

Wahta Mohawks Community Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 28th, 2015

Present: Chief Philip Franks, Councillor Stuart Lane, Councillor Lawrence Schell, Councillor Teresa Greasley, Councillor Mike DeCaire and members.

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.
- II. **Adoption of the Agenda:** Moved by Councillor Schell, Seconded, by Councillor Lane, with the addition of a question from Shirley Hay regarding MRP. Chief Franks would like to add a document regarding the consultation of tobacco allocations for the province of Ontario. Carried.
- III. **Adoption of January 27th, 2015 and February 24, 2015 Minutes:** Moved by Councillor Schell, Seconded, by Councillor Lane with a change regarding the Hydro Update. Carried
- IV. **Actions Arising:**

Old Business / Follow Up

Land Claim Update: Chief Franks received a message from the lawyer and what his rates would be, he also said that he had not be paid for previous work which is unclear to Council, a meeting will be arranged to further discuss this. There was an extension given on the Land Claim.

Final Draft – Violence Against Women in First Nations: The final draft is not complete, AIAI will be holding a conference concerning violence against women in FN, Chief Franks would like a staff member to attend.

New Business:

Hydro – sale- outstanding invoice and ongoing meetings- There is an outstanding invoice for the mediators, they had not been paid for the second round of mediation, the amount of the invoice is unknown and needed so then a motion can be passed to process payment. A member inquired as to the remaining funds from the Hydro payout, Chief Philips response was that the funds are in trust and that there are funds for the members that will be turning 18.

AIAI: voting delegates – The meeting will be held on May 25th – 28th. A MCR needs to be completed with the names of the delegates by May 1st, 2015. Council will meet tomorrow to decide who will attend.

ALI: The Heritage Fund is in the final phase of receiving applicants, the funding applied for is in the amount of \$100,000.00. Wahta should know soon if it is granted.

Iroquois Caucus: There was a meeting today, they were going to be discussing Bill 51 and free trade between nations. Chief Franks explained the benefits of free trade among First Nations. There will be an education summit regarding these topics.

Woodland Cultural Centre: Councillor Greasley contacted the Centre about the preservation of an outfit worn by Isaiah Sahanatian in a well know photo. The WCC could preserve it and display it but later it would be displayed at the Wahta Cultural Healing Centre. Councillor Greasley spoke to them about establishing a committee and policy on the preservation of artifacts and that by doing so people that donated items would be reassured that it would be taken care of for future generations. WCC follows museum standards when dealing with historical items.

Ministry of Transportation: Chief Franks received an email from Dwayne Pamajewon with the MTO. Chief Franks will set a date to meet with him. There was discussion about the 400 and the fencing that was put up.

MRP: There was discussion regarding the MRP. Chief Franks said that the consultation plan will be an effective method to inform members. The process has not be started yet, there are kits available and AIAI has provided a binder with information. Chief Franks gave some examples of scenarios of problems that may occur with this new law, he will invite AIAI to come to a community meeting to discuss this topic.

Language and Cultural Centre: Tim Thompson had many questions concerning the language proposal and Cultural Healing Center, Carol Holmes from the Education Department answered questions and provided information. Some questions were raised about the design of the language program and how that will take place. This will take place with community involvement and a committee will be in place. An inquiring was also made regarding the Health and Wellness Conference and if there was a report done, Chief Franks said he would look into this matter.

V. **Next meeting:** May 19th, 2015

VI. **Motion to adjourn:** Moved by Councillor Schell. Carried.

VII. **Closing:**

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