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RAINY RIVER FIRST NATIONS Chief & Council Business Meeting

Jan. 24, 2023

Boardroom

10:30AM-5PM

**PRESENT:**

Chief Marcel Medicine- Horton Councillor Cassandra Kaysaywaysemat

Councillor Karen Oster-Bombay Councillor Dorothy Huitikka

Councillor Robert Bombay

**REGRETS:**

Councillor Kim Detweiler

**OTHER:**

Lauren Hyatt: Executive Assistant to C&C Tim Grover: Minutes

Chris McNab: HR Manager Wayne Strachan, Kyle Kellar: Public Works

Daniel Stechey: CAS via zoom Sam Senecal: NOSM University

**In-Camera**

**10:00am-10:35**

**Opening**

*10:35AM: Meeting was opened.*

**Agenda Review and Approval**

Chief & Council reviewed the agenda and requested additions. The agenda was approved with additions.

**MOTION # 2023-03-08-001**

**To accept the agenda**

Motion: Dorothy Huitikka

Second: Karen Oster-Bombay

**All in Favour- Passed.**

**Discussion of Band Office Cleaners:**

Chief Marcel explained:

Need to talk with them about hours claimed versus amount of work done.

**ACTION # 2023- 03-08-002**

L. Hyatt: Grab snacks and drinks for listening ceremony.

**ACTION # 2023- 03-08-003**

M. Medicine-Horton: Contact J. Hunter about

Sturgeon Hatchery to see if he can attend the meetings and possibly sign a contract to teach.

**DISCUSSION**

**Upcoming Calendar Events**

Jan. 31st council meeting 9:00-4:00

Feb 2nd Community Meeting at 5 pm

Feb 3rd EA’s get a Luncheon.

Feb 6th and 7th Trust Planning

Feb 8th Aazhogaan meeting @ 9:00 am, Council Meeting @ 10:00am

Feb 9th: Pow-Wow Meeting

Feb 16-23rd, K Oster-Bombay and K Detweiler gone.

Feb 13-17th, L Hyatt, J Amar, C McNab gone.

Feb 14-16th, Marcel to go to chief meeting.

Feb 26th, IBA Review, K. Oster-Bombay and C. Kaysaywaysemat to attend.

Feb 27th, Business Meeting in Winnipeg

Feb 28th, Ziibi meeting in Winnipeg

**MOTION # 2023-03-08-004**

**To have Ziibi Trustees involved with trust board meetings on Feb 6th and 7th.**

MOVED BY: D. Huitikka

SECONDED BY: M. Medicine-Horton

**All in Favour- Passed.**

Daniel Stechey, Kyle Kellar, Wayne Strachan joins via Zoom @ 11:01 am

**DISCUSSION**

**Sturgeon Hatchery**

PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

Assess feasibility.

Prepare production strategy.

Projected for meat market.

PRODUCTION PLAN

Eggs hatched in new facility.

Annual harvest projected at 83,200 Kg.

PHASES OF PRODUCTION

Mechanical and electrical drawings

Geophysics to identify well locations.

Solicit bills from contractors.

Hydrology – found 2 potential well sites.

TENDER PROCESS

5 bids received.

TOTAL INVESTMENT OF 7.2m

Indication of investment return at 5 years = 35%

M. Medicine-Horton: full commitment to project

W. Strachan: next follow-up meeting 9:00 am on June 27th

Daniel Stechey leaves @ 11:36am

Lunch break until 12:35pm

Sam Senecal joins @ 12:40

**DISCUSSION**

**NOSM UNIVERSITY STUDENT PLACEMENT**

Medical students would stay with community members.

Community based education, maximum hands-on experience.

D Huitikka will attend informational meetings at Lakehead University in Thunder Bay on Feb 22nd and Feb 23rd.

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**1:50 – 1:57**

C Kaysaywaysamet leaves room because of conflict of interest

Chris McNab joins meeting @ 2:02 pm

**In Camera**

**2:02 – 2:37**

**MOTION # 2023-03-08-007**

**Increase casual pay to $20/hr effective Jan 1st, 2023.**

MOVED BY: M. Medicine Horton

SECONDED BY: D. Huitikka

**ALL IN FAVOUR/PASSED**

**Interim Policy Statement**

Temporary fill-in of key administrative positions until positions are filled.

Chris McNab leaves meeting @ 3:06

Kyle Kellar and Wayne Strachan join a

@ 3:17

**DISCUSSION**

**Water Treatment Plant**

2 different approaches to building the plant.

ISC concerned about not finding water.

SBA doesn’t need water right away.

M. Medicine-Horton: what are your recommendations?

W. Strachan: Keep moving forward.

Try to get ISC to come to community, first have a meeting via Zoom.

A suggestion was made to organize a community meeting to give community information on water treatment plan and status.

**ACTION # 2023- 03-08-09**

**Plan on Monthly Information session regarding Water Treatment Plan**

Tentatively scheduled for 8:00-11:00am on Jan 26th

**DISCUSSION**

**BCR’s**

Sawmill: Needs to be looked at tomorrow

Manitou Business Management Community Committee Seats: tabled.

Robert Horton: tabled.

Quick Starts: governance

A member wants to attend AZ driving program, wants to know if RRFN will pay half tuition costs @ $7245.

A member turned in application for help of cost for new drivers training @ cost of $1495: tabled until Jan 31st to Give T. Oshie-Horton time to email response protocol.

Seikido: tabled.

Community Mailboxes: investigate getting some.

**MOTION # 2023-03-08-011**

**Adjourn Meeting**

MOVED BY: K. Oster-Bombay

SECONDED BY: D. Huitikka

Meeting adjourned at 4:20

The minutes dated **January 24th, 2023**, have been reviewed and approved at a duly convened meeting dated: Date signed:

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