

SERPENT RIVER FIRST NATION

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SRFN Chief and Council Meeting
April 20, 2021
Zoom Meeting
Approved Minutes

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

1) Call to Order/Opening Remarks:

-Upon quorum at 6:08 p.m.
-Chief Bissaillon made some opening remarks to the community acknowledging the three active Covid-19 cases in SRFN and the families involved, asked community to remain mindful and to thank the spirit for keeping the virus contained

2) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: 2021-04-20-01	
That Chief and Council adopts the Agenda for the Chief and Council Meeting of April 20, 2021	
Moved by	Earl Commanda
Seconded by	Jack Trudeau
CARRIED	By Consensus

3) Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

None declared at this time

4) Community Presentations

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5) Approval of Previous Minutes

a) **March 23, 2021**

MOTION: 2021-04-20-02	
That Chief and Council accept the Chief and Council Minutes of March 23, 2021	
Moved by	Kerri Commanda
Seconded by	Miranda Pelletier
CARRIED	By Consensus

b) **April 8, 2021**

MOTION: 2021-04-20-03	
That Chief and Council accept the Chief and Council Minutes of April 8, 2021	
Moved by	Earl Commanda
Seconded by	Miranda Pelletier
CARRIED	By Consensus

6) Business Arising from Minutes

a) **Presentation – BDO 2019-2020 Draft Audited Financial Statements**

<p>-Gabe Steffanizzi, Jeffrey Guzzo and Megan Sherwood of BDO Canada LLP, SRFN auditing firm, presented the financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2020, including the Serpent River First Nation Economic Development Corporation, Serpent River First Nation Non-Profit Housing and the Consolidated Financial Statements of Serpent River First Nation</p> <p>-Confirmed that the board of SRFNEDC had approved the statements on April 13, 2021</p> <p>-Confirmed that the three financial ratios required by ISC are in compliance</p> <p>-Reviewed accompanying management letter</p> <p>-Questions and comments from Chief and Council were addressed</p>	
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MOTION: 2021-04-20-04	
That Chief and Council approve the Serpent River First Nation Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended March 31, 2020 as prepared by BDO Canada LLP	
Moved by	Earl Commanda
Seconded by	Nicole Pelletier-Southwind
CARRIED	By Consensus

7) Chief’s Report, Director of Operations Report, EOCG Report

a) **Chief’s Report**

MOTION: 2021-04-20-05	
That Chief and Council accept the Chief’s Report for the period April 8 - 20, 2021	
Moved by	Tillie McLeod
Seconded by	Kerri Commanda
CARRIED	By Consensus
-Chief Bissaillon presented his written report for the period of April 8 - 20, 2021	

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b) **Director of Operations**

MOTION: 2021-04-20-06	
That Chief and Council accept the Director of Operations Report for the period dated April 16, 2021	
Moved by	Jack Trudeau
Seconded by	Miranda Pelletier
CARRIED	By Consensus
-The Director of Operations presented her written report for the period ending April 16, 2021, and answered questions from Council	

c. **Economic Development Report**

MOTION: 2021-04-20-07	
That Chief and Council acknowledge the Economic Development Report for February and March, 2021	
Moved by	Marlene Essex
Seconded by	Tillie McLeod
CARRIED	By Consensus
-The General Manager of SRFNEDC presented her written report for the period ending January 31, 2021, and answered questions from Council	

d) **EOCG Report**

MOTION: 2021-04-20-08	
That Chief and Council acknowledge the EOCG Report for April 20, 2021	
Moved by	Marlene Essex
Seconded by	Steve Meawasige
CARRIED	By Consensus
-The Incident Commander presented her written report for the period ending April 20, 2021	
-The Incident Commander provided Council with a verbal update on the response since the first confirmed case of Covid-19 within the community on Friday April 16 th	

8) **Doodem Reports**

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9) **Standing Items:**

a) **Safe House**

-The Community Wellness Manager provided a verbal update on the status of the safe house; Eastlink to connect internet service in May, continuing to furnish the home, Nog presentation for AC Homes delayed due to lack of registrations, work has begun on a manual

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b) State of Emergency Declaration

MOTION: 2021-04-20-09	
That Chief and Council extend the State of Emergency another 30 days, to May 25, 2021	
Moved by	Shirley McLeod
Seconded by	Miranda Pelletier
CARRIED	By Consensus
-Maintain the State of Emergency in case resources are required in the future	

11) Next Meeting Dates

- a) C&C Duly Convened Meeting - Tuesday, May 4, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.

12) Adjournment:

MOTION: 2021-04-20-10	
That Chief and Council adjourn the Chief and Council Meeting of April 20, 2021 at 8:15 p.m.	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Miranda Pelletier
CARRIED	By Consensus
-In-camera scheduled for Sunday May 2, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.	

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