

**MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION
GOVERNANCE INTERNAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL
PUBLIC MINUTES
Tuesday, October 13, 2020**

Start 10:10 am

Finish 3:00 pm

Chief Councillor/Chair

R. Stacey Laforme

Councillor

Erma Ferrell

Councillor

Veronica King-Jamieson

Councillor

Rodger LaForme

Councillor

Julie Laforme (via Telephone)

Councillor

Evan Sault (via Telephone)

Councillor

Cathie Jamieson (via Telephone)

Councillor

Craig King

Chief Operating Officer

Kailey Thomson

Recorder

Charlotte Smith

OPP Inspector

Phil Carter (via Telephone)

Governance Coordinator

Caitlin Beresford (via Telephone)

PW Director

Arland LaForme

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

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

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

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON SECONDED BY RODGER BILL LAFORME

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

- Agenda Item No. 18a) – In-Camera Item;
- Agenda Item No. 18b) – In-Camera Item.

Carried

Councillor Craig King will declare a Conflict of Interest on Agenda Item No. 18a), and when we get to that item, Councillor King will excuse himself.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE PUBLIC MINUTES OF GOVERNANCE
INTERNAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL MEETING DATED TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 8, 2020**

Councillor EF questioned if all the Directions were completed. Chief Operating Officer answered yes, but some are ongoing.

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY CRAIG KING

SECONDED BY RODGER BILL LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council accepts the Public Minutes of the Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council Meeting dated Tuesday, September 8, 2020.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

OPP Inspector Phil Carter joined the meeting via telephone at 10:10 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – OPP INSPECTOR PHIL CARTER TO PRESENT HIS MONTHLY OPP REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2020

OPP Inspector Phil Carter went through his Monthly Report. He added that the OPP Cayuga Detachment will be getting six new officers, and then in the new year will be getting six more.

Chief stated that Phil should come back to the next Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council Meeting and speak with Chief and Council about sensitive issues. This item would be an In-Camera item.

Councillor EF questioned if the OPP has a Dispute Resolution Team, and Phil answered that that is the domain of the Liaison Officer.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY CRAIG KING

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council accepts the OPP Monthly Report for September, 2020 from OPP Inspector Phil Carter as listed below:

Re: Mississaugas of the Credit, Monthly Incidents:

September: 27 Incidents: 3 year Average: 35 (2019: 36, 2018: 37, 2017: 32).

Calls for Service:

911: Police engaged and EMS attended no emergency

Alarm x 2: 1st Line Commercial Plaza, found all secure. Second incident cancelled by key holder.

Ambulance Assist: Patient uncooperative

Animal Complaint: Dog bite, owner quarantined animal, victim treated at hospital.

Assault x 2: Person charged in incident, Second event was deemed unfounded.

Assist Another Agency: Brantford Police requested assistance related to vehicle ownership.

Break and Enter: Residence entered, interior mischief.

Community Services x 5: Community outreach initiative by Provincial Liaison Team members.

Domestic & Family Disputes x 3: Relationship disputes.

Impaired: Complaint of suspicious vehicle in driveway, Police attended person arrested.

Neighbour Dispute: Ongoing concern with neighbour dogs and their behavior.

Police Assistance x 2: Individuals seeking information and advice from a Police perspective.

Prevent a Breach of the Peace x 2: Individual seeking assistance to gain access to residences.

Suspicious Person x 2: Report of individuals near their property, Police attended

Theft: Missing money, investigation on-going.

Traffic Complaint: Ojibway Road, vehicle observed driving erratically late at night.

Carried

Phil was thanked and the telephone call ended at 10:20 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – MOTION TO BE READ INTO TODAY’S MINUTES – APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLOR CJ TO THE ALFDC BOARD & COUNCILLOR EF AS ALTERNATE

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY JULIE LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Council approves Chief R. Stacey Laforme to sign a letter for Councillor Cathie Jamieson for appointment to the Board of Directors of the Aboriginal Labour Force Development Circle (ALFDC) 2020-2021; and further, appoint Councillor Erma Ferrell as Alternate.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – MOTION TO BE READ INTO TODAY’S MINUTES – MENTAL HEALTH/ADDICTION & JUSTICE SERVICE PROJECT

Chief Operating Officer informed that no one got any funding for the Mental Health/Addiction and Justice Project, therefore, the Project will not go ahead.

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council approves of MCFN’s involvement in the COVID-19 – Mental Health/Addiction and Justice Service Project for Brantford, Brant County, Haldimand County, Norfolk County, Six Nations of the Grand River, and Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, which will be facilitated by Community Addiction and Mental Health Services of Haldimand and Norfolk.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – FYI UPDATE ON MOCCASIN IDENTIFIER TREATY WEEK EDUCATION KIT LAUNCH (CULTURE & EVENTS COORDINATOR)

It was noted in the Briefing note from the Culture & Events Coordinator (Caitlin LaForme) that she is providing an update for the Moccasin Identifier (MI) on the implementation of the Treaty Week Launch Plan.

During this week she (Caitlin LaForme) would also like to launch education kit sales at a price point of \$80.00 to \$100.00. This launch of sales will assist MI in becoming economically sustainable. In preparation for this launch the MI team would like to reach out to high profile individuals such as; Mayor John Tory, Minister Carolyn Bennett, Ontario Regional Chief, Roseanne Archibald, Rick Mercer, and Ron MacLean. The purposes of engaging these individuals is to ask for assistance in promoting the launch through either social media or completing a video that would be part of the launch week.

It was noted that the funding from the Education Kit Launch will go to MCFN Finance Department, and then flows to the Moccasin Identifier Project.

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council accepts this update as information only.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – MONTHLY REPORT OF THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE (JL)

A Monthly Update from the Pillar 7 Governance Committee has been presented to Chief and Council.

Councillor JL informed that the next meeting of the Committee is tomorrow (Wednesday, October 7, 2020).

MOTION NO. 7

MOVED BY RODGER LAFORME

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council approves the Monthly Governance Committee Update as presented by Councillor Julie A. Laforme on behalf of the Pillar 7 Governance Committee.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – MCFN DECLARATION OF RIGHTS (PILLAR 7 GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE)

The Pillar 7 (Governance) Committee is seeking approval from Council to accept the MCFN Declaration of Rights, as drafted.

The Governance Working Group (now the Committee), in early 2019, was tasked with developing a MCFN Declaration of Rights, as a starting point for MCFN to address its sense of self, how it is governed, its jurisdiction, how the Membership has input into governance, and its powers and responsibilities. It is meant to act as an interim measure for granting Council's authority in drafting laws and continuing its path to self-government.

The draft Declaration of Rights was presented to Council in March 2019. It was believed that the Declaration of Rights had been approved by Council at that time. However, there appears to be no record of the Motion approving the document.

As noted, this document will act as the supreme law under which all other laws can be created and that the citizens or members of MCFN will live by and govern themselves. It will guide law makers through the law making process. It is Council's supreme authority in all that it is going to be undertaking. It is essential to MCFN's governance work. Chief informed that this document (MCFN Declaration of Rights) will give us the ability to act.

Councillor EF questioned if the Chief Operating Officer has attended all the Governance Committee meetings, and Chief Operating Officer answered yes. Councillor EF then questioned if all the Laws include the Animal By-Law as this By-Law system is not working i.e. the MCFN Member bitten by the neighbour's dog.

MOTION NO. 8

MOVED BY RODGER BILL LAFORME

SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council approves the Draft Declaration of Rights, as drafted.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

PW Director in at 10:45 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 – COMMUNITY CENTRE CARETAKER – RENTALS (PW DIRECTOR WAS REQUESTED TO BRING THIS ITEM BACK TO THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2020 AFTER MAKING SOME CORRECTIONS TO THE RULES & REGULATIONS OF THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, BUT THAT MEETING WAS CANCELLED) (PW DIRECTOR)

PW Director noted that all the information pertaining to the Community Centre Rentals was compiled in 2018, and since that time the Community Centre dollars are just now breaking even in comparison to the O & M dollars.

Councillor VKJ questioned if the Pillar rents are included in the rentals. PW Director answered yes, and the Pillar Leads will need to coordinate their meetings accordingly. Also, the Pillar Leads should incorporate their meetings in their Terms of Reference. PW Director added that this is the case where we rob Peter to pay Paul.

PW Director stated that he is not in favour of lowering the rates, Councillor JL reiterated that when the Community Centre was built, it was supposed to be for the use of the MCFN Members free of charge. She believes that Chief and Council can find the dollars to pay for O & M dollars. She also does not believe that the Community Centre should be shut down during the Christmas break, particularly, regarding funerals. PW Director answered that this needs to be decided.

Regarding funerals, PW Director asked if staff would be paid overtime if there is a funeral during the Christmas break. Chief answered yes, but Councillor EF also suggested a bonus. Councillor VKJ stated that she is fine with overtime hours and staff's regular pay.

Councillor CK advised that whoever rents the Community Centre can be bumped if Council needs it, and renters need to know this right up front. This information could be put under the heading "Cancellations" in the document.

On the first page of the document "Community Centre – Facility Rental Rules and Regulations", Councillor CK asked that the Chief Operating Officer's name be taken out as it is not necessary that her name be on the document.

Councillor VKJ questioned if this document is a policy or procedure. Chief Operating Officer replied that it is both.

PW Director informed that if MCFN Members do not have to pay to rent the Community Centre, and that Member has family at Six Nations who would want to rent the Community Centre, the MCFN Member could rent it for them free of charge which does not seem fair.

Chief Operating Officer suggested that this item be taken back to the Sub-Committee to discuss the dollars for rental fees, then bring it back to the Council Table.

MOTION NO. 9

MOVED BY JULIE LAFORME

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council authorizes the Public Works Department to restructure the rental process (administrative process only – payments will be received at the Agimaw Gamig Administration Building Reception) for the Community Centre via Community Care Taker position. Further, approves the revisions to the Facility Rental Rules and Regulations as amended.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council directs the PW Director to meet with the Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Sub-Committee to discuss the rental rates at the Community Centre. This item will then be brought back to Chief and Council for further discussion and/or approval.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12 – SIX NATIONS NATURAL GAS COMPANY LIMITED – 911 BLUE NUMBERS (PW DIRECTOR)

PW Director noted in his Briefing Note that a Motion of Council is required to authorize the Public Works Department to provide applicable 911 Emergency Blue Number information for Mississaugas of the Credit (MCFN) households to Six Nations Natural Gas (SNNG) in order to update their Geographic Information System (GIS) system.

MOTION NO. 10

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY CRAIG KING

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council authorizes the Public Works Department to provide applicable 911 Emergency Blue Number information for Mississaugas of the Credit (MCFN) households to Six Nations Natural Gas (SNNG) in order to update their Geographic Information System (GIS).

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

PW Director out at 11:20 am.

MOTION NO. 11

MOVED BY RODGER BILL LAFORME

SECONDED BY CRAIG KING

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council moved In-Camera at 11:21 am.

Carried