Chief and Council Meeting April 7, 2017 @ 1:00 p.m. MFN Band Office



Welcoming remarks: Chief Alex Batisse

Present:

Band Manager, Peter Thomas

Council Members:

Adrian Boucher, Lilianne Jobson, Barney Batisse, Jason Batisse, Stan Fox

Recording Secretary: Mary Batisse

Discussion - Internet speed to broadcast meetings for members to participate.

Chief expresses to council members that he would like council to participate in Nishnawbe Aski Nation meetings or any other meetings that arise.

Councillor J.Batisse concerns – That Chief is not bringing back information to the community hands around financial statement of expenses paid out to the Chief. Councillor Batisse explains to the members that he is working for the people and will not keep anything from the members. Noted that is MFN is going into deficit we (the MFN) shouldn't be giving out any money, we (the MFN) should think about building something.

Councillor B.Batisse explains to the table that he feels he shouldn't be on signing authority that the Band Manager and Finance Officer and 2 other members should have signing authority – too many is not good for business.

Councillor B.Batisse also explains that this is a 2 year term – what are council's plans? Suggests having a planning session meeting. Elder Batisse humbly explained to council that can share information as this council starts our journey.

Elder Batisse explains how to handle prosperity. Explains to council what type of work he does for am living

Councillor Lemieux – looking forward to working with new council. Planning session could discuss, roles and responsibilities, budgeting,

Councillors, Batisse, Lemieux and Fox will report back to the rest of council in 3 weeks.

Mary is to set dates for council meetings for the remainder of the year and email council.

Next council meeting is set for May 5th, 2017 @1:00 p.m.

Staff updates:

1. MDA

Circulates spreadsheets – Activity Report (Ask Kayla for Copy)

Action Item: Carrie Industrial Supply (CIS) to cap out at 5% = \$60,000 per year

MDA leaves at 2:45p.m

Band Transfer Request Denied

Motion 2017-01

Chief and Council approve the wage increase for MDA to \$25/hr effective immediately.

Moved By: Jason Batisse Second By: Lillian Jobson

Motion Carried.

EDO Update 3:55p.m

P&ID signing of BCR

WTES - BCR Amendment for textbooks has been approved

Green Energy - Council denied at this time.

WTES - BCR for \$555 has been approved

Post-Sec Student funded through WTES - Get clarification on IEP before approved.

Need approval by April 28th – Gas Bar Expansion Suggestion was to apply under CORP

EDO - Submitted grant for \$25,000 for fencing around playground and Fire Fighting Equipment

Hiking Trail Funding \$32,000 deadline August 30th

EDO Approached band manager Re: two positions combined, felt it was overwhelming

Councillor Lemieux explained that the two positions were always combined.

EDO leaves at 3:30 p.m

Land and Resources Update - 3:40 p.m

Circulates briefing update

Informs council Re: Consultants coming in from Thunder Bay on mapping out projects – Utilizing program dollars for fiscal year 2016/2017.

Update on Georgia Pacific -2017/2018 Presentation within 6 townships, 10 members attended.

L&R explained to council that a consultant was going to come and speak to C&C free of charge Re:

Alamos Tailings is political L&R Leaves at 4:10 p.m

Family Well-Being Update -4:10p.m

Child Welfare concerns - wants to establish a list of children in care

Chief needs to release the names

Councillor Lemieux feels that we are going to over lapping with Kunu

Councillor Lemieux explained that when the FWB job description was developed council should have revamped posting to match community needs.

A majority of the program is for on-reserve members

Councillor Lemieux suggests that FWB coordinate with Health Department Re: programming

FWB Leaves at 4:25 p.m

Kunu issue with upper management

Council approves the BCR for Chief to sit on the board for Kunu on the interim.

Effective immediately – No more advances given on Honorariums.

Councillor Lemieux briefs new council members on TLE Updates council on Delshen Therapeutics- MFN invested \$2 million Updates council on MFN Trust

C&C might want to consider letting Kelly Rogers go for the MFN Trust. Suggestion that Frank from TLE come in to meet new members of council.

EDO requests training course - \$5,000 for one year.

C& C suggest she look for funding sources due to lack of funds in program.

Public Works request approved for cutting behind warehouse.

HR Policy- fine tuning approved by Council to move forward

Two band members request to purchase trailer units —Chief declares conflict Council appoints band manger to inform tenants of offer of purchase.

Community Link?

Recording Secretary leaves at 6:30 p.m.

In-Camera begins
Discussion – Band Manger and EDO/WTES personal applicant