

# MATACHEWAN FIRST NATION

#### Box 160, Matachewan ON P0K 1M0

Date and Time	Tuesday, August 27, 2024 at 6:00 PM
Location	Log Building
Chairperson	Chief Alex Batisse
Council Present	Elenore Hendrix, Alex Batisse, Lulu Jobson, Stan Fox, Adrian Boucher
Council Regrets	Tom Fox
Council on Zoom	Clara Hanson, Melanie Boucher, Rachel Batisse
Recorder	Joshua Birimcombe – Director of Finance and Administration (DoFA)
	Delta Flood – Secretary/Receptionist/Indian Registration Clerk
Staff	
Guest(s)	

## Item #1 - Opening Regards/Prayer

**Discussion:** Prayer - Clara

## Item #2 - Call to Order

Discussion: That Chief and Council duly convene this Regular Meeting of Chief and Council held on Tuesday,

August 27, 2024, at 6:10 PM

# Item #3 – Approval of Agenda

**Discussion:** The Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Chief and Council held on Tuesday, August 27, 2024 is

approved as circulated

# Item #4- Acceptance of Minutes and Recommendations

#### Outcome:

#### **MOTION #2024-22-01**

MOTION That Chief and Council approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Chief and Council held on Tuesday, July 16, 2024.

MOTIONED by Lulu Jobson SECONDED by Elenore Hendrix

All in Favour MOTION CARRIED

## **MOTION #2024-22-02**

MOTION That Chief and Council approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Chief and Council held on Tuesday, August 6, 2024.

MOTIONED by Adrian Boucher SECONDED by Lulu Jobson

All in Favour MOTION CARRIED

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# Item #4- Acceptance of Minutes and Recommendations (Cont'd)

## **MOTION #2024-22-03**

MOTION That Chief and Council approve the minutes of the Community Meeting held on Saturday, August 17, 2024, with the change of Stan Fox being moved from in attendance to regrets.

MOTIONED by Clara Hansan SECONDED by Adrian Boucher All in Favour MOTION CARRIED

## Item #5 – Director of Finance and Administration Updates and Discussion

#### **Discussion:**

#### **Pow Wow**

- There was a lot of positive feedback and wanted to thank everyone who made the Pow Wow possible. There were some lessons learned that will be brought into next year.
- Final tally will be done within the next week for committee and can be brought forward to C&C.
- Chief stated that we can continue to use the plan next year.

#### **Housing Update**

- There are a lot of housing concerns and members looking for answers.
- The Housing Coordinator should be hired and ready in a couple of weeks, along with policies and procedures.
- With C&C guidance the band office will be sending out an email regarding requesting lots as some things have changed over time and some things have been misplaced due to changes.
- Chief would like to see the rest of the surveyed lots cleared out and prepared. He was looking at some mobile homes to purchase for the lots (180,000 approx.). We would have to put some strong policies in place regarding rental. It's a hard topic as people get in and don't want to pay rent. Start lot clearing next week or the week after.
- A Councillor suggested not clearing the whole lot to allow for people to have privacy between lots, but it would be good to have work for our members.
- Discussion to make sure people getting lots start building sooner than later have one year to make progress/bylaws in place to enforce what is to be done with the trailers.
- A Councillor wanted to know how big the lots are. (This can be answered at next meeting or follow up emails.)

#### Separation Lake

- The Chief would like to start to survey lots at Separation and stated that we should go ahead with that rather than wait. He also stated we would have to have a big discussion about it. Then stated to go ahead with surveying the lots and put a map up.
- A Councillor stated that we should wait one winter then gravel the road to Separation Lake.

#### **Hunt Camp**

Josh will be working with staff this week to start working with that. If anyone has any recommendations or feedback, please let us (the staff) know now.

- It was suggested to be just Saturday and Sunday and keep it in Loving Memory for Big J. (Family requested it not be a Memorial again).
- Discussion of a community butchering structure was discussed and DoFA will look into the various options and quotes. Building may be temporary/rental for just this year with a plan to build permanent in the future.
- The Chief would like to see the Hunt Camp set up at Margo Stretch again.

#### **Contact List**

DoFA is looking to create lists of contacts for:

- Vendor lists for anyone who would like to provide catering.
- Community members that can do construction for a procurement list.

## **Community Meeting**

The next Community Meeting will be Saturday, October 19, 2024, at 1:00pm and lunch at 12:00pm. DoFA will try to get Colliers back on that day to do a presentation.

#### **Outcome:**

#### MOTION #2024-22-04

MOTION to clear surveyed lots. Utilize John and Derrick to oversee it.

MOTIONED by Adrian Boucher SECONDED by Melanie Boucher All in Favour

## Item #6 - Staff Updates and Discussions

**Discussion:** 

None

## Item #7 - Councillor Updates and Discussions

#### **Discussion:**

Councillor Hanson

**MOTION CARRIED** 

- Pow Wow Honorariums
  - o There was some confusion regarding the Honorariums for a child carrying a flag and getting a small honorarium especially compared to adults carrying a flag. It was discussed that this was an honest error and would be rectified. (The amounts originally set out were for the expectation that many children would hold the flag together and would receive an honorarium for each time they carried the flag (opening and/or closing). The young child was the only one carrying the flag on a pole like the adults and the people disbursing the honorariums were not aware of the change or how much was in each envelope.

## Item #8 - Community Member Updates and Discussions

**Discussion:** 

# Item #9 – IN CAMERA 6:46pm