

**Regular Council Meeting
Aamjiwnaang First Nation
Tuesday, July 4, 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 Marina Plain, Councillor John Adams, Councillor Errol Gray, Councillor Mike Jackson

Regrets: Councillor Shawn Plain (Personal), Tom Maness (Vacation)

Others Present:

Rose John, Finance Coordinator
Danny Morton, BA, LLB, Ministry of Attorney General, Aboriginal Justice Division
Jessica Pickett, Lands Management Officer

Call to Order:

Chief Joanne Rogers, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and Councillor Darren Henry, offered a prayer.

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Follow-Up:

Discussion: Clarification was provided for the inclusion of submitted letters. ➤ N/A

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

That this Council adopts the Regular Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, June 20, 2017, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #1: Lands Management Officer

a) Briefing Note – Re: Docking Permit (Tabled June 12, 2017)

Follow-Up: TABLED

b) Briefing Note – Re: Plains Midstream Canada – Proposed Integrity Digs

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Lands Management Officer, provided a brief overview of the submitted information and referenced presented maps for the proposed dig locations. Further discussion included: notification time of the proposed digs; previous work completed on pipelines; follow-up reporting; on-site monitors-community interest, required training and the time needed for training-develop checklist for on-site monitors; land ownership; internal collaboration with Employment and Training; and, Ministry of Transportation (MTO) Right of Way (ROW). Council was reminded that the Council pipeline binders holds extensive information for all pipelines that run through Aamjiwnaang. ➤ Lands Management Officer to confirm ownership of identified area on Map 5.

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

That this Council acknowledges the Lands Management Officer, briefing note and accepts the recommendations to move forward with the development of a database for onsite monitors that may be accessed from time to time as warranted for the purpose of monitoring work sites throughout Aamjiwnaang territory.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #2: Finance Coordinator

a) Briefing Note – Re: Two RBC Mortgage Guarantees

In-Camera

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b) Anishinabek Nation – Grand Annual Assembly – Financial Update

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Finance Coordinator reviewed the Anishinabek Nation – Grand Annual Assembly expenditures report and noted that a few line items still need to be confirmed. It was also noted that all receipts will be submitted to the Union of Ontario Indians for full reimbursement.

➤ N/A

Motion #8. MOVED BY: Errnol Gray
SECONDED BY: Darren Henry

That this Council acknowledges the Finance Coordinator’s draft financial update for the Anishinabek Nation – Grand Annual Assembly, for the grand total amount of \$47,025. 82, June 2017, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

c) Aamjiwnaang Pow Wow – Financial Update

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Finance Coordinator reviewed the Aamjiwnaang Pow Wow expenditures report and noted that there are outstanding expenses to that need to be confirmed.

➤ A detailed Aamjiwnaang Pow Wow report to be submitted for review.

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

That this Council acknowledges the Finance Coordinator’s draft financial update for the Aamjiwnaang Pow Wow, June 2017, as presented. Furthermore, a more detailed report is to be submitted for review.

MOTION CARRIED

d) Employee List – Information Purposes Only

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Finance Coordinator, noted that the list does not include students or call-ins.

➤ Employee list to be amended as discussed.

Motion #10. MOVED BY: Errnol Gray
SECONDED BY: Marina Plain

That this Council acknowledges the Finance Coordinator’s submission of the Employee List, as amended.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #3: Health Director

a) Briefing Note – Re: Non-Insured Health Services Fund

Follow-Up:

Discussion: The Finance Coordinator, provided a brief overview and noted that the fund will assist those who need additional financial support.

➤ N/A

Motion #11 MOVED BY: Darren Henry
SECONDED BY: Errnol Gray

That this Council acknowledges the Health Director’s briefing note and accepts the recommendation to approve the Non-Insured Health Services Fund in the amount of \$5,000.00 (five-thousand dollars), and the funding guidelines, as presented.

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Furthermore, the fund is to be supported through Council Contingency Funds.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Briefing Note – Re: Monthly Notification Reports

Follow Up:

Discussion: Councillor portfolio holder, Darren Henry, provided additional comment in support of the review of monthly Notification Reports. It was also noted that Cancer Care Ontario, is including Aamjiwnaang residents in their statistical data, however, Aamjiwnaang residents have a different level of exposure to contaminants than other Ontarians.

➤ N/A

Motion #12. MOVED BY: Errnol Gray
SECONDED BY: John Adams

That this Council acknowledges the Health Director's briefing note regarding the proposed action plan for review of the monthly Notification Reports.

MOTION CARRIED

c) Health Committee Meeting Minutes, May 23, 2017

Follow Up:

Discussion: There was a brief discussion regarding the discoloration of water at the Senior's Complex. It was noted that there may be an internal issue if the discoloration is notable at one location and not another, and that a routine maintenance check may be able to determine the cause.

➤ The Public Works Coordinator to follow-up.

Motion #13. MOVED BY: Errnol Gray
SECONDED BY: Marina Plain

That this Council acknowledges the Health Committee Meeting Minutes, May 23, 2017, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #4: Danny Morton – Indigenous Bail Verification Program Presentation

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Mr. Danny Morton, was in attendance to present information to Chief and Council on the voluntary Indigenous Bail Verification Program. Throughout the presentation of information, Mr. Morton, referenced statistical data regarding the success rate of the program. Key areas of discussion were: Gladue reports; historical factors; mental health issues; barriers faced by indigenous peoples involved in the justice system; criteria for program involvement; program development in southwestern region of Ontario; local First Nation interest; and, regional funding opportunity. In closing, it was noted that the program, at present, is a pilot, however, due to the statistical data and financial benefit to the province, it is highly likely that the program will be fully funded after the two-year pilot project concludes.

➤ N/A

Council requested that the job description be forwarded for review. It was noted that the training position for the program will be run through the John Howard Society.

Motion #6. MOVED BY: Darren Henry
SECONDED BY: John Adams

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That this Council acknowledges the Indigenous Bail Verification and Supervision Program review, and supports the program in principle, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #5: Correspondence and Information

a) Jillian Rogers – Thank You Card

Follow Up:

Discussion: Members of Council noted the importance of developing a policy for member requests. ➤ N/A

Motion #14. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Errnol Gray

That this Council acknowledges Jillian Rogers, Thank You card for the donation from Chief and Council.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Sarnia Police Services – Re: Thank You Letter for Visions of Harmony Cultural Learning Experience

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Chief, provided a brief update to Council on the event. It was suggested that the program be offered here for the general membership to assist with the education process of the Residential School experience, and begin to implement some of the 94 recommendations from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. ➤ N/A

Motion #15. MOVED BY: Errnol Gray
SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That this Council acknowledges the Sarnia Police Services correspondence of June 20, 2017, regarding the Visions of Harmony, the KAIROS Blanket Exercise and Cultural Learning Experience, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

c) Anishinabek Nation Correspondence – Re: Master Education Signing Ceremony

Follow Up:

Discussion: There was a question with regards to the selection of the student. It was noted that the Education Committee is tending to the selection of the student. Members of Council also confirmed their attendance at the event. ➤ Band Council Clerk make necessary changes/arrangements for rooms.

Motion #16. MOVED BY: John Adams
SECONDED BY: Marina Plain

That this Council acknowledges the Anishinabek Nation correspondence regarding the Master Education Signing Ceremony, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

d) National Gathering of Elders

Follow Up:

Discussion: There was a brief discussion with regards to location and cost of the event. ➤ N/A

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Motion #17. MOVED BY: Errnol Gray
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the Tallcree First Nation announcement for the National Gathering of Elders, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #14: New Business

a) Three Fires Anishinabek of Waawayaatanong Treaty Council Agenda **Follow Up:**

Discussion: The Chief, informed Council that there will be a treaty presentation on Monday, July 10, 2017, at Maawn Doosh Gumig Community and Youth Centre. And, that all members of Council and community are welcome to attend the Treaty Council meetings. ➤ N/A

Motion #18. MOVED BY: Errnol Gray
SECONDED BY: Marina Plain

That this Council acknowledges the Three Fires Anishinabek of Waawayaatanong Treaty Council Agenda, and agrees that any available member of Council may attend the meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Battle of the Bands **Follow Up:**

Discussion: The Chief, noted that the information was just received and that arrangement would not be able to be confirmed if place on the next agenda. ➤ N/A

Motion #19. MOVED BY: Dallas Sinopole
SECONDED BY: Errnol Gray

That this Council acknowledges the Battle of the Bands information and agrees to sponsor a team in the amount of \$552.00 for t-shirts per quote from Planet Stitch and team registration. Team will consist of Aamjiwnaang First Nation staff and members of Council who wish to participate. Furthermore, staff who participate will utilize any available paid time off with prior approval.

MOTION CARRIED

c) Memo – Re: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada, BCR Request **Follow-Up:**

Discussion: The Chief, informed Council the Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada requires a BCR for former Councillor Philip Maness's resignation from his Council for the 2016-2018 term. ➤ N/A

Motion #20. MOVED BY: Darren Henry
SECONDED BY: Errnol Gray

That this Council adopts BCR 2017/2018 #16, regarding Councillor Philip Maness's resignation from his Council seat for the 2016-2018 term.

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d) Councillor Errnol Gray – Aamjiwnaang Legal Counsel

Discussion: Councillor Gray requested an update on the search for legal counsel for Aamjiwnaang business matters. There was a brief discussion about pipeline and environmental issues. It was determined that the Band Manager, will give direction to the Lands Management Officer, regarding pipeline matters.

Follow-Up:

➤ The Band Manager, will give direction to the Lands Management Officer, regarding pipeline matters.

e) Councillor John Adams – Tent for Cemetery Use

Discussion: Councillor Adams, informed Council that recently a community member approached him about the having a tent large enough to place graveside when there is inclement weather. It was noted that there are two such tents in storage at the cemetery.

Follow-Up:

➤ N/A

f) Councillor Dallas Sinopole

i. Contractor – Paul Davis

Discussion: Councillor Sinopole, noted that there are issues with work that was completed by a local contractor that has proved to be unsatisfactory.

Follow-Up:

➤ Housing Coordinator to seek alternative contractor.
➤ Security personnel to be put on place to patrol the reserve.
➤ The Chief will consult with Sarnia Police about implementing a Police Committee.
➤ Deem Tashmoo and St. Clair Parkway as a safety zone and fines will be doubled for traffic violations in those zones.

ii. Flooring at Senior's Apartment

Discussion: Councillor Sinopole, noted that while visiting the residence of a community elder, he noticed that the flooring in their apartment requires attention and should be taken care of. Community elders should be well taken care of and should not have to live in housing units that are not properly maintained.

iii. Persons Under the Influence

Discussion: Councillor Sinopole, noted that recently he and other community member encountered a young person under the influence of an unknown substance. It was mentioned that a community member had transported the individual off the reserve. It was suggested that community members be encouraged to exercise caution when interacting with those who may be under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol, for their own personal safety.

g) Councillor Mike Jackson – Aamjiwnaang Signs

Discussion: Councillor Jackson, asked if the new Aamjiwnaang signs will be painted on the back area. It was noted that yes, they will be scheduled to be painted by the Public Works department.

Follow-Up:

➤ N/A

h) Chief Joanne Rogers

i. Assembly of First Nation – Annual General Assembly Draft Agenda – FYI

ii. SO2 Regulation

Discussion: The Chief, informed Council that the implementation of the new regulation has been delayed. The Environment Coordinator will be drafting another resolution for the Assembly of First Nation – Annual General Assembly, the document is due by Friday, July 7, 2017. The Chief, also noted that she will be requesting that the First Nations political offices confirm their support of the resolution.

Follow-Up:

➤ N/A

Item #15: In-Camera Session

Motions in Camera - #2, #3, #4

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Item #16: Adjournment

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

That this Council Adjourns at 9:05 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED

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