

SERPENT RIVER FIRST NATION

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SRFN Chief and Council Meeting
December 7, 2020
Zoom
Approved Minutes

Chair: Chief Brent Bissaillon
Council: Shirley McLeod, Kerri Commanda, Earl Commanda, Joey Jacobs, Jack Trudeau, Michelle Owl, Miranda Pelletier, Steve Meawasige, Marlene Essex
Regrets: Steven Baranyai
Absent: Tillie McLeod, Nicole Pelletier-Southwind
Director of Operations: Candace Martin (Interim)
Recording Secretary: Erin Carne
Staff: Leila Macumber, Michelle Pelletier, Wilma Bissiallon

1) Call to Order/Opening Remarks:

The Chief welcomed Council and Community members at 6:10 p.m.
Condolences to the family and friends of Joseph J Arvay.

2) Adoption of Agenda

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-01 | |
| That Chief and Council adopts the Agenda for the Chief and Council Meeting of Monday, December 7, 2020 | |
| Moved by | Jack Trudeau |
| Seconded by | Steve Meawasige |
| CARRIED | By Consensus |
| -Finances, will be addressed under Finance Committee Meeting Minutes | |

3) Declaration of Conflict of Interest: Joey Jacobs (10b)

4) Community Presentation: None at this time

5) Approval of Previous Minutes

a) Tuesday, November 17, 2020

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-02 | |
| That Chief and Council approves the Council Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, November 17, 2020 | |
| Moved by | Michelle Owl |
| Seconded by | Joey Jacobs |

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6) **Business Arising from Minutes**

a) **First Nations Policing Act-Briefing Note**

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-03 | |
| That Chief and Council accept the recommendation to invite the Solicitor General to have a presentation and Community engagement | |
| Moved by | Jack Trudeau |
| Seconded by | Michelle Owl |
| CARRIED | By Consensus |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Create Policing Board within the community -Follow Up: To invite Solicitor General to have a presentation and community engagement -To make sure that community has the same opportunity to see same presentation as Council | |

b) **Public Chief and Council Meetings**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Will be creating a new youtube channel -new Communications Officer, orientating to new process |
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c) **MNR Letter from Mississauga First Nation**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Congrats to Chief Reg Niganobe for another term -Will be getting the letter, next Council meeting |
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7) **Chief's Report, Director of Operations Report**

a) **Chief's Report**

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-04 | |
| That Chief and Council moves to accept the Chief's report dated November 16-December 1, 2020 | |
| Moved by | Earl Commanda |
| Seconded by | Steve Meawasige |
| CARRIED | By Consensus |
| -Stay on top of Education funding that is being received | |

b) **Director of Operations (Interim)**

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-05 | |
| That Chief and Council accept the Interim Director of Operations report dated December 7, 2020 | |
| Moved by | Miranda Pelletier |
| Seconded by | Kerri Commanda |
| CARRIED | By Consensus |
| -Water project starting Dec 2020, completing by Jan 2021 | |

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i) SMT Task Sheet-August 2020

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| Task sheet will be added to next scheduled meeting package |
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c) Economic Development Report

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-06 | |
| That Chief and Council moves to acknowledge the Economic Development Report dated: October 30, 2020 | |
| Moved by | Jack Trudeau |
| Seconded by | Steve Meawasige |
| CARRIED | By Consensus |

i) Economic Development Income Report

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-07 | |
| That Chief and Council moves to acknowledge the Economic Development Income Report presented by the General Manager of The Economic Development Corporation | |
| Moved by | Shirley McLeod |
| Seconded by | Kerri Commanda |
| CARRIED | By Consensus |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Net income of \$9386.33 -Make sure staffing issues are addressed -Has inventory from Agawa been moved to Trading Post in Serpent? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Only Laurentian Mocs will be brought as they sold most of their product -Funding for bike trail, consent from railway. Follow Up: Add to next scheduled Chief and Council meeting | |

ii) Agawa Crafts Income Statement Apr 2020 to Oct 31, 2020

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-08 | |
| That Chief and Council moves to acknowledge the Agawa Crafts Income Statement dated: Apr 2020 to Oct 31, 2020 | |
| Moved by | Earl Commanda |
| Seconded by | Steve Meawasige |
| CARRIED | By Consensus |
| -Net income \$380,677.40 | |

iii) Huron North Community Economic Alliance Letter

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| -Will need a letter of support from Council for the Huron North Community Economic Alliance |
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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-09 | |
| That Chief and Council accepts the EOCG verbal report provided by the EOCG Incident Commander | |
| Moved by | Steve Meawasige |
| Seconded by | Shirley McLeod |
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- Wellness checks happening in the community
- EOCG meetings being held weekly
- Q&A's happening once a week
- Provincial and Federal meetings taking place
- Letter in the Drive for Community
- Letters sent to businesses in the community to follow guidelines
- Youth Worker still a position?
 - Currently vacant, staff member was moved into another position
 - Look for another staff member to move into the Youth Worker position

8) Doodem Reports

a) October 19, 2020 Deer Doodem Minutes

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-10 | |
| That Chief and Council accepts the Deer Doodem Minutes of October 19, 2020 | |
| Moved by | Earl Commanda |
| Seconded by | Jack Trudeau |
| CARRIED | By Consensus |
| -Label minutes as "Deer Doodem" | |

i. FNEA Engagement Session Minutes

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| -Council has reviewed engagement session minutes |
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b) November 16, 2020 Deer Doodem Minutes

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-11 | |
| That Chief and Council accepts the Deer Doodem Minutes of November 16, 2020 with revisions | |
| Moved by | Kerri Commanda |
| Seconded by | Michelle Owl |
| CARRIED | By Consensus |
| -Address as Chief Brent Bissaillon in meeting minutes | |
| -Michelle Owl name - missing "L" | |
| -Michelle Pelletier and Chief Brent Bissaillon spelling errors | |

i. Membership Application of Rebecca Meawasige

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-12 | |
| That Chief and Council accepts Recommendation # 2020-11-16-03 – The membership committee recommends to the Chief and Council the approval of the membership application for Rebecca Meawasige from the Deer Doodem | |
| Moved by | Jack Trudeau |
| Seconded by | Michelle Owl |
| CARRIED | By Consensus |

ii. Residency Application of Julie Bruce

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-13 | |
| That Chief and Council accepts Recommendation # 2020-11-16-04 – The membership committee recommends to the Chief and Council the approval of the residency permit application for Julie Bruce from The Deer Doodem. | |
| Moved by | Jack Trudeau |
| Seconded by | Earl Commanda |
| CARRIED | By Consensus |
| -Steve Meawasige declaring conflict | |
| -Deer Doodem to look at the residency application, motion was brought forth with no seconder | |

c) Finance Committee Meeting Minutes - Deferred

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| -Band finances were behind 2 years, Finance Manager and Department has caught up and will have budget for next year, the audit will be finished as well. |
| -Finance Committee to change wording to Recommendation, not motion |

i. Motion FC2020-11-15-05 - Deferred

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| MOTION: 2020- | |
| That Chief and Council accepts the recommendation of MOTION: FC2020-11-15-05 | |
| That the Finance Committee recommend to Chief and Council that, given SRFN in is the midst of a restructuring project that will include the implementation of a salary grid, all wages with the exception of pandemic-related emergency enhancements be frozen, and that any pandemic-related emergency enhancements must be supported by the Director of Operations and approved by Chief and Council. Will be reviewed at the end of fiscal or implementation plan | |
| Moved by | |
| Seconded by | |
| CARRIED | |
| -Will need length of freeze | |
| -Consideration for Cost of Living increase | |
| -Councillor Miranda Pelletier would like to address at the In-Camera and defer this motion | |

9) Standing Items:

- a) None at this time

10) New Business

- a) 2021 Census of Population Briefing Note

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-13 | |
| That Chief and Council supports the 2021 Census of Population from Statistics Canada to take place within The Serpent River First Nation community and identifies the Membership Clerk as the point of contact | |
| Moved by | Joey Jacobs |
| Seconded by | Miranda Pelletier |

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| Melody Neiva - Membership Clerk as the contact person | |

b) CMHC Account #16-134-967-002 Loan Renewal

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-14 | |
| That Chief and Council supports the CMHC Loan Renewal Account #16-134-967-002 - 6 Scattered Units (25 Village Road South, 60 Village Road North, 32, 33 & 34 Sulphur Circle and 511 Highway 17 East) with a loan balance of \$146,911.98 | |
| Moved by | Shirley McLeod |
| Seconded by | Earl Commanda |
| CARRIED | By Consensus |

c) Chief and Council Meeting Dates-Resuming January 11, 2021

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| MOTION: 2020-12-07-15 | |
| That Chief and Council accepts the recommendation of resuming the next Duly Convened Chief and Council Until after the Christmas break, returning Monday January 11, 2021 | |
| Moved by | Kerri Commanda |
| Seconded by | Jack Trudeau |
| CARRIED | By Consensus |
| -Have not met during holidays in previous years. -In favour of not having a meeting during the holidays, continue Monday, January 11, 2021 -Projector for meetings | |

11) Next Meeting Dates

- a) C&C Duly Convened Meeting-Monday, January 11, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m.
- b) C&C Duly Convened Meeting- TBD

12) Adjournment:

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| MOTION: 2020-08-11-16 | |
| That Chief and Council adjourns the Chief and Council Meeting of Tuesday, December 7, 2020 at 7:51 p.m. | |
| Moved by | Shirley McLeod |
| Seconded by | Miranda Pelletier |
| CARRIED | By Consensus |

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