

TYENDINAGA MOHAWK COUNCIL MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2, 2026

A meeting of the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council was held on Wednesday, September 2, 2026 at 1:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Present: Chief R. Donald Maracle
Councillors: Chase Ogwari Brant left at 11:35 a.m. personal matter; Kurtis Brant, Erin Ferrante, Lynda Leween and Kristen Sara Loft joined by Teams

Regrets: Chris B. Brant, work commitments

Staff: Shelley Bowden, Executive Administrative Assistant and Recording Secretary to Council; Charles Maracle, Executive Assistant to the Chief;

Regrets: Angela Maracle, A/CAO, on vacation

Council completed the private portion of the agenda at the beginning of the meeting followed by the regular Portion of the agenda.

MOTION #19: Moved by Erin Ferrante, seconded by Lynda Leween to adopt the Agenda.
Carried.

MOTION #20: Moved by Erin Ferrante, seconded by Lynda Leween that the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council Minutes of August 5, 2026 be approved.
Carried.

MOTION #21: Moved by Chris B. Brant, seconded by Erin Ferrante that the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council Minutes of August 19, 2026 be approved.
Carried.

MOTION #22: Moved by Erin Ferrante, seconded by Kurtis Brant to approve the outside the territory travel for:
Chief & Lynda: attending the Aboriginal Labour Force Development Circle (ALFDC) Board meeting on September 9 & 10 in Orillia.
Carried.

MOTION #23: Moved by Lynda Leween, seconded by Chris B. Brant to approve signing the Canada Water Agency Contribution Agreement Bay of Quinte Remedial Action Plan 2026 in the amount of \$205,000.00.
Carried.

MOTION #24: Moved by Erin Ferrante, seconded by Lynda Leween to approve the Business Registration for Brant Enterprise, owner Melissa Richberg.
Carried.

MOTION #25: Moved by Erin Ferrante, seconded by Lynda Leween to defer the Business Registration for All Things Outdoors, owner Ashley Lalonde Weldon.

Carried.

Councillor Kristen Sara Loft – Conflict of Interest.

MOTION #26: Moved by Kurtis Brant, seconded by Chris B. Brant to approve the Business Registration Renewal for Maracle Chiropractic O/A Forever Young, owner Jason Young.

Carried.

MOTION #27: Moved by Lynda Leween, seconded by Kristen Sara Loft to approve to re-instate the Tyendinaga Education Advisory Committee. The Director of Education will bring forward proposed Terms of Reference, including the committee's composition, appointment process, meeting schedule, and reporting structure, for Chief and Council's approval.

Carried.

MOTION #28: Moved by Kristen Sara Loft, seconded by Lynda Leween to request staff provide Council with a list of MBQ Committees and Boards.

Carried.

MOTION #29: Moved by Erin Ferrante, seconded by Kurtis Brant to approve signing the Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians (AIAI) Education Data Collection consent letters.

Carried.

MOTION #30: Moved by Erin Ferrante, seconded by Chris B. Brant to approve to pay the McMillian LLP invoice #1408482 in the amount of \$16,213.70 for the Hydrostor Project.

Carried.

MOTION #31: Moved by Erin Ferrante, seconded by Lynda Leween to approve to pay the Derick Wong invoices #925 in the amount of \$7,000.00 for Economic Development; #926 in the amount of \$13,247.00 for the Hydrostor Project; #927 in the amount of \$8,050.00 for the Elmbrook Project; #928 in the amount of \$3,500.00 for Economic Development.

Carried.

MOTION #32: Moved by Erin Ferrante, seconded by Lynda Leween to approve signing the Ontario Health 2026-2027 Level-of-Care funding increase for the Long-Term Care Home effective April 1, 2026.

Carried.

MOTION #33: Moved by Chris B. Brant, seconded by Erin Ferrante to approve the addition to the MBQ Organizational Structure under the Housing and Band Property Maintenance - adding a Building Inspector.

Carried.

MOTION #34: Moved by Chris B. Brant, seconded by Erin Ferrante to approve the addition to the MBQ Organizational Structure under the Housing and Band Property Maintenance - adding an Electrician.

Carried.

MOTION #35: Moved by Chris B. Brant, seconded by Lynda Leween to approve purchasing a table in the amount of \$2,000.00 for the Belleville General Hospital Foundation Fundraiser Gala on September 12, 2026.

Carried.

Councillor Kristen Sara Loft – Negative Vote

MOTION #36: Moved by Chris B. Brant, seconded by Kurtis Brant to approve to appoint Councillor Lynda Leween to the Aboriginal Labour Force Development Circle (ALFDC) Board until December 1, 2027.

Carried.

MOTION #37: Moved by Kurtis Brant, seconded by Lynda Leween that the Tyendinaga Mohawk Council hereby approve for Chief R. Donald Maracle to remove the Queen Anne Silver from the Bank of Montreal vault for the St. James Palace Chapel Royal Choir Visit at the Christ Church on September 20, 2026. M.C.R. #2026/27-026.

Carried.

MOTION #38: Moved by Erin Ferrante, seconded by Lynda Leween to approve rescheduling the October 21, 2026 meeting to October 20, 2026.

Carried.

- September 23, 2026 – Tyendinaga Mohawk Council Local Business
- October 7, 2026 – Tyendinaga Mohawk Council Regular
- October 14, 2026 – Tyendinaga Mohawk Council Local Business
- October 20, 2026 – Tyendinaga Mohawk Council Regular
- October 28, 2026 – Tyendinaga Mohawk Council Local Business

MOTION #39: Moved by Lynda Leween, seconded by Kurtis Brant that this meeting go into private. (2:55 p.m.)

Carried.

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

Chief R. Donald Maracle