

SERPENT RIVER FIRST NATION

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SRFN Chief and Council Meeting
Tuesday September 13, 2022
Approved Minutes

Chair:	Deputy Chief Wilma-Lee Johnston
Council:	John (Jack) Trudeau, Shirley McLeod, Kerri Commanda, Steve Meawasige, Michelle Owl
Regrets:	Chief Brent Bissaillon

Director of Operations (DOO): Tracey Seabrook (Interim)

Staff: Tyler Gary, Communications Officer, Leila Macumber, Director of Health

Recording Secretary: Kathryn King, Executive Assistant to (Interim) Director of Operations

1) Call to Order/Opening Prayer/Remarks:

- The meeting was called to order at 6:02pm
- The Deputy Chief welcomed Council and the Community to the meeting and thanked them for attending. She addressed the matter of expected conduct at meetings and asked that Community Members raise their hand and wait to be acknowledged before speaking.
- Councilor McLeod opened the meeting with a prayer.

2) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: 2022-09-13-01

That Deputy Chief and Council adopt the Agenda for the Chief and Council Meeting of September 13, 2022, as amended.

Moved by	Michelle Owl
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	By Consensus
Item 11g) Community Advancement Fund Application/ MEDICAL (dental) was added to the agenda	

3) Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

- Deputy Chief Johnston and Councilor McLeod declared conflict for item 11f) Cutler Jays Interim Director of Operations Tracey Seabrook will Chair the meeting for this item to maintain quorum. Council agrees.

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- Deputy Chief reminds Council to declare a conflict if required and reminds Council to point out any conflicts if they occur.

4) Community Presentations

- No presentations at this time
- Deputy Chief asked if any Community Members present had any concerns they would like to bring forward, none were declared.
- Discussion with Council on adding an item to the agenda for Community Q&A

5) Approval of Previous Minutes

a) August 23, 2022

MOTION: 2022-09-13-02	
That Deputy Chief and Council approve the Council Meeting Minutes of August 23, 2022, as amended	
Moved by	Kerri Commanda
Seconded by	John (Jack) Trudeau
CARRIED	By Consensus
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Item 8a) amended to read “Child Well Being Meeting Minutes” - Motion 2022-08-23-03 amended to read “That Chief and Council approved the Child Well Being Meeting Minutes of Monday June 20, 2022, as presented” - Item 11a) Motion 2022-08-23-03 amended to read “That Chief and Council agree to the Terms and Conditions as set out in the Hydro One Contract concerning connections at 1 and 3 Sugar Bush Road, including the payment payable by the First Nation under the terms of the contract” - Item 11d) Motion 2022-08-23-07 amended to read “Chief and Council are recommending to make Economic Development Corporation aware of the ELNOS Business Retention and Expansion Project and find out a deadline” 	

6) Business Arising from Minutes

None presented

7) Reports

a) Deputy Chief’s Report

MOTION: 2022-09-13-03	
That Council accept the Deputy Chief’s Report as presented	
MOVED by	John (Jack) Trudeau
SECONDED by	Kerri Commanda
CARRIED	By Consensus
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Deputy Chief apologized for an error in her report regarding Service Ontario location and corrected verbally that Service Ontario was still at the Serpent River Trading Post. The mobile Unit is still not operational but coming soon. 	

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- The Deputy Chief advised that her report was also published in the newsletter and went into Household flyers.

8) Doodem & Committee Minutes & Reports

a. Mukwa (Bear) Doodem Minutes and Terms of Reference – August 11, 2022

MOTION: 2022- 09-13-04
That Deputy Chief and Council accept the Mukwa (Bear) Doodem Meeting Minutes and Terms of Reference as presented.

Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Michelle Owl
CARRIED	By Consensus
- Meeting minutes dated August 11, 2022, and Terms of Reference were received for information.	

b) Child Well Being Meeting Minutes and Terms of Reference – June 20th, 2022.

MOTION: 2022-09-13-05
That Council accepts the Child Well Being Meeting Minutes dated June 20, 2022, as presented. The Terms of Reference will be amended and resubmitted.

Moved by	John (Jack) Trudeau
Seconded by	Kerri Commanda
CARRIED	By Consensus
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion regarding the Terms of Reference (TOR) for the Child Well Being Committee, specifically whether those listed under <i>3.0 Membership</i> are voting or support staff? Deputy Chief answered Council that because of low recruitment it reads “of members present” to ensure continued progress. - Council suggested that eligible voting members could be identified under <i>Item 6.0 Quorum</i>. The Deputy Chief agreed to bring this back to the Child Well Being Committee and resubmit TOR when amended. 	

MOTION: 2022-09-13-06
That Council accepts the Child Well Being Members Steven Baranyai, Holly Johnston, James Gideon and Zoe Horst.

Moved by	Kerri Commanda
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	By Consensus

9) Business Arising from Minutes & Reports

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None at this time

10) Standing Items

None presented

11) New Business

- a. Amending Agreement #0018 Comprehensive Funding Arrangement (CFA)

MOTION: 2022-09-13-07	
That Deputy Chief and Council approve the Comprehensive Funding Arrangement Amendment #0018 and agree to the Terms and Conditions set out in the agreement, including Reporting requirements.	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Kerri Commanda
CARRIED	By Consensus
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Community Development Wrap Around Initiative (CDWAI) Navigator \$120,000.00 employment position for 2 years and \$63,122.00 Medical Transportation van.	

- b. Community Development Wrap Around Initiative (CDWAI) Navigator Position

<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Interim Director of Operations provided a Briefing Note for review regarding approved funding by CDWAI to hire a Navigator to support the administrative coordination and reporting.- The Employment Position will be posted September 14, 2022.	
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- c. CDWAI Funding Application- Project Manager, Long Term Care, Housing and Infrastructure (Water)

MOTION: 2022-09-13-08	
That Deputy Chief and Council support the request under Community Development Wrap Around Initiative in the amount of \$1,649,375.64 to hire a Project Manager for Long Term Care, Housing and Infrastructure over the next five (5) years	
Moved by	Shirley McLeod
Seconded by	John (Jack) Trudeau
CARRIED	By Consensus
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Interim Director of Operations provided a Briefing Note for review regarding CDWAI funding to hire Project Managers on a 5-year contract basis.- It is noted this funding will cover wages, benefits, IT costs, furniture, plus 10% administration fee- It is noted that this is 100% Federally funded.	

- d. Post Majority Care Services for Youth

MOTION: 2022-09-13-09	
That Deputy Chief and Council designate Nogdawindamin Family and Community Services as their Service Provider for members eligible for Post Majority Care Services.	
Moved by	Shirley McLeod
Seconded by	Kerri Commanda

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CARRIED	By Consensus
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This program aims to fill the gap for children who have “aged out” or will age out of the Child Welfare System. - The program will assist those up to age 26 years. Previously the age cap was 18 years. - Serpent River has so far identified nine (9) people who will be eligible for this service - Serpent River would still accompany Nogdawindamin to home visits regardless of age. - It was noted that Serpent River would not want the Family Preservation Unit to be responsible for the allocation of this funding until capacity is built. 	

e. Meals on Wheels

MOTION: 2022-09-13-10	
That Deputy Chief and Council approve Meals on Wheels Cook job description as amended.	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Michelle Owl
CARRIED	By Consensus
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Briefing Note was provided for Meals on Wheels, Home and Community Care clients - The position is a six-month contract, part time in the amount of \$41,900.00. - Expected start date is November 01, 2022 	

f. Community Advancement Fund - Cutler Jays

Deputy Chief Johnston and Councilor McLeod have previously declared conflict and exit the room.

MOTION: 2022-09-13-11	
That Council approves the Group request for funding in the amount of \$3400.00 through the Community Advancement Fund to attend a Toronto Blue Jays game. And that the Group return to Community with a report and receipts for submission.	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	John (Jack) Trudeau
CARRIED	By Consensus
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Council reviewed a Briefing Note requesting financial support for the 2022 Youth Cutler Jays to attend a Toronto Blue Jays game September 30, 2022, which coincides with National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - The Jay’s Foundation is providing 30 tickets for the game, chaperones, and transportation. - Council supported Councilor Meawasige’s suggestion that the youth team retain the remaining funds from their fundraising, and that the application request be increased from \$3000.00 to \$3400.00 to help cover the costs of snacks and breakfast and to have the youth teams Group added to the Jumbo Tron during the game. 	

g. Community Advancement Fund – dental request / individual

MOTION: 2022-09-13-12

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That Deputy Chief and Council approve the Community Advancement Fund request to receive orthodontic treatment, cost is \$7280.00 which will be reimbursed directly to Serpent River First Nation from Jordan's Principle, Health Canada.	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Kerri Commanda
CARRIED	By Consensus
- It was noted that the request was denied through Non-Insured Health Benefits Health Canada, however it was approved through Jordan's Principle, Health Canada and the Community Advancement Fund will be reimbursed.	

12. Community Concerns/ Input/Q&A

Question: Can Community see the Chief and Council Strategic Plan?

Response: Yes, The Strategic Plan will be provided to Community as soon as possible through the website, or individual requests.

Question: Can a microphone be provided to Community as it is difficult to hear Community Members speak to Council.

Response: We can work on addressing the issue of sound so Community can hear.

Question: Can the set up of Chief and Council be changed so that Community can also see the faces of C&C when viewing online.

Response: Yes, this can be changed to allow for better viewing

Question: Can C&C ensure follow up regarding the Post Majority Care Services Agreement that C&C designated tonight to Nogdawindamin Family and Community Services.

Response: Yes

13. Next Meeting Dates

a) C&C Duly Convened Meeting Tuesday, September 27, 2022

14.) Adjournment

MOTION: 2022-09-13-13	
That Deputy Chief and Council adjourn the Chief and Council Meeting of September 13, 2022, at 7:02pm	
Moved by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	By Consensus

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In-Camera to follow

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