

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE NEW CREDIT FIRST NATION
Executive Finance Council Meeting
PUBLIC MINUTES
Monday, April 25, 2016

Start: 9:09 am

Finish: 4:35 pm

Chief Councillor

R. Stacey Laforme

Councillor

Evan Sault

Councillor

Cathie Jamieson

Councillor

Veronica King-Jamieson

Councillor

Margaret Sault

Councillor

Arland LaForme

Councillor/Chair

Erma Ferrell

Councillor

Casey Jonathan

Executive Director

Cynthia Jamieson

Recording Officer

Charlotte Smith

Communications Director

Deanna Dunham

Finance Director

Lilia Moos

DSED

Kevin Wassegijig

Guests

Marilyn Schaffer, Jessica Francis

Legal Counsel

Kent Elson

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Erma Ferrell called the meeting to order and requested Councillor Margaret Sault to open in prayer.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT AGENDA

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY ARLAND LAFORME

SECONDED BY MARGARET SAULT

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Agenda with the following change:

- Agenda Item No. 8 will change to become Agenda Item No. 12a).

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE (PUBLIC) MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE FINANCE COUNCIL DATED MARCH 28, 2016

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY ARLAND LAFORME

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Public Minutes of Executive Finance Council dated March 28, 2016 with noted corrections.

Carried

Communications Director in at 9:25 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3a) – REVIEW & ACCEPT SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF MRP COMMITTEE MEETING – FEBRUARY 29, 2016

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Special Council Minutes of the MRP Committee Meeting dated February 29, 2016.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3b) – REVIEW & ACCEPT SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES MRP COMMITTEE MEETING – MARCH 10, 2016

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY CASEY JONATHAN

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Special Council Minutes of the MRP Committee Meeting dated March 10, 2016.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3c) – REVIEW & ACCEPT SPECIAL COUNCIL – INFORMAL MEETING WITH SIX NATIONS – ATR – MARCH 4, 2016

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY ARLAND LAFORME

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Special Council Minutes of the Informal Meeting with Six Nations regarding the ATR (Addition To Reserve) dated March 4, 2016.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

Finance Director in at 9:55 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 2016

Finance Director informed that the investments have been recorded. She will open up a new Reserve fund for Consultation & Accommodation. Councillor questioned if the approximate figure of \$629,000.00 that was originally given to the DOCA office for start-up costs will be reimbursed to Council. Executive Director pointed out that those dollars will come back to the Reserve fund. Another Councillor questioned why there was no separate sheet for the Communications Department. Executive Director replied that Communications is under Administration, but will be separate in this next fiscal. Councillor noted that DOCA received \$90,000.00 from the New Relationship Fund.

Executive Director informed that there was a telephone conference call with herself, Finance Director, Education Director and Kent Elson (Legal Counsel) regarding surplus dollars in the Education Department budget. The letter from Kent says that the Education Department has a surplus, and he is somewhat concerned about this with regard to the Special Education case. Chief stated that the government could say that MNCFN had dollars to support the Miller Twins. Executive Director noted that the Education Department almost always has a surplus.

Finance Director stated that she met with Kent and went over how much was spent so far on the Special Education case.

Councillor informed that the acronym for AANDC has been changed back to INAC.

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council gives direction to the Finance Director to set up a separate Profit Centre for the Media & Communications Department.

DIRECTION NO. 2

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council gives direction to the Finance Director to change (everywhere in the Financial Statements) AANDC (Aboriginal Affairs & Northern Development Canada) to INAC (Indigenous & Northern Affairs Canada).

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Financial Statements of March, 2016 From the Finance Director.

Carried

Finance Director out at 10:25 am.

DSED in at 10:27 am for the next item.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 9 as Marilyn Schaffer and Jessica Francis are now present at 10:27 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – GUEST – MARILYN SCHAFFER – XTM & PAYMOBILE – PRESENTATION & FINAL REPORT

Introductions were made around the Council Table and Marilyn then gave her presentation. She stated that XTM (at the time) had three objectives: 1) Positioning of New Credit as the Host First Nation; 2) The cost was \$1.5 Million as New Credit started this advertising all around the city and airport very late (two months before the start of the Pan Am Games); 3) The return on investment (ROI) was equal to \$49 Million and New Credit was rated as No. 2 by the Toronto Star with a lot of advertising to international countries. Chief also added that people are so much more aware of MNCFN since the Pan Am Games; the value of advertising was tremendous. He also stated that there was supposed to be a tie-in with the \$5.00 cards. Marilyn answered that the full intent was to continue to market these cards. She cannot ask Paymobile what is happening with these cards; Council has to ask them. Chief asked where the revenue was and Marilyn answered that Council will have to ask Paymobile. DSED stated that New Credit was supposed to get back \$180,000.00.

Marilyn emphasized that XTM is separate from Paymobile. She originally was a partner in Paymobile, but had no financial connection (other than buying shares). She left Paymobile on September 11, 2015. Chief requested the Financial Statements from Paymobile. Marilyn stated she would email the Financial Statements of XTM to MNCFN.

Marilyn informed that the cards that were not used are sitting on the shelves in places like Esso. She said her card would not reload so she bugged Paymobile until it started reloading again. She informed Council that they have to follow through with the cards and that there is a year left in which to do so.

Chief questioned how Council would utilize these cards without investing a lot more money. Councillor answered that Council never made a decision to move forward. The second report will be sent to the DSED. Marilyn advised that Isadore Day is interested in these cards. Chief questioned who owns the cards. Marilyn replied that she trademarked them.

Marilyn and Jessica were thanked for their presentation and left at 10:55 am.

DSED left at 11:00 am.

Council moved to an In-Camera session at 11:00 am.

Council moved out of the In-Camera session at 12:10 pm.

LUNCH BREAK 12:10 TO 1:10 PM

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 6 after the lunch break.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – DRAFT RFP FOR STRATEGIC PLAN (EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR)

Executive Director prepared a Draft RFP. Item No. 2 under Purpose, she questioned what Council would like to add. The Councillor who first brought this item to Council stated all she had in mind was a strategic planning session with someone who could facilitate the process.

Chief suggested to start where Council is right now and where Council would like to go, and then work on the political issues in various departments.

Chief would like to see Council working with the other Mississauga Nations as well as working on governance. He suggested that Administration make a priority list/strategies and some ideas on how to move forward.

Councillor informed that a Consultant would not know what the priorities are if Council does not know. An example is doing what John Howe did. He further stated that Chief and Council are running out of time. There is only 18 months left in the term and Council needs to prioritize what can be done in 18 months.

Councillor suggested setting up mandatory meetings on political issues.

Executive Director suggested that a Consultant could narrow things down by assisting Council on regional, local and international issues.

Executive Director will revise the Draft RFP and bring it back to the Infrastructure & Development Council Meeting on Monday, May 2, 2016.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – FYI – TRANSPORTATION (LIMO) SERVICES

Chief stated that he has been using the limo for over two years because he would have someone drive him to Toronto to catch the train, and that person was only paid to and from the train station, and not there and back twice.

Councillor suggested that Council could purchase their own vehicle, hire a driver with an F license, and that way money could be saved instead of using the limo all the time.

What would be the actual costs ie insurance, cost of the vehicle, F license etc? Direction was given to the Executive Director to gather this information.

Direction was given to the Office Clerk to do a cost comparison of different vehicles.

DIRECTION NO. 3

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council gives direction to the Executive Director to gather some input regarding purchasing a vehicle for the Organization as opposed to using limo services. For example, how often would each department need to use it; would need some type of chart; costs of a limo vs the cost of a car; insurance; maintenance etc. This will be brought back to Council at a later date.

DIRECTION NO. 4

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council gives direction to the Office Clerk to do a cost comparison list on a Lincoln town car and a small limo. This will be brought back to Council at a later date.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – COMMUNITY CENTRE UPGRADES (COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR)

This item was moved to Agenda Item No. 12a).

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 10.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – HERITAGE MISSISSAUGA BOARD (COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR)

Communications Director brought this item to Council. The Board Member will now receive \$150.00 honorarium per meeting. Councillor reiterated that the Board Member should only be paid for the Board Meetings and not all the other events, and a specific budget is required.

Executive Director pointed out that the Board Member went over budget because she went to other meetings that were not Board Meetings of Heritage Mississauga.

Communications Director will bring this item back to Council at the next Education & Social Services Council Meeting on Monday, May 9, 2016 when it is confirmed how many board meetings there will be in one year.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 12.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12 – EAGLE PRESS NEWSLETTER – REDESIGN (COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR)

Communications Director is recommending reformatting the Eaglepress Newsletter to a magazine style format. It would vary in length from 40 – 50 pages.

She also suggested changing Regular Council to the day time.

Councillor questioned which section would be for political issues. Communications Director answered that they will be added in each section ie. Special Education case would go under the Education Department.

Councillor questioned if other businesses would be allowed to advertise. Communications Director answered yes, but the Policy would have to be changed.

Communications Director questioned if the Newsletter would be public or private. If she needs approval could she do it via email?

Birthdays can again be put in the Newsletter as well as an obituary notice.

The Motion was opposed because three quotes are required and there will be an increase in postage. Communications Director will get the three quotes to clearly identify the cost as well as postage and will report to Chief and Council via email. Communications Director informed that the postage will be reduced.

MOTION NO. 10

MOVED BY CASEY JONATHAN

SECONDED BY

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council approve a budget of \$30,000 to outsource (three quotes to be obtained) the printing of the redesigned Eaglepress Newsletter in a full colour, glossy format. Funds to be provided through gaming dollars.

Chair asked for a Seconder three times and no one responded.

Motion is Defeated

DIRECTION NO. 5

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council gives direction to the Communications Director to obtain three quotes for revamping the Eaglepress Newsletter and clearly identify the cost as well as the postage. Communications Director will communicate with Chief and Council via email.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12a) – COMMUNITY CENTRE UPGRADES (COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR)

This item was moved from Agenda Item No. 8 to 12a).

Communications Director brought this item to Council as there are some upgrades to the Community Centre that are needed. She advised that Dean Atkinson would be willing to come and do a presentation on the podium. She has not spoken with anyone from Public Works or the Infrastructure Maintenance Worker (Craig King).

Councillor reiterated that more outlets are needed, and an electrician would have to be hired.

Executive Director reminded everyone that Economic Development was involved in the building of the Community Centre, and once it was built Public Works took over.

MOTION NO. 11

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council approves a budget of up to \$11,671.42 for the Community Centre Upgrades. Funds to be provided by the Gaming Fund.

Chair called for a Secunder three times and no one responded.

Motion is Defeated

DIRECTION NO. 6

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council gives direction to the Communications Director to meet with Public Works and the Infrastructure Maintenance Worker to determine a finalized cost of the upgrades, and further, that the upgrades would occur under the Public Works Department who is responsible for the Community Centre.

MOTION NO. 12

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY ARLAND LAFORME

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council accepts the Media & Communications Department's April 2016 Report.

Carried

Councillor Arland LaForme left for the day at 3:20 pm due to a conflict of interest in the rest of the Agenda Items.

Council moved to an In-Camera session at 3:25 pm.

Council moved out of the In-Camera session.

SEPARATE NOTE

Agenda Items No. 13, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 23 were not dealt with and will be put on the next Infrastructure & Development Council Agenda on Monday, May 2, 2016.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 22

AGENDA ITEM NO. 22 - ADJOURNMENT

MOTION NO. 18

MOVED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

SECONDED BY MARGARET SAULT

That the MNCFN Executive Finance Council adjourns this meeting at 4:35 pm.

Carried