

FORT WILLIAM FIRST NATION
CHIEF and COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

December 10, 2025 – 5:30 p.m.

CHAIR: CEO Jeremiah Windego
COUNCILLORS: Desiree Morriseau-Shields (zoom), Kyle MacLaurin (zoom), Sherry Pelletier, Sheldon Bannon, Leo Bannon Jr., Bess Legarde, Yvette Greenwald (zoom), Jacob McKay (zoom), Peter W. Collins, Brian Ludwigsen (zoom), Bonnie Pelletier (zoom), Jennelle Charlie,
STAFF: Exec. Asst. to Chief and Council – Janelle Pelletier,
REGRETS: Chief Michele Solomon,
GUESTS: Falls Law Group LLP Cassandra Bars, Falls Law Group Jay Herbert

AGENDA – Call Meeting to Order – Chair called meeting to order at 5:47p.m.
With prayer by Bess Legarde

MOTION #1 – *Moved by Leo Bannon Jr. and seconded by Peter W. Collins to accept the agenda for December 10th, 2025, with the additional agenda item for a presentation from IESO, additional council donation for Community Christmas Parade. All in favor. Motion carried.*

AGENDA ITEM – FALLS LAW PRESENTATION

Inherent rights are based under the framework of Land Code development. Under the Indian Act – Laws can still be passed by the FWFN Community – enforceable

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and prosecutable. First Nation Land Management Laws – Residence and Trespass Codes, Land Codes related to the community.

Dissolving all the By-Laws in FWFN – are they still active. They still are on the gazet FNMLA – FWFN is currently looking to back out of the agreement framework for the FNLMA

FWFN is focus to the land code – section 37 provisions – Trespassing
APS – is the Law Enforcement governed by FWFN

Land Code & Indian Act
LABRC – FWFN OPT' d OUT

Create a Land Code – with provisions from the Indian Act –

NOTE: Provide a copy of the motion that was passed to dissolve all the By Laws. Janelle sent the motion to Jeremiah to forward to Chief and Council.

Section 25 – protection

Follow up meeting – 2nd meeting with Falls Law – Community Safety Officer, proper appeal committee, to ensure its enforceable.

Action Item: Next Steps – in the new year, follow up with Falls Law to discuss what direction the nation wants to go.

AGENDA ITEM – EDUCATION ALLOWANCE INCREASE

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Where is the money coming from to support the Education Allowance increase – was this money available for students before? Are they having portfolio meetings scheduled, will there be portfolio meetings? Would like this to be increased annually,

MOTION #2 -Moved by Peter W. Collins and seconded by Jennelle Charlie to approve the recommendation from FWFN Education Manager Myra Bannon to increase the monthly Education Student allowances as presented effective January 01, 2026, furthermore, to include annual review for the FWFN Education living allowance prior to the next school year. All in favor. Motion carried.

Action Item: Follow up with Portfolio meetings in the new year.

AGENDA ITEM – OLIVER MACLARIN RENEWABLE CAPACITY OPPURTUNITIES

Wind projects bids due in December 18th 2025 – Battery Storage – 75MW project – with looking for a partnership 50% ownership. Authorize signatory to complete bid documents. Seeking council authorization to conclude and execute participation and funding relationship

100M – 20years
5M/year

Shareholder – limited liability – limited recourse project.

Potentia – FWFN/LDML – 50% Equity, Partner pays all costs.

Next bidding round – next November 2026

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Action Item: *Council would like more time to review. Recommendation to CEO start implementing the Portfolio Meetings starting 2026.*

NOTE: *Bring back the Business Moratorium item to council for agenda item.*

AGENDA ITEM – COUNCIL TRAVEL POLICY

Has there been an existing council policy –review the last policy.

CEO will forward the original travel policy that this travel policy was drafted from –

18.3 – Travel Policy – Requesting financial statements for travel costs from starting council.

Recommendation to the travel policy – Travel Budget for each council member per year.

Action Item: *CEO will work with Finance to provide budget to Council Travel Policy Council would like a copy of the 2019 Travel Policy for Chief and Council Motion made in March 2022 – Sheldon & Tannis effective April 2022 related to honorariums, extra meetings.*

AGENDA ITME – MEETING MINUTES

MOTION #5 *Moved by Sheldon Bannon and seconded by Peter W. Collins to approve meeting minutes from October 08, 15, 22 and November 05,12,19,26*

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*including a report to Council with any updates related to the minutes. **All in favor.***
Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM – DATA SYSTEMS – BONNIE PELLETIER

Who keeps FWFN data – 6 servers that are utilizing 3 serves – have 2 backups – this data is backed up between the servers and the cloud – All located in the Band office – who has control over the system – Directors and IT – combination of services providers – procurement policy.

A.I – protection from ownership of FWFN property. IP addresses – copy rights and trademarks agreements. OKAP – Indigenous Rights – copy rights – OCAP Laws – knowledge and information for First Nations – sensitive information at the Administration level as well.

Recommendation to hear from Legal regarding the owners right with FWFN data – OKAP Law around it – related to AI website – bring some training to FWFN – what information they should not be entering into the AI generated platforms – training for staff members – to utilize IT Policy & Equipment – look into bringing someone to present the information to Admin & Council

AGENDA ITEM – STATE OF EMERGENCY – Handouts provided to council.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – *Moved by Sheldon Bannon and seconded by Peter W. Collins meeting adjourn at 9:15pm*

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