

**Regular Council Meeting
Aamjiwnaang First Nation
Monday, January 22, 2018 - 5:00 PM**

The Regular Council Meeting was held on the above-date in the Administration Complex Council Chambers scheduled for 5:00 PM.

Council Members Present: Chief Joanne Rogers, Councillor Darren Henry, Councillor Dallas Sinopole, Councillor Sherri Crowley, Councillor Marina Plain, Councillor John Adams, Councillor Errnol Gray, Councillor Mike Jackson, Councillor Tom Maness

Regrets: Councillor Shawn Plain (Out of Town-Council Business)

Others Present:

June Simon, Band Manager	Sandy Waring, Community Information Officer
Wilson Plain, Jr., Emergency Management Planner	Jessica Pickett, Lands Management Officer
Greg Plain, Native Liaison, Nuclear Waste Management Organization	
Monica Virtue, Filmmaker/Designer/Researcher	James Jenkins, Deputy Clerk, City of Sarnia
Anne Marie Gillis, City of Sarnia, Councillor	

Call to Order:

Chief Joanne Rogers, called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. and Councillor Marina Plain, offered a prayer.

Regular Council Meeting Minutes, Monday, January 15, 2018

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Required changes were noted, a brief update was also provided for the Personnel Committee and Bridge Authority meeting time was confirmed for 10:00 am, on February 23, 2018.

➤ Changes to be completed.

Motion #1. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Council adopts the Regular Council Meeting Minutes, of Monday, January 15, 2018, with noted changes.

1-Abstained; Councillor Mike Jackson, was not present at the meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #1: Emergency Management Planner and Greg Plain – Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO)– Aboriginal Partnership Resources Program Funding Proposal

Follow-Up:

Discussion: The Emergency Management Planner and Greg Plain, NWMO Representative were in attendance for the discussion. An additional document was distributed for Chief and Council to review, which listed detailed funding provided for various programming in the community.

➤ Agreement must clearly state that the activities are not consultation.

A brief overview was provided noting programs that have been supported through the NWMO Aboriginal Partnership Resources Program Funding. It was noted that the new funding for 2018, will be used to support the same programs as in the previous year.

There was a brief conversation with regards to the Deep Geological Repository (DGR) and it was noted that Clinton Township and Central Huron are out of the selection process. It was also mentioned that there will be community engagement to share information about the DGR for educational purposes only and is not community consultation. It was noted that a DGR will be selected by the year 2023.

Motion #2. MOVED BY: Marina Plain
SECONDED BY: Tom Maness

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That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Draft Nuclear Waste Management Organization – Aboriginal Partnership Resources Program Funding Proposal, and agrees to move forward per proposed changes.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #2: Lands Management Officer Briefing Note – Re: Hydro One (HONI) Land Rental Rates

Follow-Up:

Discussion: The Lands Management Officer was in attendance and provided a brief update to Chief and Council for the negotiation process with Hydro One, and noted that an appraisal report has been received.

➤ HONI appraisal report to be made available to members of Council.

Motion #3. MOVED BY: Tom Maness
SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Lands Management Officer briefing note regarding Hydro One Land Rental Rates, and accepts the letter of issue to Hydro One Network Incorporated, confirming adjusted land rental rates, with noted change to include incurred interest.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #3: Health Director Briefing Note – Re: Erie St. Clair Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) – Youth Mental Health Funding

Follow-Up:

Discussion: There were brief comments with regards to the success of the Right to Play Program for the youth. Council would like to have a copy of the presentation that was made to the LHIN, by the Community Service Coordinator and Right to Play Youth Mentor.

➤ Council would like to have a copy of the presented information (Community Service Coordinator and Right to Play Youth Mentor).

Motion #5. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Health Director briefing note regarding the Erie St. Clair Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) – Youth Mental Health Funding, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #4: Membership Officer

a) Minor Child Membership Transfer – Robyn Gray (Parent) – BCR 2017-2018 #29

Follow Up:

Discussion: No Comments.

➤ None Required.

Motion #6. MOVED BY: John Adams
SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That Aamjiwnaang Council adopts BCR 2017-2018 #29 regarding Orion Christopher Remy Day, minor child, membership transfer from Walpole Island First Nation to Aamjiwnaang First Nation.

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b) Minor Child Membership Transfer – Tashina Fisher (Parent) – BCR 2017-2018 #30

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Discussion: No Comments. ➤ None Required.

Motion #7. MOVED BY: Errnol Gray
SECONDED BY: Marina Plain

That Aamjiwnaang Council adopts BCR 2017-2018 #29 regarding Charles Niigonii Mhiinghan Fisher-Wright, minor child, membership transfer from Walpole Island First Nation to Aamjiwnaang First Nation.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #5: Development Committee Meeting Minutes

- a) **October 19, 2017**
- b) **November 9, 2017**
- c) **November 23, 2017**

Follow Up:

- Permit to Reside Policy needs to be developed.
- Motion #9, is related to withholding funds for delinquent Permit to Reside fees.

Discussion: There was a request for the status of the Permit to Reside. The Band Manager, noted that requested information has not been forwarded to the Economic Development Coordinator/Project Manager, yet and the requested information has not been found. It was suggested that a new motion be drafted to remedy the situation.

Motion #8. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: John Adams

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Development Committee Meeting Minutes of October 19, 2017, November 9, 2017 and November 23, 2017, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion #9. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Mike Jackson

That Aamjiwnaang Council agrees that any outstanding Permit to Reside Fees will be withheld from any Aamjiwnaang Sponsor when there are any Distribution of funds to the membership.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #6: Monica Virtue Presentation/Update – Virtual Reality Documentary (6:30 PM)

Follow Up:

Discussion: Monica Virtue was in attendance to present information for the Visualizing the Past/Future of Aamjiwnaang Virtual Reality Documentary. A brief overview was provided of the project and virtual reality. She, expressed appreciation to Chief and Council for their time and noted that there is a research assistant/grad student who would be assisting with the filming for the 360° documentary. There was a request that Chief and Council provide ideas for the documentary and if the Health Centre or Environment department might be assigned to work with her on the project. It was also noted that the timeframe for completion of the project is between now and April. Ms. Virtue was informed that she is to meet with the Band Manager to further discussion and determine the project topic and timeline

- Band Manager to meet with Ms. Virtue, and discuss and determine project details.

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Motion #10. MOVED BY: Marina Plain
SECONDED BY: John Adams

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the, Monica Virtue's presentation Visualizing the Past/Future of Aamjiwnaang: A Virtual Realty Documentary, as presented. Further that, the Band Manager, is directed to work with Monica Virtue to determine the project topic and timeline.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #7: James Jenkins, Deputy Clerk, City of Sarnia – Presentation – United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People (UNDRIP)

Follow Up:

Discussion: Mr. James Jenkins and Anne Marie Gillis, were in attendance to present information for the City of Sarnia, UNDRIP Working Group. Background information was provided for the formation of the working group along with expected outcomes. It was noted that the working group is representative of the community diversity with members from various organizations and local First Nations communities. Councillor Marina Plain, applied as a citizen and sits on the committee. The primary focus of the working group is to develop a plan on how to implement the UNDRIP, within the City of Sarnia. It was mentioned that by fostering alliances and increasing awareness of culture and history of the area may prove to be beneficial for educating interested persons. It was also mentioned that there is a new museum in Ottawa that may be a good resource for the working group.

- Councillor Dallas Sinopole, to lead a discussion group to assist with developing an action plan and information sharing for the initiative.
- Copy of the UNDRIP, to forwarded to Chief and Council.

Further comments included:

- Working group hosting open meetings in the community.
- Summit is being planned as an initial information sharing event to educate interested persons in the working group efforts.
- It was mentioned that perhaps Aamjiwnaang could assist by securing funds through proposal writing.
- Aamjiwnaang may wish to consider adopting the UNDRIP and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC)

Councillor Dallas Sinopole has offered to take the lead in organizing a discussion group, made up of members of Council, to generate ideas for the development of an action plan and information/resources.

Motion #11. MOVED BY: John Adams
SECONDED BY: Marina Plain

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the, James Jenkin's, Deputy Clerk, City of Sarnia, presentation for the UNDRIP Working Group, as presented.

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Item #8: Union of Ontario Indians (UOI) BCR's

Follow Up:

- a) **Specific Claims Researchers – BCR 2017-2018 #31**
- b) **UOI Authorization – BCR 2017-2018 #32**

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Discussion: The Chief noted that the BCR's are in draft form and are for Council consideration only for the possibility of engaging with the Union of Ontario Indians Specific Claims researchers. It was also mentioned that a list of research articles will need to be prepared prior to any research taking place. Council was encouraged to write their thoughts and forward to the Chief.

➤ Council to forward research ideas to the Chief.

Item #9: Correspondence and Information

a) Anishinabek Nation – Re: Gasoline and Tobacco Retailer Think Tank

Follow Up:

Discussion: It was noted that at the last Council meeting there was a decision to not participate in the initiative.

➤ None Required

b) Anishinabek Nation – Re: Gathering on Cannabis Legislation

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Chief asked if there was anyone who has an expressed interest and is available to attend the meeting. It was also mention that it may be beneficial to keep up dated on any proposed legislation changes.

➤ Accommodations to be confirmed.

Motion #12. MOVED BY: Errnol Gray
SECONDED BY: Marina Plain

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Anishinabek Nation announcement for the Gathering on Cannabis Legislation, to be held March 6-7, 2018, at Sudbury, Ontario, and appoints Councillor John Adams and Councillor Darren Henry, to attend and report back to Chief and Council.

MOTION CARRIED

c) Chiefs of Ontario – Re: 12th Annual Health Forum

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Band Manager, noted that the Health Director and Community Services Coordinator, attend the forum on an annual basis.

➤ None Required.

Motion #13. MOVED BY: Tom Maness
SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Chiefs of Ontario – 12th Annual Health Forum, to be held February 27-28, 2018, at Toronto, Ontario.

MOTION CARRIED

d) Ontario Geological Society – Regional Scale Groundwater Geoscience in Southern Ontario – Open House

Follow Up:

Discussion: There was no expressed interest for attending the event, and it was suggested that the information be forwarded to Environment.

➤ Information to be forwarded to Environment.

Motion #14. MOVED BY: Mike Jackson
SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Ontario Geological Society, announcement for the Regional Scale Groundwater Geoscience in Southern Ontario Open House, to be held February 28 and March 1, 2018, at Guelph, Ontario.

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e) City of Sarnia – Re: Heritage Week Display at Lambton Mall – 2018

Follow Up:

Discussion: Councillor Marina Plain, sits on the planning committee and noted that an invitation is being extended to Aamjiwnaang to participate. The Chief, also noted that Aamjiwnaang needs a cultural room and/or library and resource people should be identified who can be called upon from time to time when requests come into the community. It was suggested that the Community Services Committee hold a discussion about developing a list of cultural resource people.

➤ Community Services Committee to discuss the development of list of Resource people for culturally related information.

Motion #15. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Marina Plain

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the City of Sarnia – Sarnia Heritage Committee, correspondence of January 11, 2018, regarding Heritage Week Display at Lambton Mall – 2018.

MOTION CARRIED

f) Ministry of Finance – Re: Tobacco Product Wholesalers Obligations Under the Tobacco Tax Act

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Chief, noted that the correspondence is for information purposes only and is being presented to keep Council up to date on the matter.

➤ None Required.

Motion #16. MOVED BY: Mike Jackson
SECONDED BY: Errnol Gray

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Ministry of Finance, correspondence of January 8, 2018, regarding an administrative matter for Tobacco Product Wholesalers obligations under the Tobacco Tax Act, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

g) Carolyn Jarvis, Global News Correspondent – Letter of Agreement – Re: Passive Air Monitoring Raw Data (6-Months)

Follow Up:

Discussion: There were brief comments and it was noted that the correspondence was received via email by the Environment Coordinator. The correspondence is a formal commitment to share any analysis of the raw data collected from the fenceline monitoring project.

➤ Further that, Ms. Jarvis be invited to attend a Council meeting to present findings before any publications/broadcasts are released.

Motion #17. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Errnol Gray

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the letter from Carolyn Jarvis, Global News Correspondent – Letter of Agreement, for use of Aamjiwnaang First Nation, Passive Air Monitoring Raw Data (six-month collection period), and accepts that Global News will share any data analysis that it conducts or via a third party. Further that, Ms. Jarvis be invited to attend a Council meeting to present findings before any publications/broadcasts are released.

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h) Ministry of Finance – Re: First Nations Ontario Gas Card Program

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Chief, noted that the correspondence is for information purposes only and is being presented to keep Council up to date on the matter.

➤ None Required.

Motion #18. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Ministry of Finance, correspondence of January 11, 2018, regarding First Nations Ontario Gas Card Program and proposed regulatory changes.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #10: New Business

a) Councillor Tom Maness – Wind Project Updates

Follow Up:

Discussion: Councillor Maness, requested an update on the wind projects and where things stand. The Band Manager, noted that when the new Corporate Manager is hired, that will be a primary focus along with other outstanding matters. It was also suggested that an update be requested from legal representatives OKT, for the Romney Wind Project.

➤ Update to be requested from legal representatives OKT, for the Romney Wind Project

b) Band Manager – Electoral Officer Training

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Band Manger, provided a brief update to Council on the training she attended earlier this month and noted she and the other staff are now certified Electoral Officers. Information was also shared about the First Nations Elections Act and the development of an Election Code.

➤ None Required.

c) Councillor Darren Henry – Anishinabek Nation Election Year

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Councillor Henry, noted that it is election year for the Anishinabek Nation, and that Chief and Council should consider sending a bus load of youth so they can have that experience of witnessing a traditional style election. High School students to be the focus of selection.

➤ None Required.

r) Chief Joanne Rogers – Eagle Staffs

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Chief Rogers, distributed a document that was prepared by Ted White, for the new Eagle Staff for Council's information. It was noted that Byron Bird, created the original staff and may be invited to present information.

➤ Byron Bird, to be invited to present information about the original Eagle Staff.

e) Additional Topics of Discussion Included:

Follow-Up:

i. Communication Strategy – Re: Clench Defalcation Claim Settlement

➤ None Required.

It was mentioned that there should a communication strategy for updating the community on the process for settling the claim.

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ii. Legal Files

It was mentioned that Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council and Administration need to start thinking about permanent storage location for all legal files. Perhaps a separate building needs to be constructed strictly for housing legal information. Funding will need to be identified.

➤ None Required.

iii. Professional Centre/Cultural Building/Bingo Hall

It was mentioned that there are plans that have been developed for a new professional centre/cultural building/bingo hall. The Economic Development Coordinator/Project Manager, should have a copy of the plans on file. It was suggested that the staff member attend Chief and Council meeting to discuss how to move the project forward. It was also mentioned that Aamjiwnaang history needs to be known and shared.

➤ Economic Development Coordinator/Project Manager to be consulted on how to move forward.

Item #11: In-Camera Session

Motions in Camera - #4, #19, #20, #21, #22, #23

Item #12: Adjournment

Motion #24. MOVED BY: Errnol Gray
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

Aamjiwnaang Band Council Adjourns at 9:33 P.M.

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Recorded By:
Lynn M. Rosales,
Band Council Clerk