

FORT WILLIAM FIRST NATION
CHIEF and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

September 11, 2019 – 5:30 p.m.

CHAIR: Chief Peter Collins

COUNCILLORS: Philip Pelletier, Desiree Morriseau-Shields, Tony Collins, Sherry Pelletier, Sheldon Bannon (leaves at 7:12 p.m. sick), Michele Solomon, Kyle MacLaurin, Jenelle Charlie, Tannis Kastern, Leo Bannon Jr.

REGRETS: Yvette Greenwald (out of town)

STAFF: CEO-Ken Ogima, Recorder-Bernice Pelletier, Director of Health & Community Services- Karen Bannon, Director of Finance-Jeff Busniuk, Director of Lands & Property-Ian Bannon; Director of Economic Development-Michael Pelletier Sr.; Human Resources Manager-Michele Blais; Housing Manager-Al Lauzon; Lands Administrator-Tina Morriseau

GOVERNANCE

Call to Order/Opening Prayer – Chief Collins called meeting to Order at 5:40 p.m. Philip Pelletier opened with prayer.

MOTION TO ACCEPT AGENDA - MOTION #1 – *Moved by Sheldon Bannon and seconded by Michele Solomon to accept the agenda of September 11, 2019 as read. All in favour. Motion Carried.*

AGENDA ITEM – INCAMERA Session

AGENDA ITEM – BCR19-36 Biidaaban

Chief and Council signed BCR19-36 appointing Jenelle Charlie as board of director from August 25, 2019 to September 20, 2019 because the current BCR expired

August 25, 2019. This will allow Jenelle Charlie to partake in the Biidaaban Healing Lodge board meeting on September 19, 2019.

AGENDA ITEM – Certificate of Occupation and Certificate of Possession

Chief and Council signed the following as per motion at a duly convened council meeting on July 17, 2019:

Certificate of Occupation: BCR19-25 – Louis J. Pelletier

BCR19-26-Tanya Fenton

BCR19-27-Sheri Boucher

Certificate of Possession: BCR19-28-Paul Myles Pervais

BCR19-29-Shirley Everett

BCR19-30-Helen Pelletier

AGENDA ITEM – Survey Requests – Gloria Sutton (Collins); Kira Mitchell

MOTION #2 – Moved by Kyle MacLaurin and seconded by Sherry Pelletier to approve the Survey Requests for Gloria Sutton (Collins) and Kira Mitchell presented by the Lands Administrator on condition that they are made aware that all costs for the survey and infrastructure are their responsibility and further that they are to take into consideration that the survey is not part of any road allowance. All in favour. Motion Carried.

Survey Request – Judy Spence

The Lands Administrator is to inform Judy Spence that the survey for the parcel of property along Carp River Road along the shoreline is to close to the lake to build a home because of environmental concerns that a septic field cannot be built that close to the lake. The Lands Administrator will investigate the criteria from Ministry of Environment. Judy is to be made aware that all infrastructure and survey cost are her responsibility for any survey and that FWFN has no infrastructure in that area and has no plans in the future.

The Lands Administrator will contact each of the survey requests and inform them of the conditions and bring back to Council.

Lot Extension Term Request – Sheldon Penasie

MOTION #3 – Moved by Leo Bannon Jr. and seconded by Michele Solomon to approve a two-year extension on his property on Lot 292 Squaw Bay Road as presented by the Lands Administrator. All in favour. Motion Carried.

AGENDA ITEM – BCR19-34 – Loan Guarantee – Michele Elliott

MOTION #4 – Moved by Jenelle Charlie and seconded by Leo Bannon Jr. to approve the loan guarantee for Michele Elliott in the amount of one hundred and eight five thousand, six hundred dollars (\$185,600.00) for the purpose of constructing a house located at Lot 53-2-21, Mountain Road, Fort William First Nation. All in favour. Motion Carried.

The Housing Manager and RBC colleagues will further meet to ensure that a clear streamline checklist for housing loan approvals are clearly written up in order to move forward with all loan guarantees.

AGENDA ITEM – Approval for Subsidies

MOTION#5 – Moved by Michele Solomon and seconded by Kyle MacLaurin that Chief and Council formally accepts the Housing Department’s recommendation to award Kelly Banning, Michelle Elliott and Karly MacLaurin each forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.00) New Home Construction Subsidy to be taken from the un-assigned subsidies from previous year’s budget. All in favour. Motion Carried.

AGENDA ITEM – Programs for Repairs and Maintenance

In due diligence stage for program funds and in the brief budget consultation, new parameters were laid out for spending especially for elders which basically ups the caps for ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) which mean that if you are

approved for a project that could go up to 10,000 dollars, it can be accessed in 2 parts of \$5,000.00. The Housing Manager plans to try proceed with helping as many as possible with this year's budgets by assisting with backlog of projects from last year. Projects will address heating, air quality, accessibility, ramps, washrooms, roofs and water quality.

Programs for those under 65 will be pretty similar and budget with the caps on each project i.e., furnaces, roofs outstanding from last year. The program will take care of smaller projects like septic pumping, furnaces, etc.

He has drafted 2 different letters, one for approval of a project and one for rejection.

Housing Manager will provide the CEO with a briefing note tomorrow on repairs and maintenance program.

Elders funding is accessibility. \$2500 medical funding for elders per year, i.e. Showers, accessibility...

Housing Manager to provide a briefing note to CEO regarding the formula for off and on reserve programs. Disabled persons are fitted in for the 64 and under program and will be brought to portfolio for discussion.

- AGENDA ITEM – 1. Elders Pamphlet**
- 2. Complete Summary of Elders Budget/what each Elder is allowed and for what**
 - 3. Housing for Elders/repairs etc.**

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Moved by Kyle MacLaurin and seconded by Michele Solomon to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.