgement:

"Toronto is in the 'Dish With One Spoon Territory'. The Dish With One Spoon is a treaty between the Anishinaabe, Mississaugas and Haudenosaunee that bound them to share the territory and protect the land. Subsequent Indigenous Nations and peoples, Europeans and all newcomers have been invited into this treaty in the spirit of peace, friendship and respect."

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – CANNABIS FILE (EF)

Councillor EF is requesting an update on the Cannabis File.

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY JULIE LAFORME

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Land, Water & Sustainable Prosperity Council directs the Acting Chief Operating Officer, Kerri King to contact the Legal Counsel Sara Mainville in charge of the MCFN Cannabis File to provide an update, at the earliest possible date.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Land, Water & Sustainable Prosperity Council directs the Executive Director of Operations to provide a verbal update on the MCFN Cannabis Law that can be shared with MCFN Members.

Culture and Events Coordinator zoomed in at 10:20 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – MAJOR EVENTS COMMITTEE (MEC) – AFN-AGA SOCIAL REQUEST TO USE MCFN ARBOR FOR LIVE STREAM (CULTURE & EVENTS COORDINATOR)

Culture & Events Coordinator noted in her Briefing Note that the Major Events Committee (MEC) has received a request from TAP Resources to host the Assembly of First Nations Annual General Assembly Social from the Grove/Arbor, and she is seeking approval to allow TAP Resources to live stream at the Arbor.

The Assembly of First Nations Annual General Assembly was to be held in Toronto on July 6-8, 2021 with Elections for National Chief happening on July 7th. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic and restrictions this will be hosted on a virtual platform.

The Major Events Committee Chair and Lead Administration have been sitting on and attending the AFN AGM Host Committee which also includes representatives from Chiefs of Ontario and Six Nations and coordinated by TAP Resources.

TAP Resources would like to host a live stream of the social at Mississaugas of the Credit in the Grove under the Arbor on July 8, 2021 which is the last day of the AFN AGA. This will be no longer than an hour. This will be delivered following MCFN's Covid-19 Policy and Procedures and will be posting proper signage to keep participants safe.

Executive Director of Operations noted that this event will depend on whether we have moved to Stage 2 of the reopening.

Councillor JL questioned if any dollars were being provided by TAP. Culture & Events Coordinator answered no.

Councillor ES will follow up with Public Works regarding lawn maintenance. Culture & Events Coordinator informed that Miles Brown from Biodiversity will be taking care of the lawn maintenance.

It was also noted that TAP Resources reached out to MCFN, and not AFN.

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY RODGER BILL LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Land, Water & Sustainable Prosperity Council approves the request to use the Pow Wow/Arbor Grounds for the virtual live stream of the Assembly of First Nations Annual General Assembly Social on Thursday, July 8, 2021 following and abiding by Mississaugas of the Credit's Covid-19 Protocols and Procedures.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

Culture and Events Coordinator zoomed out at 10:35 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – PEACE HILLS TRUST – PRESENTATION ON ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS IN THE TRUST FROM GEORGINA VILLENEUVE AND JEFF FRKETICH

This item was moved In-Camera.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10a) – RENAMING RYERSON PUBLIC SCHOOL (EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS)

Robert Eatough, Superintendent of Education with the Halton District School Board emailed the Chief regarding the renaming of Ryerson Public School. In light of recent events (discovery of mass graves at former residential schools), there is a growing concern and several official requests to rename the school.

Councillor EF questioned if the Chief had any comments as Peter Jones and Mr. Ryerson were good friends. Executive Director of Operations answered that the Chief did not have any comments.

This item will be brought to the next Council Meeting when the Chief will be present.

DIRECTION NO. 2

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Land, Water & Sustainable Prosperity Council directs the Executive Director of Operations to respond to the email from Robert Eatough dated June 11, 2021 regarding the renaming of Ryerson Public School, that Chief and Council will be meeting on Tuesday, June 22, 2021, and this item will be on the Agenda for further discussion.

MOTION NO. 7

MOVED BY JULIE LAFORME

SECONDED BY RODGER BILL LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Land, Water & Sustainable Prosperity Council moved In-Camera at 10:45 am.

Carried