

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION
FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
PUBLIC MINUTES
Tuesday, September 6, 2022

Start: 10:00 am

Finish: 3:40 pm

Chief Councillor

R. Stacey Laforme

Councillor

Kelly LaForme

Councillor

Veronica King-Jamieson

Councillor/Chair

Erma Ferrell

Councillor

Andrea King

Councillor

Ashley Sault

Councillor

Fawn Sault

Recording Officer

Charlotte Smith

Executive Director of Operations

Kerri King (Vacation)

A/Ex. Dir. of Intergovernmental Affairs

Margaret Sault

Director of Lifelong Learning

Patti Barber

Early Years Administrator

Katharine Brown

Policy Analyst/Writer

Cindy Aguis

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Erma Ferrell opened the meeting at 10:00 am.

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

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY ASHLEY SAULT

SECONDED BY KELLY LAFORME

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

- Agenda Item No. 8a) – Jordan’s Principle Navigator (EF);
- Agenda Item No. 8b) – Major Events Committee (MEC) Change (EF);
- Agenda Item No. 8c) – Dollars received from ISC for Papal Visit (EF);
- Agenda Item No. 8d) – All Council Meetings to be held in the Board Room of the Community Centre, effective immediately;
- Agenda Item No. 8e) – Update on Peter Jones – Dual Citizenship (EF);
- Agenda Item No. 8f) – LSK School Bell/Alarm (AK);
- Agenda Item No. 8g) – Event for September 29, 2022 (AK).

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, AUGUST 2, 2022

It was agreed that instead of Council going through all the Motions and Directions and finding out if they have been completed, the Admin Clerk will provide a summary of all Motions and Directions from every Council and Special Council Meeting beginning August 2, 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 speak with the Admin Clerk, and direct her (Admin Clerk) to provide a summary of Motions and Directions (eg. whether the Motions and Directions have been completed or still outstanding) from each Council and Special Council Meetings effective August 2, 2022.

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY GIMAA STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY FAWN SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts the Public Minutes in principle of the Financial Planning and Fiscal Oversight Council Meeting dated Tuesday, August 2, 2022.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – MOCCASIN IDENTIFIER – AMENDMENT FOR THE GREENBELT FOUNDATION AGREEMENT (CULTURE & EVENTS COORDINATOR)

Culture and Events Coordinator noted in her Briefing Note that she is seeking approval to accept the amendment to the current grant agreement with the Greenbelt Foundation

Moccasin Identifier submitted a proposal to one (1) of our current funders; the Greenbelt Foundation seeking additional funds of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for development of a communications plan and interactive online mapping resource.

This funding request was approved by the Greenbelt Foundation. The additional funds will be allocated to Professional Services 56500-100507. Funds are to be spent by March 31, 2023.

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 proceeds with approval of acceptance of amendment to existing Greenbelt Foundation Funding Agreement for Moccasin Identifier in the amount of \$50,000.00 to be allocated from Professional Services 56500-100507.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – NIAGARA REINFORCEMENT LINE (NRL) (EF)

Councillor EF noted in her Briefing Note that MCFN Chief and Council purchased 20% equity in Hydro One’s Niagara Reinforcement Line (NRL) in 2019.

The revenue earned on the NRL is paid directly to Peace Hills Trust who is the Trustee for the investment.

Jeffrey Smith/Managing Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc., conducts quarterly meetings with two members of the MCFN Council, and provides financial updates to all the investors via email.

Attached are the financial reports for July 2022, on the Niagara Reinforcement Line revenue, received from Jeffrey Smith/Hydro One via email. July’s report was received on August 19, 2022.

The revenue generated on the Niagara Reinforcement Line for the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN), is higher than originally projected.

Jeffrey has explained in his two emails the hot summer has contributed to the revenue earned on the NRL.

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY GIMAA STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY ANDREA KING

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council acknowledges receipt of the financial reports dated, July 31, 2022, on the revenue generated for the MCFN on the Niagara Reinforcement Line (NRL).

The revenue received quarterly for the NRL is \$200,000.00 (two hundred thousand dollars). A true up will be calculated in the new calendar year.

NOTE: Revenue generated on the Niagara Reinforcement Line is paid directly to Peace Hills Trust, the Trustee for the NRL investment.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – CULTURAL & DESIGN ADVISORY COMMITTEE – TERMS OF REFERENCE (MAJOR PROJECTS COORDINATOR)

This item will be brought back to the next Governance Internal and Intergovernmental Council Meeting on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 along with a Briefing Note from the Major Projects Coordinator.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (RSL)

A/Executive Director of Intergovernmental Affairs informed that she facilitated a community engagement meeting regarding the Constitution. Ken Hughes and Pat Mandy were in attendance, among others. This was a day time meeting. The evening meeting was facilitated by Councillor KL who said it was a good meeting.

A/Executive Director of Intergovernmental Affairs stated that the Community wants Monthly Community Meetings to resume.

Community Members can reach out to the Pillar Leads if any of them (Community Members) would like to attend any Pillar Meetings.

A/Executive Director of Intergovernmental Affairs noted that next week we can decide who will facilitate each month. She (A/Executive Director of Intergovernmental Affairs) will bring a list to the next Council Meeting.

DIRECTION NO. 2

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Governance Department (Margaret Sault) to schedule a Community Meeting in October 2022, and each month thereafter.

NOTE: At the next Governance Internal and Intergovernmental Council Meeting, A/Executive Director of Intergovernmental Affairs will bring forward a list of who will be facilitating at each Monthly Community Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8a) – JORDAN’S PRINCIPLE (EF)

Councillor EF had an article from Six Nations that she presented to Council regarding Jordan’s Principle.

Councillor AK reiterated that the A/COO – Executive Director of Operations is the person taking care of the applications to Jordan’s Principle.

Gimaa stated that we need a Navigator.

DIRECTION NO. 3

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the A/COO – Executive Director of Operations to provide an update regarding Jordan’s Principle, and bring it to the next Governance Internal and Intergovernmental Council Meeting on Tuesday, September 13, 2022.

DIRECTION NO. 4

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the A/COO – Executive Director of Operations, that once the Community Resource Coordinator is hired, that person, along with back up staff, will take training for the Jordan’s Principle Navigator

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8b) – MAJOR EVENTS COMMITTEE (MEC) CHANGE (EF)

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY GIMAA STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY ASHLEY SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council agrees that Councillor Kelly LaForme will be replacing Councillor Erma Ferrell on the Major Events Committee (MEC), effective Tuesday, September 6, 2022.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8c) – DOLLARS RECEIVED FROM ISC REGARDING PAPAL VISIT (EF)

A/Executive Director of Intergovernmental Affairs informed that the dollars from ISC went to the Social and Health Services Department – Mental Health.

DIRECTION NO. 5

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the A/COO – Executive Director of Operations to locate the funding that was received regarding Residential School Survivors/Papal Visit.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8d) – COUNCIL MEETINGS IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE BOARD ROOM (EF)

DIRECTION NO. 6

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the A/COO – Executive Director of Operations that, effective today, all the Council Meetings will be held in the Community Centre Board Room.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8e) – UPDATE ON PETER JONES AND DUAL CITIZENSHIP (EF)

A/Executive Director of Intergovernmental Affairs noted that she is waiting for an answer from Dean Jacobs of Walpole Island First Nation regarding dual citizenship.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8f) – LSK SCHOOL BELL TRAINING (AK)

DIRECTION NO. 7

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs Councillor Andrea King to touch base with the staff at LSK regarding setting the clock for the school bells.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8g) – SEPTEMBER 30TH UPDATE/EVENT (AK)

Councillor AK noted that there was a Motion from last year for an event for September 29th. She noted there are three people who will help, so we are very limited in what we can do. She suggested getting together with the Caledonia Fair to work on an event.

Councillor AS stated that the MEC (Major Events Committee) is not doing or assisting with this event.

Gimaa suggested doing something on September 30th such as drumming and a ceremony.

DIRECTION NO. 8

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs Councillor Andrea King to follow up with an event for September 30th (National Day for Truth and Reconciliation).

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 10.

Early Years Administrator (Katharine Brown), Director of Lifelong Learning and Policy Analyst/Writer in at 11:20 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – HALDIMAND/NORFOLK CANADA-WIDE EARLY LEARNING AND CHILD CARE SYSTEM (DIRECTOR OF LIFELONG LEARNING)

As a side note, Early Years Administrator (Katharine Brown) informed that she was unable to do anything on September 30th as she does not have the capacity to do it.

Director of Lifelong Learning noted in her Briefing Note that she is seeking Chief and Council to approve opting in to the Haldimand-Norfolk Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care System (CWELCC) for the Maawdoo Maajaamin Child Care Centre.

In March, 2022, Ontario signed a historic deal with the federal government that will lower licensed child care fees to an average of \$10 a day by September, 2025. As a first step, families will see an average 25 percent reduction in their fees retroactive to April 1, 2022 which will be further reduced to 50 percent by the end of December, 2022.

Under an agreement with the federal government, Ontario will receive \$13.2 billion over six years which Ontario will use over five years, to reduce fees for families and deliver an average of \$10 a day child care for eligible children by September, 2025.

Councillor EF noted that the budget never came to Chief and Council. Early Years Administrator answered that she has a preliminary budget. She stated that opting in is the first

step, and then the budget comes to Chief and Council. She also noted that we can opt out anytime. The opt-in deadline is November 30, 2022.

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY FAWN SAULT

SECONDED BY ANDREA KING

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approves Maawdoo Maajaamin Child Care Centre to opt-in to the Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care System and further that it authorize the A/Chief Operating Officer/Director of Operations to sign the Intention to Opt-In form by November 1, 2022.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

Early Years Administrator out at 11:40 am.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 – POST-SECONDARY STUDENT ASSISTANCE POLICY (REVISED)
(DIRECTOR OF LIFELONG LEARNING)**

Page 6 – Item No. 17 – Gimaa advised the Director of Lifelong Learning to talk with the HR Manager or remove this item from the Policy.

Councillor VKJ informed that the students should know that they can apply for dollars on finding their own job through Employment and Training.

Councillor AK stated that staff are open to accepting students for positions while they are attending post-secondary education. Gimaa added that there should be a process whereby a student can come to work i.e. colleges and universities have co-op programming.

Councillor EF stated that the Director of Lifelong Learning can bring this item back in two weeks after all the corrections are made. Also, add a footer saying the Policy was “amended on this day”.

DIRECTION NO. 10

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Director of Lifelong Learning to bring this item back to the next Land, Water and Sustainable Prosperity Council Meeting on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 after all the suggestions/corrections have been added to the Post-Secondary Student Assistant Policy.

Director of Lifelong Learning and Policy Analyst/Writer out at 1:15 pm.

MOTION NO. 7

MOVED BY ANDREA KING

SECONDED BY ASHLEY SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council moved In-Camera at 1:15 pm.

Carried

