#### **Council Minutes**

Firekeepers opened Council @ 10:30 am.

Firekeepers announced that due to illness, Tim Williams will be sitting in as "eyes and ears" for Chief Honyadaji:wak (Yogi Williams). All sides accepted minutes and agenda for today.

#1 – Mike Davis – Cannabis Control "Six Nations Peoples' Coalition Group". They distributed a plan to develop the Cannabis Industry at Six Nations. Mike also told of a violent raid by Six Nations Police on October 9. They are worried that someone will be killed, due to excessive force being used. For today, we are asking for a letter stating that our rights are not under the jurisdiction of the Courts. We would like for H.C.C.C. to take a look at our plan so far. We will come back next Council. Sheila Sandy has a court order not to associate with the others charged. She is unable to comply because her son, brother and cousin are charged. She would like a letter stating that there's no way anyone should be ordered to stay away from their close family members. On another note, Six Nations Police also took monies that were set aside for charitable causes. (They set aside every loonie, toonie and five-dollar bills). Various Chiefs spoke on the subject during Q & A session. Tuscarora's eldest Chief Sagwaritha spoke of how bad the drug issue has become. He even had a family member overdose. He's happy he got a second chance in life. He told his people they need to learn who they are as Haudenosaunee and guide themselves by Kayanerenkowa and Kariwiyo, conduct our ceremonies.

All sides agreed for today to accept as information and look further into the issue. For today, we can't issue a letter without looking further into the issue. They thanked the young people for trying to look at ways to benefit all the people.

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* LUNCH BREAK. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

After lunch, Terarihoken asked for Council to consider writing a letter stating that Council objects to the Court order that they are not to interact with one another. All sides agreed for Gary Johnson, Colin Martin, Todd Williams to take a message to the Police Commission to address the poor discretion some officers have been using. Also, that Council doesn't support nor condone the actions of the Police assaulting, threatening and intimidating Six Nations people. If the Commission wants to respond, they can do so in writing to Council Secretary.

#2 – Chester Gibson – Here today to give a report on the June 6<sup>th</sup> Wampum Day with school kids. We have Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> booked at the Gathering Place at 8:30 am – 3 pm. 2 sessions in the morning and 2 sessions in the afternoon. Approximately 500 students participate. He's asked Hohahes, but would also like perhaps a couple others to help (maybe Howard Elijah and Ron Thomas).

All sides agreed and it's up to them to provide security. Also it's up to the leaders that can go, to be there.

#3 – H.E.R.C. Report – Johahi:se gave a brief report. They're proposing a 2 Day retreat meeting which they may discuss after the November 7<sup>th</sup> Great Law of Peace meeting at Tonawanda. They are also developing a budget for next year. They COP24 Climate summit is to be relocated to Madrid, Spain. They requested Kenneth and Howard to be funded at \$6,000 apiece. He also reported on I.D. cards.

All sides accepted H.E.R.C. report and for now, we can't approve the requested amount unless we know the financial situation from Rick. Tekarihoken said that an email from Secretary to H.D.I. Finance, stating that Council agrees to fund the trip to Climate Summit, providing there's funds set aside.

Firekeepers asked Council to hear out Hayenehs Mike Martin. He reviewed the need to set the structure in motion. Programs and committees need budgets and priorities. He linked

today's problem with nobody being tasked with following up on last meeting. This is part of the restructure plan. To have someone like the lead Administrator.

All sides agreed to have Mike Martin and Rick Saul meet to look at financial planning and financial situation. Also for Hohahes to write an email to HDI Finance that Council agrees to fund Howard Thompson and Kenneth Deer for Climate Summit (\$12,000), and for them to provide proper paperwork (receipts, etc...)

#4 – H.D.I. – Brian Doolittle gave a report on current work. They currently have about 40 Archaeology Monitors in the field. Our abilities have been hindered to pursue any deals with Developers. We need Council direction as to what way they want to proceed. H.D.I. also sat through a review process to look at what are our strengths and weaknesses.

----- Hohahes left at 4:20, Johahi:se (C.Martin) took over minutes

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# Haudenosaunee Confederacy Council – November 02, 2019

Meeting minutes - Onondaga Longhouse

### 5<sup>th</sup> Issue – HDI – Brian Doolittle

- Jock provided brief synopsis of letter received from Leanna Hill regarding her attempt to return to work at HDI from maternity leave
- Floor turned over to Doolittle, who provided verbal update on HDI activities
- Doolittle reported on a number of items ranging from the New Credit Land Claim of the Haldimand Tract, municipalities opposing HDI regarding archeology /monitoring, created formula for land leasing, 40 monitors currently working out in the field, Argyle Street bridge meeting set up with no show from municipality, Ontario Hydro talks have resumed with Global Solutions proposed to Hydro, Finance board responsibility for developing procedure on public funds dispersal that wasn't done etc..

#### Decision: no decisions required and Council accepted report as information only

#### 6th Issue – Cayuga Lake Report

- Cayuga Hoyane Sam George provided verbal update on situation at Cayuga Lake
- Actions of Clint Halftown and his attempted eviction of all traditional people from the lands via use of intimidation tactics of his own Police Force, and court etc..
- Briefly indicated that a recent court decision went in their favor with a judge ruling that Federal / State authorities have no jurisdiction on Cayuga Territory.
- Dusty Parker / Valerie Parker also provided their views of the current situation and that Clint and mother Sharon are Federally Recognized as the Cayuga Nation of New York. They receive the federal funding for the territory
- Both stressed the urgent need for action to be taken against Clint / Sharon
- Indicated that they are in a constant state of daily unrest there

## Decision: No decision required and Council accepted report as information only. Encouragement was released to them to continue the fight on being who they are – Haudenosaunee Cayuga peoples

#### Agenda – December 7, 2019

- #1 Paul Williams Follow-up?
- #2 Bonnie Whitlow
- #3 Letters
- #4 Grand Council Report
- #5 Mike Davis
- #6 H.E.R.C. Report?
- #7 H.D.I. Report?