***MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION***

***REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING***

***PUBLIC MINUTES***

***Tuesday, July 22, 2025***

***Start 9:07 am Finish 2:00 pm***

***Ogimaa-Kwe (Chief) Councillor Claire Sault*** ***(Away on Council business but joined the meeting via Teams at 10:30 am.)***

***Councillor Erma Ferrell***

***Councillor Larry Sault***

***Councillor Leslie Maracle (Away on other Council Business)***

***Councillor/Chair Fawn Sault***

***Councillor Jesse Herkimer***

***Councillor Ashley Sault (Joined the meeting via Teams)***

***Chief Administrative Officer Adam McDonald***

***Sr. Dir. of Intergovernmental Affairs Mark LaForme***

***Policy Analyst Cindy Agius***

***Recorder Charlotte Smith***

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING**

Chair/Councillor Fawn Sault opened the meeting at 9:07 am.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW & ACCEPT AGENDA & DECLARE ANY CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**MOTION NO. 1**

MOVED BY JESSE HERKIMER SECONDED BY LARRY SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Infrastructure & Environmental Stewardship Council accepts the Agenda with the following additions:

* Agenda Item No. 9a) – Hospice in Jarvis, Ontario (EF)
* Agenda Item No. 9b) – Further Discussion on New Credit United Church (EF)
* Agenda Item No. 9c) – Per Capita Distribution Discussion (JH)
* Agenda Item No. 18a) – In-Camera Item (CS & Legal Counsel)
* Agenda Item No. 18b) – In-Camera Item (JH)

Carried

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

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 2a) – AN INTRODUCTION OF THE NEW CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER – ADAM MCDONALD**

Adam McDonald was introduced to everyone. He stated that he is happy to be here to help.

Councillor LS informed Adam that there are lots of problems and political interference. There are Agenda Items that need not be on the Council Agendas. Community Members complain about some of the departments not doing their jobs. Directors do not feel empowered, but they need to be through policy.

Adam informed that he views his role as serving Chief and Council. If directed by Chief and Council he will put something on the Agenda.

Councillor EF stated that she always tries to encourage staff to go for training in order to do their jobs more efficiently. She also added that one of our big concerns is Audcomp (new computer company) not being able to fully service the organization.

Adam noted that he could like Chief and Council to email him with any and all issues.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE PUBLIC MINUTES OF INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES DATED TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2025**

**MOTION NO. 2**

MOVED BY JESSE HERKIMER SECONDED BY ASHLEY SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Infrastructure & Environmental Stewardship Council accepts the Public Minutes of Infrastructure & Environmental Stewardship Council Meeting dated Tuesday, May 20, 2025.

Carried

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3a) – FYI – SUMMARY OF MOTIONS & DIRECTIONS FROM INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL MEETING DATED TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2025**

This is an FYI for Ogimaa-Kwe (Chief) and Council.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

Senior Director of Intergovernmental Affairs in at 9:05 am

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – REVISED ORGANIZATIONAL REVIEW CHART (ML)**

Senior Director of Intergovernmental Affairs noted in his Briefing Note that he is requesting

approval and implementation of the MCFN Organizational Chart.

The MCFN Organization has been functioning under an approved “provisional” Organizational

Chart since August 2024.

On Tuesday, July 15, 2025, Council directed the Communications Department to revise the

August 2024 Organizational Chart in accordance with the discussion at the July 15th Council

Meeting.

Councillor LS pointed out that both the Chief Financial Officer and Chief Administrative Officer

report to Chief and Council, and this Chart does not reflect that.

Adam stated that the Council Coordinator should report to the CAO.

Councillor LS suggested that the CAO speak with the Principal of LSK Matt King regarding the

Board of Education.

Councillor LS reiterated that Employment and Training is a separate board made up of Chief

and Council.

Senior Director of Intergovernmental Affairs and his Communications Team will revise the

Organizational Chart and send to the CAO who will bring the Chart back for Council approval.

**DIRECTION NO. 1**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Infrastructure & Environmental Stewardship Council directs the Senior Director of Intergovernmental Affairs to speak with the Communications Department and revise the Organizational Review Chart and send it to the Chief Administrative Officer, who will then bring it to the next Lifelong Learning & Awareness & Nation Well-Being Council Meeting for approval.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – URGENT REQUEST FOR SPEED BUMPS AND SIGNAGE ON NEW CREDIT ROAD NEAR TOWNLINE ESTATES (CS)**

An MCFN Member sent an email to Ogimaa-Kwe regarding a safety concern on New Credit Road by the Townline Estates. Cars are travelling well over the speed limit in this area.

MCFN Member is requesting that plastic speed bumps be installed on this stretch of the road along with signage.

Councillor LS reminded everyone that the proper protocol is for the Chief to send this to the Public Works Department and then bring it back to the Council Table.

Chief Administrative Officer is proposing that he will deal with these kinds of things.

**DIRECTION NO. 2**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Infrastructure & Environmental Stewardship Council directs the Chief Administrative Officer to have a discussion with the A/PW Director (Brandy Vinnai) regarding this item – installation of plastic speed bumps on New Credit Road along with signage.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 8.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – ROGERS CABINET INSTALL REQUEST (AS)**

Councillor AS noted in her Briefing Note that Rogers is asking to place a new vault and road crossing to an existing Rogers vault on Indian Line.

Councillor LS stated that Rogers is making money on our lands, and he does not agree with this new installation.

It was agreed that the Chief Administrative Officer will speak with the A/PW Director (Brandy Vinnai) to sort this out.

**DIRECTION NO. 3**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Infrastructure & Environmental Stewardship Council directs the Chief Administrative Officer to have a discussion with the A/PW Director (Brandy Vinnai) regarding this item.

Council moved back to Agenda Item No. 7.

A/Public Works Director in at 10:10 am.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – BRIDGE #19 – REHABILITATION (CRLE7) (A/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR)**

A/PW Director noted in her Briefing Note that a Motion is required to approve the Rehabilitation of Bridge #19 and to award the contract to the lowest bidder, Urban Link Civil Ltd.

**MOTION NO. 3**

MOVED BY JESSE HERKIMER SECONDED BY LARRY SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Infrastructure & Environmental Stewardship Council authorizes A/Public Works Director to award the contract of Bridge #19 Rehabilitation (#CRLE7) to Urbanlink Civil Ltd. 5205 King Street, Suite 5, Beamsville, Ontario L3J 1P6, in the amount of SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($739,500.00). Dollars have been received from Indigenous Services Canada (ISC). Furthermore, a contract will be prepared for signature by the Contractor and the MCFN.

Account: 200405

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

A/Public Works Director out at 10:15 am.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 9a).

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 9a) – HOSPICE IN JARVIS, ONTARIO (EF)**

**NOTE:**

It is noted that Councillor Erma Ferrell will speak with the Caring Together Committee and ask for permission to allow the fund raisers who are raising dollars to build a hospice in Jarvis, Ontario, be allowed to set up an information booth during the Caring Together Week. Councillor Ferrell will inform Council of the outcome.

Councillor Larry left for a meeting with Chiefs of Ontario at 10:14 am but will return before noon.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 9b) – NEW CREDIT UNITED CHURCH RECORDS (EF)**

Councillor EF brought this item to the Council Table as she has a concern about the New Credit United Church Records. She was informed that the Records Manager sent all the records back to the United Church of Canada. She also stated that we need our license renewed in order to obtain the digital records.

**DIRECTION NO. 4**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Infrastructure & Environmental Stewardship Council directs the Chief Administrative Officer to investigate the situation of the New Credit United Church Records, and what progress has been made to date.

Ogimaa-Kwe joined the meeting via Teams at 10:15 am. She attended another Council engagement.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 9c) – PER CAPITA DISTRIBUTION FOR MINORS (JH)**

Councillor JH received an email request from an MCFN Member asking if his child would be eligible to receive the Per Capita Distribution for his child once that child turns 18.

**DIRECTION NO. 5**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Infrastructure & Environmental Stewardship Council directs the Chief Administrative Officer to coordinate messaging with MCFN Member and Peace Hills Trust regarding the Per Capita Distribution of the Rouge River Claim of MCFN Member’s child and whether that child would be entitled to the Per Capita Distribution when he/she is 18 years old.

Senior Director of Intergovernmental Affairs left at 10:50 am.

**MOTION NO. 4**

MOVED BY JESSE HERKIMER SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Infrastructure & Environmental Stewardship Council moved to an In-Camera session at 10:50 am.

Carried