



**Eel River Bar First Nation**  
**DULY CONVENED MEETING**  
**April 28<sup>th</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

**Notetakers:**

Sonja Lee

Chief Chris George called the meeting to order at 9:30 am

A Motion In Council was put forward by Councillor D. LaBillois Bjorndal to accept the agenda with additions, motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor Karen Narvie, all in favour, aye... motion passed.

Councillor Tony Miller put a MIC to accept the minutes from April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026 Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor Daniel Caplin, all in favour, aye... motion passed.

**CHIEF'S UPDATE**

- Valard Construction is working on the interprovincial transmission line. Valard is an Indigenous owned company we will set up a second meeting with them
- Chief Richardson is suggesting a revision to the Belledune Protocol to bring it into alignment with informed and duty to consult

- Nancy McBain is organizing an event this Friday to add ceremony to the launch of our lobster boats. We will meet at 11:30 at the beach next to Gordon's then come back to the elders room to build a relationship with our fishermen
- Councillor Daniel Caplin is meeting with DFO, to meet with the fishermen re: Food, Social, Ceremonial Fisheries. Chief Chris George spoke with Marc Godin they will meet to discuss how we want to proceed
- Next Tuesday we will meet with Peter Nicholson regarding capacity building and our FSC fishery. Peter has helped several communities find funding
- Review the briefing note from Lands Department regarding ATR's
- Request for seed money to start a business was denied, direction to look into other grants

10:00 Meeting adjourned to meet with Doane Grant Thornton regarding audit  
Duly Convened reconvened at 11:15

### **BAND MANAGER UPDATE**

- Reviewed list of consultants, and lawyers to downsize
- Discussion of Rangers/Peacekeepers, training, funding for training, and budgets to be approved. Will need an internal committee.
- Set up meeting with E.I. too see if there is any funding for training
- Auditors state that all reports are in, financially we are in good shape even with the consultants and lawyer's fees
- Discussion on Fisherman's contracts to be reviewed, investigate how other communities
- Director to give recommendation

Meeting adjourned for lunch, reconvened at 1:30pm

- To reiterate a briefing note will come from the Director of Fisheries with recommendations for contracts
- Purchase of Liquor Store Property can be extended to 6months to allow for a market analysis, Ec/Dev to follow through with a feasibility study and cost analysis

- Review of Cook Insurance vs Aeon Insurance Councillor D. LaBillois Bjorndal put a MIC to accept the proposal by Aeon Insurance, Councillor Tiffany Boyd 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, Vote 6/0 all in favour, motion passed
- Policy can be transferred by May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026
- Greenhouse stand has been requested, total cost of \$7,200. 8x12 stand on a flat bed trailer, needed by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026. Housing Department can build it, will have to plate it and insure it

### **Housing Update**

- Discussion on community members feeling safe since 2 evictions were done, recommendation from housing and the committee to initiate a 3<sup>rd</sup> eviction
- MIC put forward by Councillor Karen Narvie to evict with 14 days notice, motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor Tony Miller. Vote 6/0 aye, Councillor Misty LaBillois was absent and removed from the vote, Councillor Tiffany Boyd removed herself from the vote
- Recommendation for a 4<sup>th</sup> eviction, Notice to be posted on door, 14 day notice to return to community
- Contract to be drawn up for care of ballfield

### **C&FS Update**

- C&FS funding \$ committee made recommendations, money is for safety repairs, overcrowding or inadequate housing for the benefit of children, make this more public, with policy and application forms available (Councillor Tiffany Boyd removed herself for discussion)
- Chief and Council okay with C&FS director implementing the 5year C&FS plan

### **General Business**

- MIC put forward by Councillor D LaBillois Bjorndal to remove Braxton Paradis and Gaetan Paradis from our community by BCR, motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor Daniel Caplin, vote 7/0 aye... motion passed

- Request for funding for ribbon skirts for the Strawberry fasters, MIC from Councillor D LaBillois Bjorndal to accept the request and provide \$780.00 for the ribbon skirt supplies, motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councillor Daniel Caplin, vote 7/0 aye... motion passed
- Emergency Fund and the Healthy Living Fund will be overseen by Chief Chris George, the Band Manager and the Executive Assistant
- Membership Committee will be between 5 and 9 people with a 1 year term was tabled

Next Duly Convened meeting will take place on May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 9:00 am

Meeting adjourned 3:35pm

