

**MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION
LIFELONG LEARNING & AWARENESS & NATION WELL-BEING
COUNCIL MEETING
PUBLIC MINUTES
Tuesday, September 24, 2024**

Start 9:10 am

Finish 3:40 pm

Ogimaa-Kwe (Chief) Councillor
Councillor
Councillor
Councillor
Councillor/Chair
Councillor
Councillor
Councillor
Chief Admin. Officer (CAO)
Recorder
DOCA Director
Archaeological Operations Supervisor
Director of Lifelong Learning


Claire Sault
Erma Ferrell
Larry Sault
Veronica King-Jamieson
Leslie Maracle
Fawn Sault
Ashley Sault (via Zoom)
Jesse Herkimer (Vacation)
Tracy Brant
Charlotte Smith
Mark LaForme
Adam LaForme
Patti Barber and her Assistant (Darrien Bomberry)

LSK Drum Group favoured us with an opening song.

SECOND READING APPROVED

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Leslie Maracle opened the meeting at 9:10 am.

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

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY CLAIRE SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Lifelong Learning & Awareness & Nation Well-Being Council accepts the Agenda with the following additions:

- Agenda Item No. 8a) – Direction from DOCA Director;
- Agenda Item No. 10b) – Special Request of Councillor VKJ – hosting Maori Leaders;
- Agenda Item No. 16a) – In-Camera Item;
- Agenda Item No. 16b) – In-Camera Item.

Carried

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

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE PUBLIC MINUTES OF LIFELONG LEARNING & AWARENESS & NATION WELL-BEING COUNCIL MEETING DATED TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2024

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Lifelong Learning & Awareness & Nation Well-Being Council directs Ogimaa-Kwe (Claire Sault) to follow up with the Senior Director of Finance regarding the cheques that are/have been sent out regarding janitorial services at the New Credit United Church. (See Page 4, Direction No. 2 of above Minutes.)

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT

SECONDED BY CLAIRE SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Lifelong Learning & Awareness & Nation Well-Being Council accepts the Public Minutes of Lifelong Learning & Awareness & Nation Well-Being Council Meeting dated Tuesday, August 27, 2024.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3a) – FYI – SUMMARY OF MOTIONS & DIRECTIONS FROM LIFELONG LEARNING & AWARENESS & NATION WELL-BEING COUNCIL MEETING DATED TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2024

This is an FYI for Ogimaa-Kwe and Council.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

Director of Lifelong Learning & Administrative Assistant (Darrien Bomberry) in at 9:15 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – COMMUNITY SPORT AND RECREATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUND – APPLICATION FOR FUNDING (PB)

Director of Lifelong Learning noted that the Ontario Ministry of Sport and Recreation has opened applications for funding under the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund with a deadline of October 29, 2024.

This potential funding provides an opportunity to upgrade the Lloyd S. King Elementary (LSK) school track. Upgrades would include, the installation of a rubberized track surface as well as vinyl coated chain link fencing that surrounds the perimeter of the track to enclose and protect it.

Currently, the LSK track is completely gravel with spots of weed growth throughout, thus requiring consistent upkeep to ensure weeds are managed and needs regular grading to ensure it remains level. The track is also currently not enclosed and is easily accessible for off-road vehicles to drive on resulting gravel displacement and unlevel sections causing a safety hazard for anyone wishing to use it. We have one preliminary quote from Everplay for rubberized surfacing rough estimate of \$600,000.00 (Six hundred Thousand Dollars and zero cents). Upgraded costing will be sought for the application.

Councillor LS advised to wait until we get an updated quote.

Councillor EF advised to reach out to other departments to see if anyone else has applied for these dollars.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY CLAIRE SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Lifelong Learning & Awareness & Nation Well-Being Council authorizes the Department of Lifelong Learning to apply for the funding to the Ontario Ministry of Sport Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund through Stream 1 to support the Department of Lifelong Learning's objective of repairing and rehabilitating the LSK school track. And further, Director of Lifelong Learning will bring the quotes for the track repair back to the Council Table for approval.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – 2024-2025 CHILD CARE & EARLYON CHILD & FAMILY PROGRAM FUNDING ALLOCATION FROM THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (PB)

Director of Lifelong Learning noted that she is seeking Council to approve the 2024-2025 Child Care and EarlyON Child and Family Program funding allocation.

MCFN Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre and EarlyON Child and Family Program have been in this 5 year agreement with Ministry of Education since April 1 2021 and renewal is set for March 31, 2026. This agreement helps fund the Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre and EarlyON programming for local families for Child Care and family and child daily programs. The agreement/allocation does not require annual signing while in the agreement terms.

MCFN has been receiving this allocation from the Ministry of Education for our on Location 40A Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre and EarlyON Child and Family program. The current fiscal allocation is \$913,541.00 (Nine Hundred Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred Forty-One Dollars and Zero Cents). The 2024-25 fiscal allocation has been fully coded and is with Accounts Receivable to allocate to the departments each allotment is broken down to reflect.

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

SECONDED BY LARRY SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Lifelong Learning & Awareness & Nation Well-Being Council accepts the allocation of \$913,541.00 (Nine Hundred Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred Forty-One Dollars and Zero Cents) as per the agreements Schedule D is attached as Appendix A from the Ministry of Education for on location 40A Child Care and EarlyON Child and Family Program for fiscal 2024-2025.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

Director of Lifelong Learning & Administrative Assistant (Darrien Bomberry) out at 9:40 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – MCBC MILESTONE BOARD LUNCH MEETING INVITATION (JH)

Councillor JH brought a Briefing Note that was prepared by Warren Sault.

MCBC Milestone is seeking Council's availability to attend a lunch meeting with their Board on Thursday, October 10, 2024 at the MCFN Community Centre Board Room.

The purpose of this meeting is to introduce the MCBC Milestone Board to Chief and Council, provide an overview of the partnership's recent achievements, and share the partnership's objectives and future plans. Additionally, the meeting aims to foster open communication between MCFN leadership and MCBC Milestone.

DIRECTION NO. 2

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Lifelong Learning & Awareness & Nation Well-Being Council directs Ogimaa-Kwe to contact Warren Sault (CEO of MCBC) and inquire as to whether there are any other dates for the Milestone Board Lunch Meeting Invitation.

Manager of Archaeology (Adam LaForme) in at 9:50 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – YORK UNIVERSITY (ARCHAEOLOGICAL OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR – ADAM LAFORME)

Archaeological Operations Supervisor Adam LaForme noted in his Briefing Note that he was contacted by the York University Department of Anthropology Chair & Associate Professor Othon Alexandrakis. Professor Alexandrakis is seeking approval from the University to create new Archaeology Degree Programs.

As part of the submission, Professor Alexandrakis is preparing an infrastructure grant application to fund a new archaeology lab. York has already committed \$2.5 million for the lab's construction, and the University is seeking an additional \$3 million from the Canadian Foundation for Innovation (CFI). I will receive the full application package when it is ready.

As part of the grant application Professor Alexandrakis would like to list the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation as a partner. Should the application be successful, and the lab constructed, partners would have access to the facility and its equipment, serving on boards, etc.

Adam stated that a Board for the lab would need to be established. He also stated that this initiative would not cost the First Nation any money.

Councillor LS noted that we need to take further advantage of universities eg. research, writing papers, grants for research etc.

Ogimaa-Kwe questioned if we have the capacity to do this. She noted that we talked about partnerships. She also added that she would like to see one of our staff on this Board.

Adam informed that he would like to establish a partnership with them (York University).

DIRECTION NO. 3

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Lifelong Learning & Awareness & Nation Well-Being Council directs the Manager of Archaeology (Adam LaForme) to gather more information surrounding the York University Partnership for an Infrastructure Grant Application, and bring it back to the Council Table.

DOCA Director in at 9:00 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8a) – DIRECTION THAT WAS SENT TO THE DOCA DIRECTOR FROM LAST WEEK’S COUNCIL MEETING

DOCA Director reiterated that Enbridge was here. He stated that Enbridge has been consulting with us for a while now throughout the process, that is, Carbon Capture and Sequestration. He noted that there are a lot of impacts.

Councillor LS informed that Carbon has been on the table since 2013. There are huge dollars in carbon. He stated that we would need a bigger presentation as most First Nations do not understand Carbon Capture and Sequestration.

Ogimaa-Kwe questioned if Councillor FS knows anyone to can come and enlighten us. Councillor FS stated that she will not support this project.

Councillor LS informed that he has connections with Guelph University, and reminded everyone that our position is stewardship and climate change.

DIRECTION NO. 4

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Lifelong Learning & Awareness & Nation Well-Being Council directs Councillors Larry Sault and Fawn Sault to bring in a team to discuss climate change and sequestration.

It is noted that Councillor Larry Sault will reach out to Chiefs of Ontario and Assembly of First Nations regarding this item.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9a), 9b), 9c) and (9d)

These items will be put on next week’s Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council Meeting dated Tuesday, October 1, 2024.

- Agenda Item No. 9a) – Policy Update – Conflict of Interest;
- Agenda Item No. 9b) – New Policy – Video Surveillance;
- Agenda Item No. 9c) – New Policy – Privacy;
- Agenda Item No. 9d) – Social Media Update.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10a) – YOUTH & ELDER NOMINATIONS FOR FIRST NATIONS LEADING THE WAY (VKJ)

Councillor VKJ is interested in selecting a Youth and an Elder to attend the conference in Edmonton called “First Nations Leading the Way” from November 26 – 28, 2024. She is suggesting putting out a call to Members to put forth their names with their Credentials/CV/Resume, and then names would be selected.

Councillor LS would like “Elder” defined.

Ogimaa-Kwe has requested that the Senior Director of Finance be involved as we would like a student who is getting academic training and lives a well-rounded life.

Councillor VKJ stated that the Youth would be from ages 15 to 29 years. She suggested reaching out to the Director of Lifelong Learning for a list of Youth getting schooling.

DIRECTION NO. 5

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Lifelong Learning & Awareness & Nation Well-Being Council directs Councillor Veronica King-Jamieson to contact the Director of Lifelong Learning for a list of students (Youths age 15 to 29 years) in the fields of study in law, education, finances etc. for nominations to be represented at the upcoming First Nations Leading the Way 7 Conference in Edmonton, Alberta on November 26 to 28, 2024. A name will be chosen from the list to represent Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation at the above Conference.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10b) – SPECIAL REQUEST OF COUNCILLOR VERONICA KING-JAMIESON REGARDING A MEETING WITH MAORI PEOPLE

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY FAWN SAULT

SECONDED BY CLAIRE SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Lifelong Learning & Awareness & Nation Well-Being Council accepts the Budget In Principle until the Verification of Funds is submitted with a 24 hour turnaround. Total amount of the budget is \$3,000.00 (Three Thousand Dollars).

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY FAWN SAULT

SECONDED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Lifelong Learning & Awareness & Nation Well-Being Council moved to an In-Camera session at 10:50 am.

Carried