

**MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION**  
**FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL**  
**PUBLIC MINUTES**  
 Tuesday, October 1, 2024

**Start: 9:05 am**

**Finish: 4:16 pm**

**Ogimaa-Kwe (Chief) Councillor**  
**Councillor**  
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**Councillor/Chair**  
**Councillor**  
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**Councillor**  
**Recording Officer**  
**Chief Admin Officer**  
**HR Manager**  
**Senior Director of Finance**  
**MCFN Member**  
**Real Estate Agent**

**Claire Sault**  
**Veronica King-Jamieson (via Zoom)**  
**Erma Ferrell**  
**Jesse Herkimer**  
**Leslie Maracle**  
**Fawn Sault (via Zoom)**  
**Larry Sault**  
**Ashley Sault**  
**Charlotte Smith**  
**Tracy Brant**  
**Sonya Morningstar**  
**Sergey Hovasapyan**  
**Veronica Tobicoe**  
**Shannon Veri**

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING**

Chair/Councillor Jesse Herkimer opened the meeting at 9:05 am.

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

**MOTION NO. 1**

MOVED BY ASHLEY SAULT

SECONDED BY LESLIE MARACLE

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) – Letter from Waterfront Toronto (JH);
- Agenda Item No. 8b) – Renaming of a Community Park in the City of Vaughn (CS);
- Agenda Item No. 8c) – Speaking Engagements (CS);
- Agenda Item No. 8d) – Walk through Queen’s park in Toronto (EF);
- Agenda Item No. 8e) – Cindy Blackstock Issue – Katherine Hensel (Legal Counsel zooming in);
- Agenda Item No. 8f) – Update on Monthly Community Meeting on Saturday, September 28, 2024.

Carried

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

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT THE PUBLIC MINUTES OF FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL MEETING DATED TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2024**

**DIRECTION NO. 1**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Chief Administration Officer (CAO) to follow up on the Direction below from the Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council Meeting dated Tuesday, September 3, 2024:

***DIRECTION NO. 1***

*That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs Interim Executive Director of Operations to continue following up with the lawyer regarding costs of Legal Counsel and Moccasin Identifier as a separate entity.*

The above item will be brought back to the next Intergovernmental Relations Council Meeting dated Tuesday, October 8, 2024.

**MOTION NO. 2**

MOVED BY CLAIRE SAULT

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts the Public Minutes of the Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council Meeting dated Tuesday, September 3, 2024.

Carried

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3a) – FYI - SUMMARY OF MOTIONS/DIRECTIONS FROM FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL MEETING DATED TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2024**

This is an FYI for Ogimaa-Kwe and Council.

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

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – SENIORS & YOUTH – INVITATION TO BE ON THE AGENDA THE FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH**

- a) **YOUTH WILL HAVE 20 MINUTES TO SPEAK;**
- b) **SENIORS WILL HAVE 20 MINUTES TO SPEAK.**

There were no MCFN Members present to speak today.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 8a).

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8a) – LETTER FROM WATERFRONT TORONTO DATED SEPTEMBER 18, 2024 (JH)**

This is a letter from Waterfront Toronto dated September 18, 2024. Councillor JH noted that in the future, we will take a tour of the emerging island. This is an FYI for Ogimaa-Kwe and Council.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 8f).

Katherine Hensel (Legal Counsel) zoomed in at 9:35 am.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8f) – FIRST NATIONS CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAM (CS)**

Councillor LS provided some background information to Katherine Hensel (Legal Counsel) regarding the Child and Family Services Funding Agreement.

Katherine stated that there is a document from Fogler Rubinoff (Legal Counsel) that MCFN needs to see. The document is about data monitoring, and on-reserve needs is in question. Councillor LS reiterated that off-reserve Members are not treated well either.

Councillor LS replied that every First Nation is developing their own data.

Katherine continued and noted that there is controversy between Cindy Blackstock and AFN.

Ogimaa-Kwe noted that she will have the Council Coordinator (Lana Terdik) set up a meeting with Katherine and Councillor LM. As a reminder, Ogimaa-Kwe noted that Chiefs of Ontario and AFN are not reserves, nor do they have treaties.

Councillor VKJ suggested that we write a letter to Chiefs of Ontario and AFN regarding this item. At least it will be on record.

**DIRECTION NO. 2**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs Ogimaa-Kwe (Claire Sault) to arrange a meeting with Katherine Hensel (Legal Counsel, Chief Administration Officer, Councillors Larry Sault and Leslie Maracle, and Ogimaa-Kwe regarding the First Nations Child & Family Services Program.

Katherine Hensel (Legal Counsel) was thanked for her presentation and zoomed out at 9:50 am.

Council moved back to Agenda Item No. 6.

HR Manager (Sonya Morningstar) in at 10:10 am.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – CLEAN COPY OF OVERTIME POLICY FOR MANAGERS TO BE APPROVED - COMING BACK FROM LAST WEEK’S COUNCIL MEETING (CAO & HR MANAGER)**

The Overtime Policy was not approved, and HR Manager was given the Direction below:

**DIRECTION NO. 3**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the HR Manager (Sonya Morningstar) to follow up on the following items listed below with regard to Section 5 – Overtime Policy:

- Define Volunteer;
- Special Events to be included;
- Overtime at Christmas.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – DEBWEWIN OAKVILLE – WAMPUM BELT EXCHANGE (COMMUNICATIONS & ENGAGEMENT LEAD – VICTORIA GRAY)**

Communications and Engagement Lead (Victoria Gray) has not yet heard back from Gillian McLaren. As soon as she (Victoria Gray) hears from Ms. McLaren, this item will be brought back to the Council Table.

**DIRECTION NO. 4**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs that this item will be deferred to the next Intergovernmental Relations Council Meeting on Tuesday, October 8, 2024 as the Communications & Engagement Lead (Victoria Gray) is waiting to hear from Gillian McLaren who organized the Debwewin Oakville Truth Project.

**MOTION NO. 3**

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT

SECONDED BY CLAIRE SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council moved to an In-Camera session at 11:20 am.

Carried

**MOTION NO. 6**

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT

SECONDED BY CLAIRE SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council moved out of the In-Camera session at 1:55 pm.

Carried

Council moved back to Agenda Item No. 8a).

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8a) – WATERFRONT TORONTO – RELEASE BLOCK 5 AND VILLIERS ISLAND (A/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS)**

**MOTION NO. 7**

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY LARRY SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approves Ogimaa-Kwe Claire Sault to sign the letter to Waterfront Toronto releasing Block 5 as a site for the MCFN Cultural Centre and redirecting efforts toward Villiers Island.

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

**DIRECTION NO. 5**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs Ogimaa-Kwe Claire Sault to sign the letter addressed to the Waterfront Secretariat regarding Block 5 Waterfront Toronto – Proposed Cultural Centre for Indigenous Spaces.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8b) – RENAMING OF A COMMUNITY PARK IN THE CITY OF VAUGHN (CS)**

An email was received by Ogimaa-Kwe from the City of Vaughn. They (City of Vaughn) would like to rename a park after MCFN.

**DIRECTION NO. 6**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs Ogimaa-Kwe Claire Sault to work together with Councillors Erma Ferrell and Veronica King-Jamieson regarding the renaming of a community park in the City of Vaughn.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8c) – SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS (CS)**

**DIRECTION NO. 7**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Chief Administration Officer to contact Communications & Engagement Lead and inform her that the regularly scheduled Lifelong Learning & Awareness & Nation Well-Being Council Meeting on Tuesday, October 22, 2024 (there will not be quorum) will be changed to **Wednesday, October 23, 2024**. This will be posted to the Website.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8d) – WALK THROUGH QUEEN'S PARK IN TORONTO (EF)**

**DIRECTION NO. 8**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs Councillor Erma Ferrell to work with MCFN Member Brianna Laforme to commission her (Brianna Laforme) bead work to be installed at the Gathering Place at Queen's Park in Toronto.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8e) – UPDATE ON MONTHLY COMMUNITY MEETING DATED SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024**

Councillor AS stated that people were upset at the meeting because there was no update on the land claim.

Ogimaa-Kwe apologized for not writing a letter updating the MCFN Members about what is happening thus far with the land claim.

It was agreed that the date for the next Monthly Community Meeting will be changed to Saturday, November 9, 2024 as the Land Claims Committee will be meeting with the government on Friday, October 31, 2024, and will have a better understanding to provide to the MCFN Membership.

**DIRECTION NO. 9**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Chief Administration Officer to contact the Communications Engagement Lead (Victoria Gray) to post that the monthly Community Meeting scheduled for Saturday, October 26, 2024 will be changed to **Saturday, November 9, 2024**.

**MOTION NO. 8**

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT

SECONDED BY CLAIRE SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council moved to an In-Camera session at 3:10 pm.

Carried