

TYENDINAGA MOHAWK COUNCIL MINUTES
MARCH 18, 2015

A meeting of the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council was held on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers.

Present: Chief R. Donald Maracle
Councillors: Douglas E. Maracle, Carl E. (Ted) Maracle and Barry Brant
Sandra J. Lewis-den Otter was absent due to illness.
Staff: Dan Brant, CAO

Chief Maracle opened the meeting with a Prayer.

MOTION #1: Moved by Douglas E. Maracle, seconded by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle that the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council Minutes of February 27, 2015 be as corrected.
Carried.

MOTION #2: Moved by Douglas E. Maracle, seconded by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle that the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council acknowledge the Kanhiote Public Library Minutes dated March 3, 2015
Carried.

Council confirmed the following scheduled meetings:

- March 25, 7:00 p.m. – Tyendinaga Mohawk Council Local Business
- March 31, 11:00 a.m. – Meeting with Deputy Minister Richardson in Toronto

MOTION #3: Moved by Douglas E. Maracle, seconded by Barry Brant that Council approve education leave for Dan Brant, CAO the month of July 2015 and July 2016 to complete a Phd degree at Nipissing University.
Carried.

MOTION #4: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Douglas E. Maracle that Council request a design and detailed cost estimate for the World War I Commemorative War Monument be obtained and an application be submitted to Heritage Canada.
Carried.

Dan Brant was provided clarification on the roles of the Christ Church Restoration Committee and the Community Infrastructure Department. The Committee is an advisor to Council and the renovation is a MBQ Administered fund and is subject to MBQ's policies and contactor requirements.

MOTION #5: Moved by Barry Brant, seconded by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle that Council approve Dan Brant gather additional information on Solar Projects in the area that may be financially beneficial to the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte.
Carried.

The Council met with several representatives from the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry Colin Lake, Management Biologist, Lake Ontario Management Unit (Glenora), Andy Todd, Manager, Lake Ontario Management Unit (Glenora), Jon Averill, Resource Liasion, Peterborough District, Jim Hoyle, Bay of Quinte Assessment Biologist, Lake Ontario Management Unit (Glenora), Alastair Mathers, Assessment Supervisor, Lake Ontario Management (Glenora), MBQ Staff Lisa Maracle, Director of Community Services and Nicole Storms, Environmental Coordinator regarding the status of the fishery of Lake Ontario, Bay of Quinte and part of the St. Lawrence River system. MNRF presentation included general information, a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed fish species restocking plan, and addressed questions from Council members. Andy Todd made the presentation and stated the overall condition of the fishery for Lake Ontario and Bay of Quinte is good and steadily improving. MNR have studied netting in the Bay of Quinte since the 1950s.

MNRF has completed a restocking analysis for the fishery and Walleye. The Stocking Plan is reviewed for compliance under an environmental assessment plan.

A slide presentation was made on the status of the fishery, the harvest for recreational and commercial fisheries, and the quantity of the landed value of the fish harvest and overall estimated economic benefit to the region. The presentation included information on Walleye, Yellow Perch, Bass, Pike, Sturgeon, and other species.

The Walleye population in the Bay of Quinte is doing well. Although the Walleye population declined rather abruptly in the early 1990s, they have recovered well. In 2014, it was estimated there was 15,000 Walleye in the Bay of Quinte. The recreational fisheries accounts for 80% of the harvest of Walleye.

There are no commercial fisheries licences in the Bay of Quinte for Walleye. The commercial fisheries on Lake Ontario are highly regulated by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans. There are approximately 160 commercial fishery licences for Lake Ontario and part of the St. Lawrence River system. The fishery is done by trap netting and hoop netting.

MNRF advised there is a small aircraft that monitors the number of fishery ice huts on the Bay of Quinte for survey purposes. Creole surveys are completed in the winter months. An average of 500 fish huts / 200,000 angler hours occurred in the year 2014 for the entire Bay of Quinte.

Commercially, an estimated 28,000 pounds of Walleye was harvested from Lake Ontario and outside of Bay of Quinte in 2014 – valued at \$64,000. The Crown received a 3.3% royalty, approximately \$10,000, on the landed value. The commercial value of all the commercial fisheries for Lake Ontario and part of the St. Lawrence River is 30 million with an overall economic estimated impact of 200 million for the region. Most of the fish harvested in Lake Ontario under commercial fishery licenses are processed at fish processing plant in the Lake Erie area.

The recreational harvest of fish species is 80% and commercial harvest 20%.

The Sturgeon, American Eel, and several turtles are endangered species in this area.

Zebra Mussels remain in the Bay of Quinte, but has not depleted the fishery – contributed to the decline of some species, but has not depleted any. The federal government continues to regulate ships from foreign countries and the exchange of ballast water in salt water as a zebra mussel control plan.

Approximately 6.5 million fish are restocked in all of Lake Ontario annually. 214 million were restocked in 2014. MNRF's overall lake-wide stocking target of Walleye summer fry is 100,000. The Bay of Quinte is not restocked because it is self-sustaining. The restocking program in Lake Ontario will eventually migrate to the Bay of Quinte. Most of the restocking of Lake Ontario occurs in the western parts.

Whitefish were impacted by the Zebra Mussel invasion and have significantly declined. There remains to be a lot of Zebra Mussel, but is has not depleted the fisheries. MNRF carefully analyzes the predator-prey balance for certain fish species. The harvest pressure and ecology are in balance.

MOTION #6: Moved by Douglas E. Maracle, seconded by Barry Brant that Council approve the following meetings outside the territory:
Chief: attending AIAI Chiefs Council Meeting on March 23 in Ottawa; attending the four Large First Nations Human Rights Hearing in the Federal Court on March 24, 2015 in Ottawa.
Doug: attending the AIAI Constitution Meeting date to be determined.

Carried.

- MOTION #7: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Douglas E. Maracle that Council approve that Council approve the following Council Meetings for April 2015:
Regular: April 1 & 14 at 9:00 a.m.
Local Business: April 8 & 22 at 7:00 p.m.
Carried.
- MOTION #8: Moved by Barry Brant, seconded by Douglas E. Maracle that Council approve rescheduling the meeting with staff regarding the matrimonial real property law from March 25, 2015 to April 1, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.
Carried.
- MOTION #9: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Douglas E. Maracle that Council approve to post the position for an Electrician as per the MBQ personel policy.
Carried.
- MOTION #10: Moved by Barry Brant, seconded by Douglas E. Maracle that Council approve to meet with staff on April 8, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. to review the MBQ policy revisions for Post Secondary Education and the Tyendinaga Fitness Resource Centre.
Carried.
- MOTION #11: Moved by Barry Brant, seconded by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle that Council approve the business name change on the Business Registration for Turtle Island Deli & Catering to Turtle Island Park, Owner James Brant.
Carried.
- MOTION #12: Moved by Barry Brant, seconded by Douglas E. Maracle that Council approve the removal of Richard Maracle's name on the Business Registration for Sago Full Service Gas, L&M Enterprises and Steamies, Owner Sharon Maracle.
Carried.
- MOTION #13: Moved by Barry Brant, seconded by Douglas E. Maracle that Council defer the new tobacco quotas for additional review.
Carried.
- MOTION #14: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Barry Brant that Council decline to sign the Ministry of Revenue Tobacco Retailer Agreement as recommended.
Carried.
- MOTION #15: Moved by Douglas E. Maracle, seconded by Barry Brant that Council approve signing the Amendment to the 2014-2017 Multi-Sector Accountability Agreement with the South East Local Health Integration Networks.
Carried.
- MOTION #16: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Barry Brant that Council approve to accept the highest bid from Ryan Baptiste in the amount of \$51,234.56 for the sale of the former Trinity Church. Other bids received by Thomas Maracle in the amount of \$19,000.00.
Carried.
- MOTION #17: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Barry Brant that Council approve to accept the highest bid from Andrew Weldon in the amount of \$81,500.00 for the sale of the former Police Station. Other bids received by Thomas Maracle in the amount of \$51,000.00 and Ryan Baptiste in the amount of \$51,234.56
Carried.

- MOTION #18: Moved by Barry Brant, seconded by Douglas E. Maracle that Council decline to sign the 2014/2015 Ontario First Nations Policing Agreement and request Bob Rae convene another meeting with Ontario Minister Naqvi.
Carried.
- MOTION #19: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Barry Brant that Council approve payment of the invoice #2003225 from Dewart Gleason in the amount of \$5,441.35 regarding the Police Building delay cost litigations.
Carried.
- MOTION #20: Moved by Douglas E. Maracle, seconded by Barry Brant that Council approve payment of the invoices #331586 from Hicks Morley in the amount of \$1,757.00 regarding General Matters, #331584 in the amount of \$195.00 regarding the Judicial Review of HRTO and #331585 in the amount of \$195.00 regarding HRTO.
Carried.
- MOTION #21: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Douglas E. Maracle that Council approve payment of the invoices #55502 from Templeman Menninga in the amount of \$1,418.50 regarding Fibre Net, #56176 in the amount of \$4,982.90 and #56181 in the amount of \$796.30 regarding Frontier Communications.
Carried.
- MOTION #22: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Barry Brant that Council approve signing the 2014/15 Audit Plan with Wilkinson & Company.
Carried.
- MOTION #23: Moved by Barry Brant, seconded by Douglas E. Maracle to go in private. (1:30 p.m.)
Carried.

Summary of Private Minutes:

- Approved the Private Minutes: February 27, 2015, Special;

Recorded by:

Chief R. Donald Maracle