

Council Agenda
Tuesday, October 1, 2019 : Council Chambers Garden Village : 7:00 pm

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| Present: | Deputy- Chief Councillors | Muriel Sawyer Brian Couchie Jane Commanda June Commanda Rick Stevens Dwayne Nashkawa Kimberly Salvaneschi Zachary Lacelle |
| Regrets: | Chief Executive Officer Recorder/Executive Asst. Guests Chief Councillor Councillor | Scott McLeod (NFC Moncton, NB) Corey Goulais (personal) Michael Sawyer (personal) |

1. Meeting Commenced at 7:02

2. ADJOURNMENT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

Moved by Brian Couchie

Seconded by Jane Command to adjourn to the committee of the whole.

Carried

**** Meeting adjourned to the committee of the whole at 7:02pm****

3. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

(a) Child Welfare Program Manager

Council was provided with an update on internal changes in the Welfare Department.

4. ADJOURNMENT FOR THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

Moved by Rick Stevens

Seconded by June Commanda to adjourn for the committee of the whole

Carried

**** Meeting adjourned from the committee of the whole at 7:28pm****

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Remove from agenda:

- Item #8(g) Housing & Community Development Minutes of September 10, 2019 – Duplicate

Addition to agenda

- Item #6(a) Zachary Lacelle
- Item #8(g) Special Council Minutes of September 23, 2019
- Item #9(g) Cable Inquiry

Moved by Brian Couchie

Seconded by Jane Commanda to approve the Council Agenda of October 1, 2019 with amendments.

Carried

6. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICT:

None

7. COUNCIL TRAVEL:

Council proved update of their NFN business travel that will occur prior to the next meeting

8. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2019:

- Item #3(b) change "was in agreement" to "agreed"
- Item #9(a) change "business will situated" to "business will be situated"

Councillor Rick Stevens had an inquiry regarding the status of taxes to big business. Dwayne will follow up and provide Council with an update.

Moved by June Commanda

Seconded by Rick Stevens to approve the Council Minutes of September 3, 2019 as amended.

Carried

9. DELEGATIONS/ PRESENTATIONS:

- (a) Mr. Lacelle would like Council to consider changing the age of 21 requirement to sell cannabis, to the age of 18. His concern is not being able to offer employment to members who need it, based on the age restriction. Council will review later.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM LAST MEETING(S):

- (a) Miller Quarry - Amending Agreement.

Dwayne has met with Miller representatives regarding the noise concerns. Miller will provide a report on what and when activities are occurring. It is recommended that a Community Consultation be scheduled with Miller. Suggested site for this meeting is the new Duchesnay Community Centre. Details will be provided when date and location have been confirmed.

11. REPORTS:

- (a) Chiefs Report

N/A

- (b) Chief Executive Officer's Report

Nijjaansinaanik Participation

Dwayne provided Council with an update on his decision to resign as the board member for NFN.

Council Retreat

Council was provided with proposed agenda items for the Council retreat, scheduled for the last weekend of October in Orillia.

Duchesnay Bridge

Dwayne provided Council with an update on the Bridge project. The expected start date is October 15, 2019. Staffing is almost complete with the hiring of 7 positions. Posting have been extended at NFN's request and interview will commence week of September 23, 2019. There is an opportunity for off reserve members as there will be framing work done in St Thomas and New Liskard over the winter months.

Capital Contribution numbers will be available by weeks end for review and approval, bank account and system will be in place this week and new signing Authority documents will be reviewed as well.

Forestry Operations

Council was provided with a plan to improve the health and state of NFN's forested lands. The main goal is to rehabilitate the land for future generation and support local opportunities to participate in the process.

Request to continue working on this initiative with Hugh Martel. Once approved Dwayne will complete a 5 year budget for review and approval.

Moved by Rick Stevens

Seconded by June Commanda to continue working with Hugh Martel and the NFN Forestry 5-year Plan as presented.

Carried

- (c) Egnawenjewaad Kiing Eteg (Natural Resources) Minutes of July 25, 2019

Moved by Brian Couchie

Seconded by Jane Commanda to approve the Egnawenjewaad Kiing Eteg as presented.

Carried

- (d) Health & Social Services Committee Minutes of September 4, 2019

Moved by Jane Commanda

Seconded by Brian Couchie to accept the Health & Social Services Committee Minutes of September 4, 2019 as presented.

Carried

- (e) Housing & Community Development Minutes of September 10, 2019

A discussion regarding the name "East End Project" took place. To clarify, "East End" is inclusive of all communities from Duchesnay west to Yellek.

Moved by June Commanda

Seconded by Jane Commanda to approved the Housing & Community Development Minutes of September 10, 2019 as presented.

Carried

- (f) Culture & Pow wow Committee Minutes of Sept 18, 2019

A discussion took place regarding a permanent location in Garden Village for the annual Powwow. Dwayne will have the Community Planning Committee work with Culture to find a suitable area and a recommendation will be brought to Council for approval.

Moved by Brian Couchie

Seconded by Rick Stevens to approve the Culture & Powwow Committee Minutes of September 18, 2019 as presented.

Carried

- (g) Special Council Meeting Minutes of September 23, 2019

- Add George Howards to the list of attendees

Discussion took place regarding the opportunity to add community/office space to the proposed seniors living building, to offer a multi-purpose building instead.

Moved by Brian Couchie

Seconded by Jane Commanda to approve the Special Council Minutes of September 23, 2019 as amended.

Carried

- (h) Lands & Bylaw Committee Minutes of July 29 & Sept 9, 2019

Moved by Jane Commanda

Seconded by Rick Stevens to approve the Lands & Bylaw Committee Minutes of July 29 & Sept 9, 2019 as presented.

Carried

12. NEW BUSINESS:

- (a) Business Licence

A Briefing note was submitting by Mike Harney on behalf of the Business Licence Committee, with a recommendation to support Anne's Kitchen business license application. The application meets all required criteria, and no objection were received during the 30-day community notice period. The purposed location is in Garden Village on the lot between Tim's Convenience and the Public Words building on Semo Road.

Moved by Jane Commanda

Seconded by Rick Stevens to approve Anne's Kitchen business license application as presented.

Carried

(b) Policies:

(i) Financial Requests Policy

*Moved by Brian Couchie
Seconded by Jane Commanda to approve the Financial Requests Policy as presented.
Carried*

(ii) Santa Fund Policy

*Moved by June Commanda
Seconded by Brian Couchie to approve the Santa Fund policy as amended.
Carried*

(iii) Hall Rental Policy

- Under Definitions, change "Debendaagziid" to read "Debendaagzid"
- Under Definitions, change "Endaaziid" to read "Affiliate"
- Under Definitions, change "debendaagziivaad" to read "debendaagzid"

*Moved by Jane Commanda
Seconded by Brian Couchie to approve the Hall Rental Policy as amended.
Carried*

(iv) Cell Phone Policy

*Moved by June Commanda
Seconded by Jane Commanda to approve the Cell Phone Policy as amended.
Carried*

(v) Christmas Distribution Policy

- Note: 2019 Christmas Distribution dates are:
Saturday November 23, 2019 - Annual Meeting
Thursday December 5, 2019 – Garden Village
Friday December 6, 2019 – Duchesnay
Pick up in person at the Finance office any weekday after December 9, 2019.

*Moved by Brian Couchie
Seconded by Rick Stevens to approve the Christmas Distribution Policy as amended.
Carried*

(c) Housing Replacement Reserve Expenditure

A Briefing note was provided by Shawn Anderson, Housing Manger outlining the availability of Housing Replacement Reserve Funds, for recommended repairs and home addition to the unit at 262 Yellek Trail, as requested by member.

*Moved by Brian Couchie
Seconded by June Commanda to use available funds to contract and construct the addition to the unit located at 262 Yellek Trail, as recommended.
Carried*

(d) Request for Community Meeting with NDP Candidate

NDP Candidates Charles Angus (Timmins/James Bay) and Rob Boulet (Nipissing/Timiskamig) will be in Garden Village for a community mingle on Saturday October 5, 2019 from 2-4. Council is not endorsing these Candidates, only offering the community an opportunity to meet and ask questions.

(e) Tobacco Advertising

There are concerns regarding "Pop up" Cigarette Stores, that travel to communities and offer free samples of cigarettes. In addition, the concern was raised regarding stores on reserve advertising cigarettes.
What is the community impact and what can be done to improve?

Rick Stevens will consult with Kim Lalonde and return to Council with recommendations.

(f) Commercial/ Residential Properties

Councillor Brian Couchie brought concerns forth regarding the location of the Cannabis Production Site, Owned by Natalie and Doug Chevrier. This is NOT an opposition to the business itself, only the location. The concern is that this area is still zoned Commercial due to a Taxidermy business that closed in the 80's. Residents in the area are concerned about the potential impact to their property value, do to increased traffic, potential odor and potential environmental impacts.

Council would like a meeting arranged with the business owners, with a possible on-site visit, to address these concerns. Dwayne to make arrangements and forward to Council.

(g) Cable

A discussion took place regarding the lack of accessible cable/internet services on the east-end of Garden Village. Dwayne will contact Cathy McLeod and Patrick Stevens to arrange a meeting with suppliers regarding extending services.

13. STANDING ITEMS:

(a) Annuities Claim

New Court dates are October 15 and 25, 2019

(b) Cannabis

Cannabis Forum that took place in Sault Ste. Marie, September 25 & 26, 2019. Chief Scott McLeod and Councillor Rick Stevens were in attendance. Rick noted that he has a power point presentation from the meeting that he will forward to Council. He is finalizing his report from the meeting and will have it for the next meeting.

14. INFORMATION ITEMS:

(a) NFN Commercial Fishing Closure Date

(b) 2019 LAB National Board of Directors Election Results

15. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Brian Couchie

Seconded by Jane Commanda to adjourn the meeting of October 1, 2019 at

9:13pm

Carried

**** The next regular Council meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday October 15, 2019 in Duchesnay ****