# MISSISSAUGAS OF THE NEW CREDIT FIRST NATION EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL

### **PUBLIC MINUTES**

Monday, November 13, 2017

Start 9:00 am Finish 11:15 am

Chief Councillor
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Councillor/Chair
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R. Stacey Laforme
Erma Ferrell
Casey Jonathan
Evan Sault

Councillor Veronica King-Jamieson

Councillor **Margaret Sault** Councillor Cathie Jamieson Stephanie LaForme Councillor Executive Director Cynthia Jamieson Recorder **Charlotte Smith** SHS Director Rachelle Ingrao **Education Director** Amanda Sault Patti Barber ECC Supervisor

#### AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN MEETING

Guest - Peace Hills Trust

Chair/Councillor Cathie Jamieson chaired the meeting until Councillor Evan Sault arrived at 9:07 am and he took over chairing.

Jeff Frketich

#### AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REVIEW AND ACCEPT AGENDA

#### **MOTION NO. 1**

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Agenda.

Carried

## AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2017 EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL (PUBLIC) MINUTES

#### **DIRECTION NO. 1**

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council directs the SHS Director to follow up with (Agenda Item No. 6 on Page 3 of Education & Social Services Council Minutes – Investigation Report of Brant Community Healthcare System) the Brant Community Healthcare System, as Council would like someone from MNCFN to sit as a Board Member and/or Family & Patient Advisor.

#### MOTION NO. 2

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY MARGARET SAULT

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the September 11, 2017 Public Minutes of Education & Social Services Council.

Carried

## AGENDA ITEM NO. 3a) – REVIEW & ACCEPT THE OCTOBER 10, 2017 EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL (PUBLIC) MINUTES

Chief noted that there was discussion regarding the nominal roll, but it was not reflected in these Minutes. When the nominal roll goes up the First Nation is to receive more dollars, but no additional funding has been received. Executive Director answered that we will get the new agreements on December 15, 2017 which will include a roll over agreement.

#### MOTION NO. 3

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Public Minutes of Education & Social Services Council Meeting dated Tuesday, October 10, 2017.

Carried

## AGENDA ITEM NO. 3b) - REVIEW & ACCEPT THE OCTOBER 2, 2017 INFRASTRUCTURE & DEVELOPMENT PUBLIC COUNCIL MINUTES (COMPLETED BY RECORDS MANAGER)

#### **MOTION NO. 4**

MOVED BY MARGARET SAULT

SECONDED BY ERMA FERRELL

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Public Minutes of Infrastructure & Development Council dated Monday, October 2, 2017.

Carried

#### AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 - MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

Jeff Frketich from Peace Hills Trust in at 9:00 am.

## AGENDA ITEM NO 5 - JEFF FRKETICH FROM PEACE HILLS TRUST TO PRESENT THE INTERIM REPORT FOR THE TORONTO PURCHASE TRUST AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Jeff Frketich from Peace Hills Trust (PHT) is here to present the Interim Report for the Toronto Purchase Trust as at September 30, 2017. Georgina Villeneuve also of PHT is not here today as she is committed to another meeting in Toronto.

The Net Assets for the Trust is \$119,230,827.00 which is very healthy. The Revenue is \$5,683,325.00; the Expenses are \$3,269,477.00.

The Trust Capital as at September 30, 2017 is \$117,685,209.00.

The annual income estimate for 2017 is \$4,736,081.00, and there is still another quarter of income to come in yet.

Beutel Goodman has unrealized gains of \$7,858,283.00.

Growth Manager Mawer has been selling a lot of stock. Unrealized gains total \$9,730,173.00.

Dixon Mitchell has done fairly well with unrealized gains of \$2,068,566.00.

Regarding Alternative Investments, Newgioco Group has sent a report. They are doing well and do not trade more than 10 – 15 thousand shares per day. In two years the shares will be up to \$2.00.

WeedMD is doing really well. For example, if MNCFN sold 2 Million shares at \$1.40 the capital gain would be \$2.8 Million. Chief questioned if the First Nation should be leary of WeedMD. Jeff answered that they are doing everything right and have all the licenses in place. At the industrial level WeedMD is doing very well.

Zoompass is a different story. Jeff has had to chase Zoompass pretty hard, but there is not much that can be done at this time. This is venture capital stuff and continual patience needs to be exercised.

### AGENDA ITEM NO. 5a) – JEFF FRKETICH TO PRESENT THE TORONTO PURCHASE TRUST PERFORMANCE REPORT DATED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Jeff went through the Performance Report and everyone followed along. He reported that bonds are not doing good.

Councillor is concerned that the Trust will not make the 4% annual payment. Jeff advised that more money will be made by the end of December 2017, and yes, there will be enough money.

## AGENDA ITEM NO. 5b) – APPROVAL OF TORONTO PURCHASE TRUST – ANNUAL COMMUNITY UPDATE – TRUSTEES REPORT

This item was included in Motion No. 5 below.

## AGENDA ITEM NO. 5c) - APPROVAL OF TORONTO PURCHASE TRUST - INVESTMENT REPORT - COMMUNITY MEETING

#### **MOTION NO. 5**

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON SECONDED BY CASEY JONATHAN That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts the Toronto Purchase Trust Annual Community update – Trustees Report prepared for the Monthly Gathering on Saturday, November 25, 2017; and Toronto Purchase Trust Investment Report prepared for the Monthly Gathering on Saturday, November 25, 2017; both reports are from Peace Hills Trust.

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

Jeff Frketich out at 10:10 am.

### **HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES**

SHS Director in at 10:05 am.

#### AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 - INAC PREVENTION FUNDING 2017/2018

SHS Director noted that she requires Chief and Council authorization to accept INAC prevention based funding in the amount of \$81,900.00 for the 2017/2018 fiscal year.

On September 25, 2017 Chief and Council received a letter from Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) advising that \$81,900.00 dollars are available to MNCFN for the 2017/2018 fiscal year for prevention based activities.

Band Support Core Funding is currently being utilized to supplement the salary and benefits for the Children's Mental Health Worker and the School Mental Health Worker.

The School Mental Health Worker does not currently have an operating budget.

The dollars previously used to support the Backpack Program are no longer being funneled to the SHS Department (dollars have been reallocated to the Education Department).

### MOTION NO. 6

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council authorizes \$81,900.00 in prevention based funding from INAC for the 2017/2018 fiscal. That the funds are allocated as follows:

- ✓ School Mental Health Worker salary/benefits- \$48,098.60 (annual salary less \$6,956.00 being provided through MCYS)
- ✓ School Mental Health Worker operating expenses (training, supplies) \$5,000.00
- ✓ Children's Mental Health Worker Salary/Benefits \$21,450.21
- ✓ Utilities and building expenses \$3,500.00
- ✓ Backpack Program \$3851.19

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

#### AGENDA ITEM NO. 6a) – INAC NOTICE OF BUDGET AMENDMENT #022

#### **MOTION NO. 7**

MOVED BY CASEY JONATHAN

SECONDED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council accepts and authorizes the signing of Indian Affairs & Northern Amendment #022 which provides fixed funds in the amount of \$81,900.00 for the 2017/18 fiscal to be allocated to the MNCFN Social/Health Services Department for Child & Family Services 'Prevention/Least Disruptive Means'-NPD7 (Reforming the FNCFS Program).

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

Chief and Council signed two copies of Amendment No. 22.

#### AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – ONTARIO WORKS FUNDING

SHS Director noted that as per direction No 4 from the October 18, 2017 Regular Council Meeting, attached is information regarding the 1965 Welfare Agreement (IWA), the Ontario Works funding formula, and information on funding approval over the last ten years.

The 1965 Welfare Agreement is a two party agreement between Canada and the Province of Ontario. First Nations were not included in it's development in 1965 and 1966. The fact that First Nations are not a party to this agreement is a historic and legal anomaly as FN accommodation and consultation rights have been derived from the courts from sec. 35 since the agreement's development. The following bullet points have been taken directly from Mike Sherry's (AIAI) legal review of the agreement in December 2007.

In 2006, INAC announced that it would not fund the Ontario Works admin costs on an open ended basis under the agreement, instead it would make a capped contribution to help offset administrative costs of the program.

Although not mentioned in the agreement, the Federal government has historically paid the 'municipal share' of program costs (in lieu of taxation), however as per correspondence in 2009, this cost-share has been phased out over the last several years and is scheduled to end in 2018. This information would have been brought forward at the time by the Health and Social Services Director.

 Specific to 2017-2018 (as an example) INAC is not paying for the cost of administration (\$10,868.00) and is not meeting their previous commitment to the funding formula (\$11,789.00) leaving a difference of \$22,657 that MNCFN could be considered entitled to.

#### **DIRECTION NO. 2**

That the Education & Social Services Council directs the Executive Director to follow up with the 1965 Welfare Agreement.

#### **AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 - OTHER NEW/BUSINESS**

There was no Other/New Business.

SHS Director out at 10:20 am.

### **EDUCATION**

Education Director in at 10:20 am.

#### **AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – TRAINING CHEQUE**

It was agreed that the Executive Director, Education Director and Finance Director will have a meeting and discuss which account these dollars will revert back to.

### AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 - POST SECONDARY COLLEGE STUDENTS

Education Director stated in her Briefing Note that a Province wide Ontario College Strike is currently in effect and will have potential ramifications on student living allowances.

The Education Department became aware of a potential college strike on October 12, 2017. At that time we had hoped that Colleges would reach a deal without having to strike the following Monday October 16, 2017. Unfortunately the Ontario Public Service Union representing college staff decided to strike on October 16, 2017.

Students have been inquiring on what this means for their living allowances. Recognizing this strike is no fault of their own we released November living allowance. We are unsure if we should hold living allowances for December 2017 or release. We have had a few students inquire but have not been able to provide them with an answer. In order to fund all priority 1 and 2 students this year we applied to the MNCFN Community Trust for additional dollars to cover expenses for students in 2017-2018.

Education Director is recommending to continue funding students.

#### **MOTION NO. 8**

MOVED BY ERMA FERRELL

SECONDED BY MARGARET SAULT

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council agrees to continue funding Post Secondary students affected by the Province wide Ontario colleges strike. Living allowance payments will continue to be made per regular deposit dates.

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

### AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 – LSK 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

Education Director would like to reschedule the April 13, 2018 PD day to April 27, 2018.

The Southwestern Independent Aggregate School Group (SIASG) to which Lloyd S. King Elementary School belongs (FNSSP group of schools) would like to have an all-schools professional development day on April 27, 2018.

Education Director is requesting approval of the revised LSK School Calendar with the above date of April 27, 2018 to be added and delete the date of April 13, 2018.

#### MOTION NO. 9

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the 2017-2018 Lloyd S. King Elementary School Calendar.

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

ECC Supervisor in at 10:40 am.

## AGENDA ITEM NO. 12 – THE JOURNEY TOGETHER: PROPOSAL FOR FUNDING FOR MNCFN CHILD & FAMILY PROGRAMS (ECC SUPERVISOR & EDUCATION DIRECTOR)

The Ministry of Education (EDU) has made a number of commitments in response to the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. As part of this, EDU has committed to working closely with First Nations to enhance existing Provincially-funded child and family programs on reserve, and to make culturally relevant child and family programs available in more communities.

The Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation (MNCFN) received \$34,410.00 in 100% Provincial funding to conduct a needs assessment and submit a proposal for expanded child and family programs at MNCFN. The community needs assessment indicates a need for additional child and family programs to be provided at MNCFN. The purpose of this funding is to **expand** child and family programs to meet identified community needs. It is not the intent of this funding to only support additional physical space for existing early years programs and services.

The Province has also committed to increasing the number of off reserve licensed child care spaces and culturally relevant programming for children and families. These child care spaces and programs must be delivered by Indigenous organizations working with municipal service system managers. Consolidated Municipal Service Managers (CMSMs) have been tasked with conducting a local needs assessment and developing a proposal for submission to the Province by September 29, 2017. Working with staff from MNCFN, the County of Norfolk, as the CMSM, submitted a proposal for one-time start-up costs and ongoing operating funding for an Indigenous-led child care centre and Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centre to be located in Hagersville.

In order to develop a model of child and family programs that meets the needs of Indigenous persons living both on reserve and off reserve, the staff of the MNCFN and the County of Norfolk have worked together to conduct a joint community needs assessment. This joint community needs assessment identified the child care and child and family program needs of Indigenous persons living off reserve (in Haldimand and Norfolk counties), and the child and family program needs of persons living at MNCFN.

#### **MOTION NO. 10**

MOVED BY R. STACEY LAFORME

SECONDED BY CATHIE JAMIESON

That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council approves the submission of a Program Proposal for 100% Provincial funding to the Ministry of Education with the following funding requests for a MNCFN Child and Family Centre:

\$3,000,000 in capital funding \$140,000 in one-time, start-up costs \$480,000 in annual operating funding

Carried

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Waived

The information listed below will be brought back to Council once the Service Agreement has been received:

If Provincial funding is received for the County of Norfolk application then this MNCFN Infrastructure & Development Council approves entering into a Service Agreement with MNCFN to operate a Licensed Child Care centre and an Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centre in Hagersville.

#### AGENDA ITEM NO. 13 – OTHER NEW BUSINESS

There was no Other/New Business.

Education Director and ECC Supervisor out at 11:00 am.

# AGENDA ITEM NO. 14 – MNCFN CONFLICT OF INTEREST GUIDELINES (A/LMR DIRECTOR)

This item will be dealt with later in the meeting.

#### AGENDA ITEM NO. 15 - FYI - PROCESS FOR PROXY VOTE (EF)

This is an FYI for Council.

## AGENDA ITEM NO. 16a) - INAC AMENDMENT NO. 22 (TWO COPIES TO BE SIGNED BY CHIEF & COUNCIL

This item has already been dealt together with Agenda Item No. 6.

#### **MOTION NO. 11**

MOVED BY VERONICA KING-JAMIESON SECONDED BY CASEY JONATHAN That the MNCFN Education & Social Services Council moved In-Camera at 11:05 am.

Carried