

TEMAGAMI FIRST NATION MINUTES

Administration Session 1-4pm
Regular Council Meeting 7pm
Via Zoom/Council Chambers
June 30, 2021

Administration Session:

Present: Chief Moore-Frappier, Councillor Jamie Saville, Councillor Joseph Katt, Councillor Michael Paul (Zoom), Councillor Tom Mathias, Councillor Douglas H. McKenzie (Zoom), Councillor Roxane Potts (Zoom)

Regrets: 2nd Chief John McKenzie

Staff: Robin Potts, Executive Director; others as noted

Recorder: Megan Douglas, Executive Assistant (Minutes completed via recording)

1. OPENING MEETING

Motion #2021-0630-001

Motion to open the meeting.

Moved by Councillor Tom Mathias

Seconded by Councillor Jamie Saville

CARRIED

2. OPENING PRAYER

Opening prayer was offered by Councillor Jamie Saville

3. ADOPT AGENDA

Motion #2021-0630-002

Motion to adopt the agenda as amended.

Moved by Councillor Michael Paul

Seconded by Councillor Tom Mathias

CARRIED

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES

Noted for the record that no conflicts were declared.

5. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

5.1 2021 06 17 RCM

Motion #2021-0630-003

Motion to adopt minutes of 2021 06 17 as amended.

Moved by Councillor Michael Paul

Seconded by Councillor Jamie Saville

CARRIED

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- The Executive Director (ED), Lands & Resources Director and Human Resources Manager will meet to discuss the process with respect to transferring the Membership Clerk position from the Lands & Resources Department back to Administration; noted that this meeting should take place by the next Regular Council Meeting.

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It is noted that the Membership Clerk position will fall under administration; a Staff Report will be brought forward once a plan for the position is finalized.

It is noted that the Executive Director will explore the possibility of combining the Membership Clerk with TAA Citizenship position.

- Chief & Council will review the Administrative Governance Policy at each meeting until complete. Executive Assistant will add to the agenda.

It is noted that Chief & Council will be starting to review the Administrative Governance Policy later in the meeting.

7. PANDEMIC COORDINATOR UPDATE:

Noted for the record that Paula Potts, Pandemic Coordinator joined the meeting at 1:30pm.

The Pandemic Coordinator noted that as of June 30, 2021, there are 602 new active COVID cases in Canada, 102 cases in Ontario, 0 cases in the Temiskaming District, 5 new cases in Nipissing (76 all together), and 28 cases in Sudbury.

104 rapid tests were completed in the last two weeks and all tests came back negative.

a) Stages to Opening Document

It is noted that the Pandemic Coordinator is recommending that TFN move away from the colour-coded Phases Document.

It is noted that Bear Island is very close to having herd immunity as 64% of the adult population has been fully vaccinated. 9% of the adult population has received their first vaccine; once the 9% of the adult population receives their 2nd vaccination, Bear Island will have 73% of the eligible population fully vaccinated.

The Pandemic Coordinator will be reaching out to the 9% of the community that have received their first vaccine to attend a vaccination clinic on July 12, 2021 in Temagami and will work out the logistics for this.

It is noted that the Stages to Opening document was read and reviewed. It is noted that the Stages to Opening document will be used as a communication method.

Noted for the record that the Pandemic Coordinator will join the evening session to present the amended BCR.

b) Staff Report re: Food Security

Noted for the record that the Staff Report regarding the Food Security Program was presented.

Noted for the record that the recommendation is to have the Food Security Program transition from serving the whole community to serving the clients of HCC, FHWC and OW starting the week of July 12, 2021. It is also recommended that the program be done on a bi-weekly basis. It is noted that the tentative last day for the Food Security Program would be August 18, 2021, and regular program shopping trips would resume at the end of August.

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Noted for the record that a deeper analysis is needed for the above-mentioned Staff Report; a mental health component should also be researched. Going forward, the Pandemic Coordinator and Executive Director will work collaboratively on this.

Motion #2021-0630-004

Motion to appoint the Executive Director and Pandemic Coordinator to over-see the implementation of the Food Security Program.

Moved by Councillor Jamie Saville

Seconded by Councillor Roxane Potts

CARRIED

Noted for the record that the Pandemic Coordinator left the meeting.

8. ROBIN POTTS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

ADMINISTRATION MATTERS

8.1 ED REPORT:

a) Action Items Update

Noted for the record that the Action Items were addressed under “Business Arising from the Minutes.”

b) Mental Health Training

Noted for the record that the Executive Director has signed off on the funding application for the Indigenous Healing and Wellness Strategy which would fund a Mental Health Coordinator for 3 years and would also allow for training and capacity building.

c) Flags

Noted for the record that a community member reached out to the Executive Director and Chief and asked that the flags be taken down to show respect for the Residential School Survivors.

Noted for the record that Chief and Council will be lowering the flags at the cenotaph and Canada Day celebrations will not take place on Bear Island.

Noted for the record that Chief Moore-Frappier would like to see a strategic response to this matter (ex. Educating others).

Noted that Executive Director will start a taskforce for the purpose of how to best commemorate TFN’s members that have attended Residential Schools and Day Schools.

Noted that the church should be monitored. Noted for the record that the “Community Church Discussion” will be added to the agenda for July 15, 2021.

8.2 LANDS AND RESOURCES:

Noted for the record that Robin Koistinen, Director of Lands & Resources is present.

a) Staff Report re: Master Service Agreement and Project Specific Agreement with Story Environmental Services.

Noted for the record that the Lands & Resources Director presented the Staff Report regarding the Master Service Agreement and Project Specific Agreement with Story Environmental Services.

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Motion #2021-0630-005

Motion to authorize the execution of the attached Master Service Agreement and Project Specific Agreement with Story Environmental Services by Chief Shelly Moore-Frappier.

Moved by Councillor Jamie Saville

Seconded by Councillor Joseph Katt

CARRIED

Noted for the record that the Director of Lands & Resources left the meeting.

8.3 FINANCE:

- a) Staff Report re: ISC Amendments 28, 30 & 31 to Agreement #2021-ON-000084

Noted for the record that the Staff Report regarding ISC Amendments 28, 30 & 31 to Agreement #2021-ON-000084 was presented.

Motion #2021-0630-006

Motion to execute ISC Amendments 28, 30 & 31 to Agreement #2021-ON-000084

Moved by Councillor Jamie Saville

Seconded by Councillor Joseph Katt

CARRIED

- b) Staff Report re: 2020-2021 Reserve and Earmarked Funds

Noted for the record that the Staff Report regarding 2020-2021 Reserve and Earmarked Funds was presented.

Motion #2021-0630-007

Motion to approve the Reserve and Earmarked Funds in the amount of \$3 million for fiscal year ending March 31, 2021.

Moved by Councillor Jamie Saville

Seconded by Councillor Joseph Katt

CARRIED

9. IN-CAMERA SESSION:

Motion #2021-0630-008

Motion to go into in-camera session

Moved by Councillor Jamie Saville

Seconded by Councillor Tom Mathias

CARRIED

11. NEW BUSINESS:

N/A

Motion #2021-0630-010

Motion to go into in-camera session

Moved by Councillor Jamie Saville

Seconded by Councillor Tom Mathias

CARRIED

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Noted for the record that the meeting resumed at 7:15pm.

12. ANY MATTER A RESIDENT WISHES TO RAISE:

13. PANDEMIC COORDINATOR CON'T:

Noted for the record that Paula Potts, Pandemic Coordinator is present.

Noted that the Pandemic Coordinator joined the meeting and left the meeting to edit the BCR. It is noted that the Pandemic Coordinator will return to the meeting once amendments are made.

14. OTHER BUSNIESS:

14.1 Review Administrative Governance Policy

It is noted that Chief & Council reviewed the Administrative Governance Policy.

Areas to revisit were as follows:

- On-boarding for the next Council should be worked on. It is noted that Governance training could be held (ex. once every 3 months).
- Conferences: Opportunities should be created for Council to attend training/workshops and development. This could be added to the agenda to be addressed at each Council Meeting as well as a file in Dropbox.
- Align TFN Constitution with Governance Policy with respect to Leaves (more details are needed).
- Under Minutes [6 (b)] will need to be revisited.

It is noted that at the next meeting, Chief & Council will start at 7. Policies, Procedures and Practises.

14.2 Full-day Administration Session Discussion

It is noted that once there is stronger administrative flow, full-day meetings will be considered.

14.3 OPP Detachment Board Update Discussion

It is noted that more information is needed for the above-noted matter. Chief Moore-Frappier will advise that more time is needed for discussion on this matter.

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15. PANDEMIC COORDINATOR CON'T:

Noted for the record that the Pandemic Coordinator returned to the meeting.

Noted for the record that BCR 2021-035 was read into the record.

Do hereby resolve that the community of Bear Island is implementing a new stages approach to a re-opening plan and we are currently in Stage 1.

WHEREAS the spread of COVID-19 has been declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization on March 11, 2020.

WHEREAS the community of Bear Island remains with zero reported COVID-19 positive cases due to community efforts.

WHEREAS TFN is in the First Stage of Opening until July 16, 2021.

WHEREAS Chief & Council of the Temagami First Nation have the authority and jurisdiction pursuant to the Indian Act; sections 81 (1)(a), (c), (d), (p), (q), and (r) to enact emergency effort to prevent the spread of contagions and infectious diseases.

NOW THEREFORE The Temagami First Nation Chief & Council hereby execute the following BCR for the protection of public health and safety of Bear Island.

Emergency Preventative Measures:

1. Under the rules of law, a strict No-Trespassing restriction will remain in effect. Exemptions will be made of patrons to the Pier Market, Temagami First Nation Citizens, Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizens, their significant others and those deemed to be essential workers, those in need of emergency medical care, caretakers, and for those participating in traditional harvesting.
2. The wearing of masks or face coverings is mandatory for all Bear Island residents and non-residents in all public places where physical distancing of 6 feet is not possible. IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED that no person shall come within 6 feet of another person who is not within their bubble.
3. Any Temagami First Nation members and Teme-Augama Anishnabai members who are not community residents of Bear Island are encouraged to remain in their family's household bubble.
4. All other band owned buildings are closed to the public with patrons requiring an appointment to access the building. With the exception of the Pier Market. Also, with the exception of the North Star Building for elder's programming at 30% capacity and as administered by the Home and Community Care Services. Further, with the exception of the Youth Building for facility use as administered by the Family Healing and Wellness Centre.
5. Non-essential TFN Staff can return to office in consultation with the manager.
6. Essential and nonessential contract workers can access Bear Island, however they would require a rapid test with a negative result before they deliver their service.
7. Outdoor programming will resume following covid prevention protocols, and a maximum of 30 people which will be supervised by the workers hosting the program.
8. Under special circumstances, as discerned by the manager, Band Employees will be allowed to travel to the three local districts where services are offered, Sudbury, Nipissing, and Timiskaming Districts
9. Medical Transportation services will resume with measures and modifications.
10. Shuttle services are available, with Covid-19 prevention measures in place. Sanitizer and masks are required.
11. Catering - No buffet style, only bagged or packed lunches
12. Covid testing still available at the clinic, residents and staff are strongly encouraged to utilize this service. A 1-4-7 Rapid Testing Regime is required of staff who come from a Health Unit declared HOT SPOT. Residents who have visited a Health Unit Declared HOT SPOT are strongly encourage to follow the 1-4-7 Rapid Testing Regime or self-isolate for 14 days.
13. The Laura Mckenzie Learning Centre is open and follow the policies outlined by the BIEA and the BCR
14. The Tillie Missabie Family Centre is open and follow the policies as outlined in the BCR and the Ministry of Education.
15. Police Services are available and will enforce the no trespassing order
16. Emergency/Essential Services are available
17. Visits to Elders or individuals with underlying health issues shall be avoided where reasonably possible except for those who have limited mobility and cannot clean their own residence. Workers will follow all of the safety precautions and sanitizing rituals when entering a client's home. Groceries and supplies shall be delivered to such persons without direct contact or entry to their residences where reasonably possible.

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Temporary Effectiveness

As per Council **MOTION #2021-0630-011** passed on June 30th, 2021, this BCR will remain in force until July 16, 2021, unless that time-period is extended or abridged by a resolution by Council.

Motion #2021-0630-011

Motion to execute BCR 2021-035 as read into the record.

Moved by Councillor Tom Mathias

Seconded by Councillor Jamie Saville

CARRIED

Noted for the record that the Pandemic Coordinator left the meeting.

16. JOINT COUNCIL DISCUSSION

13.1 MOU Discussion – *Tabled to July 15, 2021*

17. CORRESPONDENCE:

14.1 GCT3 Statement – Noted for the record.

14.2 AFN Resolutions and Candidates – Noted for the record.

14.3 Letter of Reply from Chief Casimir – Noted for the record.

18. MEETING REPORTS

Noted for the record that Councillor Joseph Katt attend a Governance Committee Meeting. It is noted that the committee would like to hire a technical person to assist the committee with resolving governance related issues. It is noted that Dale Turner will be invited to the next Chief & Council Meeting on July 15, 2021.

Noted for the record that Councillor Tom Mathias attend a Language Committee Meeting. Councillor Tom Mathias explained that the Commission will be holding lunch and learn sessions for TFN staff.

Noted for the record that Councillor Michael Paul went to Miski Nagin Dam and will be going out on the land again to the Mattabitan River.

Noted for the record that Councillor Douglas H. McKenzie attended the First Cobalt Refinery Session via Zoom. It is noted that concerns were raised with respect to the environmental plan.

Noted for the record that Chief Moore-Frappier attended a Chief's of Ontario Meeting.

19. UPCOMING MEETINGS

19.1 Next Regular Council Meeting: July 15, 2021

- Administration Session 1-4pm
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19.2 Community Meeting: TBD

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19.3 Joint Council:

Negotiations Session: July 9 & 10 from 9:30am-3:30pm

Joint Council Meeting: 7-10pm

Joint Council Meeting: 3-9pm

19.4 Other Meetings:

- Tuesday, July 6/21 (all day): Strategic Planning Session with TFN Managers

Motion #2021-0630-012

Motion to go into in-camera session
Moved by Councillor Jamie Saville
Seconded by Councillor Tom Mathias
CARRIED

Motion #2021-0630-013

Motion to out of in-camera session
Moved by Councillor Jamie Saville
Seconded by Councillor Tom Mathias
CARRIED

20. **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Motion #2021-0630-014

Motion to adjourn the meeting.
Moved by Councillor Tom Mathias
Seconded by Councillor Jamie Saville
CARRIED

ACTION ITEMS:

1. "Community Church Discussion" will be added to the agenda the July 15, 2021.
2. OPP Detachment Board Update Discussion: Chief Moore-Frappier will advise that more time is needed for discussion on this matter.