

Aamjiwnaang Regular Council Minutes

The Regular Council Meeting was held in the Council Chambers, at 5:00 PM on Monday, August 19, 2019

- Present** Chief Chris Plain, Councillor Dallas Sinopole, Councillor Janelle Nahmabin, Councillor Marina Plain, Councillor John Adams, Councillor Mike Jackson, and Councillor Tom Maness
- Regrets** Councillor Shawn Plain - Vacation
Councillor Marina Plain - Excused at 7:30 PM
Councillor Tom Maness - Excused at 7:38 PM
- Staff Present** June Simon, Band Manager, Lynn Rosales, Council Clerk, Patrick Nahmabin, Community Information Officer, Carole Delion, Economic Development Coordinator/Project Manager, Wilson Plain, Emergency Management Planner, and Tracy Williams, Housing Coordinator
- Guests Present** Wilson Plain Sr. - Community Member
Annabelle Cornelius - Community Member

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Chief Chris Plain, at 5:00 P.M. and Councillor Janelle Nahmabin, offered a prayer.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Item #1: Regular Council Meeting - August 6, 2019

Motion #01-2019

Moved by: Marina Plain

Seconded by: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Council adopts the Regular Council Meeting Minutes, of Tuesday, August 6, 2019, as presented.

CARRIED.

Item #2: Community Consultation Session - August 12, 2019

Motion #02-2019

Moved by: Dallas Sinopole
Seconded by: Marina Plain

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Community Consultation Session Notes, of Monday, August 12, 2019, as presented.

CARRIED.

3. COMMUNITY MEMBER

Item #3: Ted White - Request 2019 Eagle Staff Gathering

There were brief comments with to the request and travel rates used, it was noted that Council Travel Rates are applied, and interest was expressed from the Council table.

Motion #03-2019

Moved by: Mike Jackson
Seconded by: John Adams

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges Ted White's request and approves his attendance at the 2019 Eagle Staff Gathering, September 21-22, 2019, at Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish, Band of Potawatomi Indians, Hopkins, Michigan. Further that the request is supported through Council Council Contingency, at Council Travel Rates, for Ted White; and, his driver Cynthia White, will receive community travel rates. Further that Councillor Dallas Sinopole, is also appointed to attend the gathering and report back to Aamjiwnaang Council.

CARRIED.

4. LANDS MANAGEMENT

Item #4: Briefing Note - Plains Midstream Integrity Dig 2019 - Six Locations

The Band Manager, informed Council that the Lands Management Officer was unable to attend the meeting, however, direction is required.

Motion #04-2019

Moved by: Marina Plain
Seconded by: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Lands Management Officer briefing note and approves the Access Request for Integrity Digs per submitted abstracts. Further that a Permit to Access Agreement is to be drafted with the approved community access fees of \$2,000.00 per day; and, that two (2) community monitors will be hired for the duration of the integrity digs.

CARRIED.

Item #5: In-Camera Items

5. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Item #6: Memorandum - Project Status Report Papasay/Bee Clean Partnership Opportunity

The Economic Development Coordinator/Project Manager, was in attendance for discussion of the item and briefly reviewed the information in the project status report. It was noted that direction is required to move forward with the project, Council needs to determine the structure of the partnership. It was suggested that projections be provided with potential for growth. It was noted that the economic development department has limited finances for legal fees.

Motion #05-2019

Moved by: Janelle Nahmabin
Seconded by: Tom Maness

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Economic Development Coordinator/Project Manager memorandum and project status report for the Papasay/Bee Clean Partnership Opportunity, as presented. Further that the project be moved forward with the Royalty Rate Structure and that a Memorandum of Understanding be prepared for review.

CARRIED.

6. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Item #7: Briefing Note - Community Awareness and Emergency Response (CAER) Restructuring Proposal

The Emergency Management Planner, was in attendance for discussion of the item and provided a brief overview of the proposed changes for restructuring of CAER. The biggest change is the division of community awareness and emergency response,

which may result in the need for additional staff to attend meetings. It was noted that the Community Information Officer and Lands Management Officer, may be required to attend future meetings. It was also mentioned that the proposed changes may assist with ensuring the group is more community friendly and limit industry involvement.

Motion #06-2019

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Emergency Management Planner briefing note regarding the Community Awareness and Emergency Response (CAER) Restructuring Proposal and opts to support presented Option #3: Do not support the changes to the current structure of the CAER organization. Have further updated proposal with meeting schedule brought forward for Council consideration.

CARRIED.

7. COMMUNITY SERVICES

Item #8: Community Services Committee Recommendation - Legionnaire & Sting Tickets 2019

There were brief comments with respect to the annual purchase being included in the Community Services department budget.

Motion #07-2019

Moved by: Janelle Nahmabin

Seconded by: Tom Maness

That Aamjiwnaang Council accepts the Community Services Committee recommendation, and approves the annual purchase of Sting tickets (34-flex pack @ \$6,686.10) and Legionnaire tickets (300 passes @ \$2,200.00), and will be distributed to community members on a first come, first served basis. Purchase supported through Council Contingency Funds.

CARRIED.

8. STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

Item #9: Letter of Resignation - Governance Committee

Motion #08-2019

Moved by: John Adams

Seconded by: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges and accepts Aaron Maness - Letter of Resignation from the Governance Committee effective immediately. Further that the open seat on the Governance Committee be posted until filled for the remainder of the 2018-2020 Council term.

CARRIED.

9. CHIEF AND COUNCIL UPDATES

Item #10: Aamjiwnaang Proposal - Cannabis Exploration Session

There were brief discussion on the proposal and it was noted that the initiative may offer additional insight on the matter.

Motion #09-2019

Moved by: Mike Jackson

Seconded by: Marina Plain

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the submission of the Bimaadzwin Proposal - Cannabis Exploration Session. Further that, Council is agreeable to accept the proposal at a cost of \$5,600.00 for a 1-Day Exploration Session with Chief and Council and Aamjiwnaang Staff. Supported through Council Contingency Funds or any available funding that may be available with regional PTO.

CARRIED.

Item #11: Councillor Marina Plain - Report July 2019

Motion #10-2019

Moved by: John Adams

Seconded by: Janelle Nahmabin

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges Councillor Marina Plain's report for the month of July 2019, as presented.

CARRIED.

10. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

Item #12: Correspondence - Annabelle Cornelius

Mrs. Annabelle Cornelius, was in attendance, for discussion of her matter. There were comments with respect to the eligibility and criteria for the housing list. There were additional comments with respect to seniors complex and selection criteria for applicants, movement of tenants between units, and the housing policy.

Motion #11-2019

Moved by: Tom Maness

Seconded by: John Adams

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the correspondence from Annabelle Cornelius, dated July 23, 2019, as presented.

CARRIED.

Item #13: Assembly of First Nations Notice - Re: National First Nations Cannabis Summit

Motion #12-2019

Moved by: Tom Maness

Seconded by: Mike Jackson

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Assembly of First Nation notice for the Cannabis Summit, being held at Vancouver, British Columbia, September 4-5, 2019. Further that Councillor Janelle Nahmabin, is appointed to attend and report back to Aamjiwnaang Council.

CARRIED.

Item #14: Notice - Re: Indigenous Women's Leadership Summit

Councillor Marina Plain, expressed in interest in attending the event, there were brief comments with respect the viability of sending someone to attend the event out of province. It was recommended that the request be deferred until the first meeting in September.

Item #15: Chief's of Ontario Notice - Re: Special Chiefs Assembly

It was recommended that the item be deferred until the first meeting in September, and that rooms be placed on hold until Council appoints delegates.

Item #16: 4-Steps to Starting a Youth Council

It was suggested the information be shared in the community to generate interest among community youth. Information can be shared at the annual open house.

Motion #13-2019

Moved by: Dallas Sinopole

Seconded by: Janelle Nahmabin

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the 4-Steps to Starting a Youth Council information page, as presented.

CARRIED.

11. NEW BUSINESS

Item #17: Finance - City of Sarnia - 2019 Fire Protection - Invoice #36631

Motion #14-2019

Moved by: Tom Maness

Seconded by: Dallas Sinopole

That Aamjiwnaang Council acknowledges the Corporation of the City of Sarnia, correspondence dated August 9, 2019, regarding Fire Protection - January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019, as presented. Further that Invoice #36631, in the amount of \$79,781.00 is to be paid from Council Contingency Funds.

CARRIED.

Item #18: Anishinabek Nation Minerals and Mines Regional Sessions

Council was provide a brief overview of the business discussed at the meetings and it was noted that there are concerns about some of the mining issues in the ring of fire. The people who live in those areas experience different matters than those in other parts of Ontario.

Item #19: International Overdose Awareness Evening

Council was informed about the upcoming event being hosted by the North Lambton Community Health Centre, and a request for donation was presented for consideration. It was noted that the donation may be used to purchase gift cards for door prizes, refreshments and/or transportation needs for attending persons.

Motion #15-2019

Moved by: Tom Maness
Seconded by: John Adams

That Aamjiwnaang Council supports the request for a donation to the North Lambton Community Health Centre, in the amount of \$250.00 (two-hundred fifty dollars), for the International Overdose Awareness Evening event being held on August 29, 2019. Request supported through Council Contingency Funds.

CARRIED.

Item #20: Water Main Connections

Council was informed that water main connections will be upgraded as well as sewer lines along Virgil Avenue, in the upcoming months.

12. LOSS OF QUORUM

Quorum of Council was lost at 7:38 P.M. and will recess until Thursday, August 22, 2019, at 7:00 P.M.

13. RECONVENE

The Regular Council Meeting of Monday, August 19, 2019, reconvened at 7:26 PM, on Thursday, August 22, 2019.

14. ADJOURNMENT


Motion #16-2019

Moved by: Marina Plain
Seconded by: Mike Jackson

That Aamjiwnaang Council adjourns on August 22, 2019, at 10:23 P.M.

CARRIED.


June Simon, Band Manager



Lynn Rosales, Band Council Clerk