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COUNCIL CHAMBER MINUTES

PRESENT:

CHIEF SACHA LABILLOIS
COUNCILLOR DEREK MULCAHY
COUNCILLOR JAKE CAPLIN
COUNCILLOR CANDACE NARVIE

COUNCILLOR TONY MILLER
COUNCILLOR RON SIMONSON
COUNCILLOR MISTY LABILLOIS

DATE: TUESDAY, APRIL 18th, 2023

Also present: Tanya Barnaby, CEO
COUNCILLOR JUSTIN GALLEN - out

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER @ 9:30 AM

- MIC: Councillor Derek Mulcahy motioned to approve & accept today's agenda and Councillor Misty LaBillois seconded the motion. All in favour with additions. Motion carried.
- MIC: Councillor Derek Mulcahy motioned to approve the minutes of Apr. 11th, 2023 with changes as noted. Councillor Tony Miller seconded the motion. All in favour. Motion carried.
- MMIW Walk for Eel River Bar will be May 4th – more info to follow. Request to purchase some ribbons for the excess medals we have from last year. MIC: Councillor Candace Narvie motions to cover the ribbons cost. Councillor Derek Mulcahy seconded the motion. All in favour – motion carried. Barbie to reach out to media and to the local MP's, MLA and RCMP to join us.
- Request from a community member to help cover the cost of registration of 3 youth to attend – 2 goalies & 1 spare at a cost of \$2800 to attend the National Aboriginal Hockey Championships (NAHC). MIC: Councillor Misty LaBillois motion to cost the registration. Councillor Jake Caplin seconded the motion. All in favour. Motion carried.
- 10:00 AM – Presentation by Danielle Alain from the FN Lands Management Resource Centre. Elizabeth White from ISC was also in attendance. The presentation will be distributed via email.
- Atapaqq presentation – looking for a MOU for the construction of a wind farm in the Belledune area. ERB would potentially have members trained and working for the construction, and a potential revenue to ERB. MIC: Councillor Ron Simonson motions to sign the MOU for ERB. Councillor Derek seconded the motion. All in favour. Motion carried.
- Discussion of the Fisheries Agreement – looking for more input from the Community. Discuss during the Community Meeting on Wednesday night (April 26th).
- Belledune Port Authority – wishes to meet regarding the 5-year celebration of signing the protocol. Initial request for the event to be May 20th. Request another meeting time – some Council are not available on this date.
- Tanya spoke with Delia to get caught up on the invoices, billing, and the stage of the Specific Claims.

- Tanya also spoke with another company MNP for another quote to do a forensic audit. To date we have 2 quotes.
- Update from last week meeting with HR. Personnel files will be updated.
- A memo was circulated to Directors to inform their staff that any election discussions should be had outside of the workplace.
- Budget exercises need to be planned with the Directors for the new fiscal year.
- We need to work on creating a Health & Safety Committee.
- Telepay update – the technical issues with payroll have been resolved. MIC: Councillor Candace Narvie motions to make changes necessary for Telepay to move forward – remove Tracy Fiola as signing authority and add in Tanya Barnaby. Councillor Tony Miller seconds the motion.
- Charles Harn came in to meet with Council and updates them on his files. These include the solar farm at the Osprey Truck Stop, Aboriginal Heritage Gardens future projects and proposals and possible land purchases. MIC: Councillor Derek Mulcahy motions to inquire future lands as presented for future development and consideration. Councillor Candace Narvie seconds the motion. All in favour. Motion carried.
- Elders next meeting with Council – April 25th.
- Discussion of Rangers staff and available positions – positions will be posted.
- Discussion of the “Chief made us sign all rights away” rumours. All Council present confirmed that they did not sign any such document and confirm and acknowledge they have had the ability to vote on all items presented in Chambers.
- Sonja Lee present on ERB Medicinal Gathering. Request for sponsorship as was requested yearly. Asking for \$5,000. This event is held at the Aboriginal Heritage Gardens. It is an important gathering of traditional and non-traditional medicinal practices from the Maritimes and a great exchange of knowledge. The request was presented with a budget and fundraising information.

NEXT MEETING DATE: APRIL 25th, 2023

MEETING ADJOURNED: @ 4:30 pm