

**Regular Council Meeting
Aamjiwnaang First Nation
Monday, May 8, 2017 - 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 Shawn Plain, Councillor John Adams

Regrets: Councillor Errnol Gray (Out of Town-Band Business)

Others Present:

Sandy Waring, Community Information Officer	Vicki Ware, Education Coordinator
Sara Plain, Health Director	Robin Wood, HCC Program Manager
Kyle Williams, Greenhouse Technician	Mike Jackson, Community Member
Glen Hare, Anishinabek Nation Deputy Grand Chief	
Jay Kaufman, Ontario Negotiator-Mater Education Agreement	

Call to Order:

Chief Joanne Rogers, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and offered a prayer. It was also noted that Councillor Errnol Gray is away on Band business and will not be in attendance.

Regular Council Meeting Minutes, Monday, April 18, 2017

Follow-Up:

Discussion: The Chief provided a brief update on the Police Agreement and noted that the Bands legal advisor will be completing a review. There was a brief discussion on Item #11. j) and it was noted that Council agrees that no one individual has the authority to speak on behalf of Aamjiwnaang in any capacity.

➤ Band Council Clerk to complete noted changes.

Motion #1. MOVED BY: John Adams
SECONDED BY: Shawn Plain

That this Council adopts the Regular Council Meeting Minutes Monday, April 18, 2017, with noted changes.

MOTION CARRIED

Special Council Meeting Minutes, Thursday, April 26, 2017

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Councillor Shawn Plain, noted that he was out-of-town on Band business during the time of the Special Council Meeting. There was a brief discussion on the demolition of houses and it was noted that associated costs are to come from Minor Capital Funds.

➤ Band Council Clerk to complete noted changes.

Motion #2. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council adopts the Special Council Meeting Minutes Thursday, April 26, 2017, with noted changes.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #1: Denise Wright – Seniors of Aamjiwnaang Request

Follow-Up:

Discussion: There was a brief discussion on the submitted information and it was noted that there are two separate groups of travelling senior's in Aamjiwnaang. The matter was tabled until May 15, 2017.

➤ **TABLED, May 15, 2017**

Item #2: Education Coordinator

a) Master Education Agreement Presentation – Jay Kaufman, Ontario Negotiator

Follow-Up:

Discussion: The Education Coordinator, Ontario Negotiator and the

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Anishinabek Nation Deputy Grand Chief, were in attendance for the presentation of the Anishinabek Education System, Master Education Agreement, with the Province of Ontario.

Introductions around the room took place prior to the discussion, and the Education Coordinator, noted that they are looking for Council to approve the proposed Band Council Resolution (BCR), approving the Master Education Agreement, with the Province of Ontario. The Education Coordinator and the Ontario Negotiator, responded to Councils questions regarding: the Kinoomaadziwin Education Board (KEB); provincial standards; language and culture; pay grid for educators on-reserve; equal representation; when funding becomes effective; personal data and information sharing agreement will separated from funding agreement; and, approval of the Master Education Agreement is the next step in the Anishinabek Education System process.

Motion #3. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
 SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the presentation of the Master Education Agreement and adopts BCR 2017/2018 #8, for approval of the Master Education Agreement with Ontario, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Education Committee Meeting Minutes, March 9, 2017 and April 12, 2017

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Councillor John Adams, provided a brief update regarding Item #12, with respect to the Shell Project with Lambton College. It was noted that several programs have been developed for specific targeted groups to provide opportunities for students. The information will be shared through the community newsletter and website.

➤ N/A

Motion #4. MOVED BY: John Adams
 SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the Education Committee Meeting Minutes March 9, 2017, also that Council approves to increase the monetary school awards as indicated under Item #5, for the 2017 school awards.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion #5. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
 SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That this Council acknowledges the Education Committee Meeting Minutes April 12, 2017 and April 27, 2017, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #3: Health Director – Update and Presentation on Long-Term Care and Assisted Living

Follow-Up:

Discussion: The Health Director and Home and Community Care Program Manager were in attendance for the presentation. The Health Director, presented key information along with different

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➤ A Special Council Meeting is to be

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scenarios for the Long-Term Care, Assisted Living and Retirement Home. Statistical information was shared for on-reserve population and current client base. It was noted that there are several factors to consider before moving forward with the project. Key areas of concern were: budgeting; associated facility costs; comparison of existing services and possible impact on current services; possible partnership and the benefits and opportunities; previous planning and scope of work completed; infrastructure and planning; conversion of existing seniors complex and building a new facility; and, location.

scheduled with the Band Manager

In closing the Chief noted that Council needs to determine the course of action to take and that perhaps a resolution should be drafted and presented at the Anishinabek Grand Council Assembly, to lobby support for local needs. Councillor Shawn Plain, added that at the recent Chiefs of Ontario, Special Chiefs Assembly, that there was an announcement that the Chiefs intend to lobby the government and put pressure on them to provide more support for First Nation communities. It was also suggested that community outreach may be needed to assist Council in determining the appropriate project to meet the needs of Aamjiwnaang. A Special Council Meeting to be planned with the Band Manager.

Item #4: Environment

a) Greenhouse Technician Briefing Note – Re: Maajiigin Gumig (Aamjiwnaang Greenhouse) – Request

Follow-Up:

Discussion: The Greenhouse Technician, was in attendance and provided an overview of the greenhouse expansion and planned plant rescue efforts at a location on-reserve where business is expanding. It was noted that Shell has approved a \$5,000.00 donation for the new hoop house expansion (email confirmation distributed). Currently the greenhouse has limited space and the demand for native plants are increasing and the hoop house expansion would allow for more room for continued growth of the greenhouse. There was a discussion about the location of the new hoop house and possible expansion of the greenhouse in the future. The Greenhouse Technician, extended an offer to provide tours of Aamjiwnaang land (bush) for Chief and Council and staff for educational purposes.

➤ Wednesday, May 10, 2017, at 10:00 am, planned tour with Chief and Council for those who wish to participate.

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

That this Council acknowledges the Greenhouse Technician briefing note and Shell Canada, \$5,000.00 contribution, and supports the Maajiigin Gumig expansion project. Further that the location of the new hoop house is to be situated on the north as per drawing.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Environment Committee Meeting Minutes, March 21, 2017 and April 10, 2017

Follow-Up:

Discussion: It was mentioned that the Environment Committee has met with Hydro One representatives and they were informed that Hydro One are placing fibre optic lines that will run across the river along with the hydro lines. Councillor Sherri Crowley, distributed a copy of the Species at Risk Year-End Report, prepared by

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Dennis Plain, AFSAR Lead Technician.

Motion #7. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the Environment Committee Meeting Minutes, of March 21, 2017 and April 10, 2017, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #5: Emergency Management Planner

a) Briefing Note – Re: Imperial Oil February 23, 2017 Incident Update

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Chief, mentioned that more information was requested for the Imperial Oil, February 23, 2017, Incident. The Emergency Management Planner, submitted copies of email correspondences with response to Council questions and concerns.

➤ N/A

Motion #8. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Shawn Plain

That this Council acknowledges the Emergency Management Planner briefing note regarding the Imperial Oil, February 23, 2017, Incident, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Notification Report April 2017

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Chief, informed Council that she has requested that a graph be created for the SO₂ emission's for Aamjiwnaang technical data. It was also noted that it may be beneficial to have information for individual company in the valley. Further discussion included; the April 27, 2017, incident at INEOS, where a siren was sounded, but no notification or call to Aamjiwnaang. It was noted that the company has since been notified and they have indicated that they will be sure to send notifications for all warnings in the future.

➤ The Environment Coordinator, the Health Director and Emergency Management Planner develop a strategic plan for collection of statistical data for a future summit with surrounding industry to address health and safety concerns.

Councillor Sherri Crowley, expressed concern about a report from 2016 (an email was forwarded to members of Council with report attached), regarding excessive Benzene readings in the community. Councillor Crowley, informed Council that she has contacted the Environment Coordinator, to determine what has been done to address the issue. It was noted that the report has been forwarded to the Ministry. It was suggested that a summit be planned where surrounding industry are invited and Aamjiwnaang can present concerns and stipulate expectations for safety and notification of incidents that occur on site.

Motion #9. MOVED BY: Darren Henry
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the Emergency Management Planner, Notification Report for April 2017, as presented.

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Motion #10. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That this Council gives direction that the Environment Coordinator, the Health Director and Emergency Management Planner develop a strategic plan for collection of statistical data for a future summit with surrounding industry to address health and safety concerns.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #6: Development Committee Meeting Minutes, April 6, 2017

- **Terms of Reference (attachment)**
- **Aamjiwnaang First Nation Temporary Residence Permit Application (attachment)**
- **Aamjiwnaang First Nation Matrimonial Real Property Law (attachment)**
- **Permit Report – March 2017 (attachment)**

Follow-Up:

- All submitted attachments are **TABLED** until July 17, 2017.

Discussion: Councillor Sherri Crowley, provided a brief update on all submissions from the Development Committee. There are some concerns with regards to mandate of the committee and clarification is needed. It was also mentioned that the Development Committee is the only Standing Committee of Council with no assigned coordinator, who sits with the committee to discuss issues. It was noted that the Matrimonial Real Property Law, is being reviewed by a legal advisor. The Temporary Residence Permit Application, has been drafted using another First Nation document as a guide. The Permit Report, was generated by the Membership Officer. It was suggested that a community presentation be planned Permit to Reside so that everyone can be informed on the process and why it is in place.

Motion #12. MOVED BY: Darren Henry
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the Development Committee Meeting Minutes, April 6, 2017, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #7: Development Committee – Employment and Training Meeting Minutes, March 23, 2017

Discussion: It was mentioned that the use of acronyms need to be limited.

Motion #11. MOVED BY: John Adams
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the Development Committee – Employment and Training Meeting Minutes, March 23, 2017, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #8: Chippewa Industrial Development Limited and Structural Tech Shareholders, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Discussion: There were a few brief comments regarding the Board of Directors and the development of the job descriptions.

Follow Up:

- Councillor Sherri Crowley, to address the use of acronyms at the next meeting.

➤ N/A

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Motion #13. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the following as presented:

- Chippewa Industrial Development Limited Board of Directors, Meeting Minutes, February 15, 2017.
- Chippewa Industrial Development Limited Board of Directors/Structural Tech Shareholders, Meeting Minutes, March 15, 2017.
- Chippewa Industrial Development Limited Board of Directors/Structural Tech Shareholders, Meeting Minutes, March 30, 2017.
- Chippewa Industrial Development Limited Board of Directors/Structural Tech Shareholders, Meeting Minutes, April 5, 2017.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #9: Correspondence and Information

a) **Councillor Errnol Gray – Re: Report on the National Energy Board Meeting, April 12, 2017** Follow Up: **TABLED, May 15, 2017**

b) **Ronald E. Rowcliffe, QC – Re: Corporate Commercial Realty** Follow Up:

Discussion: Recorded In-Camera ➤ **TABLED**

c) **Ontario Reserve Lands and Environment Management Program (RLEMP) Engagement Session** Follow Up:

Discussion: It was noted that at the Special Council Meeting of April 26, 2017, Councillor Errnol Gray, agreed to attend the engagement session. Motion in Council required for his attendance. ➤ N/A

Motion #14. MOVED BY: Dallas Sinopole
SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That this Council acknowledges the Ontario Reserve Lands and Environment Management Program (RLEMP) Engagement Session information and appoints Councillor Errnol Gray, to attend May 9-11, 2017, at Toronto, Ontario.

MOTION CARRIED

d) **Southern First Nation Secretariat – Re: How Governance Works – Workshop** Follow Up:

Discussion: It was mentioned that the workshops in the past have been very informative with knowledgeable facilitators. ➤ N/A

Motion #15. MOVED BY: John Adams
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the Southern First Nation Secretariat workshop information for How Governance Works, to be held May 17 – 18, 2017, at Maawn Doosh Gumig, Aamjiwnaang First Nation and appoints Chief Joanne Rogers and Councillor Sherri Crowley and Councillor Errnol Gray, to attend the session, based on personal availability.

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e) Ontario Legislative Assembly – Re: Critic for Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

Follow Up:

Discussion: It was mentioned that in the past the Ontario Legislative Assembly, PC Party was reluctant to work with First Nations on the Camp Ipperwash and the Ipperwash incident and the inquiry. The Chief to send a letter of response.

➤ The Chief to send a letter of response.

Motion #16. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Shawn Plain

That this Council acknowledges the Ontario Legislative Assembly correspondence of April 27, 2017, regarding the appointment of PC Critic for Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

MOTION CARRIED

f) Picking Up the Bundles Canoe Journey – Edward E. George

Follow Up: TABLED, May 15, 2017

Discussion: The Chief, informed Council that the correspondence has been forwarded to the Culture and Heritage Club.

g) Sarnia-Lambton Children’s Aid Society Invitation to Participate

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Chief, provided a brief overview of the information.

➤ N/A

Motion #17. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the Sarnia-Lambton Children’s Aid Society correspondence of March 13, 2017, which extends and invitation to participate in a Southwest Ontario gathering on May 26, 2017, at Maawn Doosh Gumig, Aamjiwnaang First Nation. Furthermore, Councillors Shawn Plain and John Adams to attend.

MOTION CARRIED

h) Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration – Diversity Award

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Chief, informed Council that the information will be shared with Program Coordinators’ in the hopes that they may have someone of interest for the nomination.

➤ N/A

Motion #18. MOVED BY: John Adams
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration correspondence of April 2017, regarding the Champion of Diversity Award, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #10: New Business

a) Housing Coordinator Briefing Note – Re: Social Infrastructure Fund (SIF)

Follow Up:

Discussion: Councillor Shawn Plain, Housing portfolio holder, provided a brief update on the information. It was also confirmed that the Finance Coordinator, is aware of the submission.

➤ N/A

Motion #19. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Shawn Plain

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That this Council acknowledge the Housing Coordinator briefing note regarding the Social Infrastructure Fund (SIF), and accepts the recommendation to approve the additional funding in the amount of \$313,981.00 (three-hundred thirteen-thousand, nine-hundred eighty-one dollars), so that identified housing work may begin.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Councillor Sherri Crowley – Re: AA Program

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Councillor Crowley, mentioned that perhaps the Health Centre may wish to consider hosting an AA Program, as there are interested community members that would attend. The Health Director, noted when the new Addictions Specialist, starts working, there will be programming offered for community members. It was also noted that most AA and NA programs begin with an individual taking on that responsibility of planning the sessions.

➤ N/A

c) Councillor Darren Henry – Re: Fishing at the Aamjiwnaang Docks

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Councillor Henry, mentioned that community members have again expressed concern about non-band members fishing from the Aamjiwnaang Docks. The Chief will discuss the issue with the Public Works Coordinator.

➤ N/A

d) Councillor Dallas Sinopole – Re: Firekeepers for the Grand Council Assembly

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Councillor Sinopole, informed Council that he had received a call requesting more information on the number of firekeepers for the upcoming Grand Council Assembly. It was mentioned that the information was most likely being requested for the tendering process. It was also noted that Councillor Darren Henry, has agreed to organize community teaching sessions for the fire, teepee and sweat lodge.

➤ N/A

e) Councillor Dallas Sinopole – Re: Complaint About Animals and Property

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Councillor Sinopole, informed Council that he had received another call with a community member expressing concern for animals (chickens) running loose and the appearance of personal property. It was mentioned that there is an Exotic Animal By-Law and Nuisance By-Law.

➤ N/A

f) Councillor Shawn Plain – Re: Water Utility and Hydro Rates

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Councillor Plain, expressed concern about community members paying for water utility and noted that Aamjiwnaang is the only First Nation where the community members pay for their water. He wanted to know if there were any plans to conduct research about the matter. It was suggested that perhaps meters could be placed at identified locations on the water lines that enter the reserve and INAC be billed for the water usage on-reserve.

➤ N/A

Councillor Plain, also provided an update on the hydro rate reductions. It was mentioned that a portion of the delivery charges will be removed, the HST charges are to be removed and

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an overall reduction in the rates for on-reserve. Overall the rates will be reduced by up to 30% and residents should start to see the reduction by the end of the summer but the will be retro back to July 1, 2017.

g) Councillor Shawn Plain – Re: Update on Southwest Regional Healing Lodge

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Councillor Plain, noted that the Southwest Regional Healing Lodge, will have a name change to, Wulaawsuwiikaan (a place of healing). A new Board of Directors will be appointed and Articles of Incorporation are to expected at a future date.

➤ N/A

Councillor Plain, also noted that reports will be prepared for all meetings attended.

h) Chief Joanne Rogers – Re: 1st Aamjiwnaang Cub and Beaver Scouts

Follow Up:

Discussion: Chief Rogers, indicated that the information was recently received and required approval from Council.

➤ Cheque requisition to be prepared.

Motion #20. MOVED BY: Darren Henry
SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That this Council approves early registration fees for the 1st Aamjiwnaang Cub Scouts in the amount of \$2405.00 and the Beaver Scouts in the amount of \$1665.00, supported through Council Contingency Funds.

MOTION CARRIED

i) Chief Joanne Rogers – Re: Anishinabek Nation Memorandum – Grand Council Assembly 2017 – Agenda

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Chief Rogers, indicated that the information is being provided to keep everyone informed as the planning proceeds.

➤ N/A

Item #11: In-Camera Session

Motions in Camera - #21, #22

Item #12: Adjournment

Motion #23. MOVED BY: Darren Henry
SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That this Council Adjourns at 10:30 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED

Recorded By:
Lynn M. Rosales,
Band Council Clerk