

**MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION
EDUCATION & WELLNESS COUNCIL
PUBLIC MINUTES
Tuesday, October 27, 2020**

Start 10:02 am

Finish 3:05 pm

Chief Councillor

R. Stacey Laforme

Councillor

Erma Ferrell (via Telephone)

Councillor

Rodger LaForme

Councillor/Chair

Evan Sault

Councillor

Veronica King-Jamieson (Sick)

Councillor

Cathie Jamieson

Councillor

Julie LaForme (via Zoom)

Councillor

Craig King (via Zoom)

Chief Operating Officer

Kailey Thomson

Recorder

Charlotte Smith

Director of Child Care...Programs

Patti Barber (via Telephone)

Governance Coordinator

Caitlin Beresford (via Zoom)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Evan Sault called the meeting to order at 10:02 am. Chief said a prayer. Councillor Veronica King-Jamieson is away sick.

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

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY RODGER BILL LAFORME

SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Education & Wellness Council accepts the Agenda with the following deletion and addition:

- Agenda Item No. 9 – Deferred to the next Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 3, 2020;
- Agenda Item No. 10a) – Update on Niagara Reinforcement Line/Hydro One (ES).

Carried

No one declared a Conflict of Interest on any of the Agenda Items.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT PUBLIC MINUTES OF EDUCATION & WELLNESS COUNCIL MEETING DATED TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2020

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Education & Wellness Council accepts the Public Minutes of the Education & Wellness Council Meeting dated Tuesday, August 27, 2020.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 - MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

Director of Child Care & EarlyON Programs joined the meeting via telephone at 10:10 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – SIGNING OF LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE GRAND ERIE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD (GEDSB) (DIRECTOR OF CHILD CARE & EARLYON PROGRAMS)

Director of Child Care & EarlyON Programs noted in her Briefing Note that the Grand Erie District School Board requires a signed lease agreement for the rental of space at the Hagersville Secondary School (HSS) for the purpose of the delivery of the Indigenous led Child Care Program.

The classrooms at the HSS have been renovated specifically for child care requirements as per the Child Care Early Years Act. The total annual rent is \$33,167.08 (thirty three thousand one hundred sixty eight dollars and eight cents).

The Grand Erie District School Board requires the following:

- a signed lease agreement to be provided at the Education Wellness Council meeting
- Motion approving the lease agreement
Administrative requirements:
- Provide certificate of general liability insurance of not less than \$10,000,000.00 (ten million) per occurrence and inclusive of: a) third party property damage b) personal injury. The Insurance shall show the Grand Erie District School Board as additional insured
- Monthly rental payments made by direct deposit on the first of the month in the amount of \$2,763.92 (two thousand seven hundred sixty three dollars and ninety two cents) made payable to: Grand Erie District School Board, 349 Erie Avenue, Brantford Ontario, N3T 5V3.

Director of Child Care & EarlyON Programs stated that although it is a five year lease, if for some reason, we have to leave the premises, it will require 60 to 90 days' notice.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY CRAIG KING

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Education & Wellness Council approves the signing of the Lease Agreement with the Grand Erie District School Board for the purpose of the delivery of the Indigenous Led Child Care Program. Further, it is recommended to have the signing authorities Chief, Stacey LaForme and Chief Operating Officer Kailey Thomson who have the authority to bind the First Nation sign the Grand Erie District School Board Lease Agreement. The Lease Agreement is a 5-year lease with total annual rent of \$33,167.08 (Thirty-Three Thousand Dollars & Eight Cents). The funds will come from Account No. 63710 Department No. 600806.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

Agreement was signed by the Chief and Chief Operating Officer.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – MOTION TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF FIRST NATION INUIT & CHILD CARE INITIATIVE FUNDING TO FLOW THROUGH AN IELCC (INDIGENOUS EARLY LEARNING & CHILD CARE) AGREEMENT WITH EMPLOYMENT & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT CANADA (ESDC) (DIRECTOR OF CHILD CARE & EARLYON PROGRAMS)

Director of Child Care & EarlyON Programs noted in her Briefing Note that Direction is required from First Nation Leadership on the First Nation Inuit and Child Care Initiative (FNICCI) funding as it relates to the Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care (ELCC) Transformation Initiative. An answer is expected by October 30, 2020 or flow of FNICCI funding will remain status quo for a two year period.

As per Motion No. 5 or the August 4, 2020 Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council it was stated that *the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation were interested in flowing the 2020-2021 Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care Funding through an IELCC Agreement with Employment and Social Development Canada.*

The MCFN Chief Operating Officer and the Director of Child Care and EarlyON programs have received, reviewed and had discussion on the draft 2020-2021 funding agreement with the ELCC Secretariat and Employment and Social Development Canada representatives and have found the draft agreement to be in order.

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY JULIE LAFORME

SECONDED BY RODGER BILL LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Education & Wellness Council approve the flow of the First Nation and Inuit Child Care Initiative Funding through an Indigenous Early Learning Child Care Agreement with Employment and Social Development Canada for the upcoming 2021-2022 funding year.

Further, direction to the Chief to provide a letter of notice and thanks to the Aboriginal Labour Force Development Circle for being the flow through agency in supporting MCFN Early Learning and Child Care.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Education & Wellness Council directs that the First Nation and Inuit Child Care Initiative Funding will flow through an Indigenous Early Learning Child Care Agreement with Employment and Social Development Canada for the upcoming 2021-2022 funding year.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – MOTION TO ACCEPT EARLYON PLAYGROUND FUNDING FROM THE CORPORATION OF NORFOLK COUNTY (DIRECTOR OF CHILD CARE & EARLYON PROGRAMS)

Director of Child Care & EarlyON Programs noted in her Briefing Note that funding for the one time EarlyON playground was received from the Corporation of Norfolk County on October 20, 2020, and a Motion to accept the funding is required for our records. The funding amount is \$297,547.37 (Two Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Seven Dollars & Thirty-Seven Cents).

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY CRAIG KING

SECONDED BY JULIE LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Education & Wellness Council approves of the one-time funding from the Corporation of Norfolk County in the amount of \$297,547.37 (Two Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Seven Dollars and Thirty-Seven Cents) for the purchase of the EarlyON playground to be installed at the Hagersville Secondary School.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

Telephone call with the Director of Child Care & EarlyON Programs ended at 10:20 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – DONATION REQUEST – THANK-A-VET-LUNCHEON (EF)

Councillor EF noted that Dave Levac (Speaker of the House) has always been a proud supporter of the annual Thank-A-Vet Luncheon, and has included MCFN Chief and Council by inviting them to some of their special events.

Councillor EF is requesting that a donation of \$1,000.00 be forwarded to the Thank-A-Vet Luncheon Fund.

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY RODGER BILL LAFORME

SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Education & Wellness Council agrees to sponsor the Thank –A-Vet-Luncheon in the amount of \$1,000,00 (One Thousand Dollars). And further, the application form is to be completed by the Council Coordinator and accompanied by a letter from Chief R. Stacey Laforme. The funds will be provided by dollars from the annual donation account.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – PARTNERSHIP FUNDING APPLICATION WITH UTM STEVEN DORLAND, ANTHROPOLOGY (VKJ)

This item has been deferred to the next Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10a) – UPDATE ON NIAGARA REINFORCEMENT LINE/HYDRO ONE (ES)

Councillor ES provided an update on the Niagara Reinforcement Line/Hydro One. MCFN will be receiving 5% in the near future which equals \$684,000.00, and will continue to receive the annual 20%. When the dollars are received from Hydro One they will go into the Culture account. Councillor ES was notified by Sara Jane that these dollars have been approved from Hydro One.

MOTION NO. 7

MOVED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

SECONDED BY RODGER BILL LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Education & Wellness Council moved In-Camera at 10:25 am.

Carried