



**Eel River Bar First Nation
DULY CONVENED MEETING
August 25th, 2025@ 9:00 am
MINUTES**

Present:

Chief Chris George
Councillor Derrick LaBillois Bjorndal
Councillor Misty LaBillois*
Councillor Tiffany Boyd
Clement Bernard

Councillor Karen Narvie
Councillor Tony Miller
Councillor Ron Simonson
Councillor Daniel Caplin

*absent

Notetaker:

Sonja Lee

Meeting called to order by Chief Chris George at 10:00am

Councillor Tiffany Boyd put forward a MIC to approve the Agenda, 2nd by Councillor Daniel Caplin all in favour, aye.... Motion passed.

MIC to approve the Minutes from August 11th, 2025 by Councillor Karen Narvie, 2nd by Councillor Tony Miller, all in favour, aye.... Motion passed.

Finance:

Discussion on Finance and the need to expand the team, and have further training. New hire for Finance was put to a vote... 7/0 in favour. Future training for the finance team was discussed and the decision to train the 3 employees was voted on.... 6/0 in favour.

Draft Credit Card policy was put forward to easier track the use of the band credit card, Card will be issued to the band manager, and secured in the finance office. C&C voted on the policy 6/0 in favour.

HR:

Discussion on confidentiality, the need for all staff to sign a confidentiality agreement, any breach of confidentiality will be reviewed by the band manager.

Fuel Charge Proceeds Fund:

Explanation of the Fuel Charge proceeds fund for Indigenous Communities which includes a grant agreement with the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change. Discussion on the use of the funds and the need for a budget to manage the expenses.

Discussion on outstanding debt to Revenue Canada from past tax issues at OTS
Will reach out to finance for OTS for a deeper understanding of the financial situation.

Fisheries:

Discussion on tag distribution process, the need for clear communication and enforcement. Suggestion to limit the number of tags per person to prevent overfishing. Agreement to finalize the tag distribution process and to communicate it to the community.

Discussion on the importance of community engagement and the need for a robust dialog on fisheries management.

There is an agreement to support Councillor Ron Simonson in his role and to ensure clear communication with the community.

Suggestion to create a fisheries committee to handle operational issue and to involve rights holders in the decision making.

Housing:

Discussion on the need to address unsafe and unoccupied homes in the community. Proposal to board up and shut off utilities in problematic homes to prevent further issues. C&C agreed to protect the safety of community members and to address the housing issues promptly.

RCMP and Community Relations:

Discussion on the need for better communication and cooperation with the RCMP. Establish a liaison committee to build the relationship. Need to call the RCMP for assistance in addressing housing and safety issues.

General Concerns:

- Request for sports funding on a national level was discussed a MIC was put forward by Councillor Derrick LaBillois-Bjorndal, 2nd by Councillor Tony Miller, vote 6/0 athlete will provide an in-kind donation of time to the community.

Next Duly Convened September 8th @ 9:00 am Meeting adjourned 11:50 am