



# MATACHEWAN FIRST NATION

Box 160, Matachewan ON P0K 1M0

<b>Date and Time</b>	Thursday, June 5, 2025, at 6:00 PM
<b>Location</b>	Log Building
<b>Chairperson</b>	Tommy Fox
<b>Council Present</b>	Tommy Fox, Alex Batisse, Lilianne Jobson, Clara Hanson, Real Boucher, Elenore Hendrix, Mary Batisse, Melanie Boucher
<b>Council Regrets</b>	n/a
<b>Council on Zoom</b>	Charlie Thomas
<b>Recorder</b>	Joshua Birimcombe – Director of Finance and Administration (DoFA) Meegen Nahwegezhic – Administrative Clerk
<b>Staff</b>	Elaine Daley, Kayla Schram, Brittney Smart, Cathy Yandeau,
<b>Guest(s)</b>	Joshua Landry, Donna Landry, Noodin Morningstar, Jai'Lin Morningstar, Darcy Landry, William Batisse, Ryan Batisse, Aysha Frappier, Jean Lemieux, Jack Lemieux, Kaelyn Durocher, Brianna Julien, Marilyn Groulx, Alfred Groulx, Merv Buffalo, Jill Hardy, Pam Cormier, Teddy Lamarche, Dorothy Larkman, Tristan Flood, Martin Millen, Lorne Flood, Catherine Hamilton, Angel Larkman, Rose Thomas

<b>Item #1 – Opening Regards/Prayer</b>	
<b>Lead(s):</b>	Tommy Fox
<b>Outcome:</b>	Prayer said

<b>Item #2 – Call to Order</b>	
<b>Lead(s):</b>	Tommy Fox
<b>Discussion:</b>	That Chief and Council duly convene this Regular Meeting of Chief and Council held on Tuesday, June 5, 2025, at 6:25 PM.

<b>Item #3 – Approval of Agenda</b>	
<b>Lead(s):</b>	Tommy Fox
<b>Discussion:</b>	That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Chief and Council held on Thursday, June 5, 2025, be approved as circulated.
<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>MOTION #2025-06-01</b> MOTION MOTIONED by SECONDED by Andy Buffalo All in Favour MOTION CARRIED

Item #4– Acceptance of Minutes and Recommendations	
Lead(s):	Tommy Fox
Discussion:	That Chief and Council approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Chief and Council held on Tuesday, April 29, 2025
Outcome:	<b>#2025-06-02</b> MOTION MOTIONED by Lilianne Jobson SECONDED by Andy Buffalo All in Favour MOTION CARRIED

Item #5a – Director of Finance and Administration Updates and Discussion	
Lead(s):	Joshua Birimcombe
Discussion:	– Mitchell Roy resigning from his position as Councillor.

Item #5b – Work from Home Policy	
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- How many days a week. / wasn't set for how many days a week an employee works from home.</li> <li>- Charles: The Councillors should be more involved and check their portfolios to ensure deadlines are met.</li> </ul>
Outcome:	<b>MOTION #2025-06-03</b> MOTION WAS PUT TO A VOTE AND IT WAS <b>REJECTED</b> BY MAJORITY. The WFH Policy is no longer in effect.

Item #5c – Council Meeting Schedule	
Discussion	- Meetings are to alternate from Thursdays and Tuesdays every 3 weeks.
Outcome:	<b>MOTION #2025-06-04</b> MOTION MOTIONED by Clara Hanson SECONDED by Charlie Thomas All in Favour MOTION CARRIED

Item #5d – Agnico Eagle Shares	
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- DoFA circulated an email from Pat McConnell at RBC Investor Services, we currently hold 31,740 shares of Agnico Eagle. It was suggested to sell 50% of the shares.</li> <li>- Tommy would like to set a dollar amount before selling.</li> <li>- Tommy is to give daily reports on the stock.</li> </ul>
Outcome:	<b>MOTION #2025-06-05</b> MOTION MOTIONED by Mary Batisse SECONDED by Elenore Hendrix All in Favour MOTION CARRIED

Item #5e – Greenhouses	
<b>Discussion:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Staff have been working on getting three 8x32' greenhouses to start a community garden. Proposed grounds are on Lot 85 due to accessibility to internet, hydro, and water.</li> </ul>
<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>MOTION #2025-06-06</b> MOTION MOTIONED by Lulu Jobson SECONDED by Clara Hanson All in Favour MOTION CARRIED

Item #5f – Post Secondary Funding	
<b>Discussion:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Approval of the use of band funds for post-secondary education. Requesting 400,000. Any remaining funds will be returned to health and education.</li> </ul>
<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>MOTION #2025-06-07</b> MOTION MOTIONED by Mary Batisse SECONDED by Elenore Hendrix All in Favour MOTION CARRIED

Item #7 – Councillor Updates and Discussions	
<b>Lead:</b>	Tommy Fox
<b>Discussion:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Callout to membership to see how many are interested in making a business plan. to northern college to come help make business plan numerous opportunities. Steer in the right direction.</li> <li>- Update: Bill 5 has passed – Very disheartening for all first nations in treaty 9. It's going to affect species at risk, the environment, archeological meaning; it affects our cultural, spiritual, and traditional findings with lack of consultation with first nation communities.</li> </ul>
<b>Lead:</b>	Mary Batisse
<b>Discussion:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Put 20 loads of gravel on Separation Road.</li> <li>- Suggest a water truck to keep the dust down on the reserve road. / Josh is to look at quotes for new and used Water truck.</li> <li>- Maintenance to the reserve road in the morning and then before 4:00pm.</li> </ul>

**IN CAMERA – 7:15 PM**