

**MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
PUBLIC MINUTES
Tuesday, February 10, 2026**

Start 8:58 am

Finish 1:45 pm

**Chief Councillor/Chair
Councillor**

**Margaret Sault
Larry Sault (Had doctor's appointment but
returned at 9:53 am.)**

**Councillor
Councillor
Councillor**

**Leslie Maracle (Vacation)
Fawn Sault (Joined meeting via Teams)
Ashley Sault**

**Councillor
Councillor**

**Jesse Herkimer
Erma Ferrell
Jai King-Green (Joined meeting via Teams)**

**Senior Director of Operations
Recorder**

**Veronica King-Jamieson
Charlotte Smith**

Chief Financial Officer

Tabitha King (Joined meeting via Teams)

Sr. Dir. of Intergovernmental Affairs

Mark LaForme

DOCA staff

Megan DeVries & Adam LaForme

OPP Officers

Rod Leclair & Brennan Brown

MCFN Member

Veronica Tobicoe

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Chair/Chief Margaret Sault opened the meeting at 9:06 am.

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

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY JESSE HERKIMER

SECONDED BY ASHLEY SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Regular Council accepts the Agenda with the following additions:

- Agenda Item No. 11b) – Honorarium for Attending the David Suzuki Foundation Workshop (EF);
- Agenda Item No. 14a) – In-Camera Item;
- Agenda Item No. 14b) – In-Camera Item.

Carried

Recorder will be excused when we get to Agenda Item No. 14a).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT PUBLIC MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING DATED TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2026

It is noted that when this Motion was passed on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, and the Motion died, however, it was further noted that Councillor JH abstained from voting which abstaining vote counts as a yes vote.

Senior Director of Intergovernmental Affairs noted that the Peacekeeper Manager continues to work on the Peacekeepers Building Project.

Councillor JKG noted that she had more ideas/information that was not recorded in these Minutes. However, going forward, Recorder will add as much of the discussions as possible in the Minutes.

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY ASHLEY SAULT

SECONDED BY JESSE HERKIMER

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Regular Council accept the Public Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting dated Tuesday, February 3, 2026 with the exception of a correction on Page 4 – Motion No. 3, which will now read:

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY JAI KING-GREEN

SECONDED BY MARGARET SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Regular Council accepts the following:

It is recommended that the contract be approved for Maverick Innovation Inc. to complete the Peacekeepers building project, and that an exception be made, due to time constraints, to authorize the construction to be "sole sourced" and to allow the agreement to be countersigned and the deposit processed.

NOTE: The parcel of land for the Peacekeepers building at #468 New Credit Road has previously been approved by Chief and Council.

Opposed: Councillors Larry Sault – would rather focus on building the new Administration Building; Erma Ferrell – would like to see a report on the funding for this project.

(NOTE – Councillors Fawn Sault and Ashley Sault are away at a conference and are not here to vote.)

Councillor JH - Abstained

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

With regard to Motion No. 9 on Page 8 of the above Minutes, Councillor EF was opposed to purchasing a table at the upcoming Gala being hosted by the Six Nations Hospice Planning Committee, and Councillor EF does not believe any of our MCFN Members would be able to access the hospice once it is up and running.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

OPP Officers Rod Leclair and Brennan Brown in at 9:00 am. MCFN Member Veronica Tobicoe in at 9:00 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – OPP MONTHLY REPORT FOR JANUARY 2026 PRESENTED BY OPP OFFICER BROWN

OPP Officer Brennan Brown highlighted the OPP Monthly Report for January, 2026.

Chief MS pointed out on Page 8 of the Report that there needs to be more of a police presence on our territory as there is crime happening behind the scenes, and the OPP do not always know about it.

OPP Officer Rod Leclair informed that the OPP set up a table at the community event at LSK Parent Night. There was not much of a turnout, but they (OPP) did hand out some brochures. Rod also stated that he will be engaging more with the Peacekeepers.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY JESSE HERKIMER

SECONDED BY FAWN SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Regular Council acknowledges the OPP Monthly Report for January as presented by OPP Officers Rod Leclair and Brennan Brown.

Carried

OPP Officers and MCFN Member V. Tobicoe out at 9:50 am.

Megan DeVries and Adam LaForme from DOCA in at 9:25 am. Senior Director of Intergovernmental Affairs in at 9:25 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – REQUEST TO USE THE GREEN WILLOW PROPERTY FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL TRAINING AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH (ML)

It was noted in the Briefing Note that approval be granted to use the Green Willow property for archaeological training and community outreach purposes, including the completion of a Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment and a mock Stage 3 Archaeological Assessment (or a real Stage 3 Archaeological Assessment if archaeological resources are identified) within the proposed Cultural Centre and parking lot footprint. Led by the Department of Consultation and Accommodation’s (DOCA) Archaeology Unit (AU), MCFN members and qualified consultant archaeologists would be invited to participate.

This initiative would support internal capacity building for Field Liaison Representatives (FLRs) by providing hands-on archaeological training opportunities and creating a structured opportunity for meaningful community engagement around archaeology, land stewardship, and cultural heritage protection. Consultant archaeologists and interested community members would be invited to participate directly in the field activities, which would be led by DOCA’s Manager of Archaeology, Archaeologists, and Lead FLRs.

The proposed Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment and associated training and outreach activities would be undertaken using existing AU staffing and resources. Costs associated with this work would be covered within the AU training budget for the 2026-2027 fiscal year. No additional funding is being requested through this approval. Should non-FLR MCFN members or external consultants wish to participate, they can do so on a voluntary basis, not as paid participants.

Councillor AS stated that this project cannot interfere with the development of the Willow Project - Pow Wow Grounds.

It was agreed that the public Works Department and the Green Willow Committee will also be engaged in this project.

MOTION NO. 4

MOVED BY JESSE HERKIMER

SECONDED BY ASHLEY SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Regular Council approves allowing DOCA to proceed with archaeological assessments and associated training and outreach activities at the Green Willow property in Spring 2026.

If approved, it is further recommended that:

- Communications be engaged early to support community awareness, outreach; and
- Public Works Department and Willow Project Committee will be engaged;
- The Roads Department be engaged to assist with coordinating utility locates and related logistical requirements prior to any ground disturbance.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

Councillor LS in at 9:53 am.

Megan DeVries and Adam LaForme from DOCA out at 10:00 am. Senior Director of Intergovernmental Affairs out at 10:00 am.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – FIFTEENTH ANNUAL GRAND RIVER LEADERSHIP PRAYER BREAKFAST (JH)

The Fifteenth Annual Grand River Leadership Prayer Breakfast will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2026 at the Fisherville Lions Hall beginning at 8:00 am.

Councillors EF and AS and Chief MS will be attending.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – MEMO – AIAI 2026 ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY (JH)

The AIAI 2026 Annual General Assembly begins on Tuesday, June 23rd which is the same day as the MCFN Regular Council Meeting.

Chief suggested that we have the Council Meeting on Monday, June 22, 2026 but that is Aboriginal Day.

Councillor JH suggested having the meeting on the 5th Tuesday in June which is Tuesday, June 30, 2026.

Councillor LS informed that the voting has changed and every Community/Reserve who belongs to AIAI will have 7 votes.

Councillor EF suggested that all of Chief and Council attend.

This item will come back for further discussion next week as no decision was made as to when the MCFN Council Meeting would take place.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – HOCKEY HELPS THE HOMELESS NHL ALUMNI GAME IN IQALUIT NUNAVUT FUNDING REQUEST (JH)

Councillor JH noted in his Briefing Note that approval is requested for funding up to a maximum of 30,000.00 dollars to support the attendance of eleven Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation members as a guest First Nation team in the Hockey Helps the Homeless NHL Alumni Game against an Inuit team in Iqaluit Nunavut.

A total of eleven MCFN members are confirmed to attend the Hockey Helps the Homeless NHL Alumni Game in Iqaluit Nunavut. Ten of these members will be actively participating as players.

A confirmed sponsorship of \$5,000.00 from Fortis has been received, reducing the overall financial impact.

It has been noted that sufficient funds may be available through existing sources, including the Events Policy and CWJI related funding, as the event aligns with reconciliation, Indigenous engagement, and community support objectives.

Councillor AS stated that this Alumni Game should have been posted to the Community for fairness instead of players being handpicked.

Councillor JH informed that the age range of the players are 19+, and that this is a Pilot Project.

Councillor JKG noted that we could fundraise for the project for next year.

MOTION NO. 5

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY JAI KING-GREEN

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Regular Council approves funding of up to a maximum of 30,000.00 (Thirty Thousand Dollars) to support the attendance of eleven MCFN members at the Hockey Helps the Homeless NHL Alumni Game in Iqaluit Nunavut.

Further, that Councillor Herkimer work with the Acting CAO and CFO to determine the appropriate funding source, including consideration of Events Policy funds and CWJI (Community Wellness Jurisdiction Initiative) dollars, and that once the funding source has been identified and confirmed, it be brought back to the Council Table for acknowledgement.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR FNWSC SUBMISSION TO 2026-2027 EDUCATION PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM – PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (VKJ & LESLIE WHITE-EYE) (THIS ITEM IS COMING BACK FROM LAST WEEK’S MEETING)

MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY ASHLEY SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Regular Council agrees that the First Nations with Schools Collective should accept the offer of \$300,000.00 (Three Hundred Thousand Dollars) of Partnerships funding from Indigenous Services Canada for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. And that FNWSC is to provide an updated status report on the funding purposes and expenditures presented at an agreed upon meeting time of the MCFN.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

MOTION NO. 7

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY ASHLEY SAULT

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Regular Council signs and returns a letter of support to Leslee White-Eye, Governance Director, FNWSC, at lwhite-eye@fnwsceducation.com approving the Education Partnership Program Structural Readiness application in the amount \$107,870.00 (one hundred seven thousand eight hundred seventy dollars and zero cents). Funds do not flow through MCFN.

Carried

2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11a) – LETTER OF SUPPORT – CITY OF HAMILTON (MS)

Chief MS noted in her Briefing Note that a request was received from the City of Hamilton to provide a letter of support for their bid to host the 2028 International Indigenous Tourism Conference (IITC).

The City of Hamilton is putting forward a bid to host the 2028 conference and at this time, has asked for MCFN’s support via a letter. If selected as the host city, MCFN will actively lobby to ensure their position as the host First Nation is honoured and upheld.

A draft letter of support has been attached for Council’s review and approval.

MOTION NO. 8

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Regular Council agrees to provide the attached Letter of Support to the City of Hamilton in their bid to host the 2028 International Indigenous Tourism Conference.

Chief MS will make a change in the first sentence of the second paragraph in the letter regarding “traditional territory”.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11b) – HONORARIUM FOR MCFN MEMBERS WHO WILL BE ATTENDING THE DAVID SUZUKI FOUNDATION WORKSHOP (EF)

Councillor EF is requesting an honorarium for the people who will be attending the David Suzuki Foundation Workshop with her.

Chief Financial Officer stated that the CWJI dollars have been just sitting in an account and these dollars need to be used so we do not have to send them back.

Councillor FS requested that Craig King and his daughter should attend this workshop as they are involved with environment and archaeology.

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Regular Council directs the Chief Financial Officer to provide a clear view of how much money there is in the CWJI (Community Wellness Jurisdictional Initiative Fund), and further, provide line items.

MOTION NO. 9

MOVED BY JESSE HERKIMER

SECONDED BY JAI KING-GREEN

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Regular Council agrees that Councillor Erma Ferrell will select her participants who will attend the David Suzuki Foundation with her. Participants’ expenses will be covered according to MCFN travel rates.

Carried
2nd Reading Waived

MOTION NO. 10

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Regular Council moved to an In-Camera session at 11:40 am.

Carried

