



# GENERAL COUNCIL MINUTES

## December 16, 2008

### 6:30 P.M.

The twenty-fourth 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 Councilor David Hill presiding as chair and the meeting was opened by Pastor Ralph Garlow at 6:30 pm.

#### **THOSE PRESENT:**

David A. Hill  
Helen Miller  
Barbara Harris

Levi White  
Christopher Martin  
Melba Thomas

Joanne Johnson  
George Montour

#### **ABSENT:**

Chief William Montour – Vacation  
Ava Hill – AFN Political Confederacy Mtg  
Carl Hill – Family Event  
Claudine VanEvery-Albert - Bereavement  
Wray Maracle - AFN Political Confederacy Mtg

#### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Dayle Bomberry, A/Senior Administrative Officer  
Ryan Barberstock, Communications Officer

#### **GALLERY:**

#### **MEDIA:**

Turtle Island News

#### **RECORDER:**

Laura Beaver, Council Secretary

RESOLUTION FOR CHAIRPERSON TO OVERSEE THE BUSINESS OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 16, 2008

**GC#410/12/16/2008**

Moved by George Montour and seconded by Melba Thomas that this Council recognizes Councilor David A. Hill as Chairperson for the General Council Meeting of December 16, 2008.  
ALL IN FAVOUR CARRIED

CHANGES/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/ADOPTION TO DECEMBER 16, 2008 AGENDA

**GC#411/12/16/2008**

Moved by George Montour and seconded by Helen Miller that this Council accepts the agenda for the General Council Meeting of December 16, 2008 with noted addition:

➤ **Guest: James Mitchell**

RE: letter dated December 5, 2008.

➤ **Dayle Bomberry A/SAO – Contract Extension for Richard Powless, Lobbyist**  
ALL IN FAVOUR CARRIED

GUEST: JAMES MITCHELL RE: LETTER DATED DECEMBER 5, 2008

Mr. Mitchell is relocating his family and heard about the Six Nations family who at the time were Six Nations Housing tenants that recently lost their home to a house fire. Mr. Mitchell is requesting that Six Nations Council purchase his trailer as is (value \$30,000) for the price of \$10,000 and donate it to this young Six Nations family. At the request of the Building and Infrastructure/Housing Committee Chairperson, Councilor George Montour this request was heard by full Council and then deferred to the Building and Infrastructure/Housing Committee agenda.

**GC#412/12/16/2008**

Moved by Melba Thomas and seconded by Levi White that this Council defer the matter of dealing with a letter submitted by James Mitchell, dated December 5, 2008 to the Building and Infrastructure Committee.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED  
SECOND READING WAIVED

BUSINESS RECOGNITION

(GM/CM) JPPJ Home Improvements, owned by Philip John Fraser

**GC#413/12/16/2008**

Moved by George Montour and seconded by Chris Martin that this Council issue a standard letter recognizing JPPJ Home Improvements owned by Philip John Fraser as a business operating on the Six Nations territory.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED  
SECOND READING WAIVED

SIX NATIONS PARKS AND RECREATION AND SIX NATIONS CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES

Through joint efforts of Six Nations Parks and Recreation and Six Nations Child and Family Services it is possible to acquire accreditation from Parks and Recreation Ontario and Six Nations would become a High Five Accredited Site by 2011. Meaning, that Six Nations would offer comprehensive quality assured standards for sports and recreation programs for ages 6 to 12. Further nurturing the physical, emotional, social and cognitive skills children need in order to succeed in life.

**GC#414/12/16/2008**

Moved by Levi White and seconded by George Montour that this Council supports the joint efforts of the Six Nations Parks and Recreation and Six Nations Child and Family Services in earning accreditation as a High Five Accredited Site and further to accept a customized version of the High Five Procedures Manual developed by these same efforts for the Six Nations of the Grand River.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED  
SECOND READING WAIVED

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

As explained by the Lease Holder, for the crop year of 2008 approximately 36 acres of land was not usable due the current land occupation by Six Nations community members and supporters. Therefore a prorated amount of \$1671.00 to be deducted from the lease year of 2008 was requested. In addition Six Nations Council will send a letter to Brantford Mayor Hancock expressing the willingness to work together to protect the rights of farmers on disputed Six Nations lands located within the city limits of Brantford.

**GC#415/12/16/2008**

Moved by Melba Thomas and seconded by George Montour that this Council accept the prorate amount of \$1671.00 (One Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy-One Dollars) for the unusable 36 acres due to land occupants, as submitted by Barry Hill, lease holder, to be deducted from the rental fee of \$6500 (Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) for the lease year of 2008.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED  
SECOND READING WAIVED

**GC#416/12/16/2008**

Moved by Christopher Martin and seconded by George Montour that Chief William K. Montour on behalf of the Six Nations Council draft a letter to the City of Brantford, Mayor Hancock asking for cooperation and expressing the willingness that Six Nations Council has in working with the City of Brantford in jointly protecting the rights of the farmers on Six Nations' lands within Brantford's city limits.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE/EDUCATION

Brief history was given by Linda Staats, Chief Executive Director for Six Nations Polytechnic that upon inception of Six Nations Polytechnic Board of Directors a seat was reserved for Six Nations Council representation and over the years of no delegation by Six Nations Council the seat was removed. The current Council expresses interest of participation and therefore the lengthy process of amending the Six Nations Polytechnic Board of Directors Bylaws will occur. In the meantime Six Nations Council has been invited to attend the Six Nations Board of Directors' meetings as an observer until completion of amendment.

**GC#417/12/16/2008**

Moved by Helen Miller and seconded by Levi White that this Council accepts the recommendation submitted by the Community Development Committee/Education Briefing Note dated December 12, 2008 that a Council Representative become a member of the Six Nations Polytechnic Board pending the amendment of the Six Nations Polytechnic Board of Directors Bylaws to include a Six Nations Council Representative.

1 OPPOSED

CARRIED

Councilor Melba Thomas declared a conflict of interest.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF GENERAL COUNCIL, DECEMBER 2, 2008

**GC#418/12/16/2008**

Moved by Levi White and seconded by Christopher Martin that this Council accept the minutes of the General Council meeting dated December 2, 2008.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED

SIX NATIONS HEALTH COMMITTEE

**GC#419/12/16/2008**

Moved by George Montour and seconded by Barbara Harris that this Council accepts the recommendation submitted by the Six Nations Health Committee briefing note dated November 28, 2008 by approving Ruby Miller, Director of Health Services as a Six Nations Representative on the Brant Community Physicians Recruitment Committee.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED

SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE

**GC#420/12/16/2008**

Moved by Helen Miller and seconded by Levi White that this Council accepts

1. The main body of the Six Nations Emergency Response Plan, reviewed December 2, 2008, and in doing so understand that this resolution allow for changes and alterations to the annexes; and that the Six Nations Council adopt the Emergency Management Program; and that the Community Emergency Management Officer send a current copy of the Emergency response Plan to Emergency Management Ontario.
2. That Chief William Montour, Fire Chief/CEMC Michael Seth and Acting Senior Administrative Officer, Dayle Bomberry sign the Annual Emergency Management Program Statement of Completion.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED

SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

**GC#421/12/16/2008**

Moved by Christopher Martin and seconded by Helen Miller that this Council accepts the recommendation by the Emergency Management Planning Committee Briefing Note dated December 12, 2008 to approve the Emergency Management Planning Committee Terms of Reference as read.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE/EDUCATION

**GC#422/12/16/2008**

Moved by Melba Thomas and seconded by George Montour that this Council send the matter of the McMaster University and Mohawk College Shuttle Bus to the Post Secondary Education for possible funding and reinstatement.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED

**GC#423/12/16/2008**

Moved by George Montour and seconded by Levi White that this Council delegates Public Works to conduct a feasibility study to determine if Stop & Walk signage, along with a Timer, needs to be implemented at the stop lights at Fourth Line and Chiefswood Road.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS – DAYLE BOMBERRY, A/SAO RE: EXTEND CONTRACT FOR RICHARD POWLESS, LOBBYIST

**GC#424/12/16/2008**

Moved by Helen Miller and seconded by Melba Thomas that this Council extends the contract for Richard Powless, Lobbyist from January 1, 2009 to March 31, 2009.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED

SECOND READING WAIVED

MEETING ADJOURNED

**GC#425/12/16/2008**

Moved by Levi White and seconded by George Montour that this Council adjourn the General Council meeting at 8:32 pm.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED

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Signature of Chief William K. Montour