

**FORT WILLIAM FIRST NATION**  
**CHIEF and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**July 17, 2019 – 1:00 p.m.**

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- CHAIR:** Chief Peter Collins
- COUNCILLORS:** Philip Pelletier, Desiree Morriseau-Shields, Sherry Pelletier, Michele Solomon, Kyle MacLaurin
- REGRETS:** Leo Bannon Jr., Sheldon Bannon, Yvette Greenwald, Tannis Kastern, Tony Collins, Jenelle Charlie
- GUESTS:** Lucas Beauer, Blake Towers (BDO Auditors)

**STAFF:** Recorder-Bernice Pelletier, Director of Finance-Jeff Busniuk, Director of Health & Community Services- Karen Bannon, Director of Economic Development-Michael Pelletier, Director of Lands & Property-Ian Bannon, Consultation Liaison Officer-Rob Pierre

**NOTE:** The meeting was rescheduled from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. lack of quorum.

**GOVERNANCE**

**Call to Order/Opening Prayer** – Chief Collins called meeting to Order at 1:00 p.m. Karen Bannon opened with prayer.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT AGENDA**

**MOTION #1** – *Moved by Kyle MacLaurin and seconded by Philip Pelletier to accept the agenda of July 17, 2019 as read. All in favour. Motion Carried.*

**AGENDA ITEM 1b.** – Declaration of Conflict of Interest – None

**AGENDA ITEM** – Draft Audit/Investment – Lucas Beauer, Blake Towers

**Motion #2 – Moved by Kyle MacLaurin and seconded by Sherry Pelletier to submit the Fort William First Nation Consolidate Financial Statements for the year ended March 31, 2018, with the exception of additional investment to the Fort William First Nation youth under the Boundary Trust payouts. All in favour. Motion Carried.**

**Action items:**

- Director of Finance to provide a comprehensive review on bad debts, write offs for allowances for doubtful accounts based on those past and current years. Give a snapshot of who owes account receivables including arena.
- Director of Finance to follow up with investing monies elsewhere.
- Director of Finance to provide the financial statements on Anemki for Council.
- Director of Finance to follow up with a plan to collect receivables. Investigate the process of a Collection Agency and report back to Council.
- Director of Finance to bring Dan Gelmich to Council meeting regarding the Arena Review.
- Mike Strickland to attend Council meeting to discuss Wasaya.

**AGENDA ITEM – INAC Contribution Agreement Amendment #1516-ON-000145-0014 2019 2020**

Consensus of Council to sign and submit CAA#1516-ON-000145-0014 for funding for Building Healthy Communities-Mental Health Crisis Management; Brighter Futures; Non-Insured health Benefits-Medical Transportation; and Environmental Health-Public Health Programs.

**AGENDA ITEM – BCR19-21 – Supercom Board of Directors**

**MOTION #3 – Moved by Kyle MacLaurin and seconded by Michele Solomon to submit BCR19-21 designating Ken Ogima as the nominee of Fort William First Nation to the board of directors of the General Partner of Supercom replacing Michael Pelletier Sr. All in favour. Motion Carried.**

**AGENDA ITEM – Chiefs of Ontario Motion to support for First Nations self-determined right to govern the cultivation, processing and retail of cannabis**

**MOTION #4 – BCR19-23 - Moved by Philip Pelletier and seconded by Desiree Morriseau-Shields to submit BCR19-23 whereby FWFN initiate the development process for a Cannabis Retail Store located at Lot 251-3 under cannabis control law under the FWFN Legislative Enactment Regulation during the 2018-2021 term. All in favour. Motion Carried.**

**AGENDA ITEM – BCR19-22 FNIGC – Labour Survey**

**MOTION #5 – Moved by Kyle MacLaurin and seconded by Michele Solomon to submit BCR19-22 whereby Council authorizes FWFN community to participate in the survey through the mandate of the First Nations Information Governance Centre (FNIGC) in order to capture the labour market involving youth between 15 to 17 and adults 18 to 64. All in favour. Motion Carried.**

**AGENDA ITEM – Certificate of Occupation Requests**

**MOTION #6 – Moved by Kyle MacLaurin and seconded by Philip Pelletier to approve Certificate of Occupations to Louis Pelletier Jr., Tanya Fenton and Sheri Boucher as presented in the Lands Manager’s briefing note dated July 17, 2019. All in favour. Motion Carried.**

**Certificate of Possession Requests**

**MOTION #7 –Moved by Sherry Pelletier and seconded by Kyle MacLaurin to approve Certificate of Possessions to Paul Myles Pervais, Shirley Everett and Helen Pelletier as presented in the Lands Manager’s briefing note date July 17, 2019. All in favour. Motion Carried.**

**Survey Request**

**MOTION #8 – Moved by Kyle MacLaurin and seconded by Philip Pelletier to approve Survey Request to Carrie-Lynn Banning for lot next to Michele Solomon’s as presented in the Lands Manager’s briefing note dated July 17, 2019 conditional**

*that all development is paid at client's expenses and that the access road is taken into consideration. All in favour. Motion Carried.*

**Audrey Sawchyn Housing Loan Request** – Discussion that this request could be treated following the current housing loan policy.

**AGENDA ITEM – Reimbursement Request – Hockey Payment – deferred**

**AGENDA ITEM – Councillor Items**

- City will provide lighting from Bannon's along Chippewa Road to the turn off to Hwy 61.
- The Playground is near completion. The pavement will be done next week and fencing the following week. Discussion to have gates to enter playground for safety of children; i.e. needles, etc. Garbage cans to be put in place. Public Works to check the grounds daily, i.e. raking and have a sign in and out sheet.
- Discussion on speed bumps.

**AGENDA ITEM – Transmission Line West – BCR19-24 – Waasigan Transmission**

**MOTION #9 – Moved by Philip Pelletier and seconded by Michele Solomon to submit BCR19-24 whereby Council approve and support the First Nation's entry into the Partnership and the Corporation of the Waasigan Transmission Line and authorizes Chief Peter Collins to sign the Documents and Agreements on the development of the Waasigan transmission line, which is proposed to run from Shuniah, Atikokan and Dryden. All in favour. Motion Carried.**

**NOTE:** Update that the Bridge will open October 2019.

**Note:** - Chief Collins confirmed that the City will not be cutting back on bus services to FWFN.

**Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.**