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SRFN Chief and Council Meeting
May 18, 2021
Zoom Meeting
Approved Minutes

Chair: Chief Brent Bissaillon
Council: Earl Commanda (6:08 p.m.), Kerri Commanda, Marlene Essex, Joey Jacobs, Shirley McLeod, Tillie McLeod, Miranda Pelletier, Jack Trudeau, Steve Meawasige
Regrets: Steven Baranyai, Michelle Owl, Nicole Pelletier-Southwind
Director of Operations: Candace Martin
Recording Secretary: Candace Martin
Staff: Wilma Bissiallon (SRFNEDC), Tyler Gary, Leila Macumber

1) Call to Order/Opening Remarks:

-The Chief called the meeting to order and welcomed community at 6:02 p.m.
-Beautiful weather, stay at home order expected to be lifted in the next couple of weeks
-Director of Operations Report will be deferred
-Three Chief and Council meetings scheduled for the month of June

2) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: 2021-05-18-01	
That Chief and Council adopts the Agenda for the Chief and Council Meeting of May 18, 2021	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	By Consensus

3) Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

-Councilor K. Commanda declared a conflict of interest with respect to item 9. A) Deer Doodem Membership Applications

4) Community Presentations

-Chief Bissaillon noted that there were some upcoming community presentations in June, and reminded community that they can submit a request to be put on the Agenda

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5) **Approval of Previous Minutes**

a) **May 4, 2021**

MOTION: 2021-05-18-02	
That Chief and Council approve the Chief and Council Minutes of May 4, 2021	
Moved by	Kerri Commanda
Seconded by	Steve Meawasige
CARRIED	By Consensus

b) **May 13, 2021**

MOTION: 2021-05-18-03	
That Chief and Council approve the Chief and Council Minutes of May 13, 2021	
Moved by	Earl Commanda
Seconded by	Jack Trudeau
CARRIED	By Consensus

6) **Business Arising from Minutes**

None

7) **Chief's Report, Economic Development Report, EOCG Report**

a) **Chief's Report**

MOTION: 2021-05-18-04	
That Chief and Council accept the Chief's Report for the period May 4 - 14, 2021	
Moved by	Marlene Essex
Seconded by	Steve Meawasige
CARRIED	By Consensus
-Chief Bissaillon presented his written report for the period of March 8 - 19, 2021, and answered questions from Council	
-Chief Bissaillon also confirmed that discussion is taking place to establish a men's group, holding off on first meeting until the stay at home order is lifted	

b) **Economic Development Report (including safety plan)**

MOTION: 2021-05-18-05	
That Chief and Council acknowledge the Economic Development Report for April 2021	
Moved by	Marlene Essex
Seconded by	Miranda Pelletier
CARRIED	By Consensus

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-The General Manager of SRFNEDC presented her written report for April 2021, and answered questions from Council

MOTION: 2021-05-18-06

That Chief and Council defer the financial reports for Agawa Crafts and the Canadian Carver Corporation for the period April 1, 2020 – March 31, 2021

Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Miranda Pelletier
CARRIED	By Consensus
<p>-The General Manager of SRFNEDC presented an Income Statements for Agawa Crafts and the Canadian Carver Corporation for the fiscal year April 1, 2020 – March 31, 2021</p> <p>-The financial report was deferred pending more information on the travel expenses</p>	

MOTION: 2021-05-18-07

That Chief and Council acknowledge the first draft of the SRFNEDC Workplace Safety Plan, with updates to be brought forward at the June 1, 2021 meeting.

Moved by	Marlene Essex
Seconded by	Jack Trudeau
CARRIED	By Consensus
<p>-The General Manager of SRFNEDC presented a Workplace Safety Plan and received questions and comments from Council to support continued work on the plan</p> <p>-The plan is not yet considered complete; still working on pricing to fully enclose the counter space and update signage</p> <p>-Updated document to include all businesses (gas bar, trading post, Agawa)</p>	

c) EOCG Report

MOTION: 2021-05-18-08

That Chief and Council acknowledge the EOCG Report for May 18, 2021

Moved by	Earl Commanda
Seconded by	Marlene Essex
CARRIED	By Consensus
<p>-The Incident Commander presented her written report for the period ending May 18, 2021 and answered questions from Council</p> <p>-Will be hosting the next clinic for second doses next week, also working on getting 12-17 year olds vaccinated</p> <p>-Provincial stay at home order has been extended</p> <p>-Reopening plan may move away from colour-coded system, waiting for updates from the province</p>	

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8) Doodem & Committee Reports

a) Finance Committee Minutes – March 30, 2021

MOTION: 2021-05-18-09	
That Chief and Council acknowledge the Finance Committee Minutes of March 30, 2021	
Moved by	Miranda Pelletier
Seconded by	Jack Trudeau
CARRIED	By Consensus

b) Finance Committee Minutes – April 13, 2021 (special meeting: CAF program review)

MOTION: 2021-05-18-10	
That Chief and Council acknowledge the Finance Committee Minutes of April 13, 2021	
Moved by	Miranda Pelletier
Seconded by	Steve Meawasige
CARRIED	By Consensus

c) Deer Doodem Minutes – April 26, 2021

MOTION: 2021-05-18-11	
That Chief and Council acknowledge the Deer Doodem Minutes of April 26, 2021	
Moved by	Shirley McLeod
Seconded by	Miranda Pelletier
CARRIED	By Consensus

9) Business Arising from Reports

a) Deer Doodem Membership Application recommendations

MOTION: 2021-05-18-12	
That Chief and Council approve adding the following three applicants to the voting ballot along with Shannon McDonald-Frunza for the next membership vote: Terry Pollock, Alyssa Labelle and Lyric Labelle	
Moved by	Tillie McLeod
Seconded by	Miranda Pelletier
CARRIED	By Consensus
-Kerri Commanda was placed in the waiting room for this item (conflict declared) -Marlene Essex also declared a conflict and was placed in the waiting room -A briefing note outlining the applications and process was reviewed by Chief and Council	

10) Standing Items:

a) Safe House

MOTION: 2021-05-18-13	
That Chief and Council acknowledge the Safe House update	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Earl Commanda

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CARRIED	By Majority
-The Community Wellness Manager reviewed a written update with respect to preparing the home for use and received questions from Council -There is immediate need and an agreement will be shared with Chief and Council during in-camera -Miranda Pelletier abstained from the vote	

b) State of Emergency Declaration

MOTION: 2021-05-18-14	
That Chief and Council extend the State of Emergency another 30 days, to June 25, 2021	
Moved by	Miranda Pelletier
Seconded by	Kerri Commanda
CARRIED	By Consensus

10) New Business

a) Travel Rates Policy

MOTION: 2021-05-18-15	
That Chief and Council amend travel allowances to eliminate the reduced mileage rate for instances when an employee chooses to use their personal vehicle rather than a vehicle supplied by SRFN for work related travel	
Moved by	Joey Jacobs
Seconded by	Steve Meawasige
CARRIED	By Majority
-The Director of Operations presented her briefing note outlining the recommendation to update travel rates -Discussion took place around the recommended reduced mileage rate for instances where staff choose to use their personal vehicle when a company vehicle is being provided -Earl Commanda and Miranda Pelletier abstained from the vote	

MOTION: 2021-05-18-16	
That Chief and Council approve the following travel rates to be implemented in conjunction with the new Human Relations Manual:	
Breakfast: \$15.00	
Lunch: \$15.00	
Dinner: \$35.00	
Incidentals/overnight stay: \$17.00	
Private accommodation/night: \$50.00	
Mileage rate/km: \$0.50	
Flat Rate (weekly) allowance – travel within the community: \$25.00	
Moved by	Joey Jacobs
Seconded by	Steve Meawasige
CARRIED	By Consensus
-Recommendation was amended as per motion 2021-05-18-15 to exclude a reduced mileage rate for use of personal vehicle when a company vehicle is being provided for work related travel	

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11) Next Meeting Dates

- a) C&C Duly Convened Meeting - Tuesday, June 1, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.

12) Adjournment:

MOTION: 2021-05-18-17	
That Chief and Council adjourn the Chief and Council Meeting of May 18, 2021 at 7:41 p.m.	
Moved by	Tillie McLeod
Seconded by	Steve Meawasige
CARRIED	By Consensus
-In camera to follow	

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