



**An Emergency Sipekne'katik Band Council Meeting Minutes for Publication  
May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Council Chambers and Zoom Video Conference  
10:00AM**

**1. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chief Michelle Glasgow at 10:09AM

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

**3. Roll Call:**

**Council Present:**

Chair, Chief Michelle Glasgow  
Councillor Gerry Augustine (via Zoom)  
Councillor Rufus Copage (via Zoom)  
Councillor Cheryl Gehue  
Councillor Thomas Howe  
Councillor Justin W. Johnson (via Zoom)  
Councillor Keith Julian  
Councillor Doreen Knockwood (via Zoom)  
Councillor Timothy Nevin  
Councillor Eldon Paul (via Zoom)  
Councillor Brooke Willis (via Zoom)

**Council Absent: 2**

Councillor Lena Knockwood  
Councillor De-Anne Sack (Excused)

**Quorum: 10**

**Other Attendees:**

Monica Beckett, Interim Executive Finance Officer  
Brian Dorey, Director of Operations  
Stuart Knockwood, Director of Administration

**4. Adoption of Agenda:**

**Motion #1**

Moved by Councillor Doreen Knockwood, seconded by Councillor Thomas Howe, (to accept the Emergency Sipekne'katik Band Council Meeting Agenda with one item: Hammonds Plains Wildfire).

**Question Called, All in Favour:**

**Motion Carried.**

**5. Hammonds Plains Wildfire:** The Emergency Management Team met at the office last evening and contacted all band members they were aware of who were affected by the fires to confirm and/or offer accommodation at Tidal Bore during the evacuation orders. Follow-up calls will be made today to ensure that these members are set up for direct deposit for emergency funds. Evacuation orders are expected to last 3-10 days. The Director of Administration updated Council on all families that are currently affected and their current accommodation situations.



**Motion #2**

Moved by Councillor Keith Julian, seconded by Councillor Thomas Howe, (to distribute \$178 per person/per day for up to 5 days for meals and incidentals to each Band member family unit that has been displaced due to the mandatory evacuation orders related to the Hammonds Plains and Shelburne wildfires; to be reassessed in 5 days).

**Question Called, All in Favour:**

**Motion Carried.**

**Motion #3**

Moved by Councillor Rufus Copage, seconded by Councillor Doreen Knockwood, (to distribute \$500 per person to cover necessities for each Band member family unit that has been displaced due to the mandatory evacuation orders related to the Hammonds Plains and Shelburne wildfires. Receipts must be submitted for any amounts over \$500).

**Question Called, All in Favour:**

**Motion Carried.**

**Motion #4**

Moved by Councillor Justin W. Johnson, seconded by Councillor Brooke Willis, (to cover the cost of hotels up to \$300 per night for up to 5 days, for each Band member family unit that has been displaced due to the mandatory evacuation orders related to the Hammonds Plains and Shelburne wildfires; to be reassessed in 5 days).

**Question Called, All in Favour:**

**Motion Carried.**

**Motion #5**

Moved by Councillor Keith Julian, seconded by Councillor Gerry Augustine, (to distribute \$50 per person/per day for up to 5 days to the head of household of any private dwelling that is accommodating a Band member family unit that has been displaced due to the mandatory evacuation orders related to the Hammonds Plains and Shelburne wildfires; to be reassessed in 5 days).

**Question Called, All in Favour:**

**Motion Carried.**

**Sipekne'katik will be seeking reimbursement for these disbursements via the Emergency Management Assistance Program (EMAP).**

**Moved In-Camera @ 10:45AM**

**Moved Out of In-Camera @ 10:49AM**

**6. Adjournment:**

**Motion #6**

Moved by Councillor Keith Julian, seconded by Councillor Timothy Nevin, (to adjourn the meeting @ 10:51AM).

**Question Called, All in Favour:**

**Motion Carried.**