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## Duly Convened Sipekne'katik Band Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, March 19th, 2024 **Council Chambers** 10:00 AM

**<u>1. Called to Order:</u>** The meeting was called to order by Chief Michelle Glasgow at 10:56 AM.

2. Opening Prayer: Councillor Rufus Copage gave the opening prayer.

## 3. Roll Call:

#### **Council Present:**

# Absent:

Councillor Doreen Knockwood (Excused)

Chair, Chief Michelle Glasgow Councillor Rufus Copage Councillor Thomas J. Howe Councillor Justin W. Johnson Councillor Timothy Nevin Councillor Eldon Paul Councillor De-Anne Sack **Quorum: 7** Councillor Brooke Willis arrived via Zoom at 10:58 AM. Q/8 Councillor Cheryl Gehue arrived at 11:02 AM. 0/9 Councillor Lena Knockwood arrived at 11:02 AM. Q/10 Councillor Gerry Augustine arrived via Zoom at 11:08 AM. Q/11 Councillor Keith Julian arrived at 1:52 PM. Q/12 Staff: Brian Dorey, Director of Operations Jenna Howe, Minute Taker Stuart Knockwood, Director of Administration Mallory Wilcox, Minute Taker Monica Beckett, Interim Executive Finance Officer arrived at 11:00 AM. **Guests:** Sean Kee, Auditor, Lenehan McCain & Associates arrived at 11:05 AM. Andy Lenehan, Auditor, Lenehan McCain & Associates arrived at 11:05 AM.

### 4. Adoption of Agenda:

### Motion #1

Moved by Councillor Rufus Copage, seconded by Councillor De-Anne Sack, (to accept the Duly Convened Sipekne'katik Band Council Meeting Agenda of March 19th, 2024, as presented). Motion Carried Unanimously.

**5. Review and Adopt Previous Minutes:** 5.1. June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022:

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### Motion #2

Moved by Councillor Thomas J. Howe, seconded by Councillor Timothy Nevin, (to accept the Duly Convened Sipekne'katik Band Council Meeting Minutes of June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, with amendments).

## Motion Carried Unanimously.

Councillor Brooke Willis arrived via Zoom at 10:58 AM. 5.2. June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022:

### Motion #3

Moved by Councillor Justin W. Johnson, seconded by Councillor Thomas J. Howe, (to accept the Duly Convened Sipekne'katik Band Council Meeting Minutes of June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022, with amendments).

### Motion Carried Unanimously.

5.3. August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023:

### Motion #4

Moved by Councillor Rufus Copage, seconded by Councillor De-Anne Sack, (to accept the Duly Convened Sipekne'katik Band Council Meeting Minutes of August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, with amendments).

## Motion Carried Unanimously.

5.4. March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024:

#### Motion #5

Moved by Councillor Thomas J. Howe, seconded by Councillor Eldon Paul, (to accept the Duly Convened Sipekne'katik Band Council Meeting Minutes of March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, as presented).

Motion Carried Unanimously.

5.5. March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024:

### Motion #6

Moved by Councillor Rufus Copage, seconded by Councillor De-Anne Sack, (to accept the Duly Convened Sipekne'katik Band Council Meeting Minutes of March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024, as presented). **Motion Carried Unanimously.** 

### **6. Interim Executive Finance Officer Report:**

Monica Beckett arrived at 11:00 AM. Councillor Cheryl Gehue arrived at 11:02 AM. Councillor Lena Knockwood arrived at 11:02 AM. Councillor Brooke Willis logged off at 11:05 AM.

6.1. 2021 - 2022 Draft Audit Review:

Sean Kee, Lenehan McCain & Associates Auditor arrived at 11:05 AM. Andy Lenehan, Lenehan McCain & Associates Auditor arrived at 11:05 AM. Councillor Gerry Augustine arrived via Zoom at 11:08 AM. Councillor Brooke Willis arrived in person at 11:33 AM. Councillor Gerry Augustine arrived in person at 12:03 PM.

The Draft Audit for Sipekne'katik was presented by Andy Lenehan. The Draft Audit for Wallace Hill Development Inc. was presented by Sean Kee.

### Motion #7

Moved by Councillor Lena Knockwood, seconded by De-Anne Sack, (to accept the draft audit as presented by auditors Lenehan McCain and Associates for fiscal year 2021-2022 for Sipekne'katik).

## Motion Carried Unanimously.

### Motion #8

Moved by Councillor Timothy Nevin, seconded by Councillor Thomas J. Howe, (to accept the draft audit as presented by auditors Lenehan McCain and Associates for fiscal year 2021-2022 for Wallace Hill Development Inc.).

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Sean Kee logged off at 12:12 PM. Andy Lenehan logged off at 12:12 PM.

#### 6.2. 2024-2025 Draft Budget Review:

The 2024-2025 Draft Budget was presented by Monica Beckett.

10-minute break at 12:39 PM.

Reconvened at 12:50 PM.

#### Motion #9

Moved by Councillor Rufus Copage, seconded by Councillor De-Anne Sack, (to accept the draft budget as presented for the fiscal year 2024-2025).

#### Motion Carried Unanimously.

### 6.3. FAC – Q3 Reports:

#### Motion #10

Moved by Councillor Thomas J. Howe, seconded by Councillor Eldon Paul, (to accept the 2023-2024 Quarter 3 reports as presented).

Motion Carried Unanimously.

<u>6.4. NOBA #0051 - \$15,726.00:</u>

### Motion #11

Moved by Councillor Eldon Paul, seconded by Councillor Thomas J. Howe, (to amend the 2023-2024 budget to include ISC NOBA #0051 for the health departments associated with healthy living funding in the amount of \$15,726.00).

Motion Carried Unanimously.

### <u>6.5. NOBA #0052 - \$13,857.93:</u>

#### Motion #12

Moved by Councillor Rufus Copage, seconded by Councillor Justin W. Johnson, (to amend the 2023-2024 budget to adjust ISC Cash Flow Adjustment #0008 with NOBA #0052 in the amount of \$13,857.93 as overfunded for the housing internship program through CMHC). **Motion Carried Unanimously.** 

6.6. Amendment #128 - \$9,098.00:

## Motion #13

Moved by Councillor Gerry Augustine, seconded by Councillor Eldon Paul, (to approve ISC Amendment #128 in total of \$9,098.00 for community facilities with the O&M Department for the 2023-2024 fiscal year).

### Motion Carried Unanimously.

### Motion #14

Moved by Councillor Lena Knockwood, seconded by Councillor Thomas J. Howe, (to amend the 2023-2024 budget to include ISC Amendment #128 for the O&M Department in the amount of \$9,098.00).

### Motion Carried Unanimously.

6.7. Amendment #129 – 2024-2025 Funding Agreement:

### Motion #15

Moved by Councillor Eldon Paul, seconded by Councillor Brooke Willis, (to approve ISC Amendment #129 in total of \$14,251,596.00 for all departments as laid out in the Contribution Agreement for the 2024-2025 fiscal year).

Motion Carried Unanimously.

### Motion #16

Moved by Councillor Timothy Nevin, seconded by Councillor Brooke Willis, (to set the 2024-2025 for ISC funded programs as laid out in ISC Amendment #129 in the amount of \$14,251,596.00).

### Motion Carried Unanimously.

### 6.8. Gift Cards – 2024-2025:

### Motion #17

Moved by Councillor Eldon Paul, seconded by Councillor Thomas J. Howe, (to approve the purchase of gift cards as presented for the 2024-2025 fiscal year from Gift Card Warehouse, Superstore, and Sobeys for department programming in the year in the amount of \$292,775.00). **Motion Carried Unanimously.** 

### 6.9. Gift Cards – Band Designate:

### Motion #18

Moved by Councillor Rufus Copage, seconded by Councillor Justin W. Johnson, (to approve the purchase of gift cards for the Band Designate Program in the amount of \$15,775.00 from giftcardwarehouse.com).

Motion Carried Unanimously.

### 6.10. Residential School - Radar and Equipment:

### Motion #19

Moved by Councillor De-Anne Sack, seconded by Justin W. Johnson, (to approve the purchase of a ground penetrating radar from Sensors and Software in the amount of \$50,332.00 which is coming out of the residential school funding from CIRNAC, as recommended by Dr. Jonathan Fowler).

### Motion Carried Unanimously.

### 6.11. RCS Projects:

Councillor Keith Julian arrived at 1:52 PM.

### Motion #20

Moved by Councillor Eldon Paul, seconded by Councillor Justin W. Johnson, (to approve the expenses incurred to date with RCS for invoices J021263 \$20,641.70 and J021260 \$32,446.23). **Motion Carried Unanimously.** 

### 6.12. Bergman Electrical:

### Motion #21

Moved by Councillor Rufus Copage, seconded by Councillor Lena Knockwood, (to approve the installation expenses incurred for the community centre generator from Bergman Electrical in the amount of \$18,220.94).

### Motion Carried Unanimously.

### 6.13. Laptops:

### Motion #22

Moved by Councillor Justin W. Johnson, seconded by Councillor Eldon Paul, (to approve the expenses incurred to date with IMP solutions for 15 Laptops as per quote #286863-186929-02 for \$19,331.90).

### Motion Carried Unanimously.

6.14. Kitchen Cabinets for 5 Popular Street Apartments (19 Units):

### Motion #23

Moved by Councillor Thomas J. Howe, seconded by Councillor Brooke Willis, (to approve the kitchen cabinets for the 19 units at 5 popular street apartments from Mike's Country Kitchens for the amount of \$195,033.06).

## Motion Carried Unanimously.

### 6.15. Modular House Installation:

### Council Moved In-Camera at 2:00 PM

Councillor Brooke Willis was excused due to conflict at 2:00 PM. Councillor Eldon Paul was excused due to conflict at 2:00 PM. Councillor Timothy Nevin was excused due to conflict at 2:00 PM. Brian Dorey departed at 2:10 PM. Councillor Brooke Willis returned at 2:14 PM. Councillor Eldon Paul returned at 2:14 PM. Councillor Timothy Nevin returned at 2:14 PM. **Councillor Timothy Nevin returned at 2:14 PM**.

### Motion #24

Moved by Councillor Lena Knockwood, seconded by Councillor Cheryl Gehue, (to approve the rate of \$20,000.00 for each modular home to be put together by the selected contractor who meets all the terms and conditions of our contract).

### Motion Carried Unanimously.

## Council Moved In-Camera at 2:15 PM Council Moved Out of In-Camera at 2:33 PM

### 6.16. Open Top Containers for the Diversion Centre:

Chief Michelle Glasgow stepped out at 2:34 PM, and appointed Councillor De-Anne Sack as Chair in her absence.

## Motion #25

Moved by Councillor Justin W. Johnson, seconded by Councillor Thomas J. Howe, (to approve the quotes for three open top containers from Drive Products in the amount of \$54,175.68 which are compatible with the Diversion Centre truck).

### Motion Carried Unanimously.

6.17. Minimum Wage Increase: Tabled for next meeting.

6.18. BCR's – Change of Address:

Chief Michelle Glasgow returned and resumed as Chair at 2:43 PM.

### Motion #26

Moved by Councillor Eldon Paul, seconded by Councillor Justin W. Johnson, (to accept BCR #2023-2024-026 for Project #268-60437 – for one address to be changed from [redacted] to [redacted]).

### Motion Carried Unanimously.

Councillor Keith Julian returned at 2:49 PM.

### Motion #27

Moved by Councillor Timothy Nevin, seconded by Councillor Justin W. Johnson, (to accept BCR #2023-2024-027 for Project #267-78001 – for one address to be changed from [redacted] to [redacted]).

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Monica Beckett departed at 2:53 PM.

## 7. Director of Administration Report:

7.1. Bylaw Enforcement Officer Update:

Councillor Timothy Nevin was excused due to conflict at 2:54 PM.

Millbrook has sent their job description, and HR is currently creating one to fit Sipekne'katik's needs. A potential 90-day hire was discussed.

### Moved In-Camera at 2:55 PM

## Moved Out of In-Camera at 3:06 PM

Councillor Timothy Nevin returned at 3:06 PM.

### 7.2. Sipekne'katik Wellbeing Program:

## Motion #28

Moved by Councillor Justin W. Johnson, seconded by Councillor Lena Knockwood, (to put an additional \$100,000.00 in the Stay in School Incentive Program GIC, with funding from the

Prevention/Child and Family Wellbeing Program). Motion Carried Unanimously.

### Moved In-Camera at 3:17 PM.

Band Staff; Stuart Knockwood, Mallory Wilcox, and Jenna Howe were excused at 3:20 PM. Councillor Lena Knockwood departed at 3:30 PM. Staff returned at 3:58 PM. **Moved Out of In-Camera at 3:58 PM.** 

### 8. Director of Operations Report, Presented by the Director of Administration:

### 8.1. Ainsley Property ATR:

Ainsley Property is now registered in the Band's name. Environmental assessment field work has been done; we are now waiting on the report. The Land Use Plan has been completed. The ATR Application is complete with the BCR pending Council Approval.

### Motion #29

Moved by Councillor De-Anne Sack, seconded by Councillor Justin W. Johnson, (to accept BCR #2023-2024-023 for the Ainsley Property ATR, lot #424, PID #45090628 – Sandy Desert Road, Hardwood Lands).

#### Motion Carried Unanimously.

The BCR was circulated for signatures.

8.2. Impact Assessment BCR: Tabled for review by the Consultation Portfolio Holders.

<u>8.3. Elemental Energy – Financial Close on Higgins and Wedgeport Wind Projects:</u> Tabled for review by Consultation Portfolio and Economic Development Portfolios Holders.

8.4. CMM Land Claim Research BCR: Tabled for discussion tomorrow at Portfolio meetings.

### 8.5. Snow Crab Buyer RPF:

Councillor Cheryl Gehue was excused due to conflict at 4:16 PM. The two potential Snow Crab buyers are A&L Seafoods and Clearwater. The recommendation is Clearwater for .20¢ above shore-price.

#### Motion #30

Moved by Councillor Justin W. Johnson, seconded by Councillor Gerry Augustine, (to accept Clearwater as the buyer for the Sipekne'katik 2024 Snow Crab quota). **Motion Carried Unanimously.** 

### 8.6. [redacted]: Tabled.

8.7. Public Works Department: Tabled.

#### 9: Adjournment:

#### Motion #31

Moved by Councillor Gerry Augustine, seconded by Councillor De-Anne Sack, (to adjourn the



Chief Michelle Glasgow

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Jenna Howe Minute Taker