

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 18, 2017: Nbisiing S.S. – Duchesnay: 7:00 pm

Present:	Chief	Scott McLeod
	Deputy Chief	Muriel Sawyer
	Councillors	June Commanda
		Rick Stevens
		Brian Couchie
		Cathy Bellefeuille
		Corey Goulais
		Jason Laronde
		Mike Sawyer
	Executive Assistant	Dennis Commanda
Guest		

Regrets:	Chief Executive Officer	Dwayne Nashkawa (Personal)
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1. Meeting commenced at 7:01p.m.

2. **ADJOURNMENT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:**

MOVED BY Muriel Sawyer

SECONDED BY Jason Laronde to adjourn to the committee of the whole.

CARRIED.

** Adjourned to the committee of the whole at 7:02pm **

Much discussion regarding the amount of THM (Trihalomethanes) in water treatment facilities on First Nations across Canada was a matter of concern. More information will be forth coming to Council.

Chief McLeod was asked to leave the room, and discussion among Council was agreed upon that Chief Scott McLeod should receive the same rate of salary as past Chief Marianna Couchie was receiving.

MOVED BY Corey Goulais

SECONDED BY Brian Couchie to increase Chief Scott McLeod’s salary to be retroactive to April 1, 2017.

CARRIED.

MOVED BY Brian Couchie

SECONDED BY Cathy Bellefeuille to adjourn the committee of the whole.

CARRIED.

** Committee of the whole adjourned at 7:38pm **

3. **ADOPTION OF COUNCIL AGENDA:**

Additions to agenda:

- Item 6. (d) LNHL – Providing Winning Jackets for the Midget Boy & Girls “A” Championship winning teams.
- Item 9. (d) Open Burning By-law

MOVED BY Brian Couchie

SECONDED BY Muriel to approve the Council Agenda of April 18, 2017 as amended.

CARRIED.

4. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICT:

None.

5. COUNCIL TRAVEL:

Council provided updates of their Council business travel that will occur prior to the next Council meeting.

6. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES OF APRIL 4, 2017

MOVED BY Jason Laronde

SECONDED BY Rick Stevens to approve the Council Minutes of April 4, 2017, as presented.

CARRIED.

7. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

(a) Booking the hall for fishermen meeting/Raise concerns during Council Meeting

DEFERRED.

(b) Request from Hard Rock Medical to film in Nipissing First Nation

MOVED BY Corey Goulais

SECONDED BY Jason Laronde to approve Hard Rock Medical to film on Nipissing First Nation, as presented.

CARRIED.

(c) Request for donation to attend and help Coach Team Ontario at the National Aboriginal Hockey Championship

Denis Commanda presented to Council to request a monetary donation to help alleviate some costs when he attends NAHC to help coach Team Ontario. He's been part of this program for 8 years and would like to continue but the costs are becoming too high. Chief McLeod advised Dennis that in order to provide any donation, policy needs to be reviewed before approving this request. Chief McLeod will get administration to follow up with Finance to look into options regarding this donation request.

(d) LNHL – Providing Jackets to the two winning Midget “A” Boys and Girls Teams

Rick Stevens asked if it was possible to provide jackets to both the Midget “A” Division Boys and Girls teams for winning the highest level of LNHL. Chief McLeod advised Administration to cross reference with Finance department to see the financial options regarding this request.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM THE LAST MEETING:

(a) *Committee Appointment for Language Committee*

MOVED BY Brian Couchie

SECONDED BY Corey Goulais to approve the application and appoint of Jane Commanda to the Language Committee, as presented.

CARRIED.

9. REPORTS:

(a) Potential Future Tobacco Prices

Rick Stevens provided a report to Council regarding the Think Tank Meetings that he and Corey Goulais attended with regards to taxation of tobacco on-reserve. He indicated that these meetings are just preliminary stages of the idea of taxation of on-reserve tobacco sales. Provincial and Federal governments are proposing the possibility of this system but most First Nations are not in favour, and more meetings are needed to gather information.

(b) Kinoonmaagewin Aanke Giigdownin (Education) Minutes of April 3, 2017

MOVED BY Jason Laronde

SECONDED BY Corey Goulais to approve the Kinoonmaagewin Aanke Giigdownin (Education) Minutes of April 3, 2017 as presented.

CARRIED.

(c) E-Zhichkewin Aanke Giidowin (Economic Development) Committee Minutes of March 9, 2017.

MOVED BY Brian Couchie

SECONDED BY Jason Laronde to approve the E-Zhichkewin Aanke Giidowin (Economic Development) Committee minutes of March 9, 2017, as presented.

CARRIED.

(d) E-Zhidaayang Minwa-yaa'aang Aanke Giigdownin (Community Wellness & Recreation) Committee Minutes of February 16, 2017.

MOVED BY Muriel Sawyer

SECONDED BY June Commanda to approve E-Zhidaayang Minwa-yaa'aang Aanke Giigdownin (Community Wellness & Recreation) Committee minutes of February 16, 2017 as presented.

CARRIED.

(e) Gdakiimnaan Aanke Giigdownin (Land Issues) Meeting Minutes of March 17, 2017.

MOVED BY Brian Couchie

SECONDED BY Jason Laronde to approve Gdakiimnaan Aanke Giigdownin (Land Issues) meeting minutes of March 17, 2017, as presented.

CARRIED.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

(a) COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS TO BE SIGNED:

(i) Business transfer request of Necessities Convenience #1807 – Signed

(b) Community Survey of the services/Department of A.P.S.

Brian Couchie asked Chief and Council of conducting a community survey on the services of the Anishinabek Police Service on Nipissing First Nation. He mentioned that other municipalities and townships have conducted similar surveys to gather community input from citizens regarding police services in their communities. Chief McLeod agreed to have Communications department to create a survey to gather community input

MOVED BY Brian Couchie

SECONDED BY Muriel Sawyer to appoint Brenden Houston as a member of the Finance & Audit Committee.

CARRIED.

(c) Authentic Native Village Concepts

Brian Couchie informed Council that this idea was one collected from the 2015 Community consultations. This would be a great opportunity to help educate not only our own community but off-reserve visitors about our culture and history. He insisted that with the funds that have been set aside for a project like this one, it would need a feasibility study conducted by a professional consultant. He proposed that an Ad-Hoc Committee be formed to help assist with the feasibility study.

MOVED BY Corey Goulais

SECONDED BY June Commanda to accept that Brian Couchie would lead and select an Ad-Hoc committee to assist with the feasibility study.

CARRIED.

(d) Creation of an Open Burning By-law

Council proposed that a new by-law needs to be created with open burning of hazardous material. An incident occurred where a non-band member was burning garbage and hazardous material with no regard for the rest of community of Garden Village.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS:

(a) AFN – Budget 2017 Overview of Funding for Indigenous Peoples and Initiatives

DEFERRED.

12. ADJOURNMENT:


MOVED BY Jason Laronde

SECONDED BY Brian Couchie to adjourn this meeting.

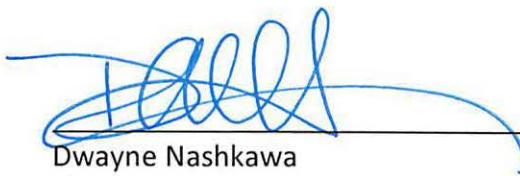
CARRIED.

** Meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m. **

The next Council meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, May 2nd, 2017
at 7:00pm in Garden Village.



Scott McLeod
Chief



Dwayne Nashkawa
Chief Executive Officer