

Nipissing First Nation Council Minutes

Tuesday, April 4, 2017: Council Chambers Garden Village: 7:30pm

Present:	Councillors	Cathy Bellefeuille Brian Couchie Corey Goulais Jason Laronde Rick Stevens
	Chief Executive Officer	Dwayne Nashkawa
	Receptionist/Clerk	Elaine Commanda
Regrets:	Chief	Scott McLeod (travel)
	Deputy-Chief	Muriel Sawyer (sick)
	Councillor	June Commanda (travel)
	Guests	Cody James Goulais Jesse Stevens

1. Meeting commenced at 7:30 pm

2. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL AGENDA:

MOVED BY Corey Goulais

SECONDED BY Brian Couchie to accept the Council Agenda of April 4, 2017 as presented.

CARRIED.

3. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICT:

None.

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

5. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES OF MARCH 21, 2017:

MOVED BY Brian Couchie

SECONDED BY Jason Laronde to accept the Council Minutes of March 21, 2017 as presented.

CARRIED.

6. DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS:

(a) PERMISSION TO FUNDRAISE FOR NATIONAL ABORIGINAL HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP (NAHC) 5 YOUTH PARTICIPANTS

MOVED BY Brian Couchie

SECONDED BY Cathy Bellefeuille to approve the waiver of the gym rental fees for the NAHC fundraiser on April 15, 2017.

CARRIED.

(b) NORTH BAY INDIAN FRIENDSHIP CENTRE - DONATION REQUEST FOR 8TH ANNUAL MAANWI KINDAASWIN FESTIVAL

MOVED BY Brian Couchie

SECONDED BY Corey Goulais to approve the request for a donation for the Maanwi Kindaaswin Festival. Council initially approved for the amount of \$200.00. Council had discussion on the previous amount and length of time since NFN had last supported the festival. The motion was amended to support the festival with a \$500 donation.

CARRIED.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM LAST MEETING:

(a) DUTRISAC/GARDEN VILLAGE ROAD

Dwayne informed Council that a meeting is scheduled with the CAO of West Nipissing and an update will be provided for the next meeting.

8. REPORTS

(a) Tobacco and Taxation Report

i. **Smoke and Taxation** - report submitted by Councillor Rick Stevens.

Council was informed that discussions are underway between the government of Ontario and some First Nations to discuss a regime that recognizes the jurisdiction of First Nations to begin taxing tobacco products on reserve. This would create revenue for participating First Nations in Ontario, however there would also be significant costs and impact from any development that much more research and discussion must be completed before giving this any serious consideration. .

ii. **Tobacco Think Tank - Resource Revenue Sharing** - Councillor Jason Laronde and Councillor Corey Goulais attended the Tobacco Think Tank meeting. Councillors are interested in starting an ongoing dialogue with NFN vendors on the self-regulation of tobacco on-reserve and revenue sharing.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

(a) Council Resolution / Agreement To Be Signed:

- (i) NFN Housing Renovations Funding INAC 2017 #1805

(b) NFN Local Medical Transportation Policy - Review

MOVED BY Cathy Bellefeuille

SECONDED BY Corey Goulais to approve the medical transportation services in the absence of public transportation for the membership of NFN residing in Sturgeon Falls effective April 4, 2017 as presented.

CARRIED.

(c) Committee Member Appointment

Deferred.

13. ADJOURNMENT:


MOVED BY Brian Couchie

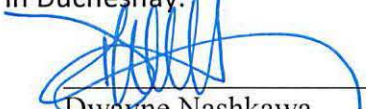
SECONDED Cathy Bellefeuille to adjourn this meeting.

CARRIED.

** Meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm **

** The next Council meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday,
April 18, 2017 in Duchesnay. **


Rick Stevens
Councillor


Dwayne Nashkawa
Chief Executive Officer