



RAINY RIVER FIRST NATIONS Chief & Council Business Meeting
February 7th, 2024
Emo Inn
9:14 AM - 5:25 PM

PRESENT:

Councillor Karen Oster-Bombay
Councillor Kim Detweiler
Councillor Dorothy Huitikka
Chief Marcel Medicine Horton

Wayne Strachan
Tim Grover
Councillor Robert Bombay

REGRETS: Councillor Cassandra Kaysaywaysemat

GUEST ATTENDEES:

Membership Code Review at 10:30 AM: Doug Judson 10:28 AM – 12:10 PM
McLean Ayearst 10:28 AM – 12:10 PM
Gwen Medicine 10:28 AM – 12:10 PM

HR Discussion: Chris McNab 3:00 PM – 4:54 PM

OTHER:

Alex Larson, Minute taker

Discussion begins at 9:14 AM

Review Action Items and January 31st, 2024, minutes 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM and at 12:50 PM -1:53 PM

Review of Agenda tabled due to time constraints.

ACTION # 2024-02-07-001

Community Member acknowledgment on website.

A.Larson and C. McMahan

ACTION # 2024-02-07-002

Have AA and AL-ANON meetings set up again.

W. Strachan

ACTION # 2024-02-07-003

Events Hub added to website.

A.Larson and C. McMahan

ACTION # 2024-02-07-004

Look at an alternative to sand in the roundhouse.

W. Strachan and K. Kellar

ACTION # 2024-02-07-005

Call Riverside Health Care CEO or Executive Assistant regarding their interest in an Indigenous Culture Committee.

A.Larson

ACTION # 2024-02-07-006

Call C. Denby and get an update on the Star Link program.

W. Strachan

ACTION # 2024-02-07-007

Continue to work with Land Claims department for map of original 6 territories.

T. Grover

ACTION # 2024-02-07-008

Discuss idea for 3rd party complaint officer with HR.

T. Grover

ACTION # 2024-02-07-009

Investigate for details on the H2O Land Claim

A.Larson

ACTION # 2024-02-07-010

Let J. Amar know that W. Strachan will be the contact for the MNP Asset Management Program.

A.Larson

ACTION # 2024-02-07-011

Ensure we are using all the Daycare spots we are paying for at Country View.

W. Strachan

ACTION # 2024-02-07-012

Send contacts for job advertisement in Winnipeg and Thunder Bay newspapers to HR.

A. Larson

ACTION # 2024-02-07-013

Work with HR to post a Full-time Maintenance Supervisor position.

W. Strachan

ACTION # 2024-02-07-014

Speak with T. Waters for clarification on RRFN selling the purchased bridge cards at the old rate.

M. Medicine Horton

ACTION # 2024-02-07-015

Reach out to developer of RRFN App for an update.

T. Grover

Discussion:

1. M. Medicine Horton requested Urban Systems to articulate the Addictions Program for community sharing. A meeting between M. Wakely & Chief and Council scheduled for Feb 12th.
2. Discussion on acknowledging members on the website for births, honor rolls, etc., using an app as a central location.
3. Group discussed reinstating AA and AL-ANON programs for addiction support, emphasizing proper advertisement.
4. Identified the need for better communication of community events to Chief and Council for attendance.
5. Discussed the water situation, highlighting discrepancies in water treatment plant installations at surrounding townships vs. RRFN.
6. Detailed discussions on clarifying membership code, appeals process, and transparency in code revisions with D. Judson, M. Ayearst and G. Medicine.
7. Planned a meeting to structure and organize the Food Sovereignty Program.
8. Riverside Healthcare proposed setting up an Indigenous Culture Committee, pending details from the CEO's assistant.
9. Requested a map of original community territories and proposed using excess Fiber Optic program funds for community service.
10. Motion passed to accept meeting minutes from January 31st, 2024.

MOTION # 2024-02-07-001

Motion to accept meeting minutes from January 31st. 2024

Moved By: M. Medicine Horton

Seconded By: K. Detweiler

**ALL IN FAVOUR
PASSED**

11. Discussed enhancing the complaint policy and process, including non-community members, and considering third-party oversight.

12. Proposal for a Full-Time Maintenance Supervisor approved.

13. Discussion on the discrepancy in bridge card pricing when we already purchased the cards. Need for clarification from T. Waters.

14. Raised concerns about members sitting on multiple boards and deferred signing a BCR regarding trustees.

15. Presented a proposal for a Community Education Resource Worker. All Chief and Council members supported the proposed position, with the BCR presented and sent electronically for approval.

16. Overall, the minutes covered various topics ranging from program articulation, membership code review, community communication, to infrastructure concerns and new position proposals.

MOTION # 2024-02-07-002

Motion to end meeting at 5:25 PM

Moved By: W. Strachan

Seconded By: D. Huitikka

**ALL IN FAVOUR
PASSED**

Meeting adjourned @ 5:25 PM

The minutes dated February 7th, 2024, have been reviewed and approved at a duly convened meeting dated: February 28th, 2024.

Date signed: February 28th, 2024.



Chief Marcel Medicine-Horton

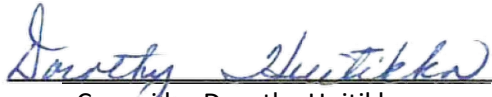


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