

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION
FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
PUBLIC MINUTES
Tuesday, July 5, 2022

Start: 10:02 am

Finish: 1:35 pm

Chief Councillor

R. Stacey Laforme

Councillor

Kelly LaForme

Councillor

Veronica King-Jamieson (via Zoom)

Councillor/Chair

Erma Ferrell

Councillor

Andrea King (via Zoom)

Councillor

Ashley Sault (via Zoom)

Councillor

Fawn Sault

Recording Officer

Charlotte Smith

Executive Director of Operations

Kerri King (Sick Leave)

A/Ex. Dir. of Intergovernmental Affairs

Margaret Sault

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councilor Erma Ferrell opened the meeting at 10:02 am. She will be leaving at 1:45 pm today as she has another meeting elsewhere.

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

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY FAWN SAULT

SECONDED BY GIMAA STACEY LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts the Agenda with the following additions and deletion:

- Agenda Item No. 8b) – Letter of Support for First Nations With Schools Collective Submission to the Education Partnerships Program – Regional Education Agreement 2022-2023;
- Agenda Item No. 17a) – In-Camera Item;
- Agenda Item No. 17b) – In-Camera item;
- Agenda Item No. 17c) – In-Camera Item.

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, JUNE 7, 2022

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the A/COO – Executive Director of Operations to follow up with Direction No. 4 on Page 5 of the Public Minutes. See Direction below:

DIRECTION NO. 4

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Events and Cultural Unit to follow up with the Firekeepers and where they fit into the above recommendation. It would appear that they would fit under half days and full days. This will be brought back to the next Land, Water and Sustainable Prosperity Council Meeting on Wednesday, June 22, 2022.

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY FAWN SAULT

SECONDED BY KELLY LAFORME

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, June 7, 2022.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – ISC AMENDING AGREEMENT #0071 (KK) (RECORDER HAS THE AGREEMENT IN THE FILE IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO REVIEW IT.)

A/COO – Executive Director of Operations noted in her Briefing Note that MCFN’s Funding Agreement No. 18-19-ON-000001 provides for changes to the Agreement by way of ‘Notice of Budget Adjustment’ or an ‘Amending Agreement’. The former where funding for a service or activity is changed in accordance with an adjustment factor and the latter for new funds.

Council is required to approve and accept the Amending Agreement #0071 to provide fixed funding in the total amount of **\$108,804.90 (one hundred eight thousand, eight hundred four dollars and ninety cents)** comprised of the following:

Fixed funding in the amount of **\$73,269.63 (seventy-three thousand, two hundred sixty-nine dollars and sixty-three cents):**

Program Service Area: Education

Program Inventory: Education – D0034

Budget Activity: YOUTH EMPLMT STRATEGY – B3417

Functional Area: FN & Inuit – SUMMER WORK EXP – Q26F (C000 – DEFAULT) (2023/03/31)

Fixed funding in the amount of **\$35,535.27 (thirty-five thousand, five hundred thirty-five dollars and twenty-seven cents):**

Program Service Area: Education

Program Inventory: Education – D0034

Budget Activity: YOUTH EMPLMT STRATEGY – B3417

Functional Area: FN & Inuit – SKILL LINK PROG – Q26G (C000 – DEFAULT) (2023/03/31)

Once approved the A/Chief Operating Officer will submit the amendment via email. These dollars will be allocated to the 2022-2023 Local Delivery Mechanism budget.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY GIMAA STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY FAWN SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts and authorizes the signing of the Indigenous Services Canada Amending Agreement #0071 to accept fixed funding in the total amount of **\$108,804.90 (one hundred eight thousand, eight hundred four dollars and ninety cents)** comprised of the following:

Fixed funding in the amount of **\$73,269.63 (seventy-three thousand, two hundred sixty-nine dollars and sixty-three cents):**

Program Service Area: Education

Program Inventory: Education – D0034

Budget Activity: YOUTH EMPLMT STRATEGY – B3417

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Dollars to be designated to the 2022-2023 Local Delivery Mechanism budget, Department 700910.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION AND NORFOLK COUNTY – AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF CHILD CARE AND FUNDING (DIRECTOR OF LIFELONG LEARNING)

Director of Lifelong Learning noted in her Briefing Note that she is seeking Chief and Council to approve the Agreement between the Corporation of Norfolk County (Norfolk County) and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) for the provision of child care and subsidy funding for the period of June 15, 2022 until June 15, 2025.

The Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014 S.O., c. 11 (the “Act”) authorizes Norfolk County to enter into an Agreement for the provision of child care and early years programs and services. MCFN operates a child care and early years program and services as defined under the *Act* under the name of Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation HSS EarlyON Child and Family Centre/Maawdoo Maajaamin Child Care. By way of By-Law 2019-28 passed by the Norfolk County Council on March 26, 2019, Norfolk County was authorized to enter into an Agreement with MCFN for the furnishing of child care and/or early years programs and services and for the payment by Norfolk County upon the terms and conditions set out in the Agreement. Attached hereto as Appendix A is a copy of this Agreement. Forming part of this Agreement are the Licensed Child Care Fee Subsidy Service Description Schedule and the EarlyON Child and Family Centre Service Description Schedule also attached hereto as Appendix “B” and “C”. It is suggested that the A/Chief Operating Officer sign the Agreement on behalf of MCFN.

MCFN offers a variety of child care and family programming as defined in the EarlyOn Child and Family Centres – Service Description Schedule. Norfolk County agrees to pay to MCFN in respect of each child on whose behalf a subsidy is paid, the market rate (the rate charged by the operator), less the parental contribution (the amount paid by the parent/caregiver) for each day/week the subsidized child attends the licensed child care program.

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY GIMAA STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY FAWN SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approve the entering into an Agreement between Norfolk County and Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation for the provision of child care and resulting subsidy funding. Further, it is recommended that the A/Chief Operating Officer sign the Agreement on behalf of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – SUPPORT LETTER FOR NATURE CANADA (FS)

Councillor Fawn Sault noted that Nature Canada has been working to protect Bank Swallow and Barn Swallow nocturnal roost sites, and providing identification, description and priority for enhanced protection and management along the Lower Great Lakes and St. Lawrence.

The overall goal of this project is to help conserve, protect and recover the threatened Bank Swallow species, by better understanding where Bank Swallows roost following breeding, and identifying strategies for mitigating threats to the roosting sites that could undermine their critical value to the birds and other species at risk such that rely on them.

The focus is on the Dunnville roost as a case study where we will develop a strategy and initiate actions to mitigate proximate threats and identify a pathway towards enhanced protection of the habitat. It will also build support amongst influencers and decision makers in swallow roost conservation.

Nature Canada paid for an MCFN Member to join them in the summer of 2021 to help study the Dunnville roost. This was a very successful study and led by the Naturalist Director at Nature Canada, Ted Cheskey.

DIRECTION NO. 2

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the A/Executive Director of Intergovernmental Affairs to follow up with the Letter of Support for Nature Canada, and email it to Chief and Council for approval.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8a) – PEACE HILLS TRUST QUARTERLY REPORT

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY GIMAA STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY KELLY LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approves the attached 2022 Q2 Performance Newsletter prepared by Peace Hills Trust, and direct that it be placed on the MCFN Members Only Webpage.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

As an aside, it is noted that the A/Executive Director of Intergovernmental Affairs will forward a presentation that was presented by Peace Hills Trust at the NATOA conference.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8b) – LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR FIRST NATIONS WITH SCHOOLS COLLECTIVE (FNWSC) SUBMISSION TO THE EDUCATION PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM – REGIONAL EDUCATION AGREEMENT 2022-2023 (VKJ)

Councillor VKJ noted in her Briefing Note that the First Nations with Schools Collective is a First Nations-led Inter-nation table of eight First Nations (1 is observing) that began formally in 2016. The table is supported by Council Resolutions and signed Participation Agreements and is organized to affect positive change in the delivery of First Nation education services in our respective communities.

The seven activities proposed in this year's REA (Regional Education Agreement) application is focused on:

1. FNWSC FN Education Formula Funding Technical Paper 4.0 with focus on special education, including students not attending, and Section 23.
2. Historical analysis of system gap costs and long-term impacts of underfunding.
3. Joint Education Technical Table Meetings – 3 face-to-face with ISC and CIRNAC in anticipation of moving to negotiations this fiscal.
4. National engagement with communities who have signed REA and/or sectoral agreements with financial arrangements.
5. Shared services approaches including wealth/investment benefit options
6. School Capital and Operation & Maintenance model revision

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY GIMAA STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY KELLY LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approves Support Letter for First Nation With School Collective (FNWSC) - Regional Education Agreement Submission 2022/2023 to Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) with Director of Lifelong Learning taking the administrative lead and Councillor Pillar 4 Education and Awareness monitoring as political delegation for FNWSC.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

MOTION NO. 7

MOVED BY FAWN SAULT

SECONDED BY KELLY LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council moved In-Camera at 10:20 am.

Carried