



# GENERAL COUNCIL MINUTES

## JUNE 1, 2010

### 7:30 P.M.

The fifty-sixth 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 held in the Council Chambers of the Administration Building, Ohsweken, Ontario, N0A 1M0 with Chief William Montour presiding as Chair and with Ed Staats opening the meeting with prayer.

#### **THOSE PRESENT:**

Chief William Montour  
Joanne Johnson  
Claudine VanEvery-Albert  
G.Ava Hill

Levi White  
David Hill  
Carl Hill  
Wray Maracle

Helen Miller  
Christopher Martin  
George Montour

#### **ABSENT:**

Melba Thomas – Council Business  
Barbara Harris – Council Business

#### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Dayle Bomberry, A/Senior Administrative Officer  
Karen Best, Communications Officer  
Six Nations Midget All-stars Team representatives  
Brant Chamber of Commerce Representatives  
Cheryl Henhawk, Director of Parks and Recreation with Henry Kodors of the MMM Group  
Darlene Butler, Community Member

#### **MEDIA:**

Turtle Island News  
Tekawennake

#### **RECORDER:**

Carol M. Hill, Council Secretary

Meeting Called to Order at 7:30p.m.

**CHANGES/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/ADOPTION OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL  
AGENDA FOR JUNE 1, 2010**

**Additions:**

- Chief Montour – Dollars for the protection of Queen Anne’s Silver
  - Referendum of the Election Code
  - Gap in Housing Policy
- Carl Hill – Brant Lobby Day Update
- Levi White – Tom Longboat Day
- George Montour – Water hook-up for community member
- Claudine VanEvery-Albert – FYI - Youth

**GC#608/06/01/2010**

Moved by George Montour and seconded by Carl Hill that this Council accepts the General Council agenda for JUNE 1, 2010 with noted additions.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED

**SIX NATIONS MIDGET’S PLAQUE PRESENTATION**

Team members and coach of the Six Nations Midget All-stars in attendance to receive a plaque of recognition from Six Nations Council.

Chief Montour makes presentation to Coach Terry “Bean” Smith and team captain.

**BRANT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – IN ATTENDANCE**

In attendance to make verbal presentation regarding a proposed Green Hub Partnership with Six Nations and other neighboring communities and businesses.

Six Nations Councillor Claudine VanEvery-Albert and Six Nations Director of Economic Development, Matt Jamieson have been attending preliminary meetings with the Brant Chamber of Commerce and are in full support of this initiative.

Councillor Claudine VanEvery-Albert is requesting a motion that Six Nations Council will endorse this partnership.

Some councillors worry that entering into this partnership will imply that Six Nations gives up their rights to the land.

Chief Montour states that for this same reason it is important to partner and sit at this table to make sure that Six Nations land rights are protected.

**GC#609/06/01/2010**

Moved by Claudine VanEvery-Albert and seconded by George Montour that the Six Nations Council work with the neighboring community partners, County of Brant, City of Brantford, Haldimand County, Mississaugas of New Credit, Norfolk County, including local power authorities Brant County Power and Brantford Power and all other power authorities in the region, the associated Chambers of Commerce, and Mohawk College, Nipissing University and McMaster University to market our collective communities as the Green Energy Hub of the Province of Ontario.

8 IN FAVOUR  
2 OPPOSED (DH, CH)

CARRIED.  
SECOND READING WAIVED

**SIX NATIONS PARKS AND RECREATION**

Six Nations Parks and Recreation Director Cheryl Henhawk and Henry Kodors of the MMM Group in attendance to give update on the Six Nations Parks and Recreation Sports Field Project. Council is informed that current available funds are not enough to complete desired plan and that they will be making application to the Community Development Trust Fund for additional funding.

Council requests that they compile the total cost for the entire project with all “wishes” included so there is an idea as to the total cost and what amount is needed.

**GC#610/06/01/2010**

Moved by Levi White and seconded by Chris Martin that Six Nations Council support Six Nations Parks and Recreation in the Sports Field Project and their submission to the Community Development Trust Fund for funding for additional amenities to the Sports Field.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.  
SECOND READING WAIVED

**DARLENE BUTLER – COMMUNITY MEMBER**

In attendance to discuss events after the fact of her fathers death at Iroquois Lodge. Informed Council that because of her mothers wishes she has dropped a lawsuit that she had against Six Nations Council.

**NEW BUSINESS – SIX NATIONS TECHNICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

Briefing note presented requesting Six Nations Councils approval to extend the contract of Graeme Sandy as the Technical Services Project Officer for a six month period of time and to hire Robert Logan in the position of a second Technical Services Project Officer for the same six month period of time.

**ADOPTION OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF MAY 18, 2010**

- NorJohn is now starting road resurfacing project and the Chief Montour is requesting that the Building and Infrastructure Chair insist that flag men be posted at both ends of each road resurfacing area.

**GC#614/06/01/2010**

Moved by Levi White and seconded by Carl Hill that Six Nations Council accepts the General Council Minutes of May 18, 2010 as presented, with noted corrections to be made.

- Page 2 – BCR to be replaced with SNCR
- Page 11 - Wording arrangement correction.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

**FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**GC#615/06/01/2010**

Moved by G.Ava Hill and seconded by Claudine VanEvery-Albert that Six Nations Council approves the Community Development Committee recommendation to donate \$500.00 (five hundred dollars) to the Kawenni:io Private School for there elementary graduation ceremony from the Education funds of \$90,800.00 (ninety thousand, eight hundred dollars).

7 IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

3 OPPOSED

SECOND READING WAIVED

**HEALTH COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

A presentation regarding “A Master Aging Plan for Seniors” was made to the Health Committee on May 25, 2010. The newly established Grand River Council is requesting that interested volunteers join them for collaboration and expertise sharing.

**GC#616/06/01/2010**

Moved by Claudine VanEvery-Albert and seconded by Levi White that Six Nations Council support a collaborative working relationship with the Grand River Council on Aging – “A Master Aging Plan for Brantford and Brant County” to share expertise for communication and planning.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

SECOND READING WAIVED

**BUILDING AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**GC#617/06/01/2010**

Moved by Dave Hill and seconded by Carl Hill that Six Nations Council approves the application to the 2010/2011 Canada’s Economic Action Plan – Single Capital Contribution Arrangement for the Six Nations of the Grand River Water Treatment Plant Project #RC6A in the amount of \$16,004,669.00 (sixteen million, four thousand, six hundred and sixty-nine dollars), and that a Six Nations Council Resolution be signed.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

SECOND READING WAIVED

**CANDO CONFERNECE – SEPTEMBER 27-30, 2010 – NIAGARA FALLS**

Council presented Conference information and an email requesting Six Nations Council be part of the planning committee as the conference is being held in this territory.

Six Nations Council was not aware that they agreed to be a co-host of this event and are requesting more information from the Six Nations Director of Economic Development has been working on this.

**GC#618/06/01/2010**

Moved by Levi White and seconded by Carl Hill that Six Nations Council request Director of Economic Development, Matt Jamieson prepare a briefing note including all relevant information regarding the CANDO Conference for clarification and decision.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

SECOND READING WAIVED

**DR. PETER LAPSLEY RETIREMENT**

**GC#619/06/01/2010**

Moved by Levi White and seconded by George Montour that Six Nations Council prepare a recognition plaque recognizing the years of service of Dr. Peter Lapsley at Six Nations – to be presented at next General Council on June 15, 2010.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

SECOND READING WAIVED

**NEW BUSINESS – TOM LONGBOAT DAY – JUNE 4**

**GC#620/06/01/2010**

Moved by Levi White and seconded by Chris Martin that Six Nations of the Grand River Territory recognize and declare June 4 as Tom Longboat day and continue with the annual Tom Longboat marathon, family fun run and festivities to take place on this day.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

SECOND READING WAIVED

**NEW BUSINESS – BRANT LOBBY DAY REPORT**

Councillor Carl Hill and Claudine VanEvery-Albert provide a verbal report on Brant Lobby Day which they attended on May 31, 2010.

It was basically a meet and greet and there will be more of the same kind of meeting held.

**NEW BUSINESS – YOUTH GROUP**

Councillor Claudine VanEvery-Albert informs council the a youth group contacted her and said that they wish to use Six Nations facilities but simply cannot afford the rental cost and that this was going to be brought up at the Community Meeting being held on June 2, 2010 at the Community Hall.

### **NEW BUSINESS – PROTECTION OF QUEEN ANNE’S SILVER IN TORONTO**

Council informed that Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Phillip will be visiting Canada in July 2010. Chief Montour requests that money be allotted to sending two Six Nations Police officers to guard the Queen Anne’s Silver collection for three days, to polish the silver, and a gift for Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Phillip on July 4, 2010.

**Council is requesting that Chief Montour investigate the cost to Six Nations as we are cost sharing with the Tyendinaga First Nation and include an estimate on insurance.**

### **NEW BUSINESS – REFERENDUM OF THE ELECTION CODE**

There have been numerous complaints regarding the process of approving the revised election code. Community members are saying that they were not well informed or information came out to public too late.

Council states that they were not involved in the process but are receiving all the criticism. Also stated that the mandate of the Election Code Committee was to revise the Election Code only and not to implement any Integrity Commission or tamper with the roles and responsibilities of Council.

**Chief Montour to obtain report from Election Code Chair Steve Williams and present at the next General Council.**

### **NEW BUSINESS – HOUSING POLICY**

There is a gap in policy for manufactured housing and the overall policies are being interpreted in different ways.

A community member purchased her new home through Viceroy and Six Nations Housing is not releasing percentages needed by manufacturer.

One Councillor suggests a Special Meeting be had to deal with this policy.

To be dealt with at next Building and Infrastructure/Housing Committee meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS – SIX NATIONS LAND CLAIMS MEETING REPORT**

Met with Ignatieff and he seemed very receptive to Six Nations new way of dealing with the land claims and wants to understand perpetual care and maintenance.

Chief Montour and Richard Powless met with Marc Lemay and he suggested that Six Nations prepare a case study on the specific claims policy over \$150,000,000. – that’s where Six Nations fits in and petition the liberal party through Todd Russell to bring a motion onto the floor at the Senate Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs to do a case study of Six Nations land claims to change this policy.

Todd Russell has already agreed to put this motion on the floor and had asked Richard Powless to draft it.

**Chief Montour suggests Strategy Meeting on Saturday June 5, 2010 at 9:00a.m. to deal with land rights issue only to establish Six Nations position.**

**PowerPoint presentation to be shown.**

**Phil Monture and Lonny Bomberry to be invited**

Council was wondering if all have been informed that Six Nations Elected Council has taken over the negotiations process and if not certain people need to be notified.

**SCHEDULING**

**GC#621/06/01/2010**

Moved by Levi White and seconded by George Montour that this Council approve Chief William Montour and Councillors G.Ava Hill, Claudine VanEvery-Albert and Wray Maracle to attend an update meeting with the Samsung group in Toronto on Wednesday June 2, 2010.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

SECOND READING WAIVED

**GC#622/06/01/2010**

Moved by Dave Hill and seconded by Levi White that this Council approve Chief William Montour and Councillors G.Ava Hill and Claudine VanEvery-Albert to attend the All Ontario Chiefs Conference at Couchiching First Nation on June 22-24, 2010.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

SECOND READING WAIVED

**GC#623/06/01/2010**

Moved by George Montour and seconded by Chris Martin that this Council approve Chief William Montour and Councillors G.Ava Hill, R.Helen Miller, Claudine VanEvery-Albert and Carl Hill to attend the Political Lobbies regarding Six Nations Land Rights in Ottawa on June 10, 2010 and June 15-17, 2010.

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

SECOND READING WAIVED

**ADJOURNMENT**

**GC#625/06/01/2010**

Moved by Dave Hill and seconded by George Montour that the General Council Meeting of June 1, 2010 be adjourned at 10:25pm

ALL IN FAVOUR

CARRIED.

SECOND READING WAIVED

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Signature of Chief William K. Montour