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### COUNCIL CHAMBER MINUTES

#### PRESENT:

CHIEF SACHA LABILLOIS  
COUNCILLOR RON SIMONSON  
COUNCILLOR MISTY LABILLOIS

COUNCILLOR DEREK MULCAHY  
COUNCILLOR JAKE CAPLIN  
COUNCILLOR TONY MILLER

**DATE:** TUESDAY, MAY 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Also present: Tanna Pirie-Wilson  
COUNCILLOR CANDACE NARVIE - out

#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER @ 9:44 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 May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 with changes as noted. Councillor Tony Miller seconded the motion. All in favour. Motion carried.
- Councillor Misty LaBillois presented a Jordan's Principal BCR to Council to approve and sign. This BCR secures funds for a Community Member under JP for future services. Council approved and signed.
- 10:00 am – Presentation from Mario LaPointe of NSMDC and Aaron Power also from NSMDC as well as Maggie Stothart joining via zoom of NSMDC. The presentation was from the NSMTC (North Shore Mi'kmaq Technical Services) Maintenance Management Program. This system has been operating since Feb of 2019 and provides a digital report system to Bands. We can see the current status of reports, assets, repairs, and the program allows us to monitor these assets over time. This programming was launched in 2016 Nationally. Our program has Tyson, Paul, Georgie and Ray as Admins to the ERB pages. There are 7 Bands using this system. We can schedule regular maintenance of our vehicles, add in regular maintenance for any asset and add in assets.
- Aaron Power introduced himself – he is available to work with ERB as a liaison to NB Power. He will work with Paul and Tyson for future projects – like the FN Energy Efficiency Program and some programs through NB Power for housing.
- MIC: Councillor Misty LaBillois motions to approve a request for a CP from a Community Member. This CP will be processed along with the previous CP's approved by Council and though the same guidelines & policy. Councillor Derek Mulcahy seconds the motion. All in favour. Motion carried.
- A reminder that bookings for the Aboriginal Heritage Gardens need to be reserved though Amanda Caplin. There is a fee associated with each booking.
- Restigouche Golf course is offering ERB a golf sponsorship package. Have Turtle Island Gold as the sponsor, this way it will be advertised! MIC: Councillor Jake Caplin motions to take the Gold sponsorship level for Turtle Island Golf. Councillor Misty LaBillois seconds the motion.

- Chief request any Councillors interested being her proxy to attend an All-Chief's meeting in Saint John coming up – Councillor Jake Caplin agreed to be the proxy.
- At 1:15 pm Council met with a Community member to discuss the status of a property that was owned by an ERB member but is now deceased. The deceased member had a will and the proper paperwork has been filed with ISC. Research and work are being done with our Capital & housing department to resolve changing a name to a CP property and the land adjacent to it. A CP request will go through C&C, a BCR will be written, signed, and approved, then forwarded to ISC for the CP.
- Request from Health department for medical aid for an Elder in Community – it is for financial assistance for new hearing aids since it is not covered by NIHB currently. Look for avenues to find funding – one route is to contact the Health Navigator.
- Request from Community Member for financial aid to attend Cultural Training. Council will look for sources of financial aid.
- Elder's lobsters – requests are coming in from the Elders – how will the lobsters be dispersed this year. At the next Elder's meeting this will be on the agenda for discussion.
- Order for boxes of Snow Crab have been placed for the distribution of Snow Crab this year. Ron will update Council as more information becomes available.
- For this coming Friday, there will be a Mother's Day supper with games, food, and prizes. The Band Office departments have been contacted for donations to the event. MIC: Councillor Derek Mulcahy motions that the Mother's Day budget be \$2000 for year 2023. Councillor Ron Simonson seconds the motion. All in favour. Motion carried.
- Discussion of possible purchase of adjacent properties to ERB and offers received.
- MIC: Councillor Misty LaBillois motions to provide a counter offer of \$180,000 for the properties (a house and 2 lots on ERB). Councillor Derek Mulcahy seconds the motion. All but 1 in favour; one Councillor abstain. Motion carried.
- Meet with Capital and Housing Director Paul Savoie – provide updates on ERB projects. The 2 tractors have been sold for a total of the 2 earning us \$63,500.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** MAY 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** @ 4:10 pm