



**Eel River Bar First Nation  
DULY CONVENED MEETING**

**March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026**

**9:00am**

**MINUTES**

**Present**

Chief Chris George  
Councillor Daniel Caplin  
Councillor Tiffany Boyd  
Councillor Misty LaBillois

Councillor Karen Narvie  
Councillor Tony Miller\*  
Councillor Ron Simonson\*  
Councillor D LaBillois-Bjorndal

\*excused

**Notetakers:**

Sonja Lee

Chief Chris George called the meeting to order at 9:35 am

A Motion In Council was put forward by Councillor Daniel Caplin to accept the agenda with additions, motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor Karen Narvie.

Council reviewed the minutes from February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026.

Councillor Misty LaBillois put forward a MIC to approve the minutes with changes, motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor D. LaBillois Bjorndal.

**Chief's Update**

- On March 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> 2026, there will be a Fisheries Summit held by MTI in Moncton
- Memo came from MTI that there is surplus \$ in fisheries. We would need a plan and receipts of spending by March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026.
- AICFI funding was signed, use for band investments.
- Budget Planning Sessions and Strategic Planning, we are looking at 2 consulting firms, will choose one and set dates.
- Community Meetings from March until July, dates to be set. Letter to be sent out to C&C that all community meetings will be mandatory to attend.

## **Band Manager Update**

- MNP is meeting with Departments for the implementation of the transfer of data to the new Sage Intacct Financial Management Program.
- We will need a council member on the steering committee for Sage Intacct (Councillor D. LaBillois Bjorndal volunteered).
- MNP will set up Sage Intacct.
- Challenge is the Chart of Accounts is not broken into Q codes
- Meeting with Doane, Grant, Thornton has been cancelled and will be re-scheduled for next week.
- Coding of Revenue and Expenses is going well, by the end of the month we can check with directors on expenditures.
- Will have Directors present their budgets in the new fiscal year and have quarterly meetings to check in.

## **Education Forum Update**

- Councillor D. LaBillois Bjorndal attending the Education Forum in Vancouver February 24<sup>th</sup> -26<sup>th</sup>.
- It was disheartening to see the lack of turn out from other communities on such an important issue, Education is our sovereignty.
- Discussion on implementing culture and language into daily work, language classes should start with C&C

Off-Reserve Committee recommendation for the Off-Reserve Homelessness Prevention Funding including the 1. Funding Overview and Eligibility Criteria 2. The Application Form and 3. The Application Review Score Sheet Recommendation from Off-Reserve file holder to adopt the Off-Reserve funding process was voted on with a 5/0 Aye!

BCR for Northern Alliance Energy was tabled to be reviewed by legal.

### Donation Requests:

1. Old Time Hockey Club (Yves Pelletier Memorial) is a charitable event that gives back to community  
A Gold Sponsorship for \$500.00 a Motion in Council was put forward by Councillor D. LaBillois Bjorndal, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor Daniel Caplin all in favour 5/0 Aye... motion passed.
2. Donation for Lion's Club non profit event called Classic Country Night, donation or option to purchase tables (6 per table) will purchase 2 tables.

### **Additions to Agenda**

- Emergency Fund requests have been approved for \$500. Vote of 4/0 aye with a formal request
- Peacekeepers will have further discussion
- There is funding available for tree planting in the new subdivisions and splash pad. Grant is up to \$175,000. Councillor Daniel Caplin has spoken to them and has the support of C&C to move ahead.
- Youth National Aboriginal Hockey Club travel for tryouts approved

Next Duly Convened Meeting to take place at 9:00 am on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026.  
Meeting Adjourned 12:00 pm.

