

SERPENT RIVER FIRST NATION

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SRFN Chief and Council Meeting
December 13, 2022
Approved Minutes

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

Director of Operations (Int.): Tracey Seabrook

Staff: Jackie Toulouse, EA to the Director of Operations; Jeff Moulton, Director of Human Resources; Danny Bacon, Water Project Manager; Lilli Doughty, POLEA.

Recorder: Jackie Toulouse

1) **Call to Order/Opening Prayer/Remarks:**

<ul style="list-style-type: none">The duly convened Chief and Council meeting was called to order at 6:06 pmCouncillor John (Jack) Trudeau offered the opening prayer.

2) **Adoption of Agenda**

MOTION: 2022-12-13-01	
That Chief and Council adopt the Agenda for the Chief and Council Meeting of December 13, 2022, as presented.	
Moved by	Chief Brent Bissaillon
Seconded by	Steve Meawasige
CARRIED	By Consensus

3) **Declaration of Conflict of Interest:**

<ul style="list-style-type: none">None declared at this time
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4) **Community Presentations**

<ul style="list-style-type: none">Community member Elaine Johnston brought forward some concerns regarding the "Boil Water Advisory". Ms. Johnston was advised that the advisory had been lifted and a notice had been posted. Danny Bacon,

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Infrastructure Projects Manager provided Ms. Johnston an update on the work that had been and will be completed at the Water Treatment plant.

- Ms. Johnston also had concerns regarding the increase in rental payments. Councillor Meawasige provided her information on the rationale of the increase in payments.
- Recycling – Request to repost communique on Recycling.

5) **Approval of Previous Minutes**

a)

MOTION: 2022-12-13-02	
That Chief and Council approve the Council Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2022 as presented	
Moved by	Brent Bissaillon
Seconded by	Kerri Commanda
CARRIED	By Consensus

6) **Business Arising from Minutes**

Briefing Note – Jeremiah Day – Gas Permit Request

MOTION: 2022-12-13-03	
That Chief and Council approve the recommendation to move forward with the request and the suggestion that SRFN access Ontario Aboriginal Lands Association’s support and its recommendations. When all potential concerns and impacts are dealt with the final recommendation will be brought to Chief and Council.	
Moved by	Kerri Commanda
Seconded by	John (Jack) Trudeau
CARRIED	By Consensus

7) **Reports**

a) Chief’s Report

MOTION: 2022-12-13-04	
That Chief and Council accept the Chief’s verbal Report on December 13, 2022	
Moved by	John (Jack) Trudeau
Seconded by	Steve Meawasige
CARRIED	By Consensus

b) Deputy Chief’s Report

MOTION: 2022-12-3-05	
That Chief and Council accept the Chief’s Report dated November 18, 2022	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	By Consensus

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c) Director of Operations Report

MOTION: 2022-12-13-06	
That Chief and Council accept the Director of Operations (Interim) Report dated December 13, 2022	
Moved by	Brent Bissaillion
Seconded by	John (Jack) Trudeau
CARRIED	By Consensus
- None at this time	

8) **Doodem & Committee Minutes & Reports**

a) Marten Doodem Meeting Minutes – July 5, 2022

MOTION: 2022-12-13-07	
That Chief and Council accept the Marten Doodem Meeting Minutes of July 5, 2022 as presented.	
Moved by	Brent Bissaillion
Seconded by	John (Jack) Trudeau

CARRIED	By Consensus
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a) Marten Doodem Meeting Minutes – August 9, 2022

MOTION: 2022-12-13-08	
That Chief and Council accept the Marten Doodem Meeting Minutes of August 9, 2022 as presented.	
Moved by	Shirley McLeod
Seconded by	John (Jack) Trudeau

CARRIED	By Consensus
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b) Housing Meeting Minutes – October 17, 2022

MOTION: 2022-12-13-09	
That Chief and Council accept the Housing Meeting Minutes – October 17, 2022 as presented.	
Moved by	Brent Bissaillion
Seconded by	John (Jack) Trudeau

CARRIED	By Consensus
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9) **Business Arising from Minutes & Reports**

None at this time

10) **Standing Items**

None at this time

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11) **New Business**

a.) Amending Agreement #0022

MOTION: 2022-12-13-10	
That Chief and Council approve the funding amendment which includes the balance of the Housing Construction funding for 2 units for \$206,400. and Health Facilities – Early Learning and Child Care – Aboriginal Head Start On-reserve Questionnaire for \$10,000.	
Moved by	Brent Bissaillion
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	By Consensus

b.) Chief and Council 2023 Meeting Schedule - FYI

c.) NSTC Resolution for ODSP.

MOTION: 2022-12-13-11	
That Chief and Council approve the North Shore Tribal Council Board Resolution in support of North Shore Tribal Council Niigaaniin Service assuming responsibility for the delivery of the full scope of the Ontario Disability Support Program.	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	John (Jack) Trudeau
CARRIED	By Consensus

d.) Mississagi Park Foundation Agreement

MOTION: 2022-12-13-12	
That Chief and Council approve the Mississagi Park Foundation agreement for final signature.	
Moved by	Brent Bissaillion
Seconded by	Kerri Commanda
CARRIED	By Consensus

e.) Band Office Renovations – Successful Tender – Briefing Note.

MOTION: 2022-12-13-13	
That Chief and Council of Serpent River First Nation accept and approve the Tender Bid from Preeminent Construction Inc. in the amount of \$198,360 for the work to be completed by March 31, 2023.	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	John (Jack) Trudeau
CARRIED	By Consensus

f.) Doodem Restructuring.

MOTION: 2022-12-13-14	
That Chief and Council approve John (Jack) Trudeau to take over lead on the Elder and Youth Council and Kerri Commanda take over lead on the Education Committee.	
Moved by	Brent Bissaillion
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	By Consensus

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g.) Chief and Council – 1 year review.

All Council members present reflected on their experiences as Councillors for the past year.

h.) CMHC Funding Request – Briefing Note

MOTION: 2022-12-13-15	
That Chief and Council acknowledge and support the CMHC application for the funding of renovations for privately owned homes which had to be submitted November 30, 2022.	
Moved by	Brent Bissaillon
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	By Consensus

i.) Amending Agreement - #0023

MOTION: 2022-12-13-16	
That Chief and Council approve the funding amendment agreement #0023 in the amount of \$189,840.47	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Kerri Commanda
CARRIED	By Consensus

12. Community Questions and Answers

- Ken Meawasige brought forward concerns in relation to the movement on the Darian Project. Wilma Lee Johnston provided information on this issue and a status update.

13. Next Meeting Dates

a) C&C Duly Convened Meeting – Tuesday, January 10, 2023.

14. Adjournment

MOTION: 2022-12-13-17	
That Chief and Council adjourn the Chief and Council Meeting of December 13, 2022, at 8:08 p.m.	
Moved by	Shirley McLeod
Seconded by	
CARRIED	By Consensus

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