

**Regular Council Meeting
Aamjiwnaang First Nation
Monday, May 2, 2016 - 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 Chris Plain, Councillor Darren Henry, Councillor Ted White Sr., Councillor Sherri Crowley, Councillor Shawn Plain, Councillor John Adams, Councillor Errol Gray, Councillor Lareina Rising, Councillor Randi Rogers (excused at 6:15 pm)

Regrets: Councillor R. Codey Simon (Personal Commitment)

Others Present:

Kelly Williams, Acting Band Administrator
Sharilyn Johnston, Environment Coordinator
Vicki Ware, Education Coordinator

Sandy Waring, Community Information Officer
Jessica Pickett, Lands Management Officer

Call to Order:

Chief Chris Plain, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and Councillor John Adams, offered a prayer.

Regular Council Meeting Minutes, Monday, April 18, 2016

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Page 7 of 10, Motion 24, there was a question as to whether or not the names of the individuals need to be listed in the motion, after a brief discussion it was suggested that further discussion for this item be listed under new business; Page 10 of 10, New Business, Item j), noted wording change to be completed to reflect that the request came from a community member that the outcome of the Community Information Meeting to be posted for community members information.

➤ A/Band Council Clerk to complete changes.

Motion #1. MOVED BY: Errol Gray
SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That this Council adopts the Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated Monday, April 18, 2016, with noted changes.

MOTION CARRIED

Clench Defalcation Claim-Community Information Meeting, Sunday, April 17, 2016

Follow-Up:

Discussion: There was a brief discussion that included: scheduling another Community Information Meeting; whether or not a BCR will be need to state Bands position on the matter; Council follow-up meeting; and, community input. It was also noted that Option #2, appears to the community consensus for the negotiation process. Chief Plain, noted that calls have been received from community members with their option selection.

➤ A/Band Council Clerk to complete changes.
➤ SCM – May 9, 2016, 5:00 p.m. start.

Motion #2. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: Randi Rogers

That this Council acknowledges the Clench Defalcation Meeting Discussion Notes, Sunday, April 18, 2016, with noted changes. Furthermore, a Special Council Meeting will be held on Monday, May 9, 2016, 5:00 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #1: Environment Coordinator – Letter to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change

Follow-Up:

Discussion: The Environment Coordinator was in attendance and provided an overview of the correspondence to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change. Key points of concern were discussed and it was noted that the letter was shared with community members at the Earth Day event on Saturday, April

➤ N/A

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23, 2016, community members had the option to sign for submission to the Ministry. Further discussion included: an additional correspondence be drafted on behalf of Chief and Council in support of the correspondences signed by community members; nation to nation/government to government relationship; and, including Corunna, due to the Benzene leak last week.

The Environment Coordinator also provided an update on the Edible Trees Grant Project. Selected locations for placement of trees was provided. It was also mentioned that consideration should be given to planting trees for Memorial purposes as there have been trees donated for that purpose.

Motion #3. MOVED BY: Randi Rogers
 SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That this Council acknowledges the Environment Coordinator's letter to the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #2: Lands Management Officer

a) Briefing Note – Re: Pipeline Renewal Agreements-Task Force Team

Follow-Up:

Discussion: The Lands Management Officer was in attendance and noted that the information being presented is follow-up from the Special Council Meeting held on February 29, 2016. Further discussion included: current pipeline committee and the previous work accomplished by the committee; development of a comprehensive agreement template; and, outstanding agreements. It was also mentioned that in the past the Band did not have a Lands Management Officer and the proposed initiative may assist in resolving all outstanding agreements.

➤ Lands Management Officer and the Pipeline Committee to develop an action plan and provide progress reports to Council.

Motion #4. MOVED BY: Lareina Rising
 SECONDED BY: Shawn Plain

That this Council acknowledges the Lands Management Officer briefing note regarding the Pipeline Renewal Agreements – Task Force Team and accepts the recommendations, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

b) BCR 2016-2017 #4 – Re: CPI Increases

Follow-Up:

Discussion: None

➤ N/A

Motion #5. MOVED BY: Errol Gray
 SECONDED BY: Randi Rogers

That this Council adopts BCR 2016-2017 #4, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #3: Education Coordinator

a) Briefing Note – Re: Proposed Consolidation of SCITS and SCSS

Follow-Up:

Discussion: The Education Coordinator provided an overview of submitted briefing note and noted they have attended meetings regarding the proposed consolidation of secondary schools in the City of

➤ Community concerns can be discussed with the LKDSB Trustee

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Sarnia. Further discussion included: a community member concern; education services provided by the Lambton Kent District School Board (LKDSB); importance of maintaining services for Aamjiwnaang students; and, the Education Coordinator is responsible for looking after the educational needs of the community. It was also mentioned that community concerns can be discussed with the LKDSB Trustee (Councillor Lareina Rising), before May 11, 2016, so that they may be brought forward.

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Motion #6. MOVED BY: Randi Rogers
 SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That this Council acknowledges the Education Coordinator's briefing note regarding the Proposed Consolidation of SCITS and SCSS, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Briefing Note – Re: Ministry of Education-Daycare Agreement

Follow-Up:

Discussion: None

➤ N/A

Motion #7. MOVED BY: John Adams
 SECONDED BY: Shawn Plain

That this Council acknowledges the Education Coordinator's briefing note regarding the Ministry of Education – Daycare Agreement, and accepts the recommendation, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #4: Finance Coordinator Briefing Note – Re: Renewal of CMHC Phase 8 Mortgage

Follow-Up:

Discussion: None

➤ N/A

Motion #9. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
 SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That this Council acknowledges the Finance Coordinator's briefing note regarding the Renewal of CMHC Phase 8 Mortgage, and accepts the recommendation, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #5: Health Centre

a) Briefing Note – Re: Community Wellness Worker Memorandum of Agreement

Follow-Up:

Discussion: None

➤ N/A

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

That this Council acknowledges the Health Centre briefing note regarding the Community Wellness Worker Memorandum of Agreement, and accepts the agreement, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Briefing Note – Re: New Horizons Funding

Follow-Up:

Discussion: None

➤ N/A

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Motion #11. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That this Council acknowledges the Health Centre briefing note regarding the 2016-2017 New Horizons Funding, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

c) Health Committee Meeting Minutes, March 24, 2016

Discussion: None

Follow-Up:

➤ N/A

Motion #12. MOVED BY: John Adams
SECONDED BY: Ted White Sr.

That this Council acknowledges the Health Committee Meeting Minutes, March 24, 2016, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #6: Housing Coordinator Briefing Note – Re: Eviction Process for Unpaid Utilities

Follow-Up:

Discussion: There was a brief discussion and there was a question as to whether or not there is an agreement with Bluewater Power for providing services to On-Reserve? There are no agreements. It was suggested that the unpaid water bills be invoiced to the tenant and that all utilities must be put in tenants name and provided upon signing housing agreement.

➤ A/Band Administrator, Finance Coordinator and Housing Coordinator to meet and develop and implement a course of action.

Motion #13. MOVED BY: John Adams
SECONDED BY: Shawn Plain

That this Council acknowledges the Housing Coordinator's briefing note regarding the Eviction Process for Unpaid Utilities, and accepts the recommendation, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #7: Administration

a) A/Band Administrator Report

Follow Up:

Discussion: The A/Band Administrator noted that the report being presented is follow-up to the annual budget meeting and direction received at that time. There was a lengthy discussion that included:

➤ N/A

- i. Signing Authority and the need for an additional signer.
- ii. Constitution Ad-Hoc Committee
 - Support staff needed for the committee to ensure completion of tasks.
 - Development of draft Terms of Reference.
 - Budget to complete task.
 - Ratification Process of the Aamjiwnaang Constitution and the First Nation Education Agreement.
 - Involvement of the Education Committee.
 - The need to have weekly meeting to meet the timeline.
 - Draft constitution has been presented.
 - Overview of the constitution process.
 - Community Information Officer to ensure that information is being conveyed to the community in preparation for ratification.

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- A/Band Administrator to present information at the Special Council Meeting on May 9, 2016, if possible.

- iii. Administrative Office – Basement Renovations
 - Budget to be prepared and presented at the next Regular Council Meeting.
- iv. Capacity Funding Agreements
 - All expenditures reported to Council, so that they are more informed and able to answer community member’s questions and concerns.
- v. Review of Wind Farm Projects
 - Obtain at least two quotes for completion of review.

Motion #14. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That this Council acknowledges the A/Band Administrator’s Report, May 2, 2016, and accepts the recommendations, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion #15. MOVED BY: John Adams
SECONDED BY: Darren Henry

That this Council is in agreement to appoint Kelly Williams, Acting Band Administrator, as a Signing Authority for all Band bank accounts and investment portfolios on an interim basis.

MOTION CARRIED

b) BCR 2016-2017 #3 – Re: Tecumseh AMM Delegates

Follow Up:

Discussion: None

➤ N/A

Motion #16. MOVED BY: John Adams
SECONDED BY: Lareina Rising

That this Council adopts BCR 2016-2017 #3, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

c) Bluewater Power – Offer to Connect Contract

Follow Up:

Discussion: The A/Band Administrator provided an update as well as background information regarding the business in need of electrical service. It was noted that the initiative can be covered with Minor Capital funds and could prove to be beneficial for any future development in the area. Bluewater Power installs everything and requires an expansion deposit as noted in the presented contract. It was also mentioned that Anwis required a new roof and work has started on that property.

➤ N/A

Motion #17. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: John Adams

That this Council acknowledges the A/Band Administrator’s briefing note regarding “Offer to Connect Contract – Bluewater Power”, for New Commercial Service, and accepts Option #1, as presented.

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Item #8: Correspondence and Information

- a) Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) – Notification of Clench Defalcation Negotiator** **Follow Up:**

Discussion: None ➤ N/A

Motion #18. MOVED BY: Errnol Gray
SECONDED BY: Lareina Rising

That this Council acknowledges the AANDC correspondence regarding the appointment of the Clench Defalcation Negotiator, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

- b) Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) – 2016-2017 Reserve Land and Environment Management Program First Nation Recipients** **Follow Up:**

Discussion: There was a brief discussion and it was noted that funding is formula driven and based on the number of completed transactions; and, Aamjiwnaang may receive an increase in funding. ➤ N/A

Motion #19. MOVED BY: Lareina Rising
SECONDED BY: John Adams

That this Council acknowledges the INAC correspondence regarding the 2016-2017 Reserve Land and Environment Management Program Funding, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

- c) UOI – Anishinabek Education Conference, May 4-5, 2016** **Follow Up:**

Discussion: The Education Coordinator was in attendance and noted that they are unable to attend, and indicated that the information being discussed may be beneficial to the department. There was a request for a member of Council to attend and bring back information. ➤ N/A

Motion #8. MOVED BY: Errnol Gray
SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That this Council acknowledges the Anishinabek Nation Education Conference Notice, and delegates Chief Chris Plain and Councillor Shawn Plain, based on availability, to attend at Toronto, Ontario, May 4-5, 2016.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #9: In-Camera Session

Motions in Camera - #20

Item #10: New Business

- a) Invitation to Women in Leadership Network Meeting** **Follow Up:**

Discussion: Chief Plain indicated that the correspondence was recently received and wanted to ensure that the women on Council have an opportunity to attend if interested. ➤ N/A

Motion #21. MOVED BY: John Adams
SECONDED BY: Errnol Gray

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That this Council accepts the invitation to the Women in Leadership networking meeting, to be held at Oneida Nation of the Thames Political Office, May 12, 2016.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Councillor Darren Henry – Indian Act

Follow Up:

Discussion: Councillor Henry noted that status natives do not have the option to use personal property for collateral purchases. It was mentioned that Tecumseh Development Corporation is wanting to develop a bad debt collection process. Further discussion included: recent court ruling regarding Metis; Land Management Act; and, the federal government are considering repealing the Indian Act.

➤ N/A

c) John Adams – Flooding Along River Road

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Councillor Adams inquired about a water drainage survey and whether or not one was completed. It was mentioned that one was completed for the Maness Court, but not the River Road. It was also mentioned that there is lots of water run off along South Vidal and the Emergency Road. There was a recommendation to have a Drainage Study completed, have the Eaves Troughs inspected for where they drain and ensure they are not draining into the sewer system. Technical Services at the Southern First Nation Secretariat to be contacted.

➤ Technical Services at the Southern First Nation Secretariat to be contacted to completed a Drainage Study.

d) Councillor Lareina Rising, for Councillor Randi Rogers – Speed Limit along LaSalle Line

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Councillor Rising indicated that Councillor Rogers is requesting an update on previous direction given to contact the county regarding having the speed limit reduced along LaSalle Line. Chief Plain, noted that he will follow-up with the Township.

➤ The Chief will follow-up with the Township.

e) Councillor Lareina Rising – Band Administrator Interview Process

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Councillor Rising informed Council that due to individual schedules of the appointed Hiring Committee there is a need to have an alternate for the Hiring Committee. Councillor John Adams, mentioned that he would be available to assist any time before May 23, 2016.

➤ N/A

f) Constitution Ad-Hoc Committee

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Councillor Rising question as to whether or not the names of the individuals who are being appointed need to be listed in the motion? It was noted that Marina Plain and Lynn Rosales, had submitted Letters of Interest for the Constitution Ad-Hoc Group and the posting has been extended per Council direction.

➤ N/A

Item #11: Adjournment

Motion #22. MOVED BY: Errnol Gray
SECONDED BY: John Adams

That this Council Adjourns at 7:30 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED

Recorded By: Lynn M. Rosales, A/Band Council Clerk