



# GENERAL COUNCIL MINUTES

January 22, 2008

7:30 P.M.

The second 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 Chief William K. Montour presiding as chair. Pastor Ralph Garlow, Medina Baptist Church, opened the meeting in prayer.

## **THOSE PRESENT:**

Barbara Harris

G. Ava Hill

R. Helen Miller

Claudine VanEvery-Albert

Carl C.Hill

Wray Maracle

George A. Montour

Levi White

David A. Hill

Christopher N. Martin

Melba I. Thomas

## **ABSENT**

R. Joanne Johnson, out of town, personal business

## **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Jim Doxtador, Green Community Project

Kathleen Padulogen, Green Community Project

Steve Williams, Six Nations Representative, Ontario First Nations Limited Partnership

Dayle Bomberry, A/Senior Administrative Officer

## **MEDIA:**

Turtle Island News

Tekawennake

CKRZ 100.3

## **RECORDER:**

Shirley W. Johnson, Council Secretary

OPENING PRAYER, Pastor Ralph Garlow

## SWEARING IN CEREMONY FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLOR NO. 4

Successful Candidate, Wray Maracle. Performed by Her honourable Justice Norma General Lickers

## CHANGES/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/ADOPTION TO TONIGHT'S AGENDA

### NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Councillor Ava Hill, Re: Mask, Pine Tree Centre
- 2) Councillor Helen Miller, Band Council Position
- 3) Chief William Montour, Haldimand Proclamation Committee

**GC#22/01/22/2008**

Moved by Carl Hill and seconded by Wray Maracle that this Council approves of tonight's General Council agenda with noted changes/additions/deletions.

Carried.

## OI LEASING ROGER OBONSAWIN

Sends his regrets. Will re-schedule.

## GREEN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### Power Point Presentation

\_Jim Doxtador, Kathleen Padulogen

### Definition of a Community

- Can act as a small business, for profit, non-profit, charitable organization
- Green community organizations can obtain many grants and donations
- There are 12 Green Communities in Ontario
- Managed and operated individually
- Six Nations can develop their Green community by how they want to take advantage
- Ontario Trillium Foundation "looking for" great applications
- Three Phases: Phase 1) Preplanning, Phase II) Implementation, Phase III) Management
- Next Steps: Looking for BCR or Letter of support

### Matters Discussed

Funding sources available for implementation, how about o& m dollars

- There is funding available from different programs to sustain
  - There are ways to generate along with funding vehicles
- Green Community will put together the formal proposal
- This initiative could be a good mechanism to have Council/Confederacy to work together. This is common ground for both.
- A proposal and budget will be prepared and brought back
- There are benefits for green audits for homeowners, it speaks directly to energy efficiency, a free benefit of a "healthy house"

- This project will allow for policy change so that every house built on Six Nations get an assessment through Eco Energy Project
- Would not try to change policy on Six Nations but rather would put organization
- At the present, will only be seeking funding to develop a plan, after the plan is developed, the project is sustainable

**GC#23/01/22/2008**

Moved by Helen Miller and seconded by Claudine VanEvery-Albert that the Green Community Development proposed project be referred to the Environment Committee for more in depth discussion and that Dayle Bomberry, A/Senior Administrative Officer, and Amy Lickers, Community Planner be a part of this discussion.

Carried.

**ONTARIO FIRST NATIONS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP,**  
**STEVE WILLIAMS**

- OFNLP established in June 2000 to distribute net revenue of Casino Rama dollars on behalf of 133 First Nations in Ontario
- OFNLP is representing First Nations to recover 20% of gross revenue of Casino Rama with the Ontario has taken since 1996 as a “wintax”
- In June of 2001 AOCC decided that the agreement which allowed Mnjikaning to receive 35% of the net revenue would not be renewed and that the revenue be shared with the other 133 First Nations in Ontario
- Because of the lawsuit, the 35% which would be eligible to other First Nations is in a suspended account
- Special partners Meeting, February 6 and 7, Vahalla Inn, Thunder Bay
  - 2/3 vote of Chiefs needed (90 chiefs)
- OFNLP is still proceeding with February 11, 2008 Court Date
- Suggest further discussion at in-camera Political Liaison meeting on Monday, January 28, 2008 because of legal issues that cannot be discussed on open meeting
- Council will discuss at this time Six Nations Council strategy for meeting for Special Partners on February 6,7, 2008.

**GC#24/01/22/2008**

Moved by George Montour and seconded by Levi White that Steve Williams, Six Nations Representative on Ontario First Nations Limited Partnership be invited to attend the next Political Liaison meeting on Monday January 28, 2008.

Carried.

**SIX NATIONS POLYTECHNIC**

Is requesting an updated band council resolution providing letter of support.

**GC#25/01/22/2008**

Moved by Claudine VanEvery Albert and seconded by Helen Miller that this Council support the mandate of the Six Nations Polytechnic to offer Post-Secondary education at the community of Six Nations Of the Grand River Territory.

Carried.

**REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO SOLICIT**

State Farm Insurance, Agents Denise and Rudy Perrin, Simcoe, Ontario.  
Permission to Solicit template will be provided to next General Council.

**GC26/01/22/2008**

Moved by Carl Hill and seconded by Melba Thomas that Agents Denise and Rudy Perrin, State Farm Insurance, Simcoe, Ontario be invited to attend the next General Council on February 5, 2008.

Carried.

**RUBY SMITH SEARS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

**GC#27/01/22/2008**

Moved by Carl Hill and seconded by Claudine VanEvery Albert that this Council approves the recommendation of the C. Ruby Sears Memorial Scholarship Committee to:

1. Appoint Eleanor Hill as trustee of the committee for a term of five (5) years
2. That Martin Smith replaces Graham Smith, as the Consultant from the family as per the C. Ruby Sears will.

Carried

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF GENERAL COUNCIL DECEMBER 18, 2007

Mixed Martial Arts:

The last name of the person whose first name was Jason is “King.”

Guswhenta Project

The Guswhenta project should be corrected to read that it is a “\$1 million dollar project NOT a \$1 billion dollar project.

There was discussion regarding the installation and the safety of Highway No. 54. The four way stop was installed prematurely by Brant County. Chief Montour spoke with Mayor Ron Eddy and Mayor Eddy had the four-way stop removed the same day.

Before the four-way stop is “officially” installed, proper advertisement is needed. Brant County will ensure proper advertising takes place, at least a month in advance of the installation.

There was some discussion with regards that will be attending the Good Roads convention at the end of February. Three delegates will be attending, who those three delegates will be named by the Public works committee. The Senior Administrative Officer would ensure three reserve three seats for Six Nations Council representation.

Let it be noted that Councillor Levi White is in full support of a full fledged traffic light but opposed the installation of the four-way stop sign and flashing lights, and is therefore opposed to GC#8/12/18/2007. He feels it is a safety concern. Councillor White made the following recommendation:

**GC#32/01/22/2008**

Moved by Levi White and seconded by Christopher Martin that this Council rescind Resolution No. GC#8/12/18/2007, which reads as follows:

“Moved by Claudine VanEvery-Albert and seconded by George Montour that the Six Nations Council agree that the County of Brant install a four-way stop sign and flashing red lights, as an interim safety measure, pending a conclusive traffic study to be conducted in the Spring of 2008, over a one-week period and from all approaches to the intersection at County Highway #54 and Pauline Johnson Road/Chiefswood Road AND that the interim 4 way stop would eventually lead to Full Stop lights.

Two            In Favour  
Nine            Opposed.

Motion Defeated.

**RE-ESTABLISHING OF THE TAX COMMITTEE**

The Tax Committee was established in the 53<sup>rd</sup> Council to develop template letters that could be used by Administration when requests were made by Community members to provide a tax letter on the Band member’s behalf. The template was developed by Michael Sherry and has been adopted by the Six Nations Council for GST, PST tax issues. The Six Nations Business Association is looking for a letter. This template may be sufficient for the Six Nations Business

Association. A copy of the template letter along the request from the Business Association will be provided to Council for review.

**GC#33/01/22/2008**

Moved by Levi White and seconded by David Hill that this Council adopts the General Council minutes of December 18, 2007.

Carried.

RECOGNITION OF BUSINESS

**GC#34/01/22/2008**

Moved by David Hill and seconded by Levi White that this Council provide a standard letter recognizing Tom's Satellite Installations, owned by Thomas C. Clause as a business operating on-reserve.

Carried.

**GC#35/01/22/2008**

Moved by David Hill and seconded by Levi White that this Council provide a standard letter recognizing Elite Training Services, owned by Jenny Powless as a business operating on-reserve.

Carried.

COUNCILOR HELEN MILLER, Briefing Notes Attached

- a) Out of Town Meetings
- b) Committee/Council Reports
- c) Chief and Councilor attendance at meetings

**GC#36/01/22/2008**

Moved by Helen Miller, that all councillors who travel to out of town meetings and out of country meetings is made to repay their travel dollars if they fail to provide Committee/Council with a written report.

AMENDMENT:

Moved by Carl Hill and seconded by Levi White that the above noted resolution be amended to include ".....provide Committee/Council with a written report or oral report.

Amendment Carried.

**GC#37/01/22/2008**

Moved by Helen Miller and seconded by Levi White that a reporting template be developed for councillors to utilize so that reports are consistent and that all councillors are required to provide written reports to committee/council for any meetings attended locally or out of town.

Carried.

Councillor Claudine VanEvery Albert has a "Report Template" that she will share with Council for their consideration

It is recommended that a monthly attendance record covering the two General council meetings, General Finance, political Liaison, specially Called meetings and all Committee meetings be kept on a monthly basis with a full report submitted to Council each month and that the council Secretary ensures the monthly attendance report is submitted to all local newspapers each month.  
DEFERRED TO VISIONING WORKSHOP.

ALSO DEFERRED TO VISIONING WORKSHOP—OATH OF OFFICE

DESIGNATION OF FEBRUARY 18, 2008 AS STATUTORY HOLIDAY, Briefing Note Attached

**GC#38/01/22/2008**

Moved by Carl Hill and seconded by Christopher Martin that the Six Nations Council approve the recommendation of the Senior Management Team to amend the Six Nations Council Employment Policy, Chapter 4, Designated Holidays, to include Family Day (third Monday in February) as a paid statutory holiday for all employees effective immediately.

FIVE            IN FAVOUR  
SIX             OPPOSED

Motion Defeated.

**GC#39/01/22/2008**

Moved by Claudine VanEvery Albert and seconded by Helen Miller that the matter of amending the Employment Policy to include Family Day as a paid statutory holiday for all employees be back to with all relevant information, including, costs, who is in favour and who is not in favour in the surrounding area.

Carried.

SIX NATIONS GAMING COMMISSION, Briefing Note attached

The Gaming Commission's term coincides with the elected council Term. The Six Nations Gaming commission is requesting Council to sanction the Gaming Commission for so that they can conduct business for Gaming. Melanie Bomberry is a designated member but she also is the interim Bookkeeper until the position is filled. Council is not sure if she is still performing the duties as Bookkeeper. This matter needs to be clarified.

**GC#40/01/22/2008**

Moved by George Montour and seconded by Christopher Martin that the Six Nations Council approves and recognizes Sidney Henhawk, Lisa VanEvery and Melanie Bomberry as members of the Six Nations Gaming Commission with their term ending November 2010.

**AMENDMENT**

Moved by Levi White and seconded by Carl Hill that this matter be deferred to the next General Council meeting for clarification.

Counillor George Montour opposed

Amendment Carried.

SCHEDULING:

**A) SCHEDULED**

- Six Nations Police, January 28, 2008, In Camera, 5:00 p.m.
- Political Liaison, January 28, 2008
- General Council, February 5, 2008, 7:30 p.m.
- Iroquois Caucus, Ottawa, February 12 to 15, 2008
  - Reschedule Lands and Resources, February 14, 2008?
- Ontario Good Roads Convention, February 25, 26, 2008, Toronto

**B) TO BE SCHEDULED:**

- Tri County Council, Six Nations to Host

ADDED

- Visioning, Planning and Priorities, February 11 and 12, 2008, Ottawa Marriott, requesting the services of Richard Powless to facilitate this meeting

**GC#41/01/22/2008**

Moved by George Montour and seconded by Claudine Vanevery Albert that business cards be ordered for each of the twelve councillors as soon as possible.

Carried.

Second Reading Waived.

**GC#42/01/22/2008**

Moved by Carl Hill and seconded by Barbara Harris that Chief William Montour attends the meeting with the Ontario Energy Board in Toronto on January 24, 2008.

Carried.

Chief Montour will also be meeting with Minister Bryant on January 24, 2008. Councillor Ava Hill will be attending with Chief Montour.

Councillor Helen Miller and Councillor Ava Hill will be attending the Political Confederacy Meeting along with Chief Montour, January 29 and 30, 2008.

Councillor Claudine VanEvery Albert will be attending the Pre Budget Meeting, London, Ontario, January 31, 2008 with Chief Montour.

Lands and Resources meeting for February 14, 2008 needs to be re-scheduled. Suggested date, February 21, 2008. The IFN is the 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 21<sup>st</sup>. Will need to confirm quorum.

Councillor Claudine VanEvery Albert will replace Councillor David Hill on the Health Committee.

Those councillors who will be attending the Special Partners Meeting in Thunder Bay, February 6 and 7, 2008 will be determined at Political Liaison, Monday, January 28, 2008.

NEW BUSINESS, HALDIMAND PROCLAMATION COMMITTEE

The Haldimand Proclamation committee is looking for a Band Council Resolution supporting their application to the Ontario Trillium Foundation for \$17,000.00 to purchase the Haldimand Proclamation Monument.

**GC#43/01/22/2008**

Moved by George Montour and seconded by Levi White that the Six Nations Council supports the application of the Six Nations Haldimand Proclamation Committee to the Ontario Trillium Foundation for seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000.00) as the final amount of funding required to complete this worthy project on behalf of the Six Nations people.

Carried.

Second Reading Waived.

NEW BUSINESS, MASK THAT WAS REMOVED FROM PINE TREE CENTRE EXTERIOR WALL.

This masked has been located. This information was shared with Councillor Ava Hill by John Bradford. The condition is unknown. Council has suggested that Naomi Powless, Arts and Culture coordinator take a look at the Mask to see if it was salvageable.

**GC#44/01/22/2008**

Moved by Levi White and seconded by Helen Miller that the General Finance meeting for February 14, 2008 be re-scheduled to Monday, February 18, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

Carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED

**GC#45/01/22/2008**

Moved by David Hill and seconded by Barbara Harris that this meeting be adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Carried.

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Signature of William K. Montour