



# GENERAL COUNCIL MINUTES

## AUGUST 5, 2008

### 7:30 P.M.

The sixteenth General Council meeting of the Fifty-fourth Elected Council of the Six Nations of the Grand River Territory was held on the above noted date in the Council Chambers of the Administration Building, Ohsweken, Ontario, N0A 1M0 with Chief William K. Montour presiding as chair and Councillor George Montour opened the meeting in prayer.

#### **THOSE PRESENT:**

Chief William Montour  
Christopher N. Martin  
G. Ava Hill  
Levi White

Barbara Harris  
Claudine VanEvery-Albert  
George Montour  
R. Joanne Johnson

Carl Hill  
David A. Hill  
Melba Thomas  
Wray Maracle

#### **ABSENT:**

R. Helen Miller, personal vacation

#### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Isabel Jacobs, Principal, Gawenni:io/Kawenni:yo School  
Delegation from Gawenni:io/Kawenni:yo School

#### **GALLERY:**

About 10 people

#### **MEDIA:**

Turtle Island News

#### **RECORDER:**

Shirley W. Johnson, Council Secretary

CHANGES/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/ADOPTION OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL  
AGENDA FOR AUGUST 5, 2008.

NEW BUSINESS

- George Montour, Housing Issue, requires direction from Council
- Barbara Harris, Scheduling
- Chief William Montour, a request for Permission to Solicit.

**GC#231/08/05/2008**

Moved by Wray Maracle and seconded by Barbara Harris that this Council accepts the General Council Agenda for tonight's meeting.

All In Favour

CARRIED.

KAWENNI:IO/GAWENI:YO SCHOOL, Letter of request attached

In Attendance: Representatives for Kawenni:io/Gaweni:yo

Recommendation:

- "Review all band owned properties to determine if there is a parcel of land at least 20 acres in size and consideration for that land to be donated to Kawenni:io/Gaweni:yo for our new facility.
- Letter of support for the construction of a new school assist in their fundraising and lobbying efforts.
- Review of finances to determine the potential, if need, for Six Nations Council to make a donation towards the construction of a school."

**GC#232/08/05/2008**

Moved by Claudine VanEvery Albert and seconded by Wray Maracle that this Council supports Kawenni:io/Gaweni:yo School and their endeavours for the construction of a new school and that this Council provide a letter to that effect which will assist in their fundraising and lobbying efforts.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

**GC#233/08/05/2008**

Moved by George Montour and seconded by Carl Hill that this Council direct the Six Nations Community Planner to investigate what is available for community owned land as requested by Kawenni:io/Gaweni:yo School, for a possible site for the construction of a new facility to house Kawenni:io/Gaweni:yo School.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

UPDATE ON COMMUNITY MEMBER REQUIRING DOUBLE LUNG TRANSPLANT

- Has found a basement apartment
- Needs financial assistance for monthly transit pass
- Child Care assistance
- Mandatory testing is required 3 times a week
- Only one lung functioning at 37%

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- Source of income is disability
- Council has discussed developing an emergency fund, however still in the planning stages, however there are no monies set aside
- An Ad Hoc was struck to set up criteria and then present to Council for approval
- A summary prepared by Administration Staff is being developed to provide an overview of the different types of donations, the different pots of money and how it is disbursed
- Should be able to access different programs will provide financial assistance to those with health issues and low income
- Six Nations Staff should assist in advocating and accessing programs
- A/Senior Administrative Office will speak with Health Services staff to see how Six Nations can assist
- Bring back information to General Finance

**GC#234/08/05/2008**

Moved by Carl Hill and seconded by George Montour that Dayle Bomberry, A/Senior Administrative Officer be directed to investigate accessing services in Toronto, Ontario for a Six Nations community member who is required to reside in Toronto, awaiting a double lung transplant and that he report back to General Finance on Monday, August 11, 2008.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

**ADOPTION OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF JULY 22, 2008**

**GC#235/08/05/2008**

Moved by Carl Hill and seconded by David Hill that this Council requests Ray Hatfield, Director General, Internal Affairs, Indian and Northern Affairs to attend the next General Council meeting of September 2, 2008 to provide answers to the questions that were presented at the General Council meeting of July 8, 2008 regarding the new Secure Certificate of Indian Status Card (SCIS Card) which is to become effective June 2009.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

**GC#236/08/05/2008**

Moved by Levi White and seconded by Christopher Martin that this Council adopts the minutes of the General Council meeting of July 2, 2008 as read.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

SIX NATIONS PUBLIC WORKS, WATER/SEWER POLICY, Briefing note provided

**GC#237/08/05/2008**

Moved by George Montour and seconded by David Hill that this Council approves the recommendation from the Public Works Committee that the Water/Sewer Hookup Policy and Water/Sewer Billing Rates Policy be approved and will supercede the existing policies.

ONE—OPPOSED

CARRIED.

SECOND READING WAIVED

SIX NATIONS SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE, Briefing note provided

**GC#238/08/05/2008**

Moved by Carl Hill and seconded by George Montour that this Council approves the recommendation of the Social Services Committee that Joanne Johnson be the Six Nations Council Representative on the Ganohkwa Sra Board and that a letter be sent from Six Nations Council to the Board Chair and Director informing them of the appointment.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

SECOND READING WAIVED.

**GC#239/08/05/2008**

Moved by Carl Hill and seconded by David Hill that this Council approves the recommendation of the Social Services Committee that Claudine VanEvery Albert be the Six Nations Council Representative on the Six Nations Community Living “Ronatahkats” Board and that a letter be sent from Six Nations Council to the Board Chair and director informing them of the appointment.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

SECOND READING WAIVED.

DE DWA DA DEHS NYE, ABORIGINAL HEALTH CENTRE, Letter of request provided

Appointment of a Council representative to the Board of Director, Dedwa da dehs nye>s, Aboriginal Health Centre.

**GC#240/08/05/2008**

Moved by Ava Hill and seconded by Carl Hill that this Council refer the request from De dwa da dehs nye>s Aboriginal Health Centre dated April 16, 2008, for appointment of a Council representative to the Board of Director, to the Health Services Committee for full discussion and recommendation.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

## RECOGNITION OF BUSINESS

### GC#241/08.05/2008

Moved by George Montour and seconded by Christopher Martin that this Council provides a standard letter recognizing Smoothtown Variety, owned by Shirley Montour as a business operating on-reserve.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

## SCHEDULING

- August 6, 2008 @ 5:00 p.m. FULL COUNCIL/GREAT, GREAT Boardroom
- August 7, 2008 @ 9:00 a.m. Finance and Audit Committee, Council Chambers

ADDED:

- August 7, 2008 Welland Canal Negotiation Finance Meeting @ GREAT
- Political Confederacy, Toronto, August 7, 2008
- Seneca Nation Visit, August 12, 2008, Salamanca, New York
- Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs, Tom Malloy, August 14, 2008, Brantford, Ontario
- Special Council, August 15, 2008, Council Chambers
- Joint Council/Confederacy Meeting, August 16, 2008
- Elders Fish Fry, August 20, 2008
- Seven Generations Arts Festival, August 8 to 10, 2008 Woodland Cultural Centre

### GC#242/08/05/2008

Moved by Claudine VanEvery Albert and seconded by Levi White that Councillor Ava Hill attend the Political confederacy Meeting on Toronto, Ontario on Thursday, August 7, 2008.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

### GC#243/08/05/2008

Moved by Levi White and seconded by Wray Maracle that the Employment Policy Review be completed at the Political Liaison meeting on August 25, 2008.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Housing Documents/Michael Sherry

Six Nations Housing has requested Council's assistance in obtaining documents belonging to Six Nations Housing that are in the possession of Legal Counsel, Michael Sherry. Several attempts by the Housing department to have these files returned to them to no avail. Mr. Sherry has not responded to the requests. Council has directed the Senior Administrative Officer to contact Mr. Sherry and request that these documents be returned to the Housing Department.

### Barbara Harris/Meeting in Grimsby

Councillor Barbara Harris has informed Council that a HOPE/LIHNS meeting will be held on Friday, August 8, 2008 in Grimsby, Ontario.

### Catherine Street/Permission to Solicit

Chief William Montour presented a request from Catherine Street, who is a mobile vendor of soft served ice cream. Ms. Street would like to bring her mobile service to the Six Nations community. Ms. Street will be contacted and asked to appear before Council. Council feels this request should be treated as a “permission to solicit”.

**GC#244/08/05/2008**

Moved by David Hill and seconded by Carl Hill that Councillor Barbara Harris be delegated to attend the Local Integrated Health Network meeting scheduled for Friday, August 8, 2008 in Grimsby, Ontario.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**GC#245/08/05/2008**

Moved by David Hill and seconded by Carl Hill that this meeting be adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

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Signature of Chief William K. Montour