

Rainy River First Nations

Chief and Council Business Meeting Minutes
Location: Rainy River First Nations Boardroom
Date and Time: June 13 th , 2024, at 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Attendees: Wayne Strachan (MOA), Karen Oster-Bombay (Councilor), Dorothy Huitikka (Councilor), Kim Detweiler (Councilor), Robert Bombay (Councilor) and Alex Larson (EA).
Regrets: N/A
Chairperson: Wayne Strachan, MOA
Minute Taker: Alex Larson (EA)

Smudge boardroom and open meeting: 9:09 am

Agenda Item	Notes	Action	Motion
<p>1). Review of today's agenda, along with the action items and meeting minutes dated May 29th, 2024</p>	<p>Can an individual sit on both the Aazhogan and Ziibi Boards at the same time? Discussion tabled until further information received from Policy Analyst (revisit discussion on June 27th, 2024)</p> <p>Ensure all items identified as in-camera are removed before posting.</p> <p>IN CAMERA:</p>	<p>06-13-24-001: A. Larson to send T. Griffith contact info to W. Strachan</p> <p>IN CAMERA 06-13-24-002:</p> <p>06-13-24-003: W. Strachan to cancel GCT3 Jacket order</p> <p>06-13-24-004: W. Strachan will confirm that all Managers did partake in Adagio training</p> <p>06-13-24-005: W. Strachan going to ask A. Hunter about Cultural Sensitivity Training for Staff</p> <p>06-13-24-005: A. Larson will follow up with Finance Department about Chem-Free Grad donation</p> <p>06-13-24-006: W. Strachan will ask Policy Analyst to create policy regarding Lanaguage Committee fund use</p> <p>06-13-24-007: A. Larson going to reach out for status of NWB and NewGold contracts.</p> <p>06-13-24-008: W. Strachan going to investigate who submitted the WPG Members Powwow request</p> <p>IN CAMERA 06-13-24-009:</p> <p>06-13-24-010: A. Larson to arrange meeting with T3 Chief of Police, MOA and K. Detweiler on how to create and enforce By-Law's</p> <p>06-13-24-011: C. McNab will change the Animal By-Law Officer job description title to just By-Law Officer and make position Full-time.</p> <p>06-13-24-012: W. Strachan will ask J. Connon to ensure the Mobility Scooter Trust application does include off-reserve members.</p>	<p>06-13-24-001</p> <p>Motion to approve Chief and Council Business Meeting Minutes [dated May 29th, 2024] with changes.</p> <p>Moved by: K. Oster-Bombay Seconded by: K. Detweiler</p> <p>All in favor/Passed</p>

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2). Land Entitlement Claim with Nicole Cochrane (10:00 AM – 10:30 AM)	<p><i>Nicole Cochrane enters the boardroom at 10:15 am – 10:30 am</i></p> <p>Group discussion on how to proceed with RRFNs Land Claim.</p>	<p>06-13-24-013: A. Larson will arrange meeting with C. Calder, MOA and N. Cochrane to start Land Claim</p> <p>06-13-24-014: N. Cochrane going to reach out to ISC to try and retrieve past Land Claim files.</p>	
3). Kim: a. Funeral Costs/Stanji b. RRFNs Raw Housing Data	<p>Want Families and Community Members to understand the reason for funeral fund denial. Council is upholding the code.</p> <p>Raw Housing Data is for GCT3 initiative.</p>	<p>06-13-24-015: W. Strachan to have OW communicate denial of funeral costs re: individuals who are Status but not RRFNs Members. Site policy for accountability.</p> <p>06-13-24-016: W. Strachan will follow-up with Public Works for status update on GCT3 Housing Data Surveys</p>	
4). Alex: a. Solar Payout Date b. Fall Harvest, who plans it? c. Date for Orange Shirt Day Events	<p>A. Larson relays questions for Council on behalf of the Education Coordinator and Finance Department.</p>	<p>06-13-24-017: W. Strachan to inform H. Mosbeck that she will be responsible to plan Fall Harvest unless an Event Coordinator is hired before that time and ask about her event budget.</p> <p>06-13-24-018: A. Larson will let H. Mosbeck know that Orange Shirt Day events will be held on September 27th, 2024</p> <p>06-13-24-019: A. Larson will inform Finance Department that Solar Payout Date will be on July 4th, 2024.</p>	
5). Wayne: a. Four Day Week – Review Package b. Work from Home Policy	<p>4-day work week and remote work policy proposal distributed. Discussion has been tabled. Revisit at the direction of MOA.</p> <p><i>A. Larson left boardroom 11:51 am – 12:22 pm to get lunch</i></p>		

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6). Education Funding for Non-Status RRFNs Members with Hope Mosbeck (11:30 AM – 12:00 PM)	<p><i>H. Mosbeck unable to attend. A. Larson to discuss with Council/MOA by proxy.</i></p> <p>Extracurricular BCR was signed by quorum of Council.</p> <p>IN CAMERA:</p>	<p>IN CAMERA 06-13-24-020:</p>	
7). Karen: a. I.W. Position Review with MOA b. W.M. Letters	<p>IN CAMERA:</p>	<p>IN CAMERA 06-13-24-021:</p>	
8). Talking Circle Debrief (2:00 – 3:30 PM)	<p>Council, MOA and EA’s attended talking Circles with Living Tapestries Facilitator on June 5th and 6th, 2024. A debrief of these sessions was had and next steps were identified.</p>	<p>06-13-24-022: A. Larson and W. Strachan will communicate to Staff that the portfolio system is being dissolved</p> <p>06-13-24-023: W. Strachan and A. Larson will speak with CFO about funding options for a Staff Wellness Retreat</p>	<p>06-13-24-002</p> <p>Motion to dissolve the active portfolio system but to maintain Council Board Memberships</p> <p>Moved by: K. Detweiler Seconded by: D. Huitikka</p> <p>All in favor/passed</p>

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9). New Business	<p>W. Strachan suggests purchasing rice machine for Community at the price of \$2000.00</p> <p>Request for \$208,486.62 for the 2024 Community Trip recently received and is being reviewed. This request, being last minute needs more information before a decision is made to grant funding.</p> <p>Barnes Management requests dates for Community Visits. These meetings involve multiple people and departments. Must ensure proper time is given to plan.</p> <p>IN CAMERA:</p> <p>Urgent need for Trustee at RRFN Trust.</p>	<p>06-13-24-024: W. Strachan will proceed with the purchase of the rice machine and will ask the CFO if this purchase should come from the Cultural Fund.</p> <p>06-13-24-025: W. Strachan will seek out more information on RRFNs 2024 Community Trip request and bring these details back to Council for decision.</p> <p>06-13-24-026: A. Larson will arrange meeting for June 17th, 2024 at 9:00 AM to review and decide next steps for the RRFNs 2024 Community Trip</p> <p>06-13-24-027: W. Strachan will speak with Barnes Management to arrange Community visit dates, keeping planning time in mind.</p> <p>IN CAMERA 06-13-24-028:</p> <p>06-13-24-029: W. Strachan will reach out to Trust and ensure a Trustee call-out is done ASAP</p>	

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10). Meeting Closure	4:30 PM		06-13-24-003 Motion to adjourn meeting at 4:30 PM Moved by: K. Detweiler Seconded by: R. Bombay All in favor/passed

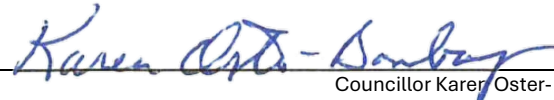
The minutes dated: June 13th, 2024, have been reviewed and approved at a duly convened meeting dated: June 27th, 2024.

Date signed: June 27th, 2024.

Chief Marcel Medicine-Horton



Councillor Kim Detweiler



Councillor Karen Oster-Bombay



Councillor Dorothy Huitikka



Councillor Robert Bombay

Councillor Cassandra Kaysaywaysemat