

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE NEW CREDIT FIRST NATION
REGULAR COUNCIL
PUBLIC MINUTES
Monday, September 21, 2015

Start 7:10 pm

Finish 10:20 pm

Chief Councillor

Bryan LaForme (Vacation)

Councillor

Erma Ferrell

Councillor

Arland LaForme

Councillor

R. Stacey Laforme

Councillor

Larry Sault

Councillor/Chair

Clynten King

Councillor

Cecil Sault (Vacation)

Councillor

Sharon Bonham

Executive Director

Cynthia Jamieson

Recorder

Charlotte Smith

DSED

Kevin Wassegijig

DOCA

Mark LaForme

MRP Coordinator

Karin Duguay

OPP

Inspector Phil Carter, Mark Foster

Mackie Research Capital Corporation

Joseph Debus, Scott Barker, Robert Josephson

Guests

Tom Myerscough, Mandy Salter

Band Members

Faith Rivers, Lynn Martin, Julie Laforme, Betty Wybenga

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

It was agreed that Councillor Clynten King would chair the meeting since Chief Bryan LaForme and Councillor Cecil Sault (Chief's Alternate) are away on vacation. Chair opened the meeting at 7:10 pm. OPP Inspector Phil Carter and OPP Mark Foster; Tom Myerscough, Faith Rivers and Lynn Martin in at 7:10 pm.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW & ACCEPT AGENDA

MOTION NO. 1

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT

SECONDED BY ARLAND LAFORME

That the MNCFN Regular Council accepts the Agenda with the following additions:

- Agenda Item No. 12b) – Paris, France – Conference Update;
- Agenda Item No. 12c) – OFNLP – Year End Report/Schedule 2014/2015 to be Signed;
- Agenda Item No. 12d) – ATR Process – Latest Draft Letter from Brian Finnigan (Legal Counsel);
- Agenda Item No. 12e) – Mississauga #8 First Nation – Who is going to attend?

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE PUBLIC MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL DATED AUGUST 17, 2015

MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY LARRY SAULT

SECONDED BY SHARON BONHAM

That the MNCFN Regular Council accepts the Regular Council (Public) Minutes of Monday, August 17, 2015.

Carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4a) – Council acknowledged letter to President of TransCanada Pipelines Ltd.

4b) – Agenda Item No. 11c) – Letter to Randy King in response to his letter to Council regarding Lender Loan Pilot Project.

Council was not aware that a letter was sent to Randy King and signed by the Chief.

This item will go on the next Infrastructure & Development Council Meeting on Monday, October 5, 2015 for further discussion.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – OPP INSPECTOR PHIL CARTER TO DO MONTHLY PRESENTATION

Phil thanked Council for the excellent Pan Am activities he observed.

He (Phil) advised that Glen Hill's (double homicide) trial is commencing next week. The result of the first trial was a hung jury so this is a re-trial. It could be a month long trial. Councillor pointed out that Council needs to be more supportive and attend Court whenever possible.

Phil is seeking endorsement from the First Nation to do child restraint inspections and the Safety Village. OPP would like to do the child restraint inspections some time in October before it gets cold. It was noted that the Community would have to be notified. OPP Mark Foster stated that they would use a parking lot and he would monitor the traffic. A representative from the Health Unit will set this up. It was suggested that Beth King could coordinate with Mr. Foster on seatbelt safety.

The statistical report Phil provided was for the month of August 2015. See incidents below:

For the month of August there were 27 incidents.

4 alarms - (3 at LSK, 1 at SHS Dept.);
1 assault of a parent;
1 bail violation;
1 court order violation;
1 grow-op;
1 report of missing person;
1 death (KT);

2 police assist calls;
2 suspicious vehicles.

Phil was thanked for his monthly report and left at 7:45 pm.

MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY ARLAND LAFORME

That the MNCFN Regular Council accepts the Monthly August 2015 Report from OPP Inspector Phil Carter.

Carried

Guest Mandy Salter in at 7:45 pm for the next item.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – GUEST – MANDY SALTER OF ART GALLERY OF MISSISSAUGA TO DO A PRESENTATION ON EXPLORING IDEAS ON HOW TO ENGAGE MORE WITH THE NEW CREDIT COMMUNITY

Mandy Salter was invited here by Councillor Clynten King. Ms. Salter thanked Council for being invited. She is the Director of the Art Gallery of Mississauga. Ms. Salter presented a Power Point Presentation with a handout. She would like to promote social justice and more awareness of First Nations issues and would also like to get First Nations more involved, and in particular, MNCFN through potential conversation and future collaboration. She is looking for guidance and input from New Credit. The collection she has right now of First Nations art has not been nurtured.

Councillor advised that New Credit has a large Mural at LSK. The Pan Am Gala storyboarded eight pieces of the Mural. He suggested that New Credit would like to find a permanent home for four of the pieces. New Credit is one of six Mississauga Nations, and perhaps this Gallery could help improve relations of the six Mississauga Nations through art.

Band Member Faith Rivers informed that Brampton supports First Nation artists. She also stated that Ms. Salter could make some connections through Heritage Mississauga. Band Member invited Ms. Salter to tour the Old Council House.

Ms. Salter was thanked for her presentation and left at 8:00 pm.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – GUESTS – FAITH RIVERS & OTHERS TO DO A PRESENTATION ON COMMUNITY & CHILDREN'S SAFETY VILLAGE OF HALDIMAND-NORFOLK

OPP Mark Foster and Tom Myerscough were introduced. Mr. Myerscough stated that the purpose for making this presentation to Council is that they are looking for dollars to purchase property to start building the Safety Village. They are also requesting that Band Members Faith Rivers and Lynn Martin be a part of the their Committee.

Mr. Myerscough stated that the most central location for the Safety Village is Jarvis, Ontario, and five to seven acres are needed. They found some property and the asking price is \$285,000.00. Mark Foster informed that the total cost would be approximately \$3 Million. He pointed out that the Committee is interested in establishing some cultural displays and an outside garden.

Chair thanked everyone for the presentation.

Mark Foster and Tom Myerscough out at 8:15 pm.

Council moved to Agenda Item No. 10.

MRP Coordinator (Karin Duguay) and Julie Laforme in 8:15 pm for the next item.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – INTERIM POLICY APPROVAL – FAMILY HOMES ON RESERVE & MATRIMONIAL INTERESTS OR RIGHTS ACT

Karin Duguay is the MRP Coordinator and she is requesting approval of the Draft Interim Policy for Applications Received Under the Family Homes on Reserve and Matrimonial Interests or Rights Act. She also informed that all necessary provisions are in this Policy.

Executive Director conveyed that the above Draft Policy is from the Legal Team.

Councillor advised that if there is an issue with the Residency By-Law then she would not be in agreement to approve this request. Karin replied that as far as the Lands, Membership & Research Department is concerned there is no conflict. Executive Director clearly stated that there are problems with the Residency By-Law. Karin answered that there are no problems with the Interim Policy. Mark LaForme reiterated that New Credit has to follow provincial legislation now if the Interim Policy is not approved and Band Members will have no representation in the Courts. He also stated that the Interim Policy does not conflict with the Residency By-Law.

Councillor suggested that Community input is necessary and perhaps a referendum is need.

Julie Laforme stated that there is a need for the Interim Policy to be approved as soon as possible as there is nothing in place to assist Band Members. This came to Chief and Council about six years ago. New Credit is presently under the Matrimonial Real Property Law. Julie advised that Community input is being sought consistently, and there will be a vote prior to this law being accepted.

It was agreed that this item would be deferred to the next Chief and Council Strategy Meeting on Monday, October 19, 2015 and four hours would be set aside for discussion and/or approval.

Karin Duguay and Julie Laforme out at 8:40 pm.

DIRECTION NO. 1

That the MNCFN Regular Council gives direction to Karin Duguay, MRP Coordinator that this item and all pertinent information including a copy of the MRP Act will be placed on the Agenda of the Strategy Meeting of Chief and Council at 9:00 am on Monday, October 19, 2015. It is suggested that four hours will be set aside for this item.

Council moved to an In-Camera session at 8:50 pm.

