

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION
FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
PUBLIC MINUTES
Tuesday, March 7, 2023

Start: 9:15 am

Finish: 3:05 pm

Gimaa (Chief) Councillor

R. Stacey Laforme (via Zoom)

Councillor

Kelly LaForme (via Zoom)

Councillor

Veronica King-Jamieson (via Zoom)

Councillor/Chair

Erma Ferrell

Councillor

Andrea King (via Zoom)

Councillor

Ashley Sault (via Zoom)

Councillor

Fawn Sault (via Zoom)

Councillor

Claire Sault

Recording Officer

Charlotte Smith

A/COO – Ex. Dir. of Operations

Kerri King

Ex. Dir. of Intergovernmental Affairs

Katelyn LaForme (via Zoom)

Ex. Dir. of Finance/HR

Alisha Anderson

LSK Drum Group performed some opening songs before the meeting started.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Erma Ferrell called the meeting to order at 9:15 am.

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

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY CLAIRE SAULT

SECONDED BY FAWN SAULT

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. 4.1 – Letter to be sent to City of Burlington – Healing Forest at Paletta Lakefront Park;
- Agenda Item No. 4.2 – Motion regarding the name change to the Chapel Royal will be sent to Nathan Tidridge;
- Agenda Item No. 17 – Deferred to the next Intergovernmental Relations Council Meeting on Tuesday, March 14, 2023;
- Agenda Item No. 24a) – In-Camera Item;
- Agenda Item No. 24b) – In-Camera Item;
- Agenda Item No. 24c) – In-Camera Item;
- Agenda Item No. 24d) – 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, FEBRUARY 7, 2022

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY CLAIRE SAULT

SECONDED BY FAWN SAULT

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, February 7, 2023.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3a) – SUMMARY OF MOTIONS & DIRECTIONS FROM THE FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL MEETING DATED TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2023

This is an FYI for Gimaa and Council.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL MINUTES

4.1 – FYI – Letter signed by Gimaa Stacey Laforme and sent to the City of Burlington regarding a letter of support for the creation of a Healing Forest at Paletta Lakefront Park.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY FAWN SAULT

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts the above letter regarding a Healing Forest at Paletta Lakefront Park, wherein Councillor Andrea King will be the lead on this Project.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

SEPARATE ITEM

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 agrees to the following:

With the sad death of Her Majesty The Queen, the official name of the Chapel Royal at Massey now becomes *Gi-Chl-Twaa Gimaa Nini Mississauga Anishinaabek AName Amik (The King's Anihshinaabek Sacred Place)*.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 9.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – MNCFN COMMUNITY TRUST – INDIGENOUS READS BOOK CLUB FUNDING (DIRECTOR OF LIFELONG LEARNING)

Early Years Administrator noted in her Briefing Note that she is seeking to apply to the MNCFN Community Trust for the amount of \$20,000.00 (Twenty Thousand Dollars and zero cents) for the April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 fiscal year to continue to fund the Indigenous Reads Book Club. This Indigenous Reads Book Club will be open to all MCFN Members and facilitated through the Indigenous Led EarlyON.

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY FAWN SAULT

SECONDED BY GIMAA STACEY LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approves the application to the MNCFN Community Trust in the amount of \$20,000.00 (Twenty thousand dollars and zero cents) for the April 1, 2023 – March 31, 2024 fiscal year to cover the cost of books and postage for the Indigenous Reads Book Club.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – PLAYGROUND UPDATES FOR MAAWDOO MAAJAAMIN CHILD CARE (EARLY YEARS ADMINISTRATOR)

Early Years Administrator noted in her Briefing Note that she is seeking Chief and Council to approve the expenditure of \$65,377.13 (Sixty Five Thousand, three hundred and seventy seven dollars and thirteen cents) to make improvements to the existing playgrounds at Maawdo Maajaamin Child Care (MMCC). These funds will come out of the Indigenous Led Child Care and EarlyON program funding. We also ask that the Agreement be approved and signed.

The playground at MMCC requires a sidewalk outside of the fenced area in order to provide ease of access to and from the building for children, parents and staff who park on the South end of the parking lot. This sidewalk will also provide a secondary exit for children and staff for monthly fire drills. A windbreak is required for the playground area as the site is frequently exposed to high winds that whip sand and debris causing outdoor play to be unpleasant. In order to improve and enhance the playground, a cedar windbreak is proposed for both practicality and cultural relevance. Finally, the sod areas inside the fenced zones after 4 seasons of use have become bare. Turf is requested in order to provide a grass play area. Therefore, we are seeking permission for Maawdo Maajaamin Child Care to enter into a contract with our preferred vendor, Earthscape Play Inc. in the amount of \$65,377.13 (Sixty Five Thousand, three hundred and seventy seven dollars and thirteen cents). There is a 10% (ten percent) deposit required once the contract has been signed in the amount of \$6,537.71 (Six thousand, five hundred and thirty seven dollars and seventy one cents).

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY GIMAA STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY FAWN SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approves the expenditure of \$65,377.13 (Sixty-Five Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-seven dollars and thirteen cents) with the deposit required upon signing of \$6,537.71 (Six Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Seven dollars and Seventy-One Cents) for playground improvements at Maawdoo Maajaamin Child Care. Further, we recommend that the Proposal/Agreement be signed by the A/COO – Director of Operations. Dollars will come from the Indigenous Lead Child Care Fund.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived**AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 – INDIGENOUS EARLY LEARNING AND CHILD CARE (IELCC) FUNDING (DIRECTOR OF LIFELONG LEARNING)**

Director of Lifelong Learning indicated in her Briefing Note that she is seeking approval to apply for Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care funding. The Government of Canada has opened applications for funding under the Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care (IELCC) with a deadline of April 11, 2023.

As a result of the Department of Lifelong Learning Strategic Planning Session held in February, a proposed pilot project was drafted (Indigenous Early Learning Framework Pilot Project for 2023/2024 and 2024/2025) and a presentation and feedback meeting was held with Lloyd S. King Elementary Staff - Kindergarten Team, Special Education Resource Teachers and Curriculum Lead. The Department of Lifelong Learning is seeking approval to apply for funding under the IELCC funding stream for a two year Early Years Framework pilot program. We are also seeking the approval to retain the services of Jennifer Kirkham of the Mysterious Cat Productions to assist with the proposal/application writing to the Government of Canada, IELCC. We understand that Ms. Kirkham will have availability mid-March. There are early year's governance dollars available for the eligible expense to cover the cost of Ms. Kirkham's services.

MOTION NO. 7

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY CLAIRE SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council authorizes the Department of Lifelong Learning to apply to the Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care funding to support the Department of Lifelong Learning's Indigenous Early Learning Framework Pilot Project for the 2023/2024 and 2024/2025; and further, to retain the professional services of Jennifer Kirkham of the Mysterious Cat Productions at a cost of no more than \$1,000.00 (One Thousand Dollars) to write the application. Dollars will come from the Early Learning Governance Fund.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

MOTION NO. 8

MOVED BY KELLY LAFORME

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council moved In-Camera at 9:45 am.

Carried

MOTION NO. 14

MOVED BY CLAIRE SAULT

SECONDED BY GIMAA STACEY LAFORME

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council moved Out of Camera at 11:02 am.

Carried

Guests Zincia Francis, and others from the City of Vaughn, and MCFN Member Valarie King in at 11:02 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – PRESENTATION FROM THE CITY OF VAUGHN

Zincia Francis thanked Gimaa and Council for being invited here today. She stated that the City of Vaughn is on MCFN Treaty Lands. She is present today to present a plaque to Gimaa and Council as they were awarded a plaque for the workshop “Sisters in Spirit”.

MCFN Member Valarie King hosted a workshop in the City of Vaughn which was titled “Sisters In Spirit” on October 4, 2022.

Today, Gimaa and Council hosted a lunch for the guests from the City of Vaughn, and for MCFN Member Valarie King.

Instead of a plaque being presented the guests from the City of Vaughn presented a basket of goodies. It was agreed that the basket of goodies will be given to Valarie.

Zincia informed Gimaa and Council that Culture Days in the City of Vaughn will be held in October 2023.

Guests were thanked and all were invited to lunch.

MOTION NO. 15

MOVED BY FAWN SAULT

SECONDED BY CLAIRE SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council moved In-Camera at 11:25 am.

Carried