



GENERAL COUNCIL MINUTES

February 5, 2008

7:30 P.M.

The third 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 Band Administration Building, Ohsweken, Ontario, N0A 1M0 with Councillor George Montour presiding as chair. Cam Staats, opened in prayer.

THOSE PRESENT:

Barbara Harris
G. Ava Hill
R. Helen Miller

Carl C.Hill
R. Joanne Johnson
George A. Montour

David A. Hill
Christopher N. Martin
Melba I. Thomas

ABSENT

Chief William K. Montour, out of town, Council business
Wray Maracle, out of town, Council business
Levi White, out of town, Council business
Claudine VanEvery-Albert, Community Meeting, Six Nations Polytechnic

IN ATTENDANCE:

Paul General, Manager, Eco-Centre
Kate Cave, Land Use Supervisor
Joanne Thomas, Land Use Office
Lonny Bomberry, Director of Lands and Resources
Rudy Perrin, State Farm Insurance, Simcoe, Ontario
Dayle Bomberry, A/Senior Administrative Officer

MEDIA:

Turtle Island News
Tekawennake

RECORDER:

Shirley W. Johnson, Council Secretary

OPENING PRAYER.

GC#46/02/05/2008

Moved by Melba Thomas and seconded by Barbara Harris that George Montour chairs this meeting in the absence of Chief William K. Montour.

Carried.

**CHANGES/ADDITIONS DELETIONS TO GENERAL COUNCIL AGENDA FOR
FEBRUARY 5, 2008**

NEW BUSINESS

1. Councillor Dave Hill Contracts for New Bingo Hall
2. Councillor Ava Hill, Two Correspondences Added from Health Services
 - Contract Renewal
 - Employment Policy Addition
3. Councillor Barbara Harris Permission for Doug Whitlow to Attend Other Meetings Spun from Archaeological Side Table.

GC#47/02/05/2008

Moved by Carl Hill and seconded by Barbara Harris that this council accepts tonight's General Council agenda with the noted changes/additions/deletions.

Carried.

SIX NATIONS LANDS AND RESOURCES, Briefing Note provided

Proposed changes to the Grand River Notification Agreement

The Grand River Notification Agreement needs to be reviewed by the Six Nations Council. The Agreement expires in 2009. The Agreement is used as a tool to notify Six Nations of development applications with the city of Brantford, County of Brant and Haldimand County. The Eco-Centre outlined some issues that need to be discussed and decided upon by Council. They are outlined in the Briefing Note handed out at tonight's meeting. The Agreement should not be a part of the consultation. This council needs to define our meeting of consultation. The Agreement should be "bumped up" to a Political level. Council needs to discuss this matter further. The meeting proposed for February 14, 2008 to continue discussion on the GRNA renewal should be cancelled. The GRNA Agreement shall be provided to Council for review and a Special Meeting scheduled to discuss the Agreement in-depth. A Presentation will be done at the next Lands and Resources on the Agreement. This is a matter that needs to be discussed at the next Brant County/City of Brantford/Six Nations Meeting.

GC#48/02/05/2008

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Moved by Helen Miller and seconded by David Hill that the Grand River Notification Agreement Renewal Meeting scheduled for February 14, 2008 be cancelled.

Carried.

STATE FARM INSURANCE, Letter for "Permission to Solicit" provided

In Attendance: Rudy Perrin, State Farm Insurance, Simcoe, Ontario.

Rudy and Denise Perrin of State Farm Insurance of Simcoe will be renting office space from RJ Wholesaler. Will be advertising in the local newspaper and by way of passing out of a flyer. He will not be soliciting door-to-door. Most of his business will be by mouth.

GC#49/02/05/2008

Moved by Helen Miller and seconded by Carl Hill that Denise and Rudy Perrin of State Farm Insurance in Simcoe, Ontario be given permission to solicit insurance on the Six Nations of the Grand River.

Councillor Joanne Johnson Declares a Conflict of Interest.

Carried.

Second Reading Waived.

SIX NATIONS GAMING COMMISSION, Briefing Note provided

This matter was brought to Council at the meeting held on January 22, 2008. At that time, Council deferred the issue until tonight's meeting for clarification on Melanie Bomberry's position as a Committee member vs. Secretary/Bookkeeper. Ms. Bomberry has withdrawn her application as a committee member. Council has discussed the need for a Special time to deal specifically with the Gaming Agreement and Policy. When Council does the Visioning workshop on the 11th and 12th, time can be set aside to do Policy Review. A copy of the agreement along with the Terms of Reference was provided to each Councillor.

GC#50/02/05/2008

Moved by Carl Hill and seconded by Melba Thomas that the Six Nations Council approves and recognizes Sidney Henhawk and Lisa VanEvery as members of the Six Nations Gaming Commission term ending November 2010.

Carried.

SIX NATIONS POLICE, Ontario Trillium Foundation Grant application provided

GC#51/02/05/2008

Moved by Carl Hill and seconded by Barbara Harris that the Six Nations Council supports the application of the Six Nations Police to the Ontario Trillium Foundation for funding for a three year Mentor Program.

Carried.

ADOPTION OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF JANUARY 22, 2008

- Include Dayle Bomberry under "In Attendance"
- Set up meeting with Six Nations Police
- "Family Day" information still being collected

GC#52/02/05/2008

Moved by David Hill and seconded by Joanne Johnson that the General Council minutes of January 22, 2008 be adopted as read.

Carried.

RECOGNITION OF BUSINESS

GC#53/02/05/2008

Moved by Carl Hill and seconded by Melba Thomas that this Council provide a standard letter recognizing BBQ Stand, owned by Christopher J.G. Martin as a business operating on-reserve.

Carried.

Second Reading Waived.

GC#54/02/05/2008

Moved by Joanne Johnson and seconded by Barbara Harris that this Council provide a standard letter recognizing 3 Bear Goodies, owned by Hank Claus as a business operating on-reserve.

Carried.

Second Reading Waived.

GC#55/02/05/2008

Moved by Joanne Johnson and seconded by Christopher Martin that this Council provide a standard letter recognizing K.B.S. Coffee Hut, owned by Kelli Lynn Clause as a business operating on-reserve.

Carried.

Second Reading Waived.

GC#57/02/05/2008

Moved by Christopher Martin and seconded by Carl Hill that this Council provide a standard letter recognizing K and J Roofing and Troughing, owned by Karl Webster as a business operating on-reserve.

Carried.

Second Reading Waived.

SCHEDULING:

A) SCHEDULED

- Iroquois Caucus, Strategic Planning, Ottawa, February 12 to 15, 2008
- General Council, February 19, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.
 - Scheduled Guests:
 - a. Roger Obonsawin, OI Leasing
 - b. Community Living

- Ontario Good Roads Convention, February 25, 26, 2008, Toronto
 - Name delegate(s) to Attend
- Planning, Priorities, Visioning, February 11 and 12, 2008, Ottawa
- Joint Confederacy/Council Meeting, February 9, 2008 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- IFN Meeting, February 19-21, 2008,
 - Councillor Helen Miller, and Arliss Skye will be attending.
- AGM, Grand River Conservation Authority, Friday, February 29, 2008 at 9:50 a.m. at the Administration Centre, 400 Clyde Road, Cambridge, Ontario.
 - Councillor Barbara Harris will be attending
- Brant Waterways Foundation
 - Name Six Nations representative to the Committee
 - Referred to Economic Development Committee

- Council/Community Trust/Community Trust Lawyer, February 28, 2008 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Aboriginal Healing and Wellness Joint Meeting, February 26 and 27, 2008, Kitchener, Ontario
 - Councillor Ava Hill will be attending.

TO BE CONFIRMED:

- Tri Council, Six Nations to Host

FOR YOUR INFORMATION—LETTER FROM COMMUNITY AWARENESS COMMITTEE

NEW BUSINESS, COUNCILLOR DAVE HILL, NEW BINGO HALL

Concern: The Contractors from the territory not getting the contracts. Most of the money through the contracts are going to non-natives and off the territory. The problem is the bonding issue. However Councillor Hill states that there is a way around this to accommodate our contractors: the bonding could be done in stages. The bonding issue can be waived in order to allow our people to go to work. The bonding is needed for protection and as a guarantee. It was recommended that the matter of investigating the bonding issue be referred to the Economic Development committee to see what can be done in order that Native contractors can be hired. It has been a problem in the past that it was difficult to get contractors back to fix work.

NEW BUSINESS, SIX NATIONS HEALTH SERVICES, COUNCILLOR AVA HILL

The contract for Dr. Karen Hill for the Family Health Team Physicians Services through the Ministry of Health Income Stabilization expired January 31, 2008. The Health Committee is recommending that Dr Hill's contract using the Income Stabilization model until the Community Based remuneration model is established for Six Nations.

GC#56/02/05/2008

Moved by Ava Hill and seconded by Helen Miller that the Six Nations Council gives approval for the Acting Senior Administrative Officer to sign the contracts for Dr. Karen Hill to continue the Family Health Team Physicians Services under the Ministry of Health Income Stabilization for the period of February 1, 2008 through January 31, 2009 or until such time as the Physicians' remuneration is finalized by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care.

Carried.

Second Reading Waived.

NEW BUSINESS, SIX NATIONS HEALTH SERVICES, COUNCILLOR AVA HILL

Six Nations Employment Policy—Addition

The Employment Policy does not allow highly qualified professionals to negotiate employment options such as vacation credits and/or salaries. In order to attract such professionals, the Health Services Committee is recommending that “an addition to the Six Nations Employment Policy to take into consideration, highly qualified and experienced professional and senior staff to allow them to negotiate their employment contract and/or letter of offer using the Employment Policy as a guideline i.e. vacation credits.”

Since a definition of “highly qualified and experienced professionals” could not be provided, Council agreed that this recommendation be referred to the Employment Policy Review Team and that in the interim, the following recommendation was made to accommodate for the specific present situation regarding hiring of the Nurse Practitioner which resulted in Health Services making the recommendation.

GC#58/02/205/2008

Moved by Ava Hill and seconded by Helen Miller that this Six Nations Council approve that the successful candidate for the position of Family Health Team Nurse Practitioner be allowed to negotiate her letter of offer with Human Resources and Director of Health Services.

Carried.

Second Reading Waived.

NEW BUSINESS, BARBARA HARRIS

Councillor Barbara Harris is seeking permission for Doug Whitlow to attend, as an observer, on other Side Tables. He will report back to

GC#59/02/05/2008

Moved by Barbara Harris and seconded by Ava Hill that this Council give permission to Doug Whitlow permission to attend other Side Tables as an observer.

Carried.

Hazel Johnson, Director of Human Resources, and Lillian Wright will attend the Employment Policy Review with Full Council.

MEETING ADJOURNED

GC#60/02/05/2008

Moved by David Hill and seconded by Melba Thomas that this General Council meeting be adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Carried.

Signature of William K. Montour