MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING PUBLIC MINUTES

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

Start 9:00 am Finish 11:55 am

Ogimaa-Kwe (Chief) Claire Sault (Away on other Council Business

but joined meeting via Teams)

Councillor Erma Ferrell (Away on other Council Business)

Councillor Larry Sault

Councillor Leslie Maracle (Away on other Council

Business but joined the meeting via Teams)

Councillor Fawn Sault
Councillor/Chair Ashley Sault
Councillor Jesse Herkimer
Recorder Charlotte Smith
Chief Admin. Officer Adam McDonald
Executive Assistant Laura Roberts
Sr. Dir. of Intergovernmental Affairs Mark LaForme

Guests from MNP Darren Rennie & Duncan Wilson

Chief Financial Officer Tabitha King
MCFN Member Veronica Tobicoe

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Ashley Sault opened the meeting at 9:00 am. Ogimaa-Kwe, Councillor Erma Ferrell and Councillor Leslie Maracle are away on other Council Business, but Ogimaa-Kwe and Councillor Maracle joined the meeting via Teams at 9:05 am.

<u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT AGENDA & DECLARE CONFLICT OF INTEREST</u>

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY FAWN SAULT

SECONDED BY LESLIE MARACLE

That the MCFN Regular Council accepts the Agenda with the following additions and one deletion:

- Agenda Item No. 8 Deferred to another Council Meeting
- Agenda Item No. 9a) Community Wellness Distribution Discussion (FS)
- Agenda Item No. 15a) In-Camera Item

Carried

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

<u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT THE PUBLIC MINUTES OF REGULAR</u> COUNCIL MEETING DATED TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2025

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY JESSE HERKIMER

SECONDED BY FAWN SAULT

That the MCFN Regular Council accepts the Public Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting dated Tuesday, August 26, 2025.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 - MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – BCR TO BE SIGNED REGARDING MINISTRY OF SPORT COMMUNITY & RECREATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUND GRANT (AM)

BCR has been signed and sent to the relevant parties.

Cody Thomas joined the meeting via Teams at 9:10 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – CODY THOMAS FROM CHIEFS OF ONTARIO (COO) TO PRESENT ON THE REGIONAL INFORMATION GOVERNANCE CENTRE PROJECT (RIGC) – (DATA SOVERIGNTY PROJECT) (CS)

Councillor LS prefaced this meeting before Cody Thomas provided his power point presentation. Councillor LS noted that he sits on the Data Champion Advisory Committee (DCAC).

Cody Thomas has been hired as the Area Lead for Southwest Ontario, and is responsible for engaging First Nations Communities in the region to inform them of the Regional Information Governance Centre (RIGC) Project.

Cody noted the following in his Briefing Note:

The Chiefs of Ontario Research and Data Management (RDM) Team is advancing the Regional Information Governance Centre (RIGC) Project, which seeks to establish a First Nations—led and Ontario-specific data governance network. Engagement with Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) was initiated to gather community perspectives, priorities, and concerns regarding data ownership, access, and participation in the RIGC project.

Cody provided and highlighted a power point presentation titled "Regional Information Governance Centre Project" of which the Chiefs of Ontario (COO) are the hosts.

Chief Administrative Officer will work with COO to advance the Project through its next steps.

Cody Thomas was thanked for his presentation and left the meeting at 9:45 am.

<u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – MEMORANDUM OF LAW – FEE SIMPLE VS. ABORIGINAL TITLE</u> (BRIEF PREPARED BY JUSTICE HARRY LAFORME) (COUNCILLOR LS WILL PRESENT)

Councillor LS provided a brief update on the Memorandum of Law as prepared by Justice Harry LaForme.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – CHOREOGRAPHER (CHRISTINE FRIDAY) – NEXT PHASE WITH YOUTH REGARDING FIFA (CS) (BACK-UP WILL FOLLOW)

This item has been deferred to another meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9a) - COMMUNITY WELLNESS DISTRIBUTION DISCUSSION (FS)

The Communications Department put out a Notice to the Community that there would be no additional Community Wellness Distribution Payout for 2025.

Councillor FS stated that the whole Community needs to be fully informed as there were a lot of comments/complaints as to why there would be no fall payout as there has been for the years since covid.

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the MCFN Regular Council directs the Chief Administrative Officer to engage and inform the Community that there will be no second Community Wellness Distribution Payout for the fall of 2025.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY FAWN SAULT

SECONDED BY JESSE HERKIMER

That the MCFN Regular Council moved to an In-Camera session at 10:37 am.

Carried