

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION
FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
PUBLIC MINUTES

Tuesday, October 29, 2024

Start: 9:25 am

Finish: 2:25 pm

Ogimaa-Kwe (Chief) Councillor
Councillor
Councillor
Councillor/Chair
Councillor
Councillor
Councillor
Councillor
Recording Officer
Chief Admin Officer

Claire Sault
Veronica King-Jamieson (via Zoom)
Erma Ferrell
Jesse Herkimer
Leslie Maracle
Fawn Sault
Larry Sault (Away on Other Council Business)
Ashley Sault
Charlotte Smith
Tracy Brant

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Councillor Erma Ferrell opened the meeting at 9:25 am.

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

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY JESSE HERKIMER

SECONDED BY CLAIRE SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts the Agenda with the following additions deletions:

- Agenda Item No. 5 – Deleted;
- Agenda Item No. 11a) – ATR Report (CS);
- Agenda Item No. 11b) – LSK School Track Update (TB);
- Agenda Item No. 11c) – Historical Gathering – Verbal Request (VKJ);
- Agenda Item No. 11d) – MCFN Letterhead (EF)
- Agenda Item No. 16a) – In-Camera Item (JH).

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, OCTOBER 1, 2024

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Chief Administration Officer to follow up with Direction No. 1 on Page 2 of the Public Minutes of Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council Meeting dated Tuesday, October 1, 2024. See Direction No. 1 below:

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.

DIRECTION NO. 2

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Chief Administration Officer to follow up with Direction No. 4 on Page 4 of the Public Minutes of Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council Meeting dated Tuesday, October 1, 2024. See Direction No. 4 below:

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.

DIRECTION NO. 3

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Chief Administration Officer to follow up with Direction No. 3 on Page 4 of the Public Minutes of Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council Meeting dated Tuesday, October 1, 2024. See Direction No. 3 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.

DIRECTION NO. 4

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs Ogimaa-Kwe to follow up with Direction No. 6 on Page 5 of the Public Minutes of Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council Meeting dated Tuesday, October 1, 2024. See Direction No. 6 below:

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.

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY CLAIRE SAULT

SECONDED BY ASHLEY SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts the Public Minutes of Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council Meeting dated Tuesday, October 1, 2024, with noted corrections.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3a) – FYI - SUMMARY OF MOTIONS/DIRECTIONS FROM FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL MEETING DATED TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 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 – IN-CAMERA ITEM

This item was deferred to the next Intergovernmental Relations Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 12, 2024.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – 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.**

DIRECTION NO. 5

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Chief Administration Officer to set up a meeting with the Youth and Seniors, in order for both parties to have a better understanding of each other. Chief Administration Officer also will speak with the senior staff to assist.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 9.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – PROSECUTION PILOT FOR FIRST NATION LAWS (CS)

Councillor Larry Sault was not present to speak to this item, so it is being deferred to the next Intergovernmental Relations Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 12, 2024.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – TENTATIVE WENNER GREN PROJECT (VKJ)

Councillor VKJ noted in her Briefing Note that she is requesting approval to submit a funding application budget total request of \$25,000.00 US dollars for the Wenner Gren Proposal for MCFN field school camp.

This project is rooted in a community-based archaeology program with the Mississaugas of The Credit First Nation (MCFN). Building from our earlier projects centered on relationship building with MCFN and Mississauga Nation through archaeological camps and field schools that center capacity building for MCFN community youths; we have two primary goals for this project. First, we will expand our community-driven archaeological field school for youth at a pre-colonial site in the Traditional Territory of Mississaugas of Credit First Nation in southern Ontario. Our field school centers Anishinaabe methodologies, ways of knowing, being, and doing, alongside conventional archaeological methods to learn more about place making and long-term use of the Credit River and its shorelines, and the Indigenous relationships with flora, fauna, and water. Second, we will focus on empowering youth through capacity building that braids Indigenous methodologies, such as community stories, teachings, ceremony, and land-based learning, and technical skills related to material culture analysis. Youths will learn about their ancestral heritage in what is now southern Ontario and develop important skills to contribute to community led heritage preservation initiatives, and set a foundation to contribute to reshaping questions that decolonize the discipline and our understanding of pre-colonial lifeways in southern Ontario.

In addition, please note Mississauga City Council agrees to pay for MCFN accommodation and food for the week during the school field, estimated budget of \$20,000.00.

Councillor VKJ informed that we have submitted an application for this grant for the last couple of years and have been approved.

Ogimaa-Kwe advised that in applying for the grant, that we do this only for our Nation.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY JESSE HERKIMER

SECONDED BY CLAIRE SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approves to submit the \$25,000.00 (Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars) US Funding Application to the Wenner Gren Proposal for MCFN Field School Archaeology Camp 2025.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11a) – ATR REPORT (CS)

This item has been put on hold for the time being.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11b) – NORTHCREST DEVELOPMENT DONATION FOR LLOYD S. KING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYM – WALL PADDING INSTALLATION (PB)

Director of Lifelong Learning noted in her Briefing Note that she would like to accept a payment of \$11,000.00 from Northcrest Development who MCFN is in partnership with. The payment is to help with the expense of installing wall padding around the gym at LSK. This payment is 50% of the total cost which is \$22,068.00.

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY LESLIE MARACLE

SECONDED BY JESSE HERKIMER

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts the donation of \$11,000.00 (Eleven Thousand Dollars) to help with the cost of the installation of wall padding to protect our students from hurting themselves during physical education programming.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11bi) – LLOYD S. KING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – WALL PADDING IN GYMNASIUM (PB)

Director of Lifelong Learning noted in her Briefing Note that she is seeking approval of the expenditure of \$22,068.00 for the installation of wall padding in the gym at LSK. She is also seeking permission to obtain the services of Sport Systems Canada.

Councillor FS stated that we need money for other projects.

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY LESLIE MARACLE

SECONDED BY JESSE HERKIMER

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approves the expenditure of \$22,068.00 (Twenty-two Thousand Sixty-eight Dollars and Zero Cents) as reflected in the quote from Sports Systems Canada. Half of the expense is covered by the donation of \$11,000.00 (Eleven thousand dollars and Zero cents) from Northcrest. The remaining funds will be taken from the regular elementary school budget from contract maintenance line item in the approved budgets. This expenditure is needed to for the protection and safety of our students.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

DIRECTION NO. 7

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Chief Administration Officer to follow up with the Director of Lifelong Learning regarding the doors at LSK, one needing the automatic entry button to be repaired, and the other inner second door needs repairing also.

Council moved back to Agenda Item No. 7.

Charlie Sault in at 10:50 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – REQUEST FROM MCFN PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR SUPPORT FOR LIBRARY TO APPLY FOR A GRANT (CHARLIE SAULT) (BCR TO BE SIGNED IF APPROVED)

MCFN Member Charlie Sault is requesting to apply for a grant for the MCFN Public Library. He is also requesting a BCR to be signed by Ogimaa-Kwe and Council to send with this grant application.

Charlie is also requesting insurance documentation.

Ogimaa-Kwe informed Charlie that there is an upcoming Library Conference in Toronto, Charlie can work with the Grant Writer on this.

Chief Administration Officer advised Charlie to connect with the First Nation Public Library.

Councillor EF informed that the MCFN Public Library is its own entity.

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY JESSE HERKIMER

SECONDED BY FAWN SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council to support the MCFN Public Library to apply for a grant from the Public Library Operating, Pay Equity and First Nation Salary Supplement (PLOG/PE/FNSS) Grant that is offered from the Ontario Library Service. The amount of the grant is \$35,000.00 (Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars) on an annual basis, subject to Charlie confirming that the dollars are for 2024/2025.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

See BCR No. 377 – 2024-2025.

DIRECTION NO. 6

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Chief Administration Officer to work with Charlie Sault (Librarian) to bring the Library up to a better standard.

Charlie Sault out at 11:10 am.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 11c).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11c) – HISTORICAL GATHERING REQUEST (VKJ)

Councillor VKJ is requesting to create a Working Team for the Historical Gathering 2025. She will forward the report from last year to Ogimaa-Kwe and Council.

MOTION NO. 7

MOVED BY LESLIE MARACLE

SECONDED BY ASHLEY SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approves the request of Councillor Veronica King-Jamieson who would like to create a Working Team for the upcoming Historical Gathering in 2025.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11d) – MCFN LETTERHEAD (EF)

It was agreed that on the MCFN Letterhead in the bottom left corner the words “R. R. #6” will be removed as a rural address is no longer needed.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11e) – WHO WILL OPEN THE COUNCIL HOUSE IN THE MORNINGS WHEN THERE ARE MEETINGS? (EF)

Councillor AS informed that everyone has a key card and can open the Council House door.

Councillor EF would like to see a protocol put in place with regard to the Council House door. She also requested another table to place the lunch order on when it arrives as there will not be enough room on the counter top. She questioned who the janitor is going to be. And, we need a place to put our winter boots and coats.

Ogimaa-Kwe pointed out that we need artwork to hang on the walls.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11f) – STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING (LM)

It is noted that the Strategic Planning Meeting – Urban Systems will still be going ahead on Friday, November 1, 2024 in the Administration Building – Lower Boardroom.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11g) – MARKETPLACE AND CAFE (CS)

Councillor LM advised that we need to grow Employment and Training.

It was noted that there are some complaints from off-reserve Members regarding the Employment and Training Department.

Councillor JH advised that we need an Employment and Training Board Meeting, and the Director of SED is looking into this.

Ogimaa-Kwe would like to see the lease of the MarketPlace and Cafe down at the Plaza.

DIRECTION NO. 8

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs the Chief Administration Officer to bring the lease of the Marketplace and Café, as well as the financial information of same, and bring it back to the Council Table for further discussion.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11h) – EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING AND ALFDC (CS)**DIRECTION NO. 9**

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs Councillor Leslie Maracle to contact Sam at ALFDC and request a list of the responsibilities of the LDM Coordinator (Michele King).

This item will be put on the Agenda of the next Special Council Meeting.

MOTION NO. 8

MOVED BY JESSE HERKIMER

SECONDED BY ASHLEY SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council moved to an In-Camera session at 12:10 pm.

Carried