

FORT WILLIAM FIRST NATION
CHIEF and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 22, 2017 – 5:30 p.m.

CHAIR: Ian Bannon sitting in Chair until Chief Peter Collins arrives

COUNCILLORS: Yvette Greenwald, Cathy McKenzie, Tony Collins, Sherry Pelletier, Kyle Maclaurin, (conference call) , Leo Bannon Sr., Leo Bannon Jr., Murray Pelletier, Jennelle Charlie, Val Chapman

STAFF: CEO – Ken Ogima, Recorder-Bernice Pelletier, Kristy Boucher-Communications, Director of Health & Community Services- Karen Bannon, Director of Economic Development-Michael Pelletier, Director of Lands & Property-Ian Bannon, Renee Boucher–Director Youth and Social Development, Michael Pelletier Jr. – Human Resources

ABSENT: Philip Pelletier, Michele Solomon

GOVERNANCE: - Meeting Called to Order at 5:45 p.m. Karen opened with prayer.

AGENDA ITEM - MOTION TO ACCEPT AGENDA

MOTION #1 – Moved by Cathy McKenzie and seconded by Yvette Greenwald to accept the agenda of November 22, 2017 with update on National Defense. All in favour. Motion Carried. Agenda Item APS moved to In-Camera Session.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest – Murray Pelletier – In Camera APS, Sherry Pelletier – Loan Renewal

AGENDA ITEM – Request for Support – KZA – Gull Bay First Nation - deferred

AGENDA ITEM – City of Thunder Bay Presentation – Matt Sybaiski, Anne Magiskan, Aboriginal Liaison and Laurie Abthorpe, Heritage Researcher

Two proposals are presented for creating closer ties between The City of Thunder Bay and Fort William First Nation with regards to heritage documentation and preservations:

1. Partnership with the City of Thunder Bay to host the Ontario Heritage Conference in 2020. This event comes at the same time of the 50th anniversary of amalgamation and the 170th anniversary of the signing of the Robinson Superior Treaty. The Thunder Bay Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC) will put forward a bid to host partnering with FWFN, Lakehead University Department of History, the Thunder Bay Historical Museum, Northwestern Ontario Archives Association and the Northwestern Ontario Society of Architects. Deadline for the bid is January 15, 2018. The City is here tonight to ask FWFN to join the conference partnership and if yes, then to provide a letter of support from Chief Collins and Council to be included in the bid same as the one from the Mayor and to have a representative from FWFN to review the bid proposal and provide input in such things as the proposed theme, facilities at FWFN, guided walking tours or other events, profile of FWFN.
2. Creating a new aboriginal advisory resource position on HAC. HAC is advisory committee to Council and makes recommendations relative to heritage properties in accordance with the Ontario Heritage Act. A seat has been recently filled on the HAC that was created for a representative of aboriginal community. This is a voting seat and carries with it a residency requirement to live or own business within the city limits. The City is proposing creating a resource position for a member of FWFN which does not carry the residency requirements. This position does not get a vote. The City is also proposing to add another resource position which would be filled by a person nominated by FWFN Council.

Direction from Chief and Council that the City representative at tonight's Council meeting are to provide a draft to FWFN Communication Officer on the Partnership with the City of Thunder Bay. The City representatives are to go back

to their Committee to request that they consider FWFN have an advisory position and resource position that has no residency who runs a business within city limits so that FWFN has a voice in decision making. City to provide answers at the December 6th Council Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM – Loan Renewals – D. Pelletier and S. Pelletier

MOTION #2 – *Moved by Yvette Greenwald and seconded by Jennelle Charlie to authorize and sign the Royal Bank Loan Document for a lower interest rate for Dylan Pelletier and Sherry Pelletier. All in favour. Motion Carried.*

AGENDA ITEM – Christmas and Turkey Distribution

Christmas Cash Disbursement - MOTION #3 – *Moved by Sherry Pelletier and seconded by Yvette Greenwald to allocate \$500.00 cash distribution to registered band members and further that the funds be allocated as per boundary interest budget. All in favour. Motion Carried. Distribution Date – December 15th.*

Turkey Distribution – MOTION #4 – *Moved by Leo Bannon Sr. and seconded by Yvette Greenwald to allocate \$35.00 cash distribution to registered band members 18 and over. Motion rescinded by Leo Bannon Sr. and Yvette Greenwald till next meeting with a Briefing Note from the Director of Finance as to where the funds will come from.*

AGENDA ITEM - Request for Support – KZA – Bull Bay First Nation

MOTION #5 – *Moved by Leo Bannon Sr. and seconded by Yvette Greenwald that Chief and Council provide a letter of support for Kiashke Zaaging Anishinaabek (Gull Bay First Nation) to request that Canada and Ontario provide documents on FWFN Boundary Claim excluding financial documents to KAZ to assist with their Land Claim process. All in favour. Motion Carried.*

AGENDA ITEM – SURVEY REQUEST – James A. Morriseau

MOTION #6 – Moved by Yvette Greenwald and seconded by Jennelle Charlie to authorize James A. Morriseau to proceed with a survey at his own expense for a lot next to Desire Morriseau-Shields located on City Road. **All in favour. Motion Carried.**

AGENDA ITEM – Certificate of Possession - Daniel G. Morriseau/Stewart Collins

MOTION #7 – Moved by Yvette Greenwald and seconded by Tony Collins to authorize Certificate of Possessions for Stewart Collins, Lot 241 Anemki Drive and Daniel Gerard Morriseau, Lot 214 Wolf Court on the Fort William First Nation. **All in favour. Motion Carried.**

AGENDA ITEM – Staff XMAS Time OFF – Dates

MOTION #8 – Moved by Yvette Greenwald and seconded by Cathy McKenzie to close the office Friday, December 22nd at 4:00 p.m. and reopen for business on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 9:00 p.m. **All in favour. Motion Carried.**

Director of Finance and Human Resources to provide a cost for office closure.

AGENDA ITEM – On Call – Roles/Responsibilities in camera

AGENDA ITEM – Trucks driving on roads – Chief Collins spoke to Taranis Trucks that they are not to haul on the Squaw Bay Roads and further that they are to slow down when driving.

AGENDA ITEM – Minutes – November 1, 2017

MOTION #9 – Moved by Yvette Greenwald and seconded by Jennelle Charlie to accept the Minutes of November 1, 2017 as read. **All in favour. Motion Carried.**

Corrections, errors and omissions and new business arising from minutes.

- *Correction that Director of Finance was in attendance.*

- *Chief Collins met with Minister Mauro and Zimmer regarding the passing of the FWFN taxation resolution. The Director of Lands & Property is to provide information on settlement agreements in regards to wording on the land itself.*
- *Chief updated Council that Minister Hoskins announced that there will be 5,000 beds provided to Ontario for Health. Question as to how many beds will be identified for First Nations. There is a task force dealing with Doctors who prescribe medications due to the opiate crisis nationally.*
- *Arena equipment purchase order has been prepared.*

AGENDA ITEM – Nation Defense Update

Consensus of Council to invite the National Defense to December 6th council meeting to present the Eagles Nest Training Program for youth 13 to 18.

AGENDA ITEM – Hwy 61 Construction Work

Chief Collins discussed the issue of the Hwy 61 construction with Minister Mauro and also the issue of the bridge as to how the federal, provincial and FWFN can figure out a solution for access to FWFN via the bridge. Emergency response will be a big issue for the safety of the community.

The CEO will contact Mr. Hatch, representative from MTO for an apology for the mistreated remarks to one of FWFN staff members at the community presentation.

INCAMERA SESSIONS BEGINS AT 8:20 p.m.