

**MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION
GOVERNANCE INTERNAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL
PUBLIC MINUTES
Tuesday, September 14, 2021**

Start 10:07 am

Finish 1:50 pm

Chief Councillor/Chair

R. Stacey Laforme (via Zoom)

Councillor

Erma Ferrell

Councillor

Veronica King-Jamieson (via Zoom)

Councillor

Rodger LaForme

Councillor

Julie Laforme (via Zoom)

Councillor

Evan Sault (via Zoom)

Councillor

Cathie Jamieson

Executive Director of Operations

Kerri King

Recorder

Charlotte Smith

Ex. Dir. of Intergovernmental Affairs

Katelyn LaForme (via Zoom)

Chief Financial Officer

Gary Phillips

A/SED Director

Aimee Sault (via Zoom)

OPP Inspector

Phil Carter

Liberal Candidate and Guests

**Alison MacDonald, Minister Carolyn Bennett,
Amos Keye, Christian Dick (via Zoom)**

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Chief R. Stacey Laforme opened the meeting at 10:07 am.

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

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY JULIE LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council accepts the Agenda with the following additions:

- Agenda Item No. 19a) – In-Camera Item;
- Agenda Item No. 23a) – In-Camera Item.

Carried

Councillor EF will excuse herself because of a Conflict of Interest when we get to Agenda Item No. 16; Councillor VKJ will excuse herself when we get to Agenda Item No. 15; Councillor RBL will excuse himself when we get to Agenda Item No. 17; Councillor ES will excuse himself when we get to Agenda Item No. 21.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE PUBLIC MINUTES OF FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL MEETING DATED TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2021

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY JULIE LAFORME

SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council accepts the Public Minutes of the Financial Planning and Fiscal Oversight Council Meeting dated Tuesday, August 10, 2021.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

Alison MacDonald, Minister Carolyn Bennett, Amos Keye and Christian Dick zoomed in at 10:15 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – LIBERAL CANDIDATE – ALISON MACDONALD FROM SIX NATIONS TO PRESENT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL

Alison MacDonald spoke first. She is a Member of Six Nations, and is a cousin of Mark Sevestre. They live two doors apart on 6th Line (Six Nations). Ms. MacDonald has a law practice on 6th Line. Her speciality is children and child protection.

Ms. MacDonald indicated that she was running in the election because her son is now 15, and what really motivated her was the discovery of unmarked graves of children on reserves. She has been a Liberal most of her life. She has learned through experience that natural talent only takes a person so far, and the rest is hard work. Her goal is to bridge the two worlds – Native and Non-Native. She feels apathy for the Native low voter turnout.

Chief stated that what we want from the Liberal government is needs based funding for special education; our Nation is moving forward and we have a relationship with Minister Carolyn Bennett; with regard to the Infrastructure Bank, Natives cannot access any dollars.

Chief questioned Christian Dick on what is the best trait for Alison MacDonald to fill this role. Christian Dick's answer was her ability to connect with people.

Executive Director of Intergovernmental Affairs stated that there is always low voting in federal elections from Native people, because most Natives do not believe in perpetuating the system. She would like to see a leader who ruffles feathers. She added that the boiled water advisory is a huge crisis in Native Communities. Minister Carolyn Bennett answered that the government has made some progress with the boiled water issue.

Chief informed that he does not vote, but if he did he would vote Liberal. Conservatives are very anti-Native. He would like to see a plan/strategy that would move the Native Agenda forward.

Ms. MacDonald added that the Liberal government is appointing a Special Interlocutor for the unmarked graves. She also mentioned that she thought the idea from Bannister regarding four levels of government was a good thing. Chief answered that the fourth level of government is adversarial to us.

Alison MacDonald and her guests were thanked for their presentation.

Alison MacDonald, Minister Carolyn Bennett, Amos Keye and Christian Dick zoomed out at 10:50 am.

OPP Inspector Phil Carter in at 10:30 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – OPP INSPECTOR PHIL CARTER TO PRESENT HIS MONTHLY REPORTS FOR JULY AND AUGUST 2021

Phil Carter asked if anyone had any comments about July and August's Monthly Reports, to which there were no comments.

Councillor JL reiterated that MCFN Members are upset about speeding and careless driving. Phil will reach out to the PW Director regarding speed bumps in the Community along with more speed warning signs. Over the next two months he (Phil) will try to get the speed signs up.

It is noted that the Executive Director of Operations will follow up with Phil.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY RODGER BILL LAFORME

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council accepts the Monthly Reports for July and August, 2021 from OPP Inspector Phil Carter.

Carried

OPP Inspector Phil Carter out at 11:05 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – POP-UP MARKETPLACE – NEW CREDIT COMMERCIAL PLAZA (A/SED DIRECTOR)

A/SED Director received an email from the Employment & Training Coordinator on Tuesday September 7, 2021, asking if it is possible for Employment & Training to continue to host a pop-up market at the New Credit Commercial Plaza on Saturday September 18, 2021, October 2, 2021, October 16, 2021 and October 30, 2021.

This event will be held outdoors and indoors if inclement weather (in the former Country Style unit), to promote MCFN businesses. Employment & Training will cover the costs of canopy rentals and advertising and rental fees for the former Country Style unit when used. Current plaza tenants will be invited to participate in this event as well.

A/SED Director will work with the Employment & Training Coordinator to determine a daily rental fee for the days that the former Country Style unit is used for this event.

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council approves the Pop-Up Marketplace, hosted by Employment & Training, to be held outside and/or inside the former Country Style unit at the New Credit Commercial Plaza on Saturday September 18, 2021, Saturday October 2, 2021, Saturday October 16, 2021 and Saturday October 30, 2021.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – FIRST NATIONS & INUIT HOME & COMMUNITY CARE (FNIHCC) FUNDING ENHANCEMENT 21-22 (SHS DIRECTOR)

SHS Director is requiring Council authorization to accept Year 5 Budget Enhancement Funding for the First Nations and Inuit Home and Community Care (FNIHCC) Program in the amount of \$18,388.00

For the present fiscal year (2021-2022), the MCFN – FNIHCC Program will receive an additional \$18,388.00 into the Comprehensive Funding Agreement. This will be ongoing funding and is to be used for the delivery of Home and Community Care Programming as outlined in the FNIHCC Program Plan, providing the Essential Service Elements to Community Members.

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY JULIE LAFORME

SECONDED BY RODGER BILL LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council accepts First Nations and Inuit Home and Community Care enhancement funding in the amount of \$18,388.00 (Eighteen Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars), for the 2021-2022 year and ongoing. Funds to be flowed through the Comprehensive Funding Agreement (CFA) and coded to department 700200, Home and Community Care.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR BRANT FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES JORDAN'S PRINCIPLE APPLICATION (SHS DIRECTOR)

Brant Family and Children's Services has submitted a group funding application to Jordan's Principle and is requesting a Letter of Support.

Brant Family and Children's Services has indicated that if the application is approved, they would like to utilize MCFN Knowledge Keepers to support the proposed project. The SHS Director has provided the Executive Director of Brant Family and Children's Services with the contact information of the Culture and Events Coordinator.

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY JULIE LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council authorizes and signs the Letter of Support as it relates to Brant Family and Children's Services Jordan's Principle group application for funding. It is recognized that these funds will be utilized to support MCFN children and youth in care by way of regular interaction with MCFN Knowledge Keepers.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

Culture & Events Coordinator zoomed in at 11:10 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – REQUEST FOR COUNCIL PARTICIPATION IN MCFN'S EVERY CHILD MATTERS UNITY AND REMEMBRANCE WALK (CULTURE & EVENTS COORDINATOR)

Culture and Events Coordinator is requesting Chief and Council's participation in the "MCFN's Every Child Matters Unity and Remembrance Walk" on Wednesday, September 29, 2021. That participation will include Councillors/Chief who are able to carry the flags for the duration of the walk. The flags include the Mississaugas of the Credit flag, Mississauga Nation flag, Every Child Matters flag, and the Eagle Staff that will be carried at the front of the procession.

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council appoints Councillor Cathie Jamieson to carry the flag, and Chief R. Stacey Laforme will carry the Eagle Staff, unless there is an Elder who would like to carry it.

Culture & Events Coordinator zoomed out at 11:20 am.

PW Director zoomed in at 11:20 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11a) – LSK VENTILATION REQUIREMENTS (PW DIRECTOR)

PW Director noted in his Briefing Note that a Motion of Council is required to approve the quotations by the dedicated suppliers to upgrade the ventilation requirements for LSK School in preparation for the return of students.

COVID-19 has impacted the world including MCFN First Nation. The Provincial/Federal Governments recently announced new ventilation requirements recommended for schools given that students will be returning to the in-class setting.

Currently, the existing ventilation system exchanges air within the classrooms. These units were installed at the time of construction.

These measures would provide reassurance to parents, students, teachers, visitors and Chief and Council that the indoor air quality satisfies these requirements.

Councillor JL questioned if everything would be installed before October 12, 2021. PW Director answered yes.

MOTION NO. 7

MOVED BY JULIE LAFORME

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council authorizes Public Works Department to award the Purchase of Service contract to Aaron Mechanical Ltd. 129 McMichael Road, Waterford Ontario N0E 1Y0 in the amount of: THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND SIXTY-TWO DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$35,062.00) further, authorize Public Works Department to award the Purchase of Service contract to McKenzie Electric 869 Mt. Pleasant Road Scotland, Ontario N0E 1R0 in the amount of FIVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$5,125.00) with NINE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTEEN DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$9,813.00) reserved for contingency to improve ventilation requirements based on Ministry Guidelines.

Further, authorizes Chief R. Stacey Laforme and/or A/Chief Operating Officer, Kerri King to sign the prepared Purchase of Service contracts on behalf of MCFN. Funds to be expended from COVID Funds Account.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

PW Director zoomed out at 11:25 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11b) – MASSEY COLLEGE DONATION – ORGANIZATION SUGGESTIONS (EF)

Councillor EF noted that Massey College will be collecting donations on September 30, 2021 – Orange Shirt Day.

The Principal of Massey College has asked Chief and Council if they have any suggestions as to who these donations might be sent to.

A list of Indigenous Organizations in Toronto has been forwarded.

DIRECTION NO. 2

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council directs Councillor Erma Ferrell to follow up with Massey College regarding a donation to Na Me Res – Native Men's Residence.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11c) – SPECIAL MEETING REQUESTS (EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS)

It is noted that the afternoon of the Education and Wellness Council Meeting on Tuesday, September 28, 2021, will be the continuation of the MCBC items, and the afternoon of Tuesday, October 5, 2021 will be budgets and work plans.

Time sensitive items only for these sessions.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11d) – CARING TOGETHER WEEK – VERBAL UPDATE (EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS)

Caring Together Week will be set up the same as it was last year. It will start from 3:00 and go to 7:00 pm.

Chief and Council just have to buy the water.

Executive Director of Operations stated that Chief and Council will be needed to volunteer, and we do have five staff already. Councillors VKJ, ES, and RBL will volunteer along with the Executive Director of Operations.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11e) – FUNDING AMENDMENT NO. 0054 (EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS)

MOTION NO. 8

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY JULIE LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council accepts and authorizes the signing of the Indigenous Services Canada Amending Agreement #0054 to provide fixed funding in the total amount of **\$204,371.51 (two hundred and four thousand, three hundred seventy-one dollars and fifty-one cents)** comprised of the following:

Fixed funding in the amount of **\$185,571.49 (one hundred eighty-five thousand, five hundred seventy-one dollars and forty-nine cents)**:

Program Inventory: EDUCATION - D0034

Budget Activity: POST SECONDARY EDUCATION - B3421 Fund: 315

Functional Area: POST SEC STDNT SUPP PROG - Q29A (CD605 - COVID-19) (2023/03/31)

And fixed funding in the amount of **\$18,800.02 (eighteen thousand eight hundred dollars and two cents)**:

Program Inventory: EDUCATION - D0034

Budget Activity: POST SECONDARY EDUCATION - B3421 Fund: 336

Functional Area: POST SEC STDNT SUPP PROG - Q29A (C0000 - DEFAULT ACCOUNT) (2023/03/31)

(Dollars will be allocated to Education Budget Department 500200).

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11f) – USE OF THE MCFN OFFICE AT MASSEY COLLEGE (EF)

Councillor EF received an email from Massey College and is requesting if someone can use the MCFN office at Massey College. Councillor EF will follow up as Chief and Council have given permission for the room to be used.

DIRECTION NO. 3

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council directs Councillor Erma Ferrell to contact Massey College (Catherine Fowler) and inform that MCFN Chief and Council have given their approval that the MCFN office can be utilized by the former Lecturer.

MOTION NO. 9

MOVED BY JULIE LAFORME

SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council moved In-Camera at 11:42 am.

Carried