



RAINY RIVER FIRST NATIONS Chief & Council Business Meeting
December 16, 2020
C&C Trailer RRFNS & Zoom
10:30AM

PRESENT:

Chief Robin McGinnis
Councillor Leona McGinnis
Councillor Jason Wilson

Councillor Willie J. McGinnis
Councillor Gary Medicine

OTHER:

Sonny McGinnis- M.O.A.
T. Waters- CFO

Lauren Hyatt – Executive Assistant

Opening

10:35 Meeting was opened

Agenda Approval:

The following items were added to the agenda: Report on 7 gens and Tribal Health, Hunting encroachment concerns, Weechi Board Representative Report, Community Ice Rink, Meeting Updates, Raise request (In Camera) and C&C network and Laptops.

MOTION # 2020-12-016-001

To approve the agenda with amendments.

Moved by: Gary Medicine
Seconded by: Jason Wilson

All in Favour - Carried

Business Arising:

The Action Item List was reviewed, items carried forward and erased as needed.

ACTION # 2020-12-016-001

S. McGinnis & L. Hyatt prepare letter and BCR for trespasser removal.

Minute Approval:

Minutes were approved as presented.

MOTION # 2020-12-016-002

To approve the December 3rd Minutes as presented.

Moved by: Jason Wilson
Seconded by: Gary Medicine

All in Favour - Carried

MOA Update:

- Meeting has been set up with Weechitiwin Family Services to review the RRFNS Service Plan on January 26th, 2021.

ACTION # 2020-12-016-002

S. McGinnis request Weechi Board Representative Report.

- Strategic Planning session: a consultant had been found and dates are being discussed to accommodate all C&C. The session will take 2.5 days and will be held at the Mounds when COVID restrictions allow. Councillor G. Medicine & S. McGinnis will look into testing options with 7 Generations for when Councillor J. Wilson returns for this session.

ACTION # 2020-12-016-003

L. Hyatt: Research and prepare essential travel letter for Councillor J. Wilson.

- Community Ice Rink: S. McGinnis reported that he has a team that he has put together to get the ice rink flooded and operational.
- Conflict of Interest Opinion will be added to the Strategic Planning Agenda.
- S. McGinnis reported that he will begin setting up meetings with Tribal partners in the New Year.
- Laptops are being purchased for all C&C members and a secured network being set up for efficient communication purposes. J. Wilson requested a system and timeline for responding to emails.
- Meeting was held with MCCSS re: Internal Review of CCP Program. A follow up meeting will be held in January 2021. The RDG will be consulted on funding for this initiative.

ACTION # 2020-12-016-004

S. McGinnis: research consultants able to conduct above review.

ACTION # 2020-12-016-005

S. McGinnis: AZ Training Program Follow up with Shoonyaa & T. Oshie Horton

Emo Colonization Road:

Emo Mayor, Harold McQuaker, has requested a letter of support from C&C to change the name of Colonization Road in Emo. S. McGinnis suggested setting up an audience at the Emo Council meeting to discuss this matter. H. McQuaker said they would welcome all input from the Community and Elders.

Isolation Units:

S. McGinnis stated that a usage policy for the COVID 19 Isolation Trailers needs to be created and implemented. He will do so in conjunction with appropriate staff.

ACTION # 2020-12-016-006

S. McGinnis- create use policy for COVID 19 Isolation Trailers.

Debungee Case & Falconers:

C&C expressed concerns with how the Debungee Case is proceeding and the law firm conducting it, Falconers Law. S. McGinnis will request all documentation on this case and any other files Falconers has with the Nation.

ACTION # 2020-12-016-007

S. McGinnis & L. Hyatt: Set up call with J. Falconer and request all documentation pertaining to the RRFNS.

New Band Office:

A tour of the New Band Office has been arranged for December 17th, 2020. Senior Management from Wright Construction will be in attendance. Social Distancing rules and COVID restrictions will apply.

FMB:

A Meeting will be arranged with FMB Representative, MOA & CFO to update on what has been completed as far as passing a Financial Administrative Law and next steps to follow.

ACTION # 2020-12-016-008

L. Hyatt: Set up meeting with FMB, MOA & CFO

Financial Audit:

T. Waters gave a brief overview of the RRFNS Financial Audit Presentation that was held at BDO offices. The Audit is favourable: the RRFNS bank balance and business entities are growing. Although the Audit took longer to complete remotely, RRFNS is still one of the first of BDO'S clients to be completed.

Remote Communications:

Councillor J. Wilson stated that a service that would be a worthwhile investment for RRFNS is a 20X20 Remote wireless tower that can be transported to areas and meetings where there is currently no internet services.

Holiday On- Call:

The MOA & Maintenance will be on-call over the holiday break when offices are closed. CCP have a separate dedicated on-call worker for this period.

Vehicle Services:

Concerns were expressed regarding the regular servicing of Band Vehicles: where, how and quality of service.

ACTION # 2020-12-016-009

T. Waters: Look at local market and create tender for Vehicle Servicing.

3PM: Councillor G. Medicine leaves meeting.

GCT3 Internet Connectivity:

Chief R. McGinnis stated that Gary Allan from GCT3 approached T3 Chiefs about signing up for an internet connectivity partnership. GCT3 are requesting a letter of support, however, C&C requested further information regarding the initiative.

ACTION # 2020-12-016-010

Chief R. McGinnis: Request more information on GCT3 Internet Connectivity Initiative.

Donation Requests:

There is currently no donation policy for RRFNS. This will be added for discussion at the Strategic Planning Session.

ACTION # 2020-12-016-011

Donation Policy draft for Strategic Planning Session.

3:45PM: In Camera Session Begins

MOTION # 2020-12-016-003

To adjourn meeting

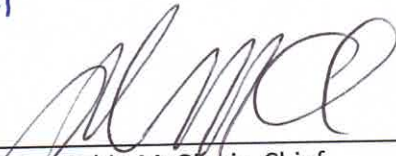
Moved by: Leona McGinnis
Seconded by: Jason Wilson

All in Favour - Carried


5:35PM: Meeting Adjourned

The minutes dated Tuesday December 16th, 2020, have been reviewed and approved at a duly convened meeting dated: Jan 12, 2021

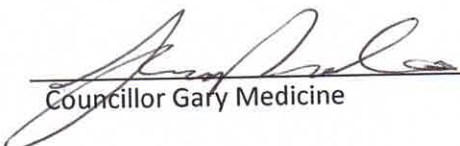
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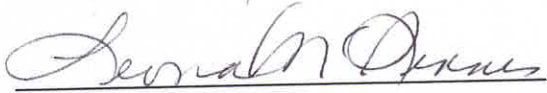
Robin McGinnis, Chief



Councillor Willie J. McGinnis



Councillor Gary Medicine



Councillor Leona McGinnis

Councillor Jason Wilson

Councillor Karen Oster-Bombay