

**TYENDINAGA MOHAWK COUNCIL MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 3, 2023**

A meeting of the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council was held on Friday, February 3, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers.

Present: Chief R. Donald Maracle  
Councillors: Carl E. (Ted) Maracle and Chris Maracle  
Josh Hill, Joined by Teams

Regrets: Stacia L. Loft attending a funeral; David Souliere, CAO; and Angela Maracle, Senior Director of Operations on vacation

Absent: Amsey Maracle, Executive Assistant to the Chief;

Staff: Shelley Bowden, Executive Administrative Assistant and Recording Secretary to Council;

Chief Maracle opened the meeting with the Ohenton Karihwatehkwen and also provided a Christian prayer in Kanyen'keha.

MOTION #1: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Chris Maracle to adopt the agenda with additions.  
Carried.

MOTION #2: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Josh Hill that the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council Minutes of January 18, 2023 be approved.  
Carried.

Council confirmed the following scheduled meetings:

- February 8, 2023 – 7:00 p.m. – Tyendinaga Mohawk Council Local Business
- February 15, 2023 – 9:30 a.m. – Tyendinaga Mohawk Council Regular
- February 22, 2023 – 7:00 p.m. – Tyendinaga Mohawk Council Local Business

MOTION #3: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Chris Maracle to approve Lisa Maracle, Director of Community Services work with the Kenhte':ke Seed Sanctuary on the potential of moving the sanctuary to the back of the present location or other potential sites.  
Carried.

MOTION #4: Moved by Chris Maracle, seconded by Josh Hill to request staff get a legal opinion on the Kenhte':ke Seed Sanctuary lease agreement.  
Carried.

MOTION #5: Moved by Chris Maracle, seconded by Josh Hill to approve to Live cast the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council meeting through a social media platform effective March 9, 2023.  
Carried.

MOTION #6: Moved by Chris Maracle, seconded by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle to approve Bryce McMurter, Director of Information Technology and 7 Gen purchase the equipment required to Live cast the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council meeting through a social media platform, budget not to exceed \$10,000.00.  
Carried.

A request was submitted to change the signs entering the Territory from entering the Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory to entering the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte First Nation.

MOTION #7: Moved by Chris Maracle, seconded by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle Maracle to decline the request from a Community Member to change the wording on the signs at the entrances to the Territory from “Welcome to the Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory” to “Welcome to the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte First Nation”, because the Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory is the land our people occupy, and the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte First Nation is the name that represents the people who reside on the Territory.

Carried.

This will be placed on a future Community Meeting agenda for discussion.

MOTION #8: Moved by Chris Maracle, seconded by Josh Hill that WHEREAS, FNTI (First Nations Technical Institute) is a post-secondary institution established in 1984 through a partnership between the founding FNTI Board of Directors, the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte, the Department of Indian Affairs and the provincial Ministry of Education

WHEREAS, it is the special mission of FNTI to design, develop and otherwise provide all manner of post-secondary education, training and lifelong learning opportunities, including applied knowledge and research, for Indigenous people which strengthens Indigenous identities, languages, and intellectual traditions, and meets the education, economic, social and cultural needs of Indigenous communities and nations

WHEREAS, FNTI may carry out any and all ancillary functions which are common to a post-secondary institution and has received accreditation via the Indigenous Institutes Act of 2017

WHEREAS, Article 13 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, adopted by the UN General Assembly on September 13, 2007, affirms that “Indigenous peoples have the right to revitalize, use, develop and transmit to future generations their histories, languages, oral traditions, philosophies, writing systems and literatures, and to designate and retain their own names for communities, places and persons, “and further declares that “...States shall take effective measures to ensure that this right is protected ...”

WHEREAS, FNTI initiatives are carried out in the Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory, throughout Canada, and elsewhere

THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, The Tyendinaga Mohawk Council endorses, approves and authorizes FNTI to erect a new campus building on the Mohawk Aerodrome property in order to fully support FNTI’s capacity to increase their provision of post-secondary education to Indigenous peoples. M.C.R. #2022/23-059.

Carried.

MOTION #9: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Chris Maracle to defer the Housing Development on the Upper Slash Road until February 8, 2023.

Carried.

MOTION #10: Moved by Chris Maracle, seconded by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle to approve to get an estimate from an Engineer to provide an opinion on if the property on Queen Street is feasible to build houses.

Carried.

MOTION #11: Moved by Chris Maracle, seconded by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle to approve to purchase the property on North Street from Clarence Green in the amount of \$250,000.00.

Carried.

- MOTION #12: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Chris Maracle that the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council approve the 2022 Expenditure and Petition for Expenses report in the amount of \$1,167,638.78 to the Ministry of Transportation in support of the Roads Maintenance Program. M.C.R. #2022/23-060.  
Carried.
- MOTION #13: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Chris Maracle that Whereas, the 2022 expenditure and petition for expenses report has a supplementary funding component for planned road projects for the 2022 calendar year on a 50% subsidy to a maximum contribution of \$150,000.
- Whereas, TMC acknowledges and are committed to utilizing the funding towards the resurfacing of Upper Slash Road, Mowbray's Road and Billy Brew's Road project and Beach Road cross culvert replacement program. and,
- Whereas, TMC acknowledges the projects have been completed by December 31, 2022. And,
- Whereas, TMC is committed to return any unused portion of the supplementary funding back to the Ministry and also understand any cost overrun shall be the responsibility of the MBQ.
- Therefore be it resolved that the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council are petitioning the following projects for consideration under the supplementary funding component for the 2022 road projects: Resurfacing of Upper Slash Road (\$176,281.30), Mowbray's Road (\$70,478.55), Billy Brews Road (\$26,847.00) and Beach Road cross culverts (\$58,847.00), for a total of \$331,843.15. M.C.R. #2022/23-061.  
Carried.
- MOTION #14: Moved by Chris Maracle, seconded by Josh Hill to approve the Business Registration for Curtis Cleaning owner Brittany Curtis.  
Carried.
- MOTION #15: Moved by Chris Maracle, seconded by Josh Hill to approve the Business Registration Renewal for McMurter Home Centre owner Jim McMurter.  
Carried.
- MOTION #16: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Chris Maracle to approve the Business Registration Renewal for Rez Cresting owner Kirk Brant.  
Carried.
- MOTION #17: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Chris Maracle to approve the Business Registration Renewal for Skyway Variety owner Phillip Kring.  
Carried.
- MOTION #18: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Chris Maracle to approve the Business Registration Renewal for Smokin Pit Stop owner Lisa Maracle-Sexsmith.  
Carried.
- MOTION #19: Moved by Chris Maracle, seconded by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle to approve the Business Registration Renewal for Sacred Circle owner Christopher Fox.  
Carried.

- MOTION #20: Moved by Chris Maracle, seconded by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle to acknowledge the request from the Iroquois Caucus Harvesting Working Group for financial assistance and will revisit after the Iroquois Caucus approves the criteria.  
Carried.
- MOTION #21: Moved by Josh Hill, seconded by Chris Maracle to acknowledge Chief Maracle, Chris Maracle, Tanya King-Maracle and David Souliere attend the virtual meeting regarding the Policing Agreement on March 1 or 2, 2023.  
Carried.
- MOTION #22: Moved by Chris Maracle, seconded by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle to approve extending the hours at the Tyendinaga Fitness Centre from 6:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Monday to Friday and 7:00 a.m. – Noon on Saturdays. This will be funded under the COVID-19 budget.  
Carried.
- MOTION #23: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Josh Hill to defer the Kenhte'ke Strategic Plan until February 15, 2023 for full Council and have Luke Jeffries, Community Language Engagement Coordinator attend.  
Carried.
- MOTION #24: Moved by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle, seconded by Chris Maracle to request an update on the FNTI campus and hanger replacement.  
Carried.
- MOTION #25: Moved by Chris Maracle, seconded by Carl E. (Ted) Maracle that this meeting go into private. (3:25 p.m.)  
Carried.

Recorded by:  
Shelley Bowden  
Executive Administrative Assistant and Recording Secretary to Council

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Chief R. Donald Maracle