



RAINY RIVER FIRST NATIONS
Chief & Council Business Meeting
Tuesday May 26th , 2020
Zoom Meeting @ 10AM

PRESENT:

Chief Robin McGinnis
Councillor Willie J. McGinnis
Councillor Karen Oster-Bombay

Councillor Jason Wilson (Joined at 1pm)
Councillor Gary Medicine

OTHER:

Lauren Hyatt – Executive Assistant

REGRETS: Councillor Leona McGinnis

Opening

10:20 am: Meeting Opened Chief R. McGinnis.

Agenda Approval:

The Agenda was approved as presented.

MOTION # 2020-05-26-001

To approve the Agenda as presented.

Moved by: Will McGinnis
Seconded by: Karen Oster-Bombay

All in Favour - Carried

Pandemic Update:

The Isolation Units have been ordered and the plot will be looked at for installation. There was discussion about RRFNS Staff at the Screening gate and how this duty to work shifts on the gate needs to be enforced by Managers. L. Hyatt requested that C&C review the Communicable Disease Procedure for approval. It was decided that F. Sheppard will be creating a Master Gate Schedule moving forward for the duration of the Screening gate. Funding applications are constantly being looked for, reviewed, and submitted.

Housing:

- The scopes of work completed by Councillor Oster-Bombay have been passed on to housing and some quotes have been received by Community Members to complete the work.
- It was decided that money for the Off-Reserve Housing Renovation Program be put aside by Finance from the RRFNS New Gold Dividends. U.S. Members can apply for this renovation fund too, however, the maximum amount granted will be \$5,000.00 CAD per application per quotes, invoices and receipts provided. Proof of ownership needs to be provided by the member to be eligible.
- It was discussed and decided that any On-Reserve Rental renovations, need to be inspected by Advisory services to ensure code is being adhered to.
- It was reiterated that when the Housing Department is staffed, old rental agreements need to be reviewed to ensure that all working adults are included in the agreements. All rental agreements need to be updated to the new format.
- A discussion was had surrounding "Family Homes". Homes that were deemed family homes need to be identified and CP's applied for to avoid any confusion of responsibility when passed from one family member to the next.
- 3 Requests from Rentals were received but denied due to non-payment of rent.

New Band Office Update:

L. Hyatt reported the following:

- Meet and Greet between Advisory Services, A49 and Wright construction has been organized to ensure all are being kept up to date on the status of the building Advisory Services will be present at all inspections at different stages of phase completion moving forward.
- A meeting will be set up between RRFNs and Wright construction to discuss current, past, and future subcontracts. Tender Process, Award Process and Communication will be addressed.
- C&C directed that a Furniture proposal be completed by A49, comparing at least 2 quotes.
- The CIBC representative for this file will be contacted to ensure a payment schedule is being followed.

Health Needs Assessment:

A meeting was held between T. Alfonso, Health Canada representatives and RRFNs. The proposal for submission to Health Canada was discussed and minor changes made regarding what needs to be included in the proposal and the wording of the supporting documents. These changes will be made and brought to C&C for approval at the next Business Meeting.

Neegan Burnside:

G. Popowich from Neegan Burnside will be presenting the RRFNs Capital Plan on June 11, 2020. This will be a combination of a Zoom Meeting and in person to ensure COVID

19 Social distancing guidelines are being met. The Capital Plan presentation needs to be completed, and the plan approved to lobby for future government funding

Garbage Boxes:

Quotes for these are being reviewed and will be ordered for installation as soon as possible.

Job Postings:

The following jobs will be posted:

- Housing Manager
- Dog Catcher
- Student Employment Coordinator.

Pride Month Request:

After discussion, it was decided that a statement will be issued by Chief and Council supporting LGBTQ2+ Band and Community Members. It was stressed during discussion that RRFNs does not discriminate against any member of their community based on sexual preference or any other perceived difference. The goal from this C&C is inclusion.

HT TV Proposal:

J. Dawson submitted a proposal for streaming, filming, live platform, and interactive website services. The proposal will be reviewed, and due diligence completed before a decision on how to proceed is brought to C&C.

Elders Yards:

The cutting of Elders Grass was discussed. It was decided that unless an Elder opts out of this service with Maintenance, that all elders' grass will be cut. Maintenance will be instructed to create a Master list of the Elders to track whether this service is required.

Mounds:

- A feasibility study concerning the relocation of the Mounds was discussed.
- A Mounds Workplan was presented for review.
- A fact sheet on the Mounds and its activity for the past 3 years will be compiled and distributed to the Community.
- C&C requested copies of all proposals submitted on behalf of the Centre.

2:35pm In Camera Session Begins

3:14pm Meeting Adjourned


The minutes dated Tuesday May 26th, 2020, have been reviewed and approved at a duly convened meeting dated: June 9, 2020

Date signed: Feb 11, 2021

Quorum: 3



Robin McGinnis, Chief

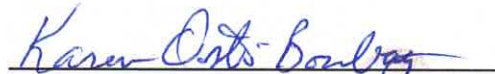


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