

Regular Council Meeting
Aamjiwnaang First Nation
Monday, September 18, 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 Marina Plain, Councillor John Adams (arrived at 6:30 pm), Councillor Mike Jackson, Councillor Tom Maness

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

Others Present:

June Simon, Band Manager	Sandy Waring, Community Information Officer
Harvey Filger, Corporate Manager	Vicki Ware, Education Coordinator
Jessica Pickett, Lands Management Officer	Tracey Williams, Housing Coordinator
Devin Simcoe, Guest	

Call to Order:

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

Regular Council Meeting Minutes, Monday, September 11, 2017

Discussion: Brief comments were heard for noted changes.

Motion #1. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: Tom Maness

That this Council adopts the Regular Council Meeting Minutes, of September 11, 2017, with noted changes.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #1: Permit to Reside – Devin Simcoe (Marie Simcoe)

Discussion: Mr. Devin Simcoe was in attendance for the request. After a brief discussion regarding Councillor Marina Plain, declaring Conflict of Interest, it was determined that she would be the sponsoring Band member.

Motion #2. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: Mike Jackson

That this Council approves Devin Simcoe's request for Permit to Reside, at 1061 Chippewa Crescent, effective September 18, 2017, per Permit to Reside Application terms and conditions.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #2: Corporate Manager Memo – Re: Corporate Division

Discussion: The Corporate Manager was in attendance for the discussion and provided a brief overview of the current structure of the corporate Board of Directors, and proposed restructuring.

Motion #3. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: Darren Henry

That this Council acknowledges the Corporate Managers memo of September 12, 2017, and accepts the recommendation that work commence with legal counsel to establish a holding company to take effect for the next fiscal year. A full report to Council with recommendations for size and composition of the new proposed Board of Directors, will follow once legal counsel has been consulted.

MOTION CARRIED

Follow-Up:

- Band Council Clerk to completed changes.

Follow-Up:

- Membership Officer to follow-up with application process.

Follow-Up:

- Legal counsel to be consulted for the proposed restructure.

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- Item #3: Education Coordinator – Aamjiwnaang First Nation Education Policy Manual – Kindergarten** **Follow-Up:**
- Discussion: The Education Coordinator was in attendance and noted that all changes from the first review have been completed and the Human Resource Officer has had an opportunity to review and has offered comment and suggested changes as well. Members of Council noted their concerns and suggested changes, the final draft will be presented for further comment and approval. ➤ Final draft to be presented for final review and approval.
- Motion #4. MOVED BY: Dallas Sinopole
SECONDED BY: Tom Maness
- That this Council acknowledges the Education Department Memorandum, for the Draft Aamjiwnaang First Nation Education Manual Policy – Kindergarten School, with the final draft to be presented.
- MOTION CARRIED
- Item #4: Nick Deleary, Waawayaatanong Treaty Council Coordinator** **Follow-Up:**
- Discussion: A copy of the Waawayaatanong Treaty Council Coordinator memo was distributed for Council to review. There was a brief discussion and Council agreed that it may be in the best interest to postpone the proposed Treaty Forum. Further comments included: the importance of the Treaty Council; historical significance of the treaties; the need to have structured gatherings; what the treaties mean to Anishinaabe; looking at meeting notes when treaties were being discussed; and, planning a workshop for Chief and Council and the community to learn more about treaties. It was suggested to plan a community event for Treaty week, which is the first week in November. ➤ The Chief will send notification with Council decision.
- Motion #7. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: Marina Plain
- That this Council acknowledges the Waawayaatanong Treaty Council Coordinator memorandum regarding the proposed Treaty Days – Community Forum, as presented. Furthermore, Council selects Option #2, to postpone the gathering until the Spring of 2018.
- MOTION CARRIED
- Item #5: Health Director** **Follow Up:**
- a) **Briefing Note – Re: Funding Proposals**
- b) **Briefing Note – Re: Circle Aamjiwnaang**
- Discussion: There were brief comments regarding Jordan’s Principle and it was noted that the funding may be accessed every two-years. ➤ N/A
- Motion #8. MOVED BY: Marina Plain
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole
- That this Council acknowledges the Health Director briefing notes regarding Jordan’s Principle – Health Canada, funding approval and Indigenous Mental Health and Wellness, submitted proposal to support Addictions Program and Children and Youth Mental Wellness Program, and Circle Aamjiwnaang, as

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presented. Furthermore full Council, will attend the Circle Aamjiwnaang gathering on October 12, 2017.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #6: Land Management Officer Email Correspondence – Re: Target Practice Concern

Follow-Up:

Discussion: The Lands Management Officer was in attendance for discussion of the concern of firearms being discharged in and around Air Products Right of Way. A copy of the By-Law Respecting Firearms was also distributed for Council's information. A brief discussion took place regarding the upcoming hunting season, firearms safety zone, sighting firearms, safe hunting practices, and possible location of an area for firearms use.

- Task Force created.
- Notice out to community.

Councillors Shawn Plain and Dallas Sinopole agreed to take the lead and develop a task force consisting of Council and community members to create a community Safe Hunting Practices Guidelines.

A Notice out to Hunters in the community requesting safety precautions be exercised and practiced while discharging firearms to ensure a safe community.

Item #7: Finance Coordinator – Draft Notice to Band Membership – 2017 Distribution

Follow Up:

Discussion: There was a brief discussion regarding the community notice and distribution for 2017.

Motion #9. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

- Changes to be completed prior to posting to the community.

That this Council accepts the Draft Notice to Band Membership for the 2017 Distribution, with noted changes and the Permit to Reside, clause not included.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #8: Membership Officer – Register Change Report August 2017

Follow Up:

Discussion: None

- N/A

Motion #10. MOVED BY: Darren Henry
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the Membership Officer submission of the Register Change Report for August 2017, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #9: Economic Development Coordinator/Project Manager

Follow Up:

- a) **Memorandum – Re: Outstanding Development Committee Meeting Minutes and Other Matters**
- b) **Development Committee Meeting Minutes – May 11, 2017; May 25, 2017; June 15, 2017; and August 10, 2017**

Discussion: There was a brief discussion regarding the Permit to Reside Application. It was noted that the wording should reflect that of the Housing Agreement with respect to withholding distribution

- N/A

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funds for arrears. It was also noted that the Southern First Nation Secretariat, offers conflict resolution services.

Motion #11. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: Marina Plain

That this Council acknowledges the Economic Development Coordinator/Project Manager memorandum regarding outstanding business matters, and the Development Committee Meeting Minutes of – May 11, 2017; May 25, 2017; June 15, 2017; and August 10, 2017, as presented.

1-Abstained; Councillor Mike Jackson, not on Council at the time the meetings were held.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #10: Environment Committee

Follow Up:

a) Meeting Minutes and Recommendation – May 16, 2017

Discussion: It was mentioned that there is an agreement in place with Maajigin Gumig Greenhouse and Return the Landscape, and it was requested that the agreement be brought to the Council table for review

➤ N/A

Motion #12. MOVED BY: John Adams
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the Environment Committee Meeting Minutes and accepts the recommendations of May 16, 2017, as presented. Furthermore, Motion #2, is TABLED, until the agreement is submitted for Council to review.

1-Abstained; Councillor Mike Jackson, not on Council at the time the meetings were held.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Meeting Minutes July 13, 2017 and August 29, 2017

Discussion: There was a brief discussion regarding the dumping of soil in and around the community with concern about contaminated soil from unknown sources and the impacts on adjacent properties where dumping is taking place. It was noted that there is a Standing Motion for No Dumping and that there is a protocol in place. It was suggested that a notice be sent to all local companies along with Aamjiwnaang' protocol.

➤ Presentation from Eco Justice, October 12, 2017, at the Environment Seminar.

It was also brought to Council's attention about the wording on the flyers for the upcoming Toxic Tour and Water Gathering. The wording "Aamjiwnaang and Sarnia Against Pipelines" does not reflect the same thought of Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council and a request should be forwarded to the organizers, to remove the wording. It was suggested that Council formulate an collective statement that clearly conveys Councils position on pipelines.

Motion #13. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: Sherri Crowley

That this Council acknowledges the Standing Motion in Council regarding "NO DUMPING", and have express concern for the adverse effects of dumping taking place in and around

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Aamjiwnaang territory. As a result, Council has determined that in the best interest of the community an Environmental Impact Assessment or Screening must be completed and monitored by the Environment Department.

MOTION CARRIED

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

That this Council acknowledges the Environment Committee Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2017 and August 29, 2017, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #11: Community Services Committee

Follow Up:

- a) **Committee Recommendation**
- b) **Meeting Minutes May 24, 2017 and June 7, 2017**

Discussion: There was a comment regarding the length of time from the meeting and the submission of minutes to the Council table. It was recommended that Standing Committees be reminded of submission of minutes in a more timely manner.

➤ N/A

Motion #15. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: Tom Maness

That this Council accepts the Community Services Committee recommendation to purchase Sting Flex-Tickets in the amount of \$5,814.00 (five-thousand eight-hundred fourteen dollars), and Legionnaire tickets in the amount of \$2,200.00 (twenty-two hundred dollars), for distribution to community members on a first come first served basis, as in previous years. Furthermore, Council acknowledges the Community Services Committee Meeting Minutes of May 24, 2017 and June 7, 2017, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #12: Correspondence and Information

- a) **Anishinabek Nation Memo – Re: Child Well-Being Working Group Meeting**

Follow Up:

Discussion: It was noted that the proposed presentation will be rescheduled.

➤ N/A

Motion #16. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: Mike Jackson

That this Council acknowledges the Anishinabek Nation memo regarding the Child Well-Being Working Group Meeting, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

- b) **Mnaasged Child Family Services Annual General Meeting**

Follow Up:

Discussion: None

➤ BCR prepared for October 2, 2017.

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

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That this Council appoints Councillor Sherri Crowley, Council representative, and Councillors Errnol Gray and Marina Plain, to attend Mnaasged Child and Family Services Annual General Assembly, Wednesday, October 18, 2017, at Indian Hills Golf and Country Club.

MOTION CARRIED

c) Chiefs of Ontario – Re: Special Education Information Sharing Forum

Follow Up:

Discussion: None

➤ Book and Hold three rooms.

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

That this Council acknowledges the Chiefs of Ontario, Special Education Information Sharing Forum, October 24-25, 2017, at Toronto, Ontario.

MOTION CARRIED

d) Chiefs of Ontario – Re: Child Welfare Update

Follow Up:

Discussion: None

➤ Book and Hold three rooms.

Motion #19. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the Chiefs of Ontario, Child Welfare Update regarding immediate relief funding formula and related issues on October 24-25, 2017, at Ottawa, Ontario.

MOTION CARRIED

e) Anishinabek Nation Memo – Re: Fall Special Assembly Announcement

Follow Up:

Discussion: None

➤ Book and Hold three rooms.

Motion #20. MOVED BY: Sherri Crowley
SECONDED BY: Dallas Sinopole

That this Council acknowledges the Anishinabek Nation memorandum regarding the Fall Special Assembly, November 14-15, 2017, at Chippewas of Rama First Nation.

MOTION CARRIED

f) Indigenous Community Energy Symposium

Follow Up:

Discussion: None

➤ Information forwarded to Corporate Manager for review.

Motion #21. MOVED BY: Darren Henry
SECONDED BY: John Adams

That this Council acknowledges Indigenous Community Energy Symposium notification for October 25-26, 2017, at Toronto, Ontario.

MOTION CARRIED

Item #15: New Business

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a) Lands Management Officer – Legal Comments – Pembina

Follow Up:

Discussion: The Lands Management Officer was in attendance and provided a brief update and noted that the presented correspondences will be forwarded to the appropriate individual.

➤ N/A

Motion #5. MOVED BY: Shawn Plain
SECONDED BY: Mike Jackson

That this Council acknowledges Mr. Ron Rowcliffe, QC, correspondence dated September 15, 2017, regarding Pembina and DOW, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Chief Rogers – Mr. Ron Rowcliffe, QC, Correspondence – Re: Lawyers

Follow Up:

Discussion: Chief Rogers provided a brief update on the correspondence and noted that names of lawyers had previously been requested to have a pool of names of which might be available to engage for Band business matters. A list of names was compiled and it was suggested that administration conduct in-house research for a lawyer.

➤ Administration to Research lawyers.

c) Chief Rogers – Cultural Teaching Request, September 25, 2017

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Chief Rogers noted that the request was received and wanted to know if a member of Council might be available to conduct a presentation.

➤ N/A

Motion #22. MOVED BY: Tom Maness
SECONDED BY: Mike Jackson

That this Council appoints Councillor Darren Henry, to attend Queen Elizabeth II School with the Aamjiwnaang Eagle Staff, for Cultural Presentation to students.

MOTION CARRIED

d) Anishinabek Nation Notice – Re: Leadership Bilateral Table – Anishinabek Nation-Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Chief Rogers provided a brief update and noted that she and the Environment Coordinator participated in a teleconference and that perhaps the Environment Coordinator should attend the session scheduled to be held at Toronto.

➤ N/A

Motion #23. MOVED BY: Darren Henry
SECONDED BY: Marina Plain

That this Council appoints the Environment Coordinator to attend the Anishinabek Nation, Leadership Bilateral Table – Anishinabek Nation-Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation meeting September 20, 2017, at Toronto, Ontario.

MOTION CARRIED

e) Chief of Ontario – Ontario First Nation Sovereign Wealth Limited Partnership

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Chief Rogers noted that calls have been coming in with respect to the Chiefs of Ontario want to know if Aamjiwnaang will be

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opting in. It was noted that the option to opt in to the proposed initiative is October 2, 2017. It was suggested that further discussion take place at the upcoming Lands Seminar on September 25, 2017.

25, 2017, at the Lands Seminar.

f) Councillor John Adams – Emergency Management Training

Follow-Up:

Discussion: Councillor Adams, provided a brief overview of the Emergency Management Training session he attended in Niagara Falls, and noted that the emergency needs in other communities are quite different than that of Aamjiwnaang. It was also noted that the upcoming session here in Aamjiwnaang will be more focused on the community needs.

➤ N/A

g) Councillor Shawn Plain

Follow-Up:

Discussion:

- i. Councillor Plain, informed fellow Council members that the Southern First Nation Secretariat will be hosting a community meet and greet and providing a barbeque for staff on Friday, September 22, 2017, all are invited to attend.
- ii. Councillor Plain, informed Council that it was brought to his attention that a community member has requested a renovation loan some time ago and to date there has been no response from housing. It was requested that administration review the matter and determine why the request has not come forward. It was also suggested that the approval of housing loans should be tasked to Administration, Finance and Housing departments to avoid time delay's for approvals.

➤ The approval of housing loans should be tasked to Administration, Finance and Housing departments to avoid time delay's for approvals.

Item #16: In-Camera Session

Motions in Camera - #6, #24, #25

Item #17: Adjournment

Motion #26. MOVED BY: Tom Maness
SECONDED BY: Mike Jackson

That this Council Adjourns at 10:56 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED

Recorded By:
Lynn M. Rosales,
Band Council Clerk