

Council Minutes
Regular Session
April 6, 2021: On-Line Teams Meeting: 7:30 pm

Present:	Chief	Scott McLeod
	Councillors	Brian Couchie
		Corey Goulais
		Jane Commanda
		June Commanda
		Rick Stevens
	Chief Executive Officer	Brendan Huston
	Executive Assistant/RECORDER	Kimberly Salvaneschi
	Online Guests	None
Regrets:		Michael Sawyer

Closed Session:

****ADJOURNMENT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE****

Moved by Brian Couchie

Seconded by Jane Commanda to adjourn to the committee of the whole at 7:09 pm.

Carried.

****ADJOURNMENT FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE****

Moved by Brian Couchie

Seconded by June Commanda to adjourn from the committee of the whole at 7:14 pm.

Carried.

1. OPENING MIIGWECHIIWIN: (June Commanda)

The meeting commenced at 7:14 pm with opening prayer given by Jane Commanda.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA APRIL 6, 2021:

Moved by June Commanda.

Seconded by Brian Couchie to approve the Council Agenda of April 6, 2021 as presented.

Carried.

3. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICT:

None.

4. COUNCIL TRAVEL:

Travel is not permitted at this time due to Covid-19.

5. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES OF MARCH 16, 2021:

Councillor Jane Commanda requested further information on item 9.(a)iii VLA Water Treatment Plant, in regard to site location and the previously proposed park area. Brendan Huston will follow up.

Moved by Jane Commanda.

Seconded by Brian Couchie to approve the Council Minutes of March 16, 2021 as presented.

Carried.

6. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

(a) Spear Fishing

This item is deferred, until a report from Natural Resources is received this week.

7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S):**

(a) **Beaucage Road Subdivision**

A Briefing note provided by Public Works was reviewed by Council. During discussion Council agreed that the immediate needs of the road must be addressed. \$52,000 from the Trust Funds are to be used for these repairs.

Moved by Brian Couchie.

Seconded by Jane Commanda to approve the allocation of Trust fund dollars in the amount of \$52,000 be used for road repairs.

Carried.

8. **REPORTS:**

(a) **Special Council Minutes of March 9, 2021**

Moved by Jane Commanda.

Seconded by Rick Stevens to approve the Special Council Minutes of March 9, 2021 as presented.

Carried.

(b) **Akii minwa Gii-zhaaknigewin Aanke Giigdownin (Lands & Bylaw Committee) Minutes of March 22, 2021**

Moved by Rick Stevens.

Seconded by Jane Commanda to approve the Lands & Bylaw Committee Minutes of March 22, 2021 as presented.

Carried.

(c) **Unfinished Business Report** - deferred

(d) **Manager Reports** - deferred

(e) **Staffing HR Report** - deferred

9. **NEW BUSINESS:**

(a) **BCR's / Agreements signed:**

i. **Assisted Living** #1929

Moved by Corey Goulais.

Seconded by Rick Stevens to approve and authorize signing of the Assisted Living BCR #1929, as presented.

All in favour.

Carried.

ii. **Hunt Camp**

This item is deferred to the Lands Department for review.

(b) **Policy Review**

i. **Non-Commercial Harvesting Policy**

This is new policy developed by the Lands & Natural Resources Department to guide non-commercial harvest of renewable natural resources on NFN lands. This policy was reviewed the Policy Committee and is recommended for Council approval.

Councillor June Commanda requested to meet with Cameron Welch and Brendan Huston to review the policy. Deferred.

ii. Information Technology Policy

This policy is under the umbrella of the Financial Administration Law. The only recommended change to this policy is regarding the default setting of passwords for users on NFN system.

Moved by Brian Couchie

*Seconded by Jane Commanda to approve the Information Technology Policy as recommended.
Carried.*

iii. Kin Care Fund Policy

This policy is administered by the Social Services Department. The policy committee recommends adding a note to this policy that states that changes to maximum rates may change due to inflation.

Moved by Brian Couchie

*Seconded by Jane Commanda to approve the Kin Care Fund Policy as recommended.
Carried.*

iv. Committee Policy

The recommended change in this policy is to ensure that minutes are being submitted to Council in a timely manner. In some cases, committees are holding onto minutes and have them submitted only after the committee reviews which causes a delay in months before it comes to Council and any action can be taken on the recommendations.

Moved by Brian Couchie

*Seconded by Jane Commanda to approve the Committee Policy as recommended.
Carried.*

10. STANDING UPDATE ITEMS:

- (a) Annuities Claim**
Nothing new to report.
- (b) Cannabis**
Nothing new to report.
- (c) ANGA vote**
Nothing new to report.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS:

12. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Brian Couchie

*Seconded by Rick Stevens to adjourn the NFN Council meeting of April 6, 2021 at 7:42 pm.
Carried and Adjourned.*

****The next NFN Council meeting is scheduled to take place of April 20, 2021, regular session begins at 7:30 pm. ****

****All noted "written reports" have been filed in the central and electronic filing system.****