

Saturday, July 7, 2018

## Council Minutes

Firekeepers opened Council @ 11:00 am.

All sides accepted the minutes and agenda for today.

#1 – Bill Warner (Recycling Business) – Carry over the request he made last Council.

All sides agreed for HDI to sit down with Bill Warner to put together a workable plan and bring it back to Council. (Aaron Detlor reported that they have been assisting him as much as possible.)

#2 – Kris Hill – Mediation – There are dates put forward to have a meeting between Confederacy and Band Council. No confirmed date yet. Meeting will take place somewhere locally. Kris urged as many Chiefs and Clanmothers to attend.

All sides accepted the report and will have a pre-meeting amongst ourselves, once we know a date.

#3 – Nathan MacDonald – Band Council served an eviction notice to his wife, who is from Akwesasne – Mohawk Nation, Bear Clan. They are asking for permission to keep their family together and stay here at Six Nations. They are very active in supporting local matters (lacrosse, red barn, school activities etc.). They are attending a meeting with Band Council on July 10, 2018.

All sides agreed to give them a letter giving them permission to reside here, until we investigate this further. Also, for the letter to be addressed to Governor General and cc'd to both Indigenous/Indian Affairs Ministers and Band Council.

\*\*\*\*\* LUNCH BREAK \*\*\*\*\*

#4 – Barb General – Explained her work on Justice Issues. She said on average there are an average of 341 Six Nations people per month, going through criminal court (Brantford, Hamilton, and Cayuga). They are trying to create a better way for our people to be rehabilitated. The goal is to create a better way to help those who have to navigate the system. There is a great interest in creating a restorative justice approach. Various Chiefs asked questions trying to understand the efforts being worked on. The Chiefs reminded everyone that when it comes to justice matters, we are bound by Our own Laws and Treaties. We agreed that the Crown would have jurisdiction (conditional) over Murder, Rape and Theft.

All sides accepted the matter as information only, as we have to weigh all the information and facts. Also, we must consider our 8 Points of Jurisdiction presented to Elected Councilors decades ago. Justice and Law matters are to lie within the Confederacy's jurisdiction. Also, Barb asked that the Council hear from the family of Jonathan Styres (who was shot and killed when he was attempting to steal a truck). His mother (Deborah "Bobby" Hill) gave a report on her understanding of the issue. They believe the whole issue was a

one-sided story and they intend to appeal and would like a letter of support from Confederacy Council.

All sides agreed to give a letter of support that this Council supports the family and what they are dealing with. A statement to include that we don't believe justice was served. Aaron and Hohahes to draft a letter and send out through email to get input from the Chiefs. Once the letter is okay, it can be given to the family. (Letter not to be addressed to anyone, other than a statement).

#5 – HDI – Aaron gave a report on their recent activities. 1) Discussions with Hamilton 2) Intention to invite Paul Williams to a meeting to try address his letter 3) HDI and Ogwawihnsda have been having discussions trying to work together and also awaiting the Restructuring Committees recommendations.

All sides accepted the report.

#6 – Jeff Henhawk – Received a letter of eviction from Band Council. Looking for support from Council. He's not really wanting a letter, more so he is asking what we are going to do, Band Council has to be stopped. He said he signed a lease with the Chiefs who directed HDI to draft and sign a lease with Jeff Henhawk. The land was put under the Confederacy Land Registry.

Hohahes left council at 4:30pm. (haven't received minutes yet if anything else was discussed).

## Agenda – August 4, 2018

- #1 – Kris Hill mediation update
- #2 – Paul Williams issue?
- #3 – H.D.I.
- #4 – Ogwawihksda' Dedwahsnye'
- #5 – Draft letter -Jon Styres case