



**An Emergency Sipekne'katik Band Council Meeting Minutes for Publication**  
**Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023**  
**Zoom Video Conference**  
**4:00PM**

**1. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Councillor Doreen Knockwood at 4:07 PM.

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

**3. Roll Call:**

**Council Present:**

Chair, Councillor Doreen Knockwood  
Councillor Rufus Copage  
Councillor Cheryl Gehue  
Councillor Thomas Howe  
Councillor Keith Julian  
Councillor Eldon Paul  
Councillor Brooke Willis

**Council Absent:**

Chief Michelle Glasgow  
Councillor Gerry Augustine  
Councillor Justin W. Johnson  
Councillor Lena Knockwood  
Councillor Timothy Nevin  
Councillor De-Anne Sack

**Quorum: 7**

**Note: Chief Glasgow was unavailable to attend and appointed Councillor Doreen Knockwood as Chair in her absence.**

**Other Attendees:**

Stuart Knockwood, Director of Administration  
Kim Paul, Emergency Measures Officer  
Mallory Wilcox, Minute Taker

**4. Adoption of Agenda:**

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**Motion #1**

Moved by Councillor Thomas Howe, seconded by Councillor Rufus Copage, (to accept the Emergency Sipekne'katik Band Council Meeting Agenda of June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, with one item: Emergency Management Update).

**Question Called; All in Favour.**

**Motion Carried.**

**5. Emergency Management Update:**

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- The Director of Administration and Emergency Measures Officer reached out to all displaced community members today. Most are back home with no/minimal damage other than spoiled food. One home was a total loss.
- The fire station at 2050 Hammonds Plains Road is distributing well water testing kits to residents in the evacuation zones.
- ISC inquired about our comfort center plans. They have been advised that it is still in the planning development stage, and they will be updated when quotes are received.



- A replacement unit for the loss in Hammonds Plains is estimated to take 6 weeks with a 20% downpayment.
- Fire bans are still in effect until June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**Motion #2**

Moved by Councillor Keith Julian, seconded by Councillor Eldon Paul, (to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 PM).

**Question Called; All in Favour.**

**Motion Carried.**



**Action Items:**

1. Emergency Measures Officer to contact Health Canada to request soil and air quality testing kits for community members that were evacuated.
2. Emergency Measures Officer to prepare notices reminding community members to only drink bottled water until their well water testing is complete.
3. Councillor Cheryl Gehue to request that Sipekne'katik has a representative at the HRM EMO command center.