

**MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION**  
**FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL**  
**PUBLIC MINUTES**  
*Monday, December 2, 2019*

**Start: 9:00 am**

**Finish: 11:25 am**

**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**

**Finance Director**

**Lilia Moos**

**PW Director**

**Arland LaForme & Wilf Ruland**

**Culture & Events Coordinator**

**Caitlin LaForme**

**Culture & Events Assistant**

**Jai King-Green**

**Guests from Parks Canada**

**Lisa Curtis, Brendan Buggein, Sarah Quinlan**

**Cutler**

**Band Member**

**Tony Sault**

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING**

Chair/Councillor Erma Ferrell opened the meeting at 9:00 am.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT AGENDA**

**MOTION NO. 1**

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY LARRY SAULT

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts the Agenda.

Carried

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE (PUBLIC) MINUTES OF FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL MEETING DATED MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2019**

**MOTION NO. 2**

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY RODGER LAFORME

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts the Public Minutes of Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council Meeting dated Monday, November 4, 2019.

Carried



MCFN's Hydrogeologist Mr. Wilf Ruland (P. Geo) has provided his review and recommendations of the THLS (Tom Howe Landfill Site) Annual Monitoring Reports since the Landfill Agreement was put in place between MCFN and Haldimand County. The original agreement was signed in October 1996.

Councillor EF informed that there has been a smell coming from the THLS. Wilf will go and check it out.

PW Director advised that if anyone has any complaints, please forward them to him and he will forward them to Haldimand County.

Wilf informed that the ground and service are very good at the THLS. He also stated that the Ministry of Environment has a new person who cut too much out of the report, and he (Wilf) is gently re-correcting her.

**MOTION NO. 4**

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts Wilf Ruland's (P. Geo) report and recommendations as outlined in his correspondence dated November 18, 2019 in reference to the 2018 Annual Monitoring Report of the Tom Howe Landfill Site. This report dated April 2019 was prepared for Haldimand County by WSP Canada Inc. See recommendations 1 – 5 from Wilf Ruland below:

**Recommendation 1 – Future annual reports for the Tom Howe Landfill Site should use the agreed list of trigger wells for the site namely: OW10-17, OW17-15, OW29-18, OW38-16, PW2, PW3 and PW4**

**Recommendation 2 (ongoing) – The County needs to continue its diligent work to ensure that as much leachate as possible is pumped out of the leachate collection facilities in all of the landfill cells on an ongoing basis, in order to keep the potential for leachate mounding to a minimum.**

**Recommendation 3 (ongoing) – The County should continue pumping as much leachate as possible out of the leachate collection facilities in the Tire Fire cell and should aim to keep leachate levels in the Tire Fire cell below the design level of 213.5 meters above sea level.**

**Recommendation 4 – A copy of the November 22, 2018 Closed Landfill Site Inspection Report should be provided to the MCFN for review.**

**Recommendation 5 – Copies of this review should be submitted to the County and the MECP once they have been reviewed by MCFN Council.**

Carried  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

Wilf Ruland and PW Director out at 9:25 am.

Culture & Events Coordinator in at 9:20 am.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – MINISTRY OF INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS CEREMONIAL GARDEN – TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (CULTURE & EVENTS COORDINATOR)**

Culture & Events Coordinator is seeking assignment of an individual to participate in the IAO Ceremonial Garden Technical Working Group to provide guidance and assistance on proper protocols on design, development and operations of the ceremonial garden and make recommendations for the garden's building plan.

The Ministry of Indigenous Affairs (IAO) are in the development stage of reconstructing the Ontario Public Service (OPS) MacDonald Block Complex at Queen's Park. The intent of the space will be to provide traditional medicines for ceremonial purposes; a space for ceremonies for Indigenous staff and visitors and expanded learning for OPS members.

IAO have designated two (2) seats for the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation on the Ceremonial Garden Technical Working Group (TWG) to provide input and general direction on what would be the appropriate function of this reconstructed space. The Ministry would cover appropriate travel costs for MCFN representatives.

The next meeting of this Ceremonial Garden Technical Working Group is in January 2020. It was agreed that Chief and Council would hold off making a decision as to who would be part of this group until the new Council is elected.

Culture & Events Coordinator will have an Elder lined up. Councillor LS stated that we need Elders who are specific in what they are interested in eg. corporate. Do we have an Elder who has political experience? Culture & Events Coordinator will advertise for an Elder from MCFN first. If there is no response, then she will go to the Mississauga Nation.

This Working Group should go under Pillar 3 – Environment & Stability; Stewardship of our Air, Land, Water & Natural Resources. Pillar Lead at present is Councillor Cathie Jamieson.

Councillor EF suggested that the Culture & Events Coordinator bring this back to the Orientation of new Council on Monday, December 16, 2019.

Councillor LS questioned political correctness regarding the Mississauga lands. Whoever is appointed to this Working Group can take care of this. Councillor LS added that we need to be consistent that we are the Treaty Holders.

**DIRECTION NO. 1**

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs that the Chief and political rep arrange a meeting with Anne Scotten (RDG) to discuss and clarify that MCFN are the Treaty Holders of MCFN's Treaty Lands.

**DIRECTION NO. 2**

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Culture & Events Coordinator to bring this information back to the meeting on Monday, December 16, 2019 with a recommendation on who will be appointed as Elders.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – MAJOR EVENTS COMMITTEE UPDATE (CULTURE & EVENTS COORDINATOR)**

Culture & Events Coordinator noted that the Major Events Committee (MEC) received funding from the Community Trust for the 2019-2020 fiscal year commencing on April 27, 2019 and to be completed on or before March 31, 2020 with a possible extension to October 31, 2020.

MEC posted for three more Committee Members and received four and one for the Youth. The applicants that were chosen are Jamie-Lynn Gillingham; Tanya LaForme, and Mya King-Green for the Youth.

MEC has been to many events within our Treaty Lands and Territory with our information booth, presentations, and performances creating awareness.

Chief Operating Officer added that an Events Calendar is being developed.

**MOTION NO. 5**

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY STEPHANIE LAFORME

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts the Major Events Committee (MEC) Update as information only.

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – MONTHLY GATHERING AGENDA FOR JANUARY 25, 2020 (CULTURE & EVENTS COORDINATOR)**

**MOTION NO. 6**

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY STEPHANIE LAFORME

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approves the January 25, 2020 Monthly Gathering Agenda.

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

Culture & Events Assistant, Sarah Quinlan Cutler, Brendan Buggein and Lisa Curtis in at 9:30 am.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – GUESTS FROM PARKS CANADA TO PRESENT ON STORIES OF CANADA – FORT MISSISSAUGA TRAIL PROJECT IN NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE (CULTURE & EVENTS COORDINATOR)**

Guests were introduced and Sarah Quinlan Cutler began with going through a power point presentation on the Fort Mississauga Trail Project in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Councillor VKJ questioned if the guests had any information about MCFN, and Sarah answered no, not yet.

Chief stated that he would like to see something about MCFN regarding tourism.

Councillor LS advised that Chief and Council have discussed co-management, and we are interested and want to pursue, for example, park rangers.

**MOTION NO. 7**

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY STEPHANIE LAFORME

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council supports the collaboration with Parks Canada in the proposed Stories of Canada – Fort Mississauga Trail Project in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

Guests were thanked for their presentation.

Culture & Events Coordinator, Culture & Events Assistant, Sarah Quinlan Cutler, Brendan Buggein and Lisa Curtis out at 10:10 am.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – FYI – LETTER FROM HISTORIC SITES & MONUMENTS BOARD OF CANADA & PARKS CANADA (EF)**

This is an FYI for Council. No action was taken.

**MOTION NO. 8**

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY RODGER LAFORME

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council moved In-Camera at 10:25 am.

Carried

**MOTION NO. 11**

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY STEPHANIE LAFORME

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council moved Out of Camera.

Carried

Council moved back to Agenda Item No. 11.

Finance Director in at 10:50 am.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (FINANCE DIRECTOR)**

Councillor EF has been requesting for quite some time now that the Financial Statements of the Pillars be printed separately.

Councillor VKJ requested a general ledger of the whole organization to look at each of the departments. Finance Director answered that the general ledger for the whole department is over 5,000 pages. Councillor VKJ then requested a general ledger for each of the Pillars.

Councillor EF noted that the MCD Department charges Chief and Council out of our own budget.

Regarding the Toronto Purchase Trust, Jeff Frketich of Peace Hills Trust has offered, free of charge, to take a look at MCFN's investments to ensure that we are getting good value in our investments. Council agreed and Jeff will provide an opinion to Chief and Council.

**DIRECTION NO. 4**

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Finance Director to provide the General Ledger and Statement of Operations for each Pillar and the yearly history from 2017. Finance Director will email all this information to each of the Pillar Leads by the end of today (Monday, December 2, 2019).

**DIRECTION NO. 5**

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Finance Director to correct Page 2 of the Financial Statements.

**MOTION NO. 12**

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Finance Director to send the Mawer Statements to Jeff Frketich of Peace Hills Trust for evaluation. And further, a recommendation will be brought back to the Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council on Monday, January 6, 2020.

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

**MOTION NO. 13**

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council acknowledges the Financial Statements with noted corrections.

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 17.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 17 – IN-CAMERA ITEM – OTHER/NEW BUSINESS**

There was no Other/New Business.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 18 – ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION NO. 14**

MOVED BY EVAN SAULT

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council adjourned this meeting at 11:25 am.

Carried

