

SERPENT RIVER FIRST NATION

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SRFN Chief and Council Meeting

October 4, 2023

Approved Minutes

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

Director of Operations (Interim): Tracey Seabrook

Staff: Jeff Moulton, Director of HR; Mandy Anis, POLEA; Mary Ann Southwind: Admin Support to the IDOO

Community members in person: 10

Attendees via Zoom: 10

Recording Secretary: Mandy Anis

1) Call to Order/Opening Prayer/Remarks:

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| - The duly convened Chief and Council meeting was called to order at 6:05pm |
| - The Deputy Chief welcomed Council and the Community |

2) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: 2023-10-04-01	
That Chief and Council adopt the Agenda for the Chief and Council Meeting of , October 4, 2023, as amended.	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	By Consensus

3) Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

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| - None declared at this time |
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4) Community Presentations

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| - Carol Shawana and Isabelle Meawasige presented to Chief and Council that the Elders had formed their own council as of Oct 1 2023, and that Carol be recognized as spokesperson for Elder council. Isabelle and Carol bring forth the following: |
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- Elders are concerned that there is a disconnect from the vision and mission statement of SRFN
- Concerned about the hiring policies and questioned had the policies changed from hiring band members first then other FN peoples, then other.
- Recommended when the Director of Operations (Int.) contract expired, they were replaced with a Serpent River First Nation Band member that exemplified the values of the First Nation.
- Concerns regarding opening prayer, questioned if Emma’s prayer would be brought back
- Recommended there be a moratorium on the band adoptions, questioned the number of adoptions coming forth and whether or not the families needed to put something out to the community
- Elders question the flux of adoptions and are concerned about lineage.

The Acting Chief, Wilma-Lee Johnston inquired if there were minutes to these meetings and the members advised no. She inquired how to get an invite to the meetings and was advised only those 60+ were invited, however did note there were some instances in which a caregiver of an elder could attend. When she inquired if she could attend as a caregiver of her mother, she was advised, no.

5) Approval of Previous Minutes

a) September 12, 2023

MOTION: 2023-10-04-02	
That Chief and Council approve the Council Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2023 as amended	
Moved by	Kerri Commanda
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	By Consensus

6) Business Arising from Minutes

N/A

7) Reports

a) Chief’s Report

MOTION: 2023-10-04-03	
That Chief and Council accept the Chief’s Report dated Sept 20, 2023 – October 03, 2023 as presented	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Kerri Commanda
CARRIED	By Consensus

8) Doodem & Committee Minutes & Reports

A) Residency Permit application – Steven Nahwegahbow

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MOTION: 2023-10-04-04	
That Chief and Council approve the Residency Permit Application for Steven Nahwegahbow	
Moved by	Keri Commanda
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	consensus

B) Transfer request – Ann Marie Pine

MOTION: 2023-10-04-05	
That Chief and Council approves the transfer request for Ann Marie Pine	
Moved by	Kerri Commanda
Seconded by	Michelle Owl
CARRIED	consensus

C) Adoption Request – Elijah Carne- July 5th

MOTION: 2023-10-04-06	
That Chief and Council recommends band adoption for Elijah Carne be put forward for the voting process for Oct.	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Kerri Commanda
CARRIED	consensus

D) Adoption Request – Darryl Fanjoy – July 5th

MOTION: 2023-10-04-07	
That Chief and Council recommends band adoption for Darryl Fanjoy be put forward for the voting process for Oct.	
Moved by	Shirley McLeod
Seconded by	Steve Meawasige
CARRIED	consensus

E) Adoption Request – Frank Fanjoy – July 5th

MOTION: 2023-10-04-08	
That Chief and Council recommends band adoption for Frank Fanjoy be put forward for the voting process for Oct.	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	consensus

F) Adoption Request – Richard Fanjoy – July 5th

MOTION: 2023-10-04-09	
That Chief and Council recommends band adoption for Richard Fanjoy be put forward for the voting process for Oct.	

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Moved by	Kerri Commanda
Seconded by	Steve Meawasige
CARRIED	<u>consensus</u>

G) Adoption Request - Steven Fanjoy – July 5th

MOTION: 2023-10-04-10
That Chief and Council recommends band adoption for Steven Fanjoy be put forward for the voting process for Oct.

Moved by	Shirley McLeod
Seconded by	Michelle Owl
CARRIED	consensus

H) Adoption Request – Katrina Folz – July 5th

MOTION: 2023-10-04-11
That Chief and Council recommends band adoption for Katrina Folz be put forward for the voting process for Oct.

Moved by	Kerri Commanda
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	consensus

I) Adoption Request Raymond Folz-Hammond – July 5th

MOTION: 2023-10-04-12
That Chief and Council recommends band adoption for Raymond folz-Hammond be put forward for the voting process for Oct.

Moved by	Michelle Owl
Seconded by	Kerri Commanda
CARRIED	consensus

J) Adoption Request Luca Meawasige-Grenata – July 10th

MOTION: 2023-10-04-13
That Chief and Council recommends band adoption for Luca Meawasige-Grenata be put forward for the voting process for Oct.

Moved by	Shirley McLeod
Seconded by	Michelle Owl
CARRIED	consensus

K) Adoption Request - Patrick Steven Vatour-Crook – July 10th

MOTION: 2023-10-04-14
That Chief and Council recommends band adoption for Patrick Steven Vatour-Crook be put forward for the voting process for Oct.

Moved by	Steve Meawasige
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CARRIED	consensus

L) Adoption Request – Nolan Latimer – July 10th

MOTION: 2023-10-04-15	
That Chief and Council recommends band adoption for Nolan Latimer be put forward for the voting process for Oct.	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	consensus

M) Adoption Request – Emily Latimer – July 10th

MOTION: 2023-10-04-16	
That Chief and Council recommends band adoption for Emily Latimer be put forward for the voting process for Oct.	
Moved by	Kerri Commanda
Seconded by	Steve Meawasige
CARRIED	consensus

N) Adoption Request – Finlay Acs – July 10th

MOTION: 2023-10-04-18	
That Chief and Council recommends band adoption for Finlay Acs be put forward for the voting process for Oct.	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	consensus

O) Adoption Request – Oliver Acs – July 10th

MOTION: 2023-10-04-18	
That Chief and Council recommends band adoption for Oliver Acs be put forward for the voting process for Oct.	
Moved by	Kerri Commanda
Seconded by	Steve Meawasige
CARRIED	consensus

P) Adoption Request – Rhea Acs – July 10th

MOTION: 2023-10-04-19	
That Chief and Council recommends band adoption for Rhea Acs be put forward for the voting process for Oct.	
Moved by	Shirley McLeod
Seconded by	Steve Meawasige
CARRIED	consensus

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9) Business Arising from Minutes & Reports

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10) Standing Items

None at this time

11) New Business

a.) **Hydro One BCR**

MOTION: 2023-10-04-20	
That Chief and Council approved BCR Hydro One – 60 Woodland Drive	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	Shirley McLeod
CARRIED	By Consensus

12. Next Meeting Dates

a) C&C Duly Convened Meeting – Wednesday October 11, 2023

13.) Adjournment

MOTION: 2023-10-04-	
That Chief and Council adjourn the Chief and Council Meeting of, October 4, 2023 at 6:46 p.m	
Moved by	Steve Meawasige
Seconded by	
CARRIED	By Consensus

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