

**Aamjiwnaang
Regular Council Minutes**

The Regular Council Meeting was held in the Council Chambers, at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, August 7, 2018

Present Councillor Dallas Sinopole, Councillor John Adams, Councillor Mike Jackson, Councillor Shawn Plain, Councillor Marina Plain, Councillor Tom Maness, Chief Chris Plain, and Councillor Janelle Nahmabin

Regrets Councillor Errnol Gray (ILL)

Staff Present June Simon, Band Manager, Lynn Rosales, Council Clerk, Sandy Waring, Community Information Officer, Vicki Ware, Education Coordinator, and Rose John, Finance Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Item #1: Special Council Meeting - July 4, 2018

There were noted grammar errors that need to be changed.

Motion #01-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Shawn Plain

Seconded by: Mike Jackson

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council adopts the Special Council Meeting Minutes, of Tuesday, July 4, 2018, with noted changes.

CARRIED.

Item #2: Community Information Meeting - Band Members Only - July 8, 2018

Motion #02-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Tom Maness

Seconded by: Marina Plain

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Community Information Meeting Minutes of Sunday, July 8, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED.

Item #3: Special Council Meeting - July 10, 2018

There were noted changes for completion, with respect to those present.

Motion #03-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Shawn Plain

Seconded by: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council adopts the Special Council Meeting Minutes of July 10, 2018, with noted change.

CARRIED.

3. COMMUNITY MEMBER REQUESTS

Item #1: Kevin Maness - Financial Request - **TABLED Until the next Regular Council Meeting**

It was noted that the costs are not the same in both documents, it was mentioned that staff time will need to be determined and confirmed for the event. It was mentioned that it may be beneficial for Kevin and Pam Maness to attend the next meeting to answer questions. There was expressed concern with sound equipment being out in the weather and it is not clear what is being looked for as far as contributions and in-kind support. The Finance Coordinator, noted that in the previous year the amount exceeded the requested amount.

4. EDUCATION COORDINATOR

Item #1: Education Memorandum - School Bus Tender 2018

The Education Coordinator, provided a brief update and had a brief discussion with respect to the Bus Transportation Contract. It was noted that it will not interfere with a new bus purchase and the cost of bussing services is consistent for all five years of the contract. It was also noted that there would be a benefit to purchasing three (3) buses as opposed to one (1), however, the concern would be ensuring Aamjiwnaang has drivers for the buses. It was suggested that a one-year bussing transportation

contract be considered and a feasibility study be completed for running own flight of buses. It was suggested that the issue can be discussed at an upcoming Education Seminar.

Motion #04-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Tom Maness

Seconded by: Mike Jackson

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Education Coordinator Memorandum with respect to the School Bus Tender for the 2018-2019 school year, and accepts the recommendation to accept the bid from Hull Bus Lines, LTD for the five-year contract, with an escape clause, in the amount of \$214,411.64 (two-hundred fourteen thousand, four-hundred eleven dollars and sixty-four cents) per school year.

CARRIED.

Item #2: Education Memorandum - School Bus Purchase

The Education Coordinator, provided a brief update and noted that the current school bus has 16 seats, and no longer meets the needs for the of the JK/SK Program. It was also noted that there are minor maintenance issues currently being experienced due to the slower driving speeds. Council was informed that \$80,000.00 (eighty-thousand dollars) was budgeted in last years minor capital for a bus purchase, however, the new bus estimate has come in at a higher rate. The existing 16 seat bus could be utilized for other community programming or traded in. The Finance Coordinator, noted that funds have been applied for but no response has been received with respect to bussing and school expansion and that minor capital has been applied for and approval/denial is pending.

Motion #05-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Marina Plain

Seconded by: Tom Maness

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Education Coordinator Memorandum with respect to a New School Bus Purchase, and accepts the recommendation to purchase a 2020, 70 passenger school bus for \$100,800.00 (one-hundred thousand, eight-hundred) from Blue Bird Body Company.

CARRIED.

Item #3: Kinoomaadziwin Education Body Briefing Note - The Establishment of the Anishinabek Education System

The Education Coordinator, provided a brief update and noted that only an acknowledgement of the briefing note and letter is expected, and noted that the response is reflective of a previous correspondence that was sent to Anne Scotten, Chief Audit Executive at Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC).

Discussion on the Letter Included:

- The amount of funding noted in the letter.
- Is the funding enough to cover the students who have applied for the current school year? It was noted that 35 additional funding applications received this year, however, they will not be approved as they are tier 4 and 5 applicants.
- Will the noted funding allocation be carried forward each year? It was noted that INAC will be providing the additional funding for this fiscal year.
- Is Aamjiwnaang provided an opportunity to review the funding formula? At the time of the negotiation process the funding formula was not shared and the amount of funding allocation was different then what was received. It was also noted that the matter has been brought to the attention of the Kinoomaadziwin Education Body, and the matter is being taken care of for future years.

Motion #06-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Shawn Plain

Seconded by: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges Kelly Crawford, Director of Education Kinomaadziwin Education Body, briefing note of June 27, 2018, with respect to the Establishment of the Anishinabek Education System, the successes, the challenges and next steps.

CARRIED.

Motion #07-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Mike Jackson

Seconded by: Shawn Plain

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Kinoomaadziwin Education Body correspondence of July 20, 2018, addressed to Ministers Bennett and Philpott, with respect to Post-Secondary Funding for Aamjiwnaang First Nation under the Anishinabek Education Fiscal Transfer

Agreement.

CARRIED.

Item #4: Kinoomaadziwin Education Body - KPMG Independent Auditors Report - March 31, 2018

The Education Coordinator, noted that the information is being presented based on a request made by Councillor Sherri Crowley, who attended the Annual General Meeting, during the Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Assembly.

Motion #08-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Dallas Sinopole

Seconded by: John Adams

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Independent Auditors' Report, letter to the Directors of the Kinoomaadziwin Education Body Inc., with respect to the audited statements for the period November 28, 2017 to March 31, 2018.

CARRIED.

5. CORPORATE MANAGER

Item #1: Briefing Note - Request for Shareholders Meeting

The Corporate Manager, provided a brief update and noted that there are several outstanding items that need to be taken care of with respect to the corporate restructuring. Romeny Wind, Board of Directors (BOD), has not held a board meeting which may lead to legal implications for Aamjiwnaang. The matters of concern need to be addressed now before moving forward with construction. New directors need to be appointed and meetings need to take place. A prepared checklist was reviewed and shows tasks that have been completed and what tasks require attention. The suggested date of August 21, 2018 would meet the timeline and Olthuis, Kleer, Townshend LLP (OKT) is prepared to attend and present information at the August 20, 2018 meeting. It was suggested to re-post out to the community with a closing date of September 7, 2018.

Motion #09-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Marina Plain

Seconded by: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Corporate Manager briefing note of July 30, 2018, and the Works Completed to Date, requesting that a Shareholders meeting be held on September 18, 2018, tentatively, to completed the restructuring of the corporate entities that Aamjiwnaang First Nation are Shareholders to.

CARRIED.

Motion #10-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Shawn Plain

Seconded by: John Adams

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges Nahwegahbow Corbiere correspondence of July 30, 2018, regarding 2479793 Ontario Inc. (Romney Wind), as presented. Further that the matter may be included for discussion at the August 21, 2018 Shareholders meeting.

CARRIED.

6. FINANCE COORDINATOR

Item #1: Briefing Note - Community Audit Presentation

The Finance Coordinator, noted that last year the audit presentation was held in September and that community members have requested to see the corporate audit as well . It was suggested that visuals be prepared for corporate operations for the Audit Presentation.

Motion #11-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: John Adams

Seconded by: Shawn Plain

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Finance Coordinator briefing note regarding a community presentation of the 2017-2018 Audited Financial Statements and the Corporate Financial Statements, and select September 24, 2018, 6:00 pm, at Maawn Doosh Gumig.

CARRIED.

Item #2: Briefing Note - Visa for Health Director

The Finance Coordinator provided a brief update with respect to the request.

Motion #12-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Shawn Plain

Seconded by: Mike Jackson

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Finance Coordinator briefing note of July 30, 2018, requesting that a Visa be issued to the Health Director for programming expenses, and approves the recommendation that an RBC Visa be issued to Sara Plain, Health Director, with a limit of \$5,000.00 (five-thousand dollars).

CARRIED.

Item #3: Briefing Note - Authorized Signers

The Finance Coordinator, provided a brief overview for signers and confirmed that all cheques require two-signers. The Band Manager, suggested to leave things as status quo and, if there comes an urgent need to assign an additional signer then that can be address at that time.

Motion #13-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Marina Plain

Seconded by: Tom Maness

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Finance Coordinator briefing note of July 30, 2018, regarding Authorized Signers, and accepts the recommendation that the signers on the RBC bank accounts include:

1. Chief Chris Plain
2. June Simon, Band Manager
3. Rose John, Finance Coordinator
4. Councillor John Adams
5. Councilor Errnol Gray
6. Lana Forestell, Ontario Works Supervisor, is an authorized signer for the Ontario Works Bank Account

CARRIED.

7. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Item #1: Memo - Development Committee Meeting Minutes - May 17, 2018 and July 5, 2018

There were two noted changes - one (1) for each set of submitted minutes. Clarification of program coordinator assuming the role of meeting chair was discussed and it was noted that this is not an acceptable practice. The Band Manager, noted that if there is an issue with the committee meeting quorum it is the coordinators responsibility to inform administration that a posting is required to call-out for letters of interest.

Motion #14-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Shawn Plain

Seconded by: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Development Committee Meeting Minutes of May 17, 2018, with noted change and July 5, 2018, with noted change.

CARRIED.

Item #2: Economic Development Coordinator/Project Manager Memo - Employment and Training Budget

A member of Council noted that the information is being presented based on a request from the Council table and that it is reflective of staff records not from finance. It was noted that there was an amount deferred from last fiscal that was not spent. Attention was brought a number of categories listed and the amounts in each category was reviewed. It was suggested that a summary report should be prepared for the program that is reflective of the program, the Band Manager, noted that a summary report is prepared and sent to the Southern First Nation Secretariat, which may provide more information. The Finance Coordinator, noted that she can assist with preparing a summary report on the funding and program expenditures.

Motion #15-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Shawn Plain

Seconded by: John Adams

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Aboriginal Skills and Employment and Training Strategy - Client Base Training Budget 2018/2019, as presented. Further that the Finance Coordinator assist with preparing a summary report for the Employment and Training Program.

CARRIED.

8. HOUSING

Item #1: Briefing Note - CMHC Physical Condition Review 14-846-778 and 18-633-818

Councillor Janelle Nahmabin, Declared Conflict of Interest and excused herself from the discussion at 7:30 pm and returned at 7:35 pm

The Finance Coordinator provided a brief overview of the CMHC budget and what each unit is allowed for the duration of the loan program and noted that all urgent and outstanding matters are being addressed and purchase orders have been issued.

Motion #16-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Marina Plain

Seconded by: John Adams

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Housing Coordinator briefing note regarding the CMHC Physical Condition Review, Section 95 Housing Portfolio, 14 846 778 and 18 633 818, of July 20, 2018, with a response regarding the Urgent concerns for noted housing units.

CARRIED.

Item #2: Housing Committee Meeting Minutes - May 3, 2018 and May 17, 2018

There was a question about who is responsible for obtaining quotes for housing matters? Council was informed that housing staff are responsible for obtaining quotes for identified work that required for CMHC homes and all other homes are the responsibility of the home owners.

Motion #17-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Shawn Plain

Seconded by: Marina Plain

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Housing Committee Meeting Minutes of May 17, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED.

9. HEALTH SERVICES

Item #1: Briefing Note - Medical Transportation Policy Revisions - **TABLED UNTIL NEXT**

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The Band Manager, informed Council that Health Director, had submitted the wrong information and asked that the item be tabled.

Item #2: Briefing Note - Diabetes Prevention Project

The Band Manager, noted that the agreement needs to be updated to include Aamjiwnaang, the revised agreement will be presented for signature.

Motion #18-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Shawn Plain

Seconded by: Marina Plain

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Health Director briefing note regarding the Diabetes Prevention Project and accepts the recommendation to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with North Lambton Community Health Centre - Diabetes Prevention Project - term March 31, 2019, with noted change, and authorizes Chief Chris Plain, to sign same.

CARRIED.

Item #3: Briefing Note - 2018-2019 Community Wellness Worker Agreement

There were no noted concerns of comments prior to approval of the agreement.

Motion #19-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Marina Plain

Seconded by: John Adams

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Health Director briefing note regarding the 2018-2019 Community Wellness Worker - Funding Agreement, and accepts the recommendation to approve the Funding Agreement with the Union of Ontario Indians for the 2018-2019 fiscal year and authorizes Chief Chris Plain, to sign same.

CARRIED.

Item #4: Briefing Note - Anishinabek Nation Diabetes Education Program

The Chief, noted that he attends the Health Forum every year and that he will be following up with the Health Director, to request that programming be considered for

prescribed medication use. It was noted that in a past a report it showed all the medications that have been prescribed for the community and that there are other issues such as opiate over-use that could benefit from having a prevention program in place.

Motion #20-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: John Adams

Seconded by: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Health Director briefing note regarding the 2018-2019 Anishinabek Nation Diabetes Education Program and accepts the recommendation to approves the Memorandum of Agreement with the Union of Ontario Indians, and authorizes Chief Chris Plain, to sign same.

CARRIED.

Item #5: Briefing Note - NNHC Board Appointment Recommendation

The Band Manager, noted that the matter had been brought to the council table and it was recommended that the matter be deferred to the Health Committee for consideration. The matter is now back at the Council table with a recommendation from the Health Committee, to post out to the community for letters of interest.

Motion #21-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Mike Jackson

Seconded by: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Health Director briefing note regarding Nimkee Nupigawagan - Appointment of Board of Directors and accepts the recommendation to post the Nimkee Nupigawagan Board Appointment to the community.

CARRIED.

Item #6: Health Committee Meeting Minutes - July 10, 2018

There was a brief discussion about the seniors travel policy and application and whether or not it has been posted to the community, Council was informed that the it will be posted. There were also comments with respect to the Visualization of Colonial Violence, and what the project is about? The Council portfolio, John Adams, noted that the project lead has been to the Health Committee meeting and provided

information about the project and there are many facets involved. It was noted that Aamjiwnaang as a whole does not want to be tied to projects that are not reflective of community values or concerns. The Chief, has requested additional information about the project.

Motion #22-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Shawn Plain

Seconded by: Marina Plain

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Health Committee Meeting Minutes of July 10, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED.

10. ENVIRONMENT

Item #1: BCR 2018-2019 #12 - Water Assertion Rights for Aamjiwnaang

The Band Manager, provided a brief update as to why there are two separate BCR's for the direction that was given. There were brief comments regarding Lot 51, and it was also noted that the matter is a political issue for leadership.

Motion #23-Aug-7-2018

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council adopts BCR 2018-2019 #12, with noted changes with respect to jurisdiction over water rights/lake beds for Aamjiwnaang.

CARRIED.

Item #2: Environment Committee Meeting Minutes - June 5, 2018

There was a question regarding the recommendation for Environment Committee members to sit on the working group for LAMP and who supports the initiative financially. It was noted that at times external organization will support Aamjiwnaang delegates. It was recommended that confirmation be obtained with respect to who is responsible to financially support the appointed Environment Committee member.

Motion #24-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: John Adams

Seconded by: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Environment Committee Meeting Minutes of June 5, 2018, as presented. Further that, the recommendation for the Partnership Working Group and Management Committee for the Lake Erie Action and Management Plan, is tabled.

CARRIED.

11. ADMINISTRATION

Item #1: Briefing Note - Standing Committees of Council 2018-2020 Term

The Band Manager, provided a brief overview and noted all the new committees that Council had requested to be developed and if Council wanted an entire day for the strategic planning process? It was noted that in the previous term there was a two-day session for strategic planning and a one (1) day session for orientation. It was suggested that Council orientation be scheduled for August 21, 2018, 9:00 am, Council Chambers.

12. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

Item #1: Councillor Darren Henry - Letter of Resignation from Council

There was a brief discussion on the following:

- The need to confirm with INAC with regards to submission of a BCR for resignation.
- Not being informed prior to the vote process.
- The possibility of a by-election.
- There were some members who reside off-reserve who did not receive a voters package and were not able to cast a vote in the election, it was noted that this information needs to be confirmed.

Motion #25-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Dallas Sinopole

Seconded by: Mike Jackson

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges Darren Henry, Council Elect, correspondence of July 30, 2018, formally notifying, with regret, his resignation from his position of Councillor for Aamjiwnaang, effective July 30, 2018. Further that, Administration to draft a letter to Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada, with regards to the outcome of the recent election.

CARRIED.

Item #2: Chiefs and Councils Saugeen Ojibway Nations

The Chief indicated that he was interested in attending and asked if there were any others who would like to attend.

Motion #26-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Dallas Sinopole

Seconded by: John Adams

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Chiefs and Councils of Saugeen Ojibway Nation correspondence of June 22, 2018, regarding their announcement that the Chiefs of Lake Huron Governance Forum will take place on September 11-12, 2018, at Casino Rama Resort. Further that Chief Chris Plain, Councillor Tom Maness and Councillor Shawn Plain, are appointed to attend.

CARRIED.

Item #3: Nimkee Nupigawagan Healing Centre Annual General Meeting Notice

The Chief, noted that he will be attending, and requested the names of those who are available to attend.

Motion #27-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Tom Maness

Seconded by: Mike Jackson

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges Nimkee Nupigawagan Health Centre Inc., notice of Tuesday, July 17, 2018, for the Annual General Meeting, on Thursday, September 6, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., at Delaware Nation Community Centre. Further that, Chief Chris Plain, Councillor Marina Plain, Councillor Janelle Nahmabin and Councillor Shawn Plain, along with the appointed Board Representative, are appointed to attend.

CARRIED.

Item #4: Assembly of First Nation - Jordan's Principle Summit

There were brief comments about the summit prior to appointing delegates.

Motion #28-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Tom Maness
Seconded by: Mike Jackson

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges Assembly of First Nation notice for the Jordan's Principle Summit, on September 12-13, 2018, at Winnipeg, Manitoba. Further that Councillors Janelle Nahmabin and Dallas Sinopole are appointed to attend and report back to Council.

CARRIED.

Item #5: Former Chief Joanne Rogers - Activity Log - January-July, 2018

There were no comments or concerns regarding the submitted information.

Motion #29-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Tom Maness
Seconded by: John Adams

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges former Chief Joanne Rogers' Activity Log for January - July 2018, as presented.

CARRIED.

Item #6: Sarnia Police Services Board Meeting Minutes and Information

There were no comments or concerns regarding the information.

Motion #30-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: John Adams
Seconded by: Marina Plain

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Open Minutes of the Police Services Board of Thursday, May 24, 2018, and Police Services Board information package, as presented.

CARRIED.

Item #7: Minister of Finance - Letter of Response Re: Taxation

It was noted that the correspondence is in response to Aamjiwnaang correspondence to the Minister of Finance, regarding taxation on Aamjiwnaang territory.

Motion #31-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: Shawn Plain

Seconded by: Marina Plain

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council acknowledges the Minister of Finance correspondence of July 19, 2018, acknowledging receipt of Aamjiwnaangs' correspondence of May 29, 2018, regarding taxation authority on Aamjiwnaang territory. Further that the Chief make arrangements for engagement on the initiative.

CARRIED.

13. IN-CAMERA SESSION

14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion #32-Aug-7-2018

Moved by: John Adams

Seconded by: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council Adjourns at 9:46 P.M.

CARRIED.



June Simon, Band Manager



Lynn Rosales, Council Clerk