

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION
FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
PUBLIC MINUTES
Tuesday, February 1, 2022

Start: 10:05 am

Finish: 3:40 pm

Chief Councillor

R. Stacey Laforme (via Zoom)

Councillor

Evan Sault (via Zoom)

Councillor

Kelly LaForme (via Zoom)

Councillor

Veronica King-Jamieson (via Zoom)

Councillor/Chair

Erma Ferrell (via Telephone)

Councillor

Andrea King (via Zoom)

Councillor

Ashley Sault (via Zoom)

Councillor

Fawn Sault (via Zoom)

Recording Officer

Charlotte Smith (via Zoom)

Executive Director of Operations

Kerri King (via Zoom)

Chief Financial Officer

Gary Phillips (via Zoom)

A/Ex. Dir. of Intergovernmental Affairs

Margaret Sault (via Zoom)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Evan Sault called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. Chief spoke some encouraging words before the meeting commenced.

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

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY ANDREA KING

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts the Agenda.

Carried

There were no Conflicts of Interest on any of the Agenda Items.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT THE PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL MEETING DATED TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2022

Page 4 – Motion No. 9 - Councillor EF questioned if Councillor Fawn Sault’s name had been submitted for consideration the Indigenous Advisory Committee’s Circle of Experts. A/COO – Executive Director of Operations answered yes.

Page 8 – Motion No. 14 – Chief was to partner with CKRZ regarding MCFN’s COVID-19 updates. Chief informed that he called CKRZ five times and there was no answer.

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY ANDREA KING

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts the Public Minutes of the Financial Planning and Fiscal Oversight Council Meeting dated Tuesday, January 4, 2022.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

Finance Director zoomed in at 10:25 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2021 (FINANCE DIRECTOR)

Finance Director went through her Financial Statements page by page.

Councillor VKJ is requesting a list of all expenditures for the LSK Expansion Project. Finance Director will make them available.

Chief would like to know if the DOCA commitments are on the DOCA page as well. Chief also questioned which department would the LSK Expansion Project be tracked to. Finance Director answered that there are two Profit Centres for the LSK Expansion Project, and she will consolidate them and let everyone know.

Councillor VKJ is also requesting a breakdown of the Pillar Statements.

A/COO – Executive Director of Operations informed that there is approximately \$900,000.00 in COVID dollars that has to be used.

Finance Director will resend the NCVGB Statements for October 2021. Finance Director noted that the NCVGB Statements are two months behind.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council acknowledges the Financial Statements with the following edits and revisions:

- Councillor VKJ is requesting a list of all expenditures for the LSK Expansion Project;
- There are two Profit Centres for the LSK Expansion Project. Finance Director will consolidate and let Chief and Council know;
- Councillor VKJ is requesting a breakdown of the dollars for all the Pillars;
- Finance Director will resend an updated Statement of Operations for the NCVGB.

Carried

Finance Director zoomed out at 11:10 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – NIAGARA REINFORCEMENT LINE – FEBRUARY 2021 FINANCIAL REPORT (EF)

Councillor EF noted in her Briefing Note that Jeffrey Smith/Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc., Managing Director provided the Financial Statements for February 2021. The Financial Statements provide an update on MCFN's 5% equity investment. The revenue generated is sent directly to Peace Hills Trust to apply to the MCFN Toronto Purchase Trust to grow the Fund.

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY VERONICS KING-JAMIESON

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council acknowledges receipt of the Niagara Reinforcement Line Financial Statements for February 2021 as information.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – ETOBICOKE HISTORICAL SOCIETY (EF)

Councillor EF noted in her Briefing Note that an email was received from Richard Jordan of the Etobicoke Historical Society.

The Etobicoke Historical Society is working on a new inscription to replace an old plaque that is currently in place in the Humber Valley area. Chief and Council have approved the wording for a new plaque to replace the old.

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approves the translation provided by Mary Taylor from the Curve Lake First Nation, for the new inscription for the replacement plaque at the Humber Valley. The plaque is being provided by the Etobicoke Historical Society.

Below is the English and Ojibwe Translation:

English

Over thousands of years, the Humber and its valley provided Indigenous peoples – the Wendat (Huron), the Onondowagah (Seneca) and the Mississaugas of the Credit among others – with water, food and shelter, and with means for travel and trade via the Toronto Passage. French explorers and traders made good use of this route and the Humber River provided a source of power for the settlers who followed. Today the Humber valley affords much-needed recreation space for our city. Remember its history. Protect its future.

Ojibwe

Waashme mdaaswak mnik, iw Humber ge iw baasaagmigak -giw yak Wengdat (Huron), ge giw Onondodwagh(Seneca) minwaa ge giw Mississaugas of the Credit minwaa naanind wgii aabjittonaawaa ji yaamwaad nbi,miijim ge wiigwaaman minwaa ge wgii aabjittonaawaa ji zhaang ji meshtoonaaagewaad odi Toronto baashkiiigaa. Wemtaagoozhwag ge giw e meshtoonwaadwaad ge wiinwaa wgii aabjitoonaawaa iw baashkiigaagak. Nogoom dash Humber baashkiigaa wdaadawendaanaawaa aki gi aabjittowaad goji ji yaamgak daazhiikewgamgong odi odena. Wnendgegon gaazhi bemaadziyang. gnawendidaa ge ezhiwebak.

Mary Taylor/Curve Lake First Nation/Language Speaker

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – ARTIFACTS – IMPERIAL OIL PIPELINE REPLACEMENT – WATERDOWN TO FINCH PROJECT (EF)

Councillor EF noted in her Briefing Note that in 2021 Matthew Beaudoin/Archaeologist Timmins Martelle Heritage Consultants, contacted the MCFN on a partial collection of artifacts from an Imperial Oil Project in the Waterdown to Finch area.

Mr. Beaudoin has possession of the partial collection in London, and is seeking direction on where to house the collection; in London, Hamilton or transferred to another location

The artifact collection is not clearly identified as to which First Nation is the rightful owner. Mr. Beaudoin informed the MCFN, the following First Nation groups are to be contacted to agree on where the artifacts are to be housed: (a) the Six Nations of the Grand River, (b) HDI, (c) the Huron-Wendat and (d) the MCFN.

Mr. Beaudoin was going to contact all four groups to come together for a zoom meeting, but he has since become uncomfortable in doing so.

A zoom meeting was arranged with Scott Martin/McMaster Storage Facility. Mr. Martin would like the MCFN to consider signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), with McMaster to house all MCFN artifacts collections at the McMaster facility. An MOU would stipulate the collections owned by the MCFN could be housed at the McMaster facility and would be accessible to the MCFN for future viewing. The MOU would further stipulate any and all MCFN artifact collections housed at the McMaster facility would be transferred an MCFN storage facility in the future. The MOU would clearly state the McMaster facility is the steward of the collection and not the owner.

The MCFN Artifacts Committee is also recommending a letter signed by Chief R. Stacey Laforme be sent to Matthew Beaudoin that we are currently considering the partial collection be transferred to the McMaster facility in Hamilton.

Time is running out on having any funding assistance available for the transfer of the partial artifacts collection.

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY ANDREA KING

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approve the MCFN Artifacts Committee's recommendations:

1. Councillor Erma Ferrell is to reach out to Matthew Beaudoin/Archeologist Timmins Martelle Heritage Assessments, to assist in arranging a meeting with, the Six Nations of the Grand River, HDI, the Huron-Wendat and the MCFN, to decide where the partial artifacts collection from the Imperial Oil project in the Waterdown to Finch Area.
2. The MCFN Chief and Council direct the MCFN Artifacts committee to continue discussions with Scott Martin of the McMaster storage facility to create a Memorandum of Understanding to house MCFN artifact collections, until the MCFN have their own storage facility.
3. Chief R. Stacey Laforme will send a letter to Matthew Beaudoin the MCFN are considering the artifacts storage facility at McMaster in Hamilton is to be considered for future storage of MCFN artifacts until MCFN has their own facility.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – REV. PETER JONES – ARTIFACTS COLLECTION – BANDOLIER BAG (EF)

Councillor EF noted in her Briefing Note that the Rev. Peter Jones' Bandolier Bag is being housed at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, NY, USA.

The Artifacts Committee met on Thursday, January 27, 2022, and have agreed that this is a project they would like to pursue, that is, have the Bandolier Bag returned to the MCFN. Therefore, the Artifacts Committee is seeking permission from Council to begin proceeding in this direction. Further, the Artifacts Committee is seeking permission to purchase a secure display cabinet for the Community Centre and put the Bandolier Bag in that.

A/Director of Intergovernmental Affairs noted that a picture was stolen from the Community Centre, and a pipe of Rev. Peter Jones is housed at the Woodland Cultural Centre. She also suggested that perhaps a replica of the Bandolier Bag could be made.

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs Councillor Erma Ferrell to do the following:

1. The MCFN Artifacts Committee will pursue the necessary steps to have Rev. Peter Jones Bandolier Bag repatriated to the MCFN, from the Metropolitan Museum in New York City, N.Y., U.S.A.
2. The MCFN Artifacts Committee will source an appropriate secure cabinet to house Rev. Peter Jones Bandolier Bag at the MCFN Community Centre.

And Further: The MCFN Artifacts Committee will provide the MCFN Chief and Council with costs associated with the repatriation and the purchase of a cabinet, prior to proceeding any further.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – FIRST NATIONS WITH SCHOOLS COLLECTIVE (FNWSC) (VKJ)

Councillor VKJ is seeking approval for the following Motion:

MOTION NO. 7

MOVED BY ANDREA KING

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approve the following two (2) documents for the First Nation with School Collective:

1. 9 page document from strategy corp StrategyCorp Inc. (“StrategyCorp” or “SCI”) is pleased to provide the First Nations with Schools Collective (“FNWSC” or “Client”) with management consulting services related to the development of a rights-based education system that is appropriately funded by the Government of Canada.
2. Regional Education Agreements–Proposed Budget 2021-2022 (5 page deck) \$222,360.67 which includes that the EFFRG offer revised contracts to StrategyCorp Inc. (Gabriel Sekaly), LearnFirst Consulting (Neil Debassige) and Chignecto Consulting Group Inc. (Gerry Kerr) based on REA budget limits.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10a) – LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR FIRST NATIONS WITH SCHOOLS COLLECTIVE (FNWSC) SUBMISSION TO THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE CALL FOR PROPOSALS CONSULTATION, COOPERATION AND ENGAGEMENT ON AN ACTION PLAN TO ACHIEVE THE OBJECTIVES OF THE UNITED DECLARATION ON THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES ACT (UNDRIPA) 2022-2023

MOTION NO. 8

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY ANDREA KING

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council hereby approves the signing of the Letter in Support of the Call for Proposals by the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation’s Chief.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 – PROJECT UPDATE HIGHWAY 401 WESTBOUND PAVEMENT REHABILITATION/SIMCOE STREET BRIDGE & ALBERT STREET BRIDGE REPLACEMENTS; DETAIL DESIGN & CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY G.W.P. 2164-19-00 (VKJ)

Councillor Fawn Sault will take this item to DOCA. This item will come back to the Council Table once the DOCA office has had a chance to review it.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12 – SMALL’S CREEK – FOLLOW-UP (KK)

DIRECTION NO. 2

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Chief to go through his emails and look for the letter that was sent to the Women of Small's Creek Technical Team.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13a) – MOTION TO BE READ INTO THE MINUTES REGARDING ISC FUNDING REQUEST (THIS MOTION WAS APPROVED VIA EMAIL)

MOTION NO. 9

MOVED BY ANDREA KING

SECONDED BY EVAN SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council moves to request funding in the amount of \$60,000.00 (Sixty Thousand Dollars and 00 Cents) from Indigenous Services Canada Professional and Institutional Support Program for the 2021/2022 fiscal year. Chief and Council acknowledge that MCFN will provide 10% which is equal to \$6,000.00 (Six Thousand Dollars nil Cents) in-kind contribution to the project. The funds are to be used to conduct a review of future Institutional needs for the organization.

Dept. Administration 100000.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

MOTION NO. 10

MOVED BY FAWN SAULT

SECONDED BY ANDREA KING

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council moved In-Camera at 12:15 pm.

Carried