

Wasauksing First Nation

Band Council Special Edition Newsletter

Education Committee Meeting - Monday October 20, 2025

5:00 p.m.— 8:00 p.m. Administration Meeting Room

Business Council Meeting - Tuesday October 21, 2025

5:00 pm.—9:00 pm. Administration Meeting Room

Social Committee Meeting - Monday October 27, 2025

6:00 pm.—8:00 pm. Gathering Centre Meeting Room

Restorative Justice Committee Meeting - Tuesday October 28, 2025

5:00 pm.—8:00 pm. Gathering Centre Meeting Room

Community Council Meeting - Tuesday November 04, 2025

6:00 p.m. — 9:00 p.m. Administration Meeting Room

LARC Committee Meeting - Wednesday November 05, 2025

5:00 p.m.— 8:00 p.m. Gathering Centre Meeting Room

Health Committee Meeting - Monday November 10, 2025

4:00 p.m. — 7:00 p.m. Health Spiritual Room

Citizenship Committee Meeting - Wednesday November 12, 2025

7:00 p.m.— 9:00 p.m. Gathering Centre Meeting Room

Housing Committee Meeting - Thursday November 20, 2025

6:00 p.m.— 8:00 p.m. Administration Meeting Room



CHIEF

Shane Tabobondung

CHIEF COUNCILLOR

Elizabeth Taylor

COUNCILLORS

Walter Tabobondung

Neil Swanson

Dave Rice

Pazhe Rice-Menominee

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NOTICE TO COMMUNITY

RE: COUNCIL MEETINGS

Community Council Meetings



The **1st Tuesday** of each month
beginning at **6:00 p.m.**



Community Participation (news or items) and
Council Reports to the Community.



Registration for Council Meetings can be sent to cca@wasauksing.ca, **no later than 4:30 p.m. on the Friday before the meeting.** You will be asked if you have any items you'd like to bring forward to Council or if you'll be observing the meeting. This enables the First Nation time to ensure your items are included and discussed.

Business Council Meetings



The **3rd Tuesday** of each month
beginning at **5:00 p.m.**



Internal Business of Wasauksing First Nation. Entrepreneurs that have a proposal to bring forth or items of an existing business on the First Nation





WASAUKSING FIRST NATION

COMMUNITY & BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING

OCT

21

BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING

5:00 PM

NOV

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

6:00 PM

NOV

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BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING

5:00 PM

DEC

02

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

6:00 PM

DEC

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BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING

5:00 PM

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Wasauksing First Nation Animal Care & Control By-Law

Guided by the Seven Grandfather Teachings

Preamble

We, the Chief and Council of Wasauksing First Nation, grounded in our inherent right to self-govern and guided by our sacred teachings, enact this by-law to ensure the well-being, safety, and respectful coexistence between our people and the animals that live among us. Our teachings—Wisdom, Love, Respect, Bravery, Honesty, Humility, and Truth—guide our decisions and this law.

1. Name of the By-Law

This law is called the Wasauksing First Nation Animal Care & Control By-Law.

2. Purpose

- - Protect community members and visitors from harm.
- - Ensure animals are cared for with love and respect.
- - Prevent animals from becoming a danger or nuisance.
- - Encourage responsible ownership in a good way.

3. Definitions

Plain language terms have been added to explain key words. (Definitions such as "Animal Control Officer," "dangerous animal," "owner," etc. remain mostly the same, but are simplified for clarity and understanding.)

4. Animal Control Officer

Chief and Council may appoint a kind, respectful, and trained person to oversee animal registration, enforcement, and care.

5. Registration & Identification

- - All cats and dogs must be registered each year by March 1.
- - All animals must wear a tag provided by the Nation.
- - Owners must register new animals within 2 weeks of arrival or 8 weeks of birth.
- - Fees help support the care of animals and are set by Council (See Schedule A).

6. Vaccinations & Health

- - All pets must be vaccinated against rabies and cared for properly.
- - If an animal is exposed to rabies or bites someone, it may be quarantined.
- - Rabid or dangerous animals may need to be put down in a humane and respectful way.

7. Dangerous or Restricted Animals

- - Some animals may be designated as dangerous or restricted if they bite, attack, or show aggression without cause.
- - Restricted breeds (like Pit Bulls) are not allowed unless they were already owned before this law. These animals must be muzzled and leashed at all times when outside.

8. Right to Appeal

- - An owner has the right to appeal a dangerous or restricted designation.
- - A neutral committee will review and decide within 5 business days.

9. Keeping Animals Safe & Respectful

- - Animals must not run freely or enter others' property without permission.
- - Owners must clean up after their animals.
- - Animals that damage property or hurt others must be controlled.
- - No animal should be left to bark, growl, or disturb the peace.
- - Animals must not be mistreated or abused in any way.

10. Animal Control in Specific Areas

Chief and Council may designate specific areas within Wasauksing First Nation where animals are not allowed for health, safety, or cultural reasons.

- - Notices will be posted at the Wasauksing First Nation Government Office, on local radio, and signage placed at the site.
- - After notice is given, no person shall keep or bring animals into the restricted area.
- - No animal boarding or treatment facility may be established without written approval by Chief and Council.

SPCA Support Clause:

Until Wasauksing establishes its own enforcement and care processes, the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) may be called upon to support enforcement, impoundment, or animal welfare services, as needed and in alignment with this by-law.

11. Seizing & Impounding Animals

- - Animals running at large or acting aggressively may be impounded for at least 5 days.
- - Owners will be notified and given a chance to reclaim their animal.
- - Animals not claimed may be adopted out or humanely put down.
- - Injured or extremely dangerous animals may be destroyed immediately to protect others.

12. Destruction Without Seizure

If an animal cannot be caught and poses danger, it may be destroyed. This is done only after every reasonable effort is made.

13. Immediate Protection from Harm

Animal Control or Police may destroy an animal without notice if it is attacking a person, another animal, livestock, or equipment.

14. Penalties

- - First offence: \$200
- - Second offence: \$300
- - Third or more: \$500

15. Licensing Fees

Council will update license fees as needed and post them publicly in Schedule A.

16. Final Words

This law exists to promote harmony between humans and animals. It is rooted in our teachings, and it respects all living beings as part of Creation. We trust that by working together, we can ensure a safe, caring, and respectful community for all.

Wasauksing First Nation
Being a band within the meaning of the *Indian Act*

Wasauksing First Nation Animal Control By-Law

Enacted this ____ day of _____

WHEREAS the **Wasauksing First Nation** has and recognizes the inherent right of self-government and jurisdiction to pass laws to provide for the health and safety of the residents on and visitors to the **Wasauksing First Nation Territory**, the prevention of nuisances, the protection against and the prevention of trespass by domestic animals, matters arising out of or ancillary to the exercise of powers under this section, and the imposition of a penalty for the violation of any such laws;

AND WHEREAS the Chief and Council of the **Wasauksing First Nation** are of the opinion that the uncontrolled ownership, breeding and running at large of animals may be detrimental to the health and safety of the residents on or visitors to the **Wasauksing First Nation Territory**, and a nuisance to such residents or visitors;

NOW THEREFORE the Chief and Council of the **Wasauksing First Nation** enact a law as follows:

1. Short Title

This law may be cited as the "**Wasauksing First Nation Animal Control By-Law**".

2. Interpretation

In this law:

- 2.1 "**animal**" means dog, cat or any domestic or other animal, kept on **Wasauksing First Nation Territory** by any person.
- 2.2 "**Animal Control Officer**" means a person appointed pursuant to section 3, or any **Wasauksing First Nation By-Law Enforcement** officer and includes an Officer of the First Nation Police Services and a person employed by the Chief and Council of the **Wasauksing First Nation**, plus a Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals(S.P.C.A.) Agent for the purpose of enforcing this law as necessary;
- 2.3 "**animal register**" means the register kept by the Animal Control Officer for the purpose of the registration of all dogs, cats and other domestic/wild animals on the **Wasauksing First Nation Territory**
- 2.4 "**at large**" or "**running at large**" means:
 - (a) off the premises of the owner; or
 - (b) not under the control of any person and in any event not on a leash
- 2.5 "**band**" means the **Wasauksing First Nation Chief and Council**
- 2.6 "**cat**" means any cat, male, or female, over the age of twelve(12) weeks)

- 2.7 **“animal pound”** means the animal shelter designated by Chief and Council of the **Wasauksing First Nation**
- 2.8 **“council”** means the Council of **Wasauksing First Nation** as defined by the *Indian Act*
- 2.9 **“dangerous animal”** is an animal, domestic or wild that, in the absence of any mitigating factor(s) has:
- (a) attacked, bitten, or caused injury to a person or has demonstrated a propensity, tendency or disposition to do so as solely determined by **Wasauksing First Nation** Animal Control Officer;
 - (b) significantly injured another domestic animal; or
 - (c) an animal previously designated as a potentially dangerous animal, that is kept or permitted to be kept by its owners in violation of the requirements for such an animal;
- 2.10 **“dog”** means any dog, male or female, over the age of twelve (12) weeks;
- 2.11 **“dwelling”** means each single unit being a fully detached home, a semi-detached home, a multiple attach home, an apartment, trailer, tent and any building, facility or vehicle used or intended to be used for human habitation and in which normal domestic functions may be carried on;
- 2.12 **“environmental officer of health”** means the environmental officer of health providing service(s) to the **Wasauksing First Nation**;
- 2.13 **“mitigating factors(s)”** means a circumstances which excuses aggressive behaviour of an animal especially if the animal is a dog and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, may include circumstances where:
- (a) the dog/animal was, at the time of the aggressive behaviour, acting in defence of an attack from a person or other animal;
 - (b) the dog/animal was, at the time of the aggressive behaviour, acting in defence of its young or to a person or other animal trespassing on the property of its owner; or
 - (c) the dog/animal was, at the time of the aggressive behaviour, teased, provoked or tormented;
- 2.14 **“muzzle”** means a humane fastening for covering device that is:
- (a) of adequate strength placed over the animal’s mouth to prevent it from biting;
 - (b) approved by the Animal Control Officer.
- 2.15 **“owner”** means a person who possesses an animal and, where the owner is a minor, the person responsible for the custody of the minor is deemed the owner.
- 2.16 **“reserve”** means the **Wasauksing First Nation**
- 2.17 **“warning”** means to notify a person in advance that if the behaviour of the animal continues then the animal will be impounded.
- 2.18 **“responsible contact”** means a person, who has been identified as the next “responsible contact” by the animal owner.

3. **Animal Control Officer**

- 3.1 The Council may appoint by Band Council Resolution an Animal Control Officer to provide for the administration and enforcement of this law, including to receive registration and to issue identification tags.
- 3.2 The Council may, by way of motion, provide for reasonable remuneration to be paid to the

Animal Control Officer for services rendered and recorded.

4. Registration and Identification of animals

- 4.1 Every owner of a dog and/or cat shall annually on or before the first of March have their dog and/or cat registered, numbered, described and licensed at the **Wasauksing First Nation** Government Office or any other such place as designated by motion of Chief and Council.
- 4.2 Every person keeping more than one dog and/or cat per household shall have a registration tag placed around the neck of each dog.
- 4.3 Every dog and/or cat born on the **Wasauksing First Nation** Territory shall be licensed and registered by its owner within eight (8) weeks after its birth.
- 4.4 Every dog and/or cat brought onto the **Wasauksing First Nation** Territory shall be licensed and registered by its owner within two (2) weeks of being brought onto the reserve.
- 4.5 A fee payable for each license shall be in accordance with Schedule A of this Law as amended from time to time and shall be due annually on or before the first of March.
- 4.6 Upon payment of a license fee for a dog and/or cat, the owner shall be furnished with a dog or cat tag bearing a serial number and the year in which it was issued and shall be kept securely attached to the dog at all times until the tag is renewed or replaced.
- 4.7 The tag may be removed from the dog while it is being lawfully used for the purpose of hunting.
- 4.8 A replacement tag may be obtained and a fee payable according to Schedule A.
- 4.9 It is an offense to use a tag on any other dog/cat than the dog/cat that the tag is registered to.

5. Immunization of Animals

- 5.1 All domestic animals must be immunized in accordance with generally accepted veterinary standards.
- 5.2 The owner of any animal exposed to rabies shall, on demand of the Animal Control Officer or Chief and Council, surrender the animal to be held in quarantine for a period of ten(10) days and such animal shall not be released without the written approval of medical officer of health, governed by Health Canada.
- 5.3 An owner upon demand of the Animal Control Officer or Chief and Council, shall surrender such animal which has bitten any person in an unprovoked attack.
- 5.4 Any animal found to be infected with rabies shall be destroyed by its owner or by the Animal Control Officer at the expense of the owner.

6. Designating Potentially Dangerous, Dangerous or Restricted Animals

- 6.1 Where the Animal Control Officer designates an animal as potentially dangerous or dangerous, the Animal Control Officer shall serve written notice upon the owner requiring that the owner comply with the following requirements:
 - (a) to keep the designated animal confined within the owner's dwelling and under effective control of an adult or in an enclosed pen constructed with a secure top, sides and either a secure bottom effectively attached to the sides or the sides embedded in the ground to a minimum depth of 30 centimetres(1 foot), or as otherwise approved

- (b) to keep the designated animal under the effective control of an adult and under leash that is approved by the Animal Control Officer and not to exceed 1.8 meters (6 feet) in length, at all times when not confined;
 - (c) to securely attach a muzzle as defined in s. 2.14 to the designated animal at all times when not confined in accordance with s. 6.1 (a);
 - (d) to provide the Animal Control Officer with the new address and telephone number of the owner within two(2) working days of moving the designated animal;
 - (e) to provide the Animal Control Officer with the name, address and telephone number of the new owner within two(2) working days of selling or giving away the designated animal;
 - (f) to advise the Animal Control Officer with two(2) working days of the death of a designated animal;
 - (g) to advise the Animal Control Officer forthwith if the designated animal running at large or has bitten or attacked any person or animal.
- 6.2 No person shall own or keep a restricted breed. Restricted breeds of dogs are as follows:
 - (a) Pit bulls;
 - (b) Breeds related to the Pit Bull;
 - (c) any other breed or mixed-breed animal as deemed by Chief and Council.
- 6.3 All restricted breeds currently owned by members of **Wasauksing First Nation** as of the date of the passing of this law are exempt from section 6.2 only with respect to the ownership of a current animal(s), provided that such animal(s) is registered with **Wasauksing First Nation** in accordance with this Law, and no further off-spring of such animals or future ownership of a restricted breed shall be allowed.
- 6.4 Any animal(s) qualifying as exempt under section 6.3 must be muzzled at all times when outside of the owner's dwelling and tethered and leashed in accordance with the provisions of this law. Failure to comply with this section or this law may result in an order by the Animal Control Officer to remove or destroy the restricted animal without notice to the owner.
- 6.5 The Animal Control Officer may, without notice to the owner, immediately destroy an animal which is a restricted breed.

7. Notice

- 7.1 The notice referred in s.6.1 shall include:
 - (a) a statement that the Animal Control Officer has reason to believe that the animal is a potentially dangerous, dangerous or restricted dog/animal;
 - (b) The requirements that the owner must comply with in accordance with this law and when such requirements take effect and;
 - (c) a statement that the owner may request, within seven(7) working days of the receipt of notice and is entitled to a hearing by a committee designated by Chief and Council of **Wasauksing First Nation** which may affirm or rescind the designation and the committee may substitute its own designation or requirements that the owner must comply with pursuant to s.8.1 of this law.

8. Appeal

8.1 Where the owner of that animal receives notice from the Animal Control Officer designating an animal as potentially dangerous, dangerous or restricted, requests in writing to Chief and Council of **Wasauksing First Nation**, within three(3) working days of such notice, a committee to be known as the Appeal Committee shall hold a hearing within five (5) working days after receipt of the written request for a hearing and such committee may:

- (a) affirm or rescind the Animal Control Officer's designation of the animal;
- (b) substitute its own designation of the animal and/or
- (c) substitute its own requirements of the owner of an animal.

However, during the appeal period, the owner must keep the animal contained to the owner's dwelling and comply with any other term or condition with the exception of destruction.

8.2 An "Appeal Committee" is to be made up of individuals as deemed by Chief and Council for purposes of the specific appeal(s) within the five (5) working days after receiving notice by the owner requesting the appeal.

9. Inquiry

9.1 The Animal Control Officer may, either on his/her own initiative or as a result of a complaint received from a resident or visitor to the **Wasauksing First Nation** Territory, conduct an inquiry into whether an animal should be designated a potentially dangerous, dangerous or restricted.

10. Serving Notice(s)

10.1 Any notice(s) served by the Animal Control Officer or, requests for hearings made by an owner pursuant to this law shall be made by hand delivery or drop-off to a "responsible contact".

11. Prohibitions Within Specific Areas of the Wasauksing First Nation Territory

11.1 Chief and Council may, at any time, prohibit the keeping of animals within any area of the **Wasauksing First Nation** Territory.

11.2 Notice of any prohibition made by Chief and Council shall be posted in the **Wasauksing First Nation** Government Office; notice placed on local radio; signage placed at the site and after the date of posting, no person shall keep or have an animal in the prohibited area.

11.3 No person shall establish, own or operate a facility for the purpose of boarding or treatment of animals without the express written authorization from Chief and Council by way of motion.

12. **Impounding and Seizures**

- 12.1 No owner shall permit an animal belonging to him/her to be at large on the **Wasauksing First Nation Territory**.
- 12.2 An animal found to be at large on the **Wasauksing First Nation Territory** may be impounded for not less than five (5) days and after that be humanely destroyed or otherwise disposed of, unless such animal has been claimed by its owner and the costs incurred for the impounding of the animal have been paid.
- 12.3 An Animal Control Officer may seize any animal from any person whom he/she has reasonable cause to believe is violating, or has violated or is about to violate any provisions of this law.
- 12.4 If animal is apprehended because it has inflicted a bite upon an animal or human, the Animal Control Officer shall impound the animal for such a period of time to be specified by the Animal Control Officer.
- 12.5 Upon impounding an animal, the Animal Control Officer shall:
 - (a) notify the owner in writing or by telephone;
 - (b) the written notification must be hand delivered or sent by registered mail if owner not available;
 - (c) In the event that the registered owner is not available—hand delivered notice will be given to another adult deemed as a “responsible contact”; and
 - (d) the notification shall advise of the following:
 - impounding of the animal;
 - the hours during which the shelter is open;
 - the fee necessary to reclaim the animal;
 - the possible disposition of the animal if not reclaimed; and
 - the date by which the animal must be reclaimed.
- 12.6 Subject to s.12.2 an Animal Control Officer who has seized an animal pursuant to s. 12.3 shall restore possession of the animal to its owner where:
 - (a) date of seizure;
 - (b) the owner pays all expenses incurred in securing, caring for and feeding the animal;
 - (c) where the owner has failed to purchase an identification tag, he/she obtains the registration identification from the Animal Control Officer before he/she obtains the release of the animal.
- 12.7 Where an animal has not been claimed within the specified period of time, the Animal Control Officer or the designated animal pound, may humanely destroy or dispose of the animal and no damages or compensation may be recovered as a result.
- 12.8 Whereas in the opinion of the Animal Control Officer an animal seized under this section of the law is injured or should be destroyed immediately for humane reasons, or is for reasons of health or safety of other animals or humans, shall destroy the animal as soon as he/she deems fit without permitting any person to claim the animal and no damages or compensation may be recovered on account of such action.
- 12.9 When an animal has been impounded, the Animal Control Officer shall make every reasonable effort to notify the owner of such animal.
- 12.10 A written report of every such incident in this section shall be filed with Chief and

Council.

13. Destruction Where Unable to Seize

- 13.1 Where the Animal Control Officer, after reasonable effort, is unable to seize an animal that is running at large contrary to the provisions of this law, he/she may destroy the animal.
- 13.2 No damages or compensation may be recoverable as a result of the destruction of an animal pursuant to s. 19.1.

14. Protection From Dogs

- 14.1 Any Animal Control Officer or **Wasauksing First Nation** Police may immediately and without notice to the owner destroy an animal that is running at large and is in the act of pursuing, attacking, injuring, damaging, killing or destroying:
 - (a) a person
 - (b) another animal
 - (c) a food cache, harness or other equipment, or
 - (d) domestic livestock.

15. General

- 15.1 Every owner of an animal shall keep the animal safely tethered or penned up at all times.
- 15.2 An animal, in this case a dog need not be tethered or penned up if the dog:
 - (a) is being used by a person for the purpose of hunting;
 - (b) is being used by a person to work in a lawful manner with sheep or cattle; or
 - (c) is used by a visually impaired person as a guide dog.
- 15.3 The owner of an animal who fails to take all necessary measures to ensure that such an animal does not enter upon the property of another person without being under the control or in the possession of the owner is guilty of an offence.
- 15.4 The owner of an animal which causes damage to any property including movable property, lawns, flower beds, bushes or plants or other parts of property, is guilty of an offence.
- 15.5 The owner of an animal shall, when the animal is on public property or private property belonging to another person, immediately pick up and thereafter dispose of any feces, vomit or other waste left by the animal on the said property.
- 15.6 Where a potentially dangerous, dangerous or restricted animal has been impounded for any reason, the Animal Control Officer shall not restore the said dog to its owner or any other person unless the Animal Control Officer is satisfied that the person to whom the dog is to be restored is aware of and in compliance with the provisions of this law.
- 15.7 The Animal Control Officer shall keep a record of every animal impounded or seized under this law, including a description of the animal, the license and the tag number and the date of disposition and the disposition made.

15.8 Whereas the owner of a designated animal which has been impounded is unable to demonstrate of the Animal Control Officer, or refuses to do so, the Animal Control Officer or designated animal pound may, after a reasonable period of time;

- (a) dispose of the animal in a humane manner;
- (b) sell the dog for such a price as the Animal Control Officer deems reasonable, for the recovery of costs incurred by **Wasauksing First Nation** in the impounding and holding of the animal, the money from such a sale shall belong to the **Wasauksing First Nation**.

15.9 Any animal impounded not wearing a tag for the current year may be given an inoculation to provide immunization against rabies and this inoculation can only be given by a veterinarian.

15.10 **Wasauksing First Nation**, its Chief and Council; employees and contracted employees and the Animal Control Officer shall not be liable for damages or compensation for any animal destroyed or seized under the provisions of this law and no such damages or compensation shall be paid to any person.

15.11 No owner shall permit an animal to bark, yelp and growl or otherwise annoy or disturb the peace of the residents of the **Wasauksing First Nation**.

15.12 No person shall punish or abuse an animal in a manner or to an extent that it is cruel or unnecessary.

16. Penalties

16.1 Every person who contravenes any provision of this law is liable for a fine of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for a first offence, three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for a second offence and five hundred (\$500.00) for each offence thereafter.

17. Fees for Licences

17.1 Fees are determined from time to time under this law by Chief and Council.

17.2 Fees are located in Schedule "A" attached to this by-law.

Schedule "A"

Fees for registration/licence:

Dog tag.....	\$10.00/year (March)
Cat tag.....	\$10.00/year (March)
Replacement tags.....	\$ 5.00 each tag

Rabies Clinic: by March of every year...

Dog.....	\$25.00
Cat.....	\$25.00

Violation of Animal By-law:

First Offence.....	\$200.00
Second Offence.....	\$300.00
Third Offence.....	\$500.00



**APPROVED
BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
February 18, 2025**

Present:

Chief Shane Tabobondung
Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Councillor Neil Swanson
Councillor Dave Rice
Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Staff:

Adam Good, Chief Executive Director (CED)
Ryan Tabobondung, Director of Public Works (DOPW)
Theresa Raymond, Acting Director of Social (ADOS) - (Joined Virtual)
Deborah Pegahmagabow, Director of Health (DOH)
Dave McDougall, Director of Educations (DOE)
Sherry Tabobondung, Chief & Council Assistant (CCA)

Regrets:

No Regrets at this time

WFN Citizens:

Clara Partridge, Laura Pegahmagabow, Ethel Pawis, Chrystal Tabobandung, Wilma Tabobondung

Prayer & Smudge:

Smudge – Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Prayer - Chief Shane Tabobondung

Chairperson: Adam Good (CED)

Meeting called to order 5:00pm

1. In Camera

Motion: 02-18-25-1

That the Chief & Council will go in-camera at 5:00pm.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 02-18-25-2

That the Chief & Council will go out of in-camera at 5:30pm.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion: 02-18-25-3

That the Agenda for the Business Council Meeting of February 18, 2025 is approved.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

3. Chief & Council Words to the Community

Chief Shane Tabobondung, Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor, Councillor Walter Tabobondung, Councillor Neil Swanson, Councillor Dave Rice, Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee each introduced themselves and expressed how honored they are to be the newly elected Chief & Council and would like to thank the community for the support during elections. Chief and Council is looking forward to the journey ahead and grateful for the chance to work for the Community Members and work with the Staff of Wasauksing First Nation.

4. CED & Directors Introductions

Adam Good (CED), Ryan Tabobondung, (DOPW) Theresa Raymond (ADOS), Deborah Pegahmagabow (DOH), Dave McDougall (DOE), each introduced themselves and briefly described each departments roles. Welcomed the Newly elected Chief and Council and expressed looking forward to working alongside the new Council this term on existing and new projects.

5. Set Dates for Planning

- Purposed dates for the Inauguration Ceremony, March 01, 2025 or back-up date March 15, 2025.
- Date to be determined for review of the Strategic Plan. It is reviewed yearly and updated every 5 years.
- The Community Council Meetings are held every 1st Tuesday of each month.
- The Business Council Meeting are held every 3rd Tuesday of every month.

6. Signing Documents

Motion: 02-18-25-4

That the Chief and Council endorse Band Council Resolution BCR 2025-0032 and Band Council Resolution BCR 2023-003 is rescinded. Effective as of February 14, 2025 whereas authorized signing officers for Wasauksing First Nation are Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor, Councillor Walter Tabobondung, Councillor Neil Swanson, Councillor Dave Rice, Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Forms to be Reviewed & Signed by Chief & Council

- Conflict of Interest
- Council Oath of Confidentiality
- Finance Audit Committee Oath of Confidentiality
- Code of Conduct
- Itinerary of List of Committees
- Council Representatives

Once all the policies are reviewed by Chief & Council the above noted forms are to be signed and handed in at a later date.

Motion: 02-18-25-5

That the Chief and Council endorses the signing of the Amendment Comprehensive Funding Agreement (CFA) No: 2021-ON-000066 Amendment NO: 0098 program funding for fiscal year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$896,200.00.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

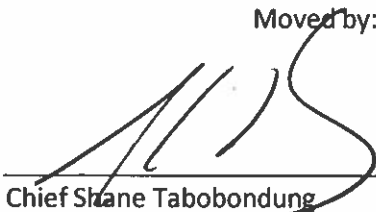
Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Carried by Consensus

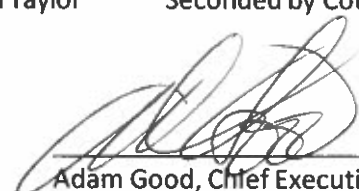
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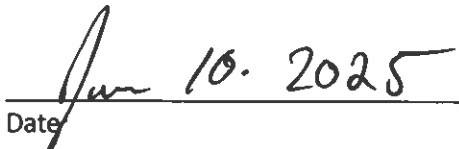
That the Business Council Meeting for February 18, 2025, 2025 is adjourned at 7:10pm

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Carried by Consensus


Chief Shane Tabobondung


Adam Good, Chief Executive Director


Date



**APPROVED
BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
March 18, 2025**

Present:

Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Councillor Neil Swanson
Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Staff:

Adam Good, Chief Executive Director (CED)
Ryan Tabobondung, Director of Public Works (DOPW)
Theresa Raymond, Acting Director of Social (ADOS)
Deborah Pegahmagabow, Director of Health (DOH)
Dave McDougall, Director of Educations (DOE)
Sherry Tabobondung, Chief and Council Assistant (CCA)

Regrets:

Chief Shane Tabobondung

WFN Citizens:

Clara Partridge, Chrystal Tabobandung

Prayer & Smudge:

Prayer - Chrystal Tabobandung

Smudge - Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Chairperson: Adam Good, Chief Executive Director

Meeting called to order 5:30pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion: 03-18-25-1

That the Agenda for the Business Council Meeting of March 18, 2025 is approved with the addition of an In- Camera.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

2. Community Participation

No Community Participation for Business Council Meeting of March 18, 2025

3. Acceptance of Previous Minutes

Motion: 03-18-25-2

That the Business Council Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2025 are approved with the revisions noted by Council.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Carried by Consensus

4. Action Items

No action Items at this time

5. WFN Organizational Updates

Social Service Department Updates - Presented by Theresa Raymond, ADOS

Briefing Note - Wiidookdahwin We-wina Chi B'maadzeyin Committee Protocol Agreement – Between Anishinabek Policing Service, Wasauksing Detachment

Motion: 03-18-25-3

That the Chief and Council endorses the Wiidookdahwin We-wina Chi B'maadzeyin Committee Protocol Agreement before signing and ceremony with Anishinabek Policing Service and Wasauksing First Nation.

Motion: 03-18-25-4

That the Chief and Council endorses Theresa Raymonds, ADOH March 18, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice

Carried by Consensus

CED Updates - Presented by Adam Good, CED

Motion: 03-18-25-5

That the Chief and Council endorses Adam Goods, CED March 18, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Carried by Consensus

Motion: 03-18-25-6

That the Chief and Council endorses the resigning of the Amendment Comprehensive Funding Agreement (CFA) No: 2021-ON-000066 Amendment NO: 0094 program funding for fiscal year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$181,322.00.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Carried by Consensus

Action Item:

- Adam Good, CED to put a call out to the Community for the Finance Audit Committee.

Education Department and Daycare Updates - Presented by Dave McDougall, DOE

Motion: 03-18-25-7

That the revised Wasauksing Kinomaugewgamik 2024-2025 Governance Budget Program Activities in the Amount of \$82,122.00 and Governance Budget in the amount of \$28,204.00.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Carried by Consensus

Motion: 03-18-25-8

That the Chief and Council endorses the Education Committee Meeting Minutes for October 2024.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Carried by Consensus

Motion: 03-18-25-9

That the Chief and Council endorses the Education Committee Meeting Minutes for November 2024.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Carried by Consensus

Motion: 03-18-25-10

That the Chief and Council endorses the Education Committee Meeting Minutes for December 2024.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Carried by Consensus

Motion: 03-18-25-11

That the Chief and Council endorses the Education Committee Meeting Minutes for January 2025.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 03-18-25-12

That the Chief and Council endorses the Education Committee Meeting Minutes for February 2025.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 03-18-25-13

That the Chief and Council endorses Dave McDougalls, DOE March 18, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Public Works Department - Presented by Ryan Tabobondung, (DOPW)

Briefing Note - Provincial Refining Clause on Depot Harbour lands

Motion: 03-18-25-14

That the Chief and Council endorses Ryan Tabobondung, DOPW to sign the attached letter confirming that WFN has been informed of the existence and the legal effect of the “refining clause” on the above-noted land after they have been set apart as a reserve.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee is not in agreement of Ryan Tabobondung, DOPW to sign the attached letter confirming that WFN has been informed of the existence and the legal effect of the “refining clause” on the above-noted land after they have been set apart as a reserve. That the point and principal is the right to govern ourselves. Signing agreements with the Federal Government, Nation to Nation and not staff.

Briefing Note - Provincial Reservations on Depot Harbour lands

Motion: 03-18-25-15

That the Chief and Council endorses Ryan Tabobondung, DOPW, to sign the attached letter confirming that WFN Council has been informed of the existence of the provincial reservations and proceed with adding these lands to reserve.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee is not in agreement of Ryan Tabobondung, DOPW, to sign the attached letter confirming that WFN Council has been informed of the existence of the provincial reservations and proceed with adding these lands to reserve. That the point and principal is the right to govern ourselves. Signing agreements with the Federal Government, Nation to Nation and not staff.

Briefing Note - Agreement for the CEPG grant

Motion: 03-18-25-16

That the Chief and Council endorses the initiative and to sign the attached BCR 2025-0035 for the awarded \$50,000.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Hydro One Networks – 303554296 – 3125 Wawbawzee Road

Motion: 03-18-25-17

That the Chief and Council endorses the recommendation of the Ryan Tabobondung, DOPW and approves the HydroOne Layout for Hydro One Notification #303554296 and to sign on the corresponding BCR 2025-0033

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Carried by Consensus

Councillor Neil Swanson declared conflict of interest.

Budget for 2025-03-06 Transitional Housing

Motion: 03-18-25-18

That the 2025-03-06 Transitional Housing Budget in the amount of \$3, 980,000 is approved as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Fire Protection Strategy Fund - Project Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Motion: 03-18-25-19

That the Chief and Council endorses the funding from Indigenous Service Canada (ISC) and to sign the attached BCR 2025-0034 for the Fire Protection Strategy Fund - Project Fiscal Year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$20,000

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 03-18-25-20

That the Chief and Council endorses Ryan Tabobondungs DOPW March 18, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Comfort Break - 7:00pm to 7:17pm

Health Department Updates - Presented by Deborah Pegahmagabow, DOH

Motion: 03-18-25-21

That the 2024-25 Mental Wellness Budget is approved as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 03-18-25-22

That the 2024-25 CARA Budget is approved as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Councillor Walter Tabobondung declared conflict of interest.

Motion: 03-18-25-23

That the Chief and Council endorses Deborah Pegahmagabow, DOH March 18, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

6. In Camera

Motion: 03-18-25-24

That the Council will go in-camera at 11:00pm

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 03-18-25-25

That the Council will go out of in-camera at 11:40pm

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 03-18-25-26

That the Business Council Meeting for March 18, 2025, 2025 is adjourned at 11:40pm

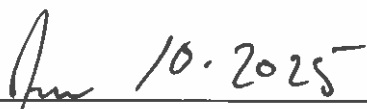
Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus



Chief Shane Tabobondung



Adam Good, Chief Executive Director



Date



**APPROVED
COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
April 01, 2025**

Present:

Chief Shane Tabobondung
Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Councillor Neil Swanson
Dave Rice (Arrived late 6:35pm)
Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Staff:

Adam Good, Chief Executive Director (CED) – Joined Virtual

Regrets:

WFN Citizens:

Chrystal Tabobandung, Clara Partridge, Toni Swanson, Lila Ann Rice, Teena Tabobandung, Laura Pegahmagabow (Joined Virtual)

Prayer & Smudge:

Smudge: Walter Tabobandung

Prayer: Chrystal Tabobandung

Chairperson: Chief Shane Tabobondung

Meeting called to order 6:00pm

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion: 04-01-25-1

That the Agenda for the Community Council Meeting of April 01, 2025 is approved.

Moved by: Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

2. Non-Member Residency Request

No Non-Member Residency Requests at this time.

3. Community Participation

Community Member Chrystal Tabobandung has queried:

- a) An incident that occurred March 24th, 2025 while calling the Wasauksing Health Station. Also presented a letter she received from the Health Department.

Community Member Clara Partridge has queried:

- a) An ongoing issue that she has brought up in past meetings in regards to the old train track bed from Lane B Wasauksing Road (6 plex) to Old Track Road. Safety Issues have been raised for the Daycare children.
- b) Directions from Google Maps is incorrect. Drivers (vehicle of all sorts) are following the map and driving down the old track bed. The old track bed is also used by the Wasauksing Community Members walking, Daycare, School, Snowmobiles, ATV's.

Other suggestion to be deemed as a fitness trail.

- c) Eating the berries and apples along the old train track bed from Lane B Wasauksing Road (6 plex) to Old Track Road. They were told by the company taking samples last summer not to eat the berries.

Community Member Tony Swanson has:

- a) Acknowledged and said Miigwetch to Chief & Council, to the Fire Dept., and to all staff who was at the Gathering Center for the support that was provided during the Ice storm power outage.

Comfort Break - 6:40pm to 7:53pm

Community Member Laura Pegahmagabow has queried:

- a) The Animal By-Law.
- b) The above in regards to the old train track bed from Lane B Wasauksing Road (6 plex) to Old Track Road. Safety Issues have been raised for the Daycare children. Laura is satisfied with action items.
- c) previous request in regards to a generator to be placed at Lane B (6 plex). Also to have the elders to be checked on a more regular basis.
- d) To look at Emergency Plan of care.
- e) Newsletter going out Late
- f) The Audit for an update.
- g) The swing bridge and weight restrictions.
- h) the planes flying over the Island.

Community Member Lila Ann Rice has queried:

- a) Would like to acknowledge and say Miigwetch to Chief & Council for the support that was provided during the Ice storm power outage.
- b) Would like to note that the notices to the Community said Membership. Query on the aid that was not received during the outage for a Member not living on the Island.
- c) What can be done of off reserve membership?
- d) In regards to posting to be more specific to whom the servers can be offered to.

4. Chief & Council Reports

See attached for All Chief & Council Reports

Comfort Break - 7:47pm to 7:56pm

Motion: 04-01-25-2

That Chief and Council endorse the Chief and Council Reports.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

5. Acceptance of Previous Minutes

No Previous Minutes at this time.

6. Action Items Pending

No Action Items at this time

7. Signing Document

Motion: 04-01-25-3

That the Chief and Council endorses the Amendment Comprehensive Funding Agreement (CFA) No: 2021-ON-000066 Amendment NO: 0099 program funding for fiscal year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$445,333.00.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

That the Chief and Council Accept that Privileged and Confidential to be moved to In-Camera.

Motion: 04-01-25-4

That the Chief and Council endorses the Citizenship Committee Meeting Minutes

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-01-25-5

That the Chief and Council acknowledged receipt of legal advice briefing note from Arbutus Law Group. Council agreed to review and discuss the content further before making and decisions.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note:

Chief & Councils recommendation from the Citizenship Committee Motion 03-19-25-02 application of Katelin Gordon Gauthier to be defer back to the Citizenship Committee to review sponsorship policy.

Motion: 04-01-25-6

That the Chief and Council approve the Citizenship Committee recommendation Motion 03-19-25-05 to accept Steven Basil Mishibinijima into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 202-0038.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee declared conflict of interest.

Motion: 04-01-25-7

That the Chief and Council approve the Citizenship Committee recommendation Motion 03-19-25-06 to accept Randi Leigh Armstrong into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 202-0039

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Councillor Walter Tabobondung declared conflict of interest.

Motion: 04-01-25-8

That the Chief and Council approve the Citizenship Committee recommendation Motion 03-19-25-04 to accept Angela Susan Salt into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 202-0037

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-01-25-8

That the Chief and Council approve the Citizenship Committee recommendation Motion 03-19-25-03 to accept Jessica Marie Bottineau into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 202-0036

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Action:

- Adam Good (CED) to look in to BRC'S from previous Council that was missing one signature.
- Addm Good (CED) to look into if new Citizenship letters are sent out.

Briefing Note: Finance Audit Committee (FAC) – 2025/2026 Budgets

Motion: 04-01-25-9

That Chief and Council approve in principle the departmental and program budgets for the 2025/2026 fiscal year as recommended by the Finance Audit Committee, pending the implementation of the agreed-upon adjustments

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Action Item:

That the Chief and Council acknowledged receipt of letter from Gowling WLG Re: Indian Day School Class Action - Deadline to Submit Missing Information: June 27, 2025. Recommendation to be posted in the next Newsletter and social media.

8. In Camera

Motion: 04-01-25-10

That the Council will go in-camera at 9:42pm.

Moved by: Councillor Seconded by:
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-01-25-11

That the Council will go out of in-camera at 10:15pm.

Moved by: Councillor Seconded by:
Carried by Consensus

9. Meeting Adjourned

Motion: 03-18-25-12

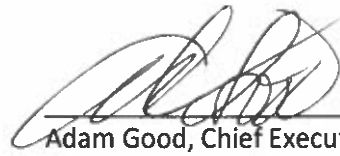
That the Community Council Meeting for April 01, 2025 is adjourned at 10:15pm.

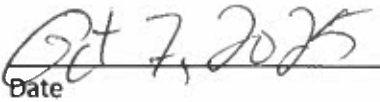
Moved by: Councillor

Seconded by: Councillor

Carried by Consensus


Chief Shane Tabobondung


Adam Good, Chief Executive Director


Date



Wasauksing Chief | Community Report March 2025

INTRO | ADMINISTRATION | GOVERNANCE | COMMUNITY

Aanii Kinaweya

It's Day 11 of our term which began during the M kwa Giizis, in that spirit, we are reminded to foster wellness and safety as we move forward as a Nation. One of most important items right now is relationship building. Council met immediately after our election to establish a good working relationship. We continue meet and communicate regularly beyond our duly convened meetings and are committed to working together and honouring each others perspective. Chief Councillor Taylor and myself have been sharing the office at the Gathering Centre and are making efforts to be present for the community and the organization. Feel free to drop in and say hello, or if you need some time, you can make an appointment.



We have been briefed by the Administration on the most pressing issues that will have impacts on the community:

The Swing Bridge: Briefing from DOPW

Legal Issues: Briefing from Legal and CED

Finances: Audits 22/23 and 23/24 outstanding

Strategic Plan: new 5 year cycle 2 years overdue,
Community engagement is necessary



Special Chiefs Assembly: COO held a FNCFS Final Agreement Assembly on Feb 26th. Passed

RHTLF – Attended of Feb 24th – Tabled a resolution of custom governance – Council Fire. It was passed coals from original fire by elders

RHW – Meeting set for March 6th and 7th
Ministers postponed due to US Tariffs response from Canada.

APS – Meeting with Sgt. Travis

"It does not require many words to speak the truth" – Chief Joesph

Wasauksing Wellness and Safety : The Art of Listening

Respecting our losses in our community is important, let's take a moment to respect our losses. We must also focus on protection of our rights and community safety from violence in it's many forms.

Proposed Strategies include:

Violence Prevention Strategy

Fentanyl and Substance Community Plan

Leadership Election Reform

Land Claims Plan

Communication Strategy to ensure meaningful engagement and listening to the voice of the people for Strategic Planning, Including Violence Prevention, Fentanyl and Substances Community planning, Financial Planning and Transparency, Including the use of technology and surveys.

Visited Elders at Monday March 3rd Discuss Elders Council and Youth Council



I met with APTN Reporter Kenneth Jackson to discuss his story that aired on March 1st Titled "Dinamiite Bay" and "The Great Change". Expressed our concern about the division caused by not meeting with Chief and Council formally out of respect.



Robinson Huron Treaty Litigation Fund (RHTLF) is the governing body of 21 Chiefs and Trustees. The current initiative is to affirm Anishinaabe governance through Council fire, which is a historical way we made decisions. This is to formalize how our 21 Nations make decisions and resolve disputes. The go forward is to begin to negotiate the annuities with the Crown.

In closing, I am committed to working hard to oversee we practice inclusivity, transparency, and accountability. I am doing this by being present and visible in our Community. I live a healthy lifestyle and expect that our organization stands up against violence and bullying. We remain focused on working for our growth and leaving creation in a better place for our future generations.

I am a skilled listener and will draw on all my abilities to lead this community in a good way that promotes wellness and safety.

Miigwech

Chief Shane Tabobondung

"A dream is the bearer of a new possibility, the enlarged horizon, the great hope" – Howard Thurman



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Community Report – March 4, 2025

Aanii/Boozhoo Wasauksing

I would like to first say Miigwech to all who voted for me, and to all the Candidates who ran in the election.

I look forward to working with our new Giima and Councillors in a good way and to continue to strengthen our community.

From the first day after election Chief and Councillors met to begin fostering that positive relationship.

During the first two weeks of our term, I have been attending the Gathering Building and working with Chief and Councillors.

We had our first BCM on business day 1. Although there were no decisions made at that meeting, there was introductions made to community members in attendance and with the Directors and the need of signing of documents for new Chief and Council.

I attended community events on Family Day, which was hosted by the Child Wellbeing team, a Tufted Wall Art workshop hosted by Wiidookdahwin, and our Elder's luncheons.

I attended an All Candidates Meeting for Provincial election in Nobel, and only two of the Candidates showed up, NDP – Jim Ronholm and Green Party – Matt Richter. People in attendance were mainly focussed on the

closures of Nobel and McDougall Public Schools, as the Super School is expected to open in September. Letters by constituents have been sent to MPP's to keep McDougall School open for JK to grade 6. Nothing was brought up regarding our First Nation Indigenous studies or rooms in the new school. We as Chief and Council work on voicing our own concerns as well.

I will continue to get out there and participate in community events and be in Chief's office whenever possible. I also recognize that we do have important issues to work on. Please feel free to reach out anytime, my email is council1@wasauksing.ca Miigwech



Councilor Dave Rice - Monthly Report

March, 2025

Regrets to the Council meeting had a stomach virus .

Condolences to Wheatly family for the loss of father, uncle, partner and community most importantly a warrior to protect our community.

Attended the Little NHL to support our children and youth with the hockey journey for the week of March 10 - 13, 2025 . The kids and youth played their hearts out and had fun. Congrats to all the teams , volunteer coaches and trainers as well the community members who volunteered to make this dream possible for our children and youth.

Attended the BCM Tuesday, March 18,2025. Update from Managers and Directors from the previous months and looking at moving forward.

I have been spending a lot of my time with my sister and family with her journey of the last month. She did leave us on Wednesday 26,2025. And I am dealing with the loss of her with my family.



Councilor Dave Rice - Monthly Report

AFC council business finance update from the Directors.

Special BCM dated March 24, 2025 postponed out of respect for a community.

Miigwetch to the Wasauksing First Nation staff and the support of the community during our family loss . My sister started her spirit journey a week ago . The service on Saturday, March 29,2025.

Attended the gathering place to see the fire department doing an awesome job to protect and support all community members with the loss of hydro. They visit every household to check on members to see if they need any help. I want to say a Chi Miigwetch for all the work they did and still continue to do awesome jobs.



Councilor Dave Rice - Monthly Report

Suggestion to have non band members to attend the council meeting to sponsor those people who are not members here on the first nation to make sure the emergency service and council know who is living here just in case there is an emergency here in the community so we don't leave anyone behind here in the community.

Security program - A thought is to start a security program here in the community with training to those who are willing to provide the safety of all community members . WE are dealing with a lot more social issues and other issues that have become a part of our community.

Communicated with community members on various issues within the community.

Jordans Principal program is now pushing back with individual funding for children and youth . I spoke to the Jordan Principal employee has asked for elders to support these children.

Miiwgetch
Dave Rice



**APPROVED
BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
April 15, 2025**

Present:

Chief Shane Tabobondung
Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor - (Joined Virtual)
Councillor Neil Swanson
Councillor Dave Rice - (Joined Virtual)
Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Staff:

Ryan Tabobondung, Director of Public Works (DOPW)
Theresa Raymond, Acting Director of Social (ADOS) - (Joined Virtual)
Deborah Pegahmagabow, Director of Health (DOH)
Dave McDougall, Director of Educations (DOE)
Bernadette Drake, Administration Support Clerk (ASC)

Regrets:

Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Adam Good, Chief Executive Director (CED)

WFN Citizens:

Clara Partridge, Laura Pegahmagabow

Prayer & Smudge: Chief Shane Tabobondung

Chairperson: Chief Shane Tabobondung

Meeting called to order 5:30pm

1. Approval of Agenda Motion: 04-15-25-1

That the Agenda for the Business Council Meeting of April 15, 2025 is approved with the addition of moving Items to In- Camera.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

2. Acceptance of Previous Minutes Motion: 04-15-25-2

That the Business Council Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2025 are approved with the revision noted by Council.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

3. Action Items

Carried over from previous minutes

4. WFN Organizational Updates

Update Report

CED Report - Presented by Chief Shane Tabobondung for Adam Good, CED

Motion: 04-15-25-3

That the Chief and Council endorses the Finance Audit Committee Minutes of March 24, 2025.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Finance Audit Committee (FAC) – 2025/2026 Budgets

Motion: 04-15-25-4

That the Chief and Council endorses the Finance Audit Committee recommends and approve to adopting the budgets for the 2025/2026 fiscal year, pending the implementation of the agreed-upon adjustments.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-4

That the Chief and Council endorses Adam Goods, CED April 15, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Social Services Department Report - Presented by Theresa Raymond, (ADOS)

Motion: 04-15-25-5

That the Chief and Council endorses the Social Services Department recommendations and approve budgets for the 2025/2026 fiscal year, pending the implementation of the agreed-upon adjustments.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-6

That the Chief and Council endorses Theresa Raymonds, ADOS April 15, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Education Department and Day Care Report - Presented by Dave McDougall, (DOE)

Motion: 04-15-25-7

That the Chief and Council endorses the Educations Department, Childcare recommendations and approve budgets for the 2025/2026 fiscal year.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: ChiefCouncillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-8

That the Chief and Council endorses the Educations Department, recommends and approve budgets for the 2025/2026 fiscal year, pending the implementation of the agreed-upon adjustments to EDC510 and will also provide a Briefing note to Chief and Council for next BCM May 20,2025.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: ChiefCouncillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Councillor Neil Swanson has queried to review the Education Department 10% Administration fee as per the DOE Briefing Note (to be presented as noted above Motion 04-15-25-8) to waive the fees for Governance.

Motion: 04-15-25-9

That the Chief and Council endorses the Education Committee Minutes of March 17, 2025 with the revision noted by Council.

Moved by: ChiefCouncillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-10

That the Chief and Council endorses Dave McDougalls, DOE April 15, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Comfort Break - 6:27pm to 6:39pm

Motion: 04-15-25-11

That the Chief and Council endorses the Health Departments recommends and approve budgets for the 2025/2026 fiscal year Primary Health Care - Indigenous Interprofessional Primary Care Team, pending the implementation of the agreed-upon adjustments

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-12

That the Chief and Council endorses the Health Departments recommends and approve budgets for the 2025/2026 fiscal year FAC 3-24-25.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-13

That the Chief and Council endorses Deborah Pegahmagabow, DOH April 15, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Public Works Department Report - Presented by Ryan Tabobondung, (DOPW)

Motion: 04-15-25-13

That the Chief and Council endorses NFPA 1006 Ice Water Rescue training through IPCO and to sign the BCR at the next BCM May 20,2025.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-14

That the Chief and Council endorses the NFPA 1006 Water Rescue training through IPCO and to sign the BCR at the next BCM May 20,2025.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - First Nation Land Governance Registry

The development of the First Nation Land Governance Registry (FNLGR) system is currently underway, with ongoing collaboration from end-users and partners during the user testing phase. Training initiatives for the FNLGR are scheduled to commence in Q2 of 2025, followed by the onboarding of First Nations in Q3 of 2025. The objective is to achieve full operational capability by Q4 of 2025.

Wasauksing First Nation staff continue to participate in the LAB's First Nation Focus Group meetings and engagement sessions, as signatories to the Framework Agreement on First Nation Land Management.

No Motion at this time, for Information up-date.

Action Item

Requesting Memo of active & Inactive CP Titles.

Comfort Break - 7:34pm to 7:41pm

Briefing Note - Housing Authority Law

Motion: 04-15-25-15

That the Chief and Council endorses the Public Works Support's coordination of a meeting with Arbutus Law Group to present the proposed Housing Authority Law

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Hydro One Networks – 303694054- 303715272 – Wastewater Treatment Plant

Motion: 04-15-25-16

That the Chief and Council endorses the recommendation of Public Works Support and approves the Director of Public Works to execute documentation for Hydro One Notification #303694054- 303715272 - Wastewater Treatment Plant and endorses Council signature on the corresponding BCR 2025-0040

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Dispute Submitted Under Land Code – L. Des Roches (WLI/Ontario 2089322)

Recommendations by Chief & Council is defer to seek legal advice.

Briefing Note - Land Application LA2024-13MC

Recommendations by Chief and Council to send back to the Lands and Resources Committee (LARC) for further discussion on the land dispute. No Motion at this time.

Motion: 04-15-25-17

That the Chief and Council endorses the Lands and Resources Committee (LARC) Minutes of December 4, 2025.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Land Application

Motion: 04-15-25-19

That the Chief and Council endorses as per LARC Motion 12-04-24-04, Land Application LA2024-08DG, Darla Goman, for commercial use.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-20

That the Chief and Council endorses as per LARC Motion 12-04-24-05, Council approve Land Application LA2024-11DT, Danielle Tabobondung for recreational use.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-21

That the Chief and Council endorses as per LARC Motion 12-04-24-06, Council approve Land Application LA2024-14RS, Ryan Sheilds for village residential use.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-22

That the Chief and Council endorses as per LARC Motion 12-04-24-07, Council approve Land Application LA2024-15TT, Teionie Tabobandung for rural residential use.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-23

That the Chief and Council endorses as per LARC Motion 12-04-24-08, Council approve Land Application LA2024-12GM, Gary Miller for village residential use.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Lands and Resources Committee Member Recommendation

Motion: 04-15-25-24

That the Chief and Council endorses as per L.A.R.C. Motion 04-02-25-02, the recommend that Council approve and accept Matthew McGregor as a Lands and Resources Committee member for the vacant Male Age 31-49 category.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Instruments for Registration within the First Nations Land Registry System

Motion: 04-15-25-25

That the Chief and Council endorses as per LARC Motion 04-02-25-06, the recommendation that Council confirm the Assignment of Sublease for Lot 34 CLSR 5061 and sign the Band Council Resolution BCR 2025-0041

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-26

That the Chief and Council endorses as per LARC Motion 04-02-25-07, the recommendation that Council confirm the Assignment of Sublease for Lot65 CLSR 5061 and sign the Band Council Resolution BCR 2025-0042.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-27

That the Chief and Council endorses as per LARC Motion 04-02-25-08, the recommendation that Council confirm the Assignment of Sublease for Lot93 CLSR 5062 and sign the Band Council Resolution BCR 2025-0043.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-28

That the Chief and Council endorses as per LARC Motion 04-02-25-09, the recommendation that Council confirm the Assignment of Sublease for Lot109 CLSR 5062 and sign the Band Council Resolution BCR 2025-0044.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-29

That the Chief and Council endorses as per LARC Motion 04-02-25-10, the recommendation that Council confirm the Assignment of Sublease for Lot195 CLSR 51788 and sign the Band Council Resolution BCR 2025-0045.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-30

That the Chief and Council endorses as per LARC Motion 04-02-25-11, the recommendation that Council confirm the Assignment of Sublease for Lot208 CLSR 51788 and sign the Band Council Resolution BCR 2025-0046.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Indigenous Community Capital Grants Program (ICCGP)

Motion: 04-15-25-31

That the Chief and Council endorses the recommendation of the Public Works Support and approves budgets for the 2025/2026 fiscal year ICCGP Multi-Use Facility Feasibility.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-32

That the Chief and Council endorses the recommendation of the Public Works Department and approves budgets for the 2025/2026 fiscal year pending the implementation of the agreed-upon adjustments and provide the budget projection for the Taxation for the BCM May 20, 2025

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Action Item

Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee queried the 20 Band Council Resolution from Citizenship that was missing 1 signature from prior Council.

As per Ryan Tabobondung (DOPW) recordation is to request a briefing note from Adam Good to rescind and reissue for current Chief and Council to sign at the Community Council Meeting.

Motion: 04-15-25-33

That the Chief and Council endorses Ryan Tabobondungs DOPW April 15, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

5. Documents for Signing

Motion: 04-15-25-34

That the Council endorses the recommendation for Chief Shane Tabobondung be appointed as the Wasauksing First Nation representative to the Police Governing Authority and sign the Band Council Resolution BCR 2025-0047

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

6. Community Participation

Community Member Laura Pegahmagabow has queried

- A) As to when the Fire Department declares spring into action for power outages. Would like to note that this time frame is not reasonable especially during the winter season.
- B) Home accessibility modifications to her unit.
- C) About long term 24-hour care for our elders.

Chief and Council acknowledge and thanked Laura Pegahmagabow for sharing her issues. No action at this time.

7. In Camera

Motion: 04-15-25-35

That the Council will go in-camera at 8:58pm

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded ChiefCouncillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Discussion: As a matter of Transparency, and Accountability to our Community and in accordance with the FAL we must include all salaries and stipends on the proposed Salary Grid.

Motion: 04-15-25-36

That Chief and Council endorses to amend the Compensation Grid to include: CED salary Grid, Council Stipend, Chief's Salary. Social Department Salary Grid before approval. Chief to follow up with Adam

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded ChiefCouncillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Discussion: Chief Presented on RHTLF Update on legal matters:

- Atikameksheng Anishinabek Issue
- Serpent River Issue
- Robinson Superior Issue
- Council Fire declaration,
- Legal urgency to establish outstanding Wasauksing Trust and hire a RHT Coordinator
- RHW wants to present and have a dinner (4 hrs)
- RHTLF Land usage mapping wants to start (would like a meeting)
- Elders in Wasauksing want to start History and Language programming.
- Trustee appointment for RHTLF

Motion: 04-15-25-37

That the Council will go out of in-camera at 9:47pm

Moved by: ChiefCouncillor Elizabeth Taylor

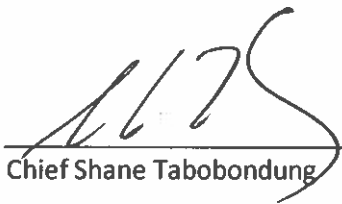
Seconded by Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 04-15-25-38

That the Business Council Meeting for April 15, 2025, 2025 is adjourned at 9:47pm

Moved by: ChiefCouncillor Elizabeth Taylor

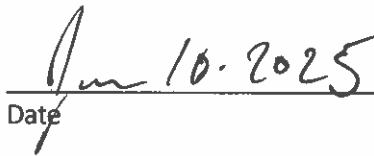
Seconded by Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus



Chief Shane Tabobondung



Adam Good, Chief Executive Director



Date



**APPROVED
COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
May 06, 2025**

Present:

Chief Shane Tabobondung
Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Councillor Neil Swanson
Councillor Dave Rice
Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Staff:

Adam Good, Chief Executive Director (CED)
Bernadette Drake Administration Support Clerk (ASC) - Recorder

Regrets:

WFN Citizens:

Chrystal Tabobandung, Clara Partridge, Toni Swanson, Lila Ann Rice, Laura Pegahmagabow,
Richard Pegahmagabow, Denys Beaucage, Marie Medwayosh-Hill, Ethel Chynoweth, Trisha Pegahmagabow,
Lyzander Carlton-Pegahmagabow, Jodi Contin

Prayer & Smudge:

Smudge: Chief Shane Tabobondung
Prayer: Councillor Dave Rice

Chairperson: Chief Shane Tabobondung

Meeting called to order 6:10pm

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion: 05-06-25-1

That the Agenda for the Community Council Meeting of May 06, 2025 is approved.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

2. Non-Member Residency Request

Motion: 05-06-25-2

That Chief and Council endorses the Non-Member Residency Requested by Rachel Deschenes-Pegahmagabow for Neil R. Canvin.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

3. Community Participation

Community Member Lila Ann Rice has queried:

- a) Expressed appreciation to Council for the installation of the new signage on Old Track Road.

Community Member Denys Beaucage has queried:

- a) To request that the fees be waived for use of the WACC parking lot for a fundraising event in support of taking disabled children on a camping trip.

Community Member Richard Pegahmagabow has queried:

- a) Concerns regarding land claims, road access, boundary issues, and the use of land without permission
- b) Results of boundary survey

Community Member Trisha Pegahmagabow and Lyzander Carlton-Pegahmagabow has queried:

- a) That on April 7th, Lyzander's dog was stolen from their home property. The incident was reported to ASP, and advice and assistance is being requested from Council.

Comfort Break - 7:01pm to 7:10pm

Community Member Laura Pegahmagabow has queried:

- a) Has suggested that a Bereavement Committee would be beneficial to the Community.
- b) Finance Audits
- c) Animal By-Law
- d) Why are buildings locked down?

Community Member Ethel Pawis has queried:

- a) Concerns in regards to the dust coming from Wawbawzee Road and Oak Point Road.
- b) Concerns in regards to the industrial companies speeding Wawbawzee Road and Oak Point Road.

Community Member Chrystal Tabobandung has queried:

- a) Requested blood quantum letter for broder crossing into the USA.
- b) The RTH Trust & Interest.

Comfort Break - 8:05pm to 8:15pm

Chief and Council noted and acknowledged the importance of each concern. Council thanked each member for sharing the issues.

Motion: 05-06-25-3

That Chief and Council Close Community Participation

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

4. Chief & Council Reports

See attached for All Chief & Council Reports

Comfort Break - 9:26pm to 9:25pm

Motion: 05-06-25-4

That Chief and Council endorse the Chief and Council Reports.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobandung
Carried by Consensus

5. Acceptance of Previous Minutes

Motion: 05-06-25-5

That the Community Council Meeting Minutes of April 01, 2025 are approved with the revisions noted by Council.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobandung
Carried by Consensus

6. Action Items Pending

Action item noted as per list.

7. Other Business

Motion: 05-06-25-6

That Chief and Council endorse Nahwegahbow, Corbiere is to provide to Council an overview, outline and planning approach relating to Wasauksing First Nations major outstanding land claims;

As a first priority, with respect to the Wasauksing First Nation Mainland Claim, Nahwegahbow, Corbiere is to provide for Council's consideration a legal opinion outlining the merits and strength of the claim, options to file and advance the claim, estimated timelines relating to the various options and legal retainer and financing alternatives specific to the options outlined; and

Council will provide further instructions with respect to legal work and opinions on the other outstanding land claims.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

8. Signing Document

Motion: 05-06-25-7

That the Chief and Council endorses the Amendment Comprehensive Funding Agreement (CFA) No: 2021-ON-000066 Amendment NO: 0100, program funding for fiscal year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$814,110.47.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-06-25-8

That the Chief and Council endorses the Amendment Comprehensive Funding Agreement (CFA) No: 2021-ON-000066 Amendment NO: 0102, program funding for fiscal year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$82,728.83.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-06-25-9

That the Chief and Council endorses the Amendment Comprehensive Funding Agreement (CFA) No: 2021-ON-000066 Amendment NO: 0103, program funding for fiscal year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$1,315,144.00.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-06-25-10

That the Chief and Council endorses the Amendment Comprehensive Funding Agreement (CFA) No: 2021-ON-000066
Amendment NO: 0104, Carry Forward Notice

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Carried by Consensus

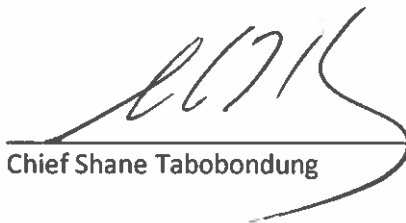
9. Meeting Adjourned

Motion: 05-06-25-11

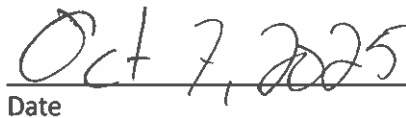
That the Community Council Meeting for April 01, 2025 is adjourned at 10:30

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus


Chief Shane Tabobondung


Adam Good, Chief Executive Director


Date



**APPROVED
BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
May 27, 2025**

Present:

Chief Shane Tabobondung
Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Councillor Walter Tabobondung (Arrived 6:05pm)
Councillor Neil Swanson
Councillor Dave Rice (Joined Virtual at 5:40pm)
Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Staff:

Adam Good, Chief Executive Director (CED)
Ryan Tabobondung, Director of Public Works (DOPW)
Theresa Raymond, Acting Director of Social (ADOS)
Deborah Pegahmagabow, Director of Health (DOH)
Dave McDougall, Director of Educations (DOE)
Bernadette Drake, Administration Support Clerk (ASC) - Recorder

Regrets:

No Regrets at this time.

WFN Citizens:

Clara Partridge, Wilma Tabobondung - (Joined Virtual)

Prayer & Smudge:

Prayer - Chief Shane Tabobondung

Smudge - Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Chairperson: Adam Good, (CED)

Meeting called to order 5:30pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion: 05-27-25-1

That the Agenda for the Business Council Meeting of May 27, 2025 is approved.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

2. Action Items

See attached for Action Items.

3. Acceptance of Previous Minutes

Motion: 05-27-25-2

That the Business Council Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2025 are approved.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-3

That the Business Council Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2025 are approved.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-4

That the Business Council Meeting Minutes of April 15, 2025 are approved.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

4. WFN Organizational Updates

Health Department Updates - Presented by Deborah Pegahmagabow, (DOH)

Motion: 05-27-25-5

That the Chief and Council endorses Deborah Pegahmagabow, DOH May 27, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-6

That the Chief and Council endorses the Health Privacy Program's

- a) Statement: Personal Health Information Practices
- b) Privacy Breach Intake Form

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-7

That the Chief and Council endorses and forward FNIHB's Home and Community Care-DCI HC-P016(2024-2025).

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-8

That the Chief and Council endorses ISC's Expenditure Plan-revised budget by Health for 2025-2026 as accepted by ISC and prepared by the Health Department.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-9

That the Chief and Council endorses the Ministry of Health-Primary Care Final Quarterly Report for the fiscal year of 2024-2025.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-10

That the Chief and Council endorses the Anishinabek-Diabetes final program and financial report as prepared and sent by the Health Department for the 2024-2025 fiscal.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-11

That the Chief and Council endorses the Anishinabek-Diabetes Program Proposal as presented for 2025-2026 fiscal year.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-12

That the Chief and Council endorses the CARA final report for 2024-2025 prepared by the Cara Worker-Health Department that includes "in-kind" supports from the WFN to the program.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-13

That the Chief and Council endorses the completed Process Evaluation Report on Palliative Care Expansion under Ontario Health for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-14

That the Chief and Council endorses the completed 2024-2025 Annual Report for the Indigenous Self-Determined Approach for the Adult Community Model of Care (Palliative Expansion-WFN)

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-15

That the Chief and Council endorses the completed 2024-2025 Budget for Mental Health Monetary supports from the Anishinabek Nation as presented, to augment the NNADAP Program Mental Health and Addictions Program.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-16

That the Chief and Council endorses the following Job Descriptions and Check List:

- a) Pediatric RN Case Manager-IPHCO; Maternal Health; Palliative Care Enhancement
- b) Traditional Wellness Coordinator/Practitioner-IPHCO
- c) Health Cook->30hrs/week
- d) Job Orientation-check list for new/returning staff

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Action Item:

Arrange a meeting/info session with Council, Directors and community to discuss the Health Transformation and strategies.

Motion: 05-27-25-17

That the Chief and Council endorses the 2024-2025 Budget for the Expenditure Plan – 10-year Grant and Other Programming as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Action Item:

Account codes to be set-up for the \$5,000 and \$40,000 budgets.

Motion: 05-27-25-18

That the Chief and Council endorses the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Health Department Diabetes Budget as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-19

That the Chief and Council endorses the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Health Department NNADAP Budget as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-20

That the Chief and Council endorses the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Health Department Home and Community Care Budget as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Comfort Break - 7:00pm to 7:22pm

Public Works Department - Presented by Ryan Tabobondung, (DOPW)

Motion: 05-27-25-21

That the Chief and Council endorses Ryan Tabobondungs, DOPW May 27, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: : Councillor Neil Swanson Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Wasauksing First Nation Reserve Name Change and Additions to Reserve Applications

Open discussion about the inclusion of "Reserve" in the Legal name of the First Nation, with concerns raised by Chief and Council about its historical context and conflict with the First Nations identity. Council tabled the decision to seek legal opinion and referenced the Wasauksing First Nation Constitution regarding the name change.

Briefing Note - Property Trust Agreement – Fee Simple Properties, Depot Harbour

Motion: 05-27-25-22

That the Chief and Council endorses the Property Trust Agreement with the Diocese and authorizes Chief Shane Tabobondung sign on behalf of Wasauksing First Nation.

Moved by: : Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note – Agreement for the Provision of Primary Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Services

Motion: 05-27-25-23

That the Chief and Council endorses the recommendations to have Wasauksing enter into a joint agreement with Surrounding Municipalities with the Ontario Provincial Police for the provision of Primary Public Safety Answering Point. To sign Agreement and BCR 2025-0053.

Moved by: : Councillor Walter Tabobondung Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note – 1006 Ice Water Rescue training from Indigenous Police Chiefs Ontario in the Winter of 2025

That Chief and Council endorses BCR 2025-0051 as per BCM Minutes April 15,2025, Motion 04-15-25-13.

Briefing Note – 1006 Water Rescue training from Indigenous Police Chiefs Ontario in the Winter of 2025

That Chief and Council endorses BCR 2025-0052 as per BCM Minutes April 15,2025, Motion 04-15-25-14.

Motion: 05-27-25-24

That the Chief and Council endorses the May 01, 2025 Housing Committee Meeting Minutes.

Moved by: : Councillor Neil Swanson Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note – Housing Committee Recommendations to Council - Health and safety concerns regarding residential unit and WFN liability issues.

Open discussion about the health and safety concerns regarding residential unit and WFN liability issues. Chief and Council recommend another meeting be set up with the tenant, Council and DOPW to discuss other options.

Briefing Note – Housing Committee Recommendations to Council- 3427 Medwayosh Tenant Selection

Motion: 05-27-25-25

That the Chief and Council endorses as per the Housing Committee Motion 05-04-25-10, The Housing Committee recommends to the Council that applicant #1, Jacob King, be approved for tenancy at 3427 Medwayosh Crescent commencing June 15, 2025.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note – Housing Committee Recommendations to Council- Appliance Purchases and Maintenance

Open discussion about the Housing Committee recommendations - Appliance Purchases and Maintenance, Council tabled the decision to discuss at the next BCM June 17, 2025.

Briefing Note – Housing Committee Recommendations to Council- Committee Member Appointment

Moved to next BCM June 17, 2025.

Briefing Note – Housing Committee Recommendations to Council- Monthly Rent Increases

Moved to next BCM June 17, 2025.

Briefing Note – Hydro One Networks – 303762011 – 113 Oak Point Road

Motion: 05-27-25-26

That the Chief and Council endorses the recommendation of Public Works Support and approves the Director of Public Works to execute documentation for Hydro One Notification #303762011 and endorses Council signature on the corresponding BCR 2025-0048.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Carried by Consensus

Comfort Break - 8:50pm to 9:22pm

Briefing Note – Wasauksing First Nation Annual Revenue Laws 2025

Motion: 05-27-25-27

That the Chief and Council endorses the Wasauksing First Nation Annual Expenditure Law, 2025.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-28

That the Chief and Council endorses the Wasauksing First Nation Annual Tax Rates Law, 2025.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-29

That the Chief and Council endorses the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Property and Transfer Tax (Clr150) as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Education Department and Daycare Updates - Presented by Dave McDougall, (DOE)

That the Chief and Council endorses Dave McDougalls, DOE May 27, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note – Education Buildings, Asset and Infrastructure Monies Administration Fees

Motion: 05-27-25-30

That the Chief and Council endorses the recommended agreed amount of \$5,000.00 for the Administration Fee and to invest the remaining amount of Kinomaugewgamik Infrastructure Capital Reserve Funding budge as presented for 2 years, placed in a GIC or preferred account.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-31

That the revised Wasauksing Educations 2024-2025 Budgets are approved as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Action Item:

To further discuss Administration fees for the Education Dept.

Motion: 05-27-25-32

That the Chief and Council endorses the April 14, 2025 Education Committee Meeting Minutes.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Socil Department - Presented by Theresa Raymond, (ADOS)

Motion: 05-27-25-33

That the Chief and Council endorses Theresa Raymond, ADOS May 27, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update.

Report.Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-34

That the Chief and Council endorses the April 28, 2025 Social Committee Meeting Minutes.

Report.Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-35

That the Chief and Council endorses the 2025 Right to Play Program Budget as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-36

That the Chief and Council approve in principal the Shelter Supervisor Job Description as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note – RHT for registered children cared for by non-member guardians and legally adopted parents.

Action Item:

That the letter is to be redrafted and updated.

CED Updates - Presented by Adam Good, (CED)

Motion: 05-27-25-37

That the Chief and Council endorses Adam Goods, CED May 27, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note –OFNLP Distribution and Investment Income for the 2023 – 2024 Fiscal Year.

No Motion at this time. Education Funds expended to be adjusted.

Briefing Note –Acknowledgment & Release re: RHTLF Interest Distribution

Motion: 05-27-25-38

That Chief and Council of Wasauksing First Nation hereby approve the Acknowledgement and Limited Release and Letter of Direction as attached, and authorize Chief Shane Tabobondung to sign both documents and undertake all necessary actions to implement the provisions therein, BCR 2025-0050.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

5. Community Participation

No Community Participation at this time.

6. In Camera

Motion: 05-27-25-39

That the Council will go in-camera at 10:20pm.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-40

That the Chief and Council endorses Chief Shane Tabobondung to be the RHTLF Trustee

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-41

That the Council will go out of in-camera at 11:16pm.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 05-27-25-42

That the Business Council Meeting for May 27, 2025, is adjourned at 11:16pm.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

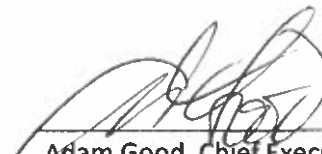
Seconded by Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Carried by Consensus

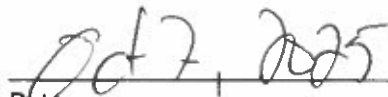
Closing Prayer



Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor



Adam Good, Chief Executive Director



Date



**APPROVED
COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
June 03, 2025**

Present:

Chief Shane Tabobondung – (Joined Virtual)
Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Councillor Neil Swanson
Councillor Dave Rice
Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Staff:

Adam Good, Chief Executive Director (CED)
Bernadette Drake Administration Support Clerk (ASC) - Recorder

Regrets:

Councillor Walter Tabobondung

WFN Citizens:

Chrystal Tabobandung, Clara Partridge, Norman Partridge, Randolph Wheatly, Randy Wheatly Jr., Lila Ann Rice,
Laura Pegahmagabow, Jodi Contin

Prayer & Smudge:

Smudge: Councillor Dave Rice

Prayer: Councillor Dave Rice

Chairperson: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Meeting called to order 6:10pm

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion: 06-03-25-1

That the Agenda for the Community Council Meeting of June 03, 2025 is approved.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

2. Non-Member Residency Request

Motion: 06-03-25-2

That Chief and Council endorses the Non-Member Residency Requested by Neil Swanson for Amanda Worm.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Councillor Neil Swanson has declared conflict of interest.

Motion: 06-03-25-3

That Chief and Council endorses the letter of request from Neil Swanson and Sons to extend Amanda Worms rights (Spouse/Mother), to hunt, fish, and gather freely in the Robinson-Huron Treaty Territory of Wasauksing First Nation.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Councillor Neil Swanson has declared conflict of interest.

4. Chief & Council Reports

See attached for All Chief & Council Reports

Motion: 06-03-25-4

That Chief and Council endorse the Chief and Council Reports.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Comfort Break - 7:07pm to 7:26pm

5. Acceptance of Previous Minutes

Motion: 06-03-25-5

That the Community Council Meeting Minutes of May 06, 2025 are approved with the revisions noted by Council.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

6. Action Items Pending

Action item noted as per list.

7. Other Business

That Chief and Council recommend that the letter of support from Niijaansinaanik be forwarded to the next Directors Meeting.

Action Item:

Adam Good to setup meetings as noted in package.

8. Signing Document

Motion: 06-03-25-6

That the Chief and Council endorses the Amendment Comprehensive Funding Agreement (CFA) No: 2021-ON-000066 Amendment NO: 0105, program funding for fiscal year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$89,000.00.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

9. Community Participation

Randolph Wheatly requested to go In Camera.

Norman Partridge requested to go In Camera

Lila Ann Rice requested to go In Camera

Community Member Laura Pegahmagabow has queried:

- a) Elders driveways
- b) Lane B driveway grading is needed.
- c) Finance Audits
- d) Strangers in the Community
- e) Youth Programming
- f) CPIC inquiries

Community Member Chrystal Tabobandung has queried:

- a) Setting up a Wasauksing First Nation Business Advisory Committee or Association
- b) Finance Committee
- c) OLG Meeting
- d) Requesting more information be offered at meetings/events and not just crafts
- e) Every Child Matters Movement

Motion: 06-03-25-7

That Chief and Council Close Community Participation

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

10. In Camera

Motion: 06-03-25-8

That the Council will go in-camera at 9:00 p.m.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Community Members concerns Open Discussion With:

- Norman Partridge
- Randy Wheathly
- Lila Ann Rice
- Rebecca Tabobandung

Open Discussion With:

- RTH Trust & Settlement
- Contingent Liability – Chief Shane Tabobandung and Councillor Neil Swanson declared conflict of interest.

Motion: 06-03-25-9

That the Council will go out of in-camera at 11:45 p.m.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

11. Meeting Adjourned

Motion: 06-03-25-10

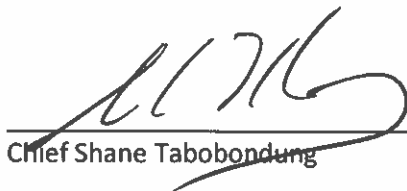
That the Community Council Meeting for June 03, 2025 is adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

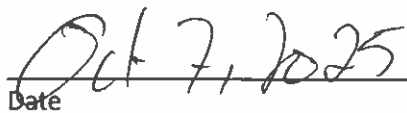
Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Carried by Consensus

Closing Prayer: Councillor Dave Rice


Chief Shane Tabobondung


Adam Good, Chief Executive Director


Date



Wasauksing Chief | Community Report May 2025

INTRO | ADMINISTRATION | GOVERNANCE | COMMUNITY

Aanii Kinaweya

Waabgonii Giizis is a time of blossoming. Chief and Council are exploring with legal partners the advancement of our Mainland Land Claim. Council is now attending their respective portfolio committees. The Chief and Council continue to direct that Administration complete the outstanding audits. 22/23 is in Draft Form and we have been assured we will be reviewing it this month. We have been updated from the CED that the 23/24 has moved from adjustments to sampling. 24/25 should be on the verge of closing.



Administration Briefing on the most pressing issues that impact the community:

The Swing Bridge: Received a letter from ISC load limits are lifted to 10 tonne/axl. We took a presentation form a Lobby group to support this initiative.

Legal Issues: Legal Presentation completed to C&C and BCR to retain legal has began. Finances: Audit 22/23 draft to be presented this month. Date for Community presentation to be set.



Robinson Huron Waawiindamaagewin gathering on May 20 – 23 Discussions included: Treaty Curriculum, RHW partnership with Waubetek for Housing Mortgage program. Treaty Research for land use Mapping completion for Wasauksing's Mainland.

Elders – Chief Councillor Liz and I will be having Elder meetings on Monday Mornings at 11am. Elders are wanting to be engaged as well by RHW for Treaty research.

"A flower cannot bloom without sunshine, and a man cannot live without love" -
Max Muller

What do we want? Land Back! When do we want it? Now!

I attended a protest for the Provincial Bill -5 at Queens Park. The message from the people is clear. We need to be idle no more. Our rights and title are being challenged by both the Provincial and Federal Governments again. There is a need to rise up and assert our inherent rights as stewards of the land. The Canadian and Ontario governments are using the economic threat from the American Trump policies to fast-track resource extraction and the greed for money is sacrificing the health of our original mother, threatening negative impacts to the land, plants, animals, and the people.

- Anishinabek Nation Chief's Gathering this week. Agenda items include: Bill 5, Corporate AGMs, Economic Development, Citizenship, 2 generation cut-off, Language, ANCA, Repatriation of our Ancestors, Child and Youth Death Review Transformation, Lands: Great Lakes, Anishinabeg, Infrastructure, Housing, Water, wastewater, Health, and Child Wellness

During the June 2nd Protest in Toronto I was able to meet with Citizens who reside off territory and would like to thank them for reaching out. I continue to extend an invitation to meet, call, or visit so please email or call the Admin office. I monitor both email and voicemail regularly and welcome visits from our community who live outside the confines of a Federal Reservation.



I extend our thoughts and prayers to the communities in Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba as they struggle through the forest fires in the West. I also want to extend my sincere condolences to the Judge family. Mental Health, Addictions, and Suicide touch each of us personally and I am reminded by the family to send a message "reach out for help". Let's end stigma

Rights and Responsibilities:



In closing It was tremendously powerful to be part of a collective of First Nation's across the country converged on Queens Park to demonstrate our opposition to legislation that will impact our rights as title holders of the land. These rights are enshrined by our Ancestors by a Creator given responsibility to be land protectors. The fought for these rights to be enshrined in the Constitution of Canada and upheld by numerous Supreme Court Decisions. The Chiefs and Grand Chiefs of our Nations are seeing the increasing need for us to mobilize and be ready to stand up and be "idle no more". I look forward to hearing from the community and finding volunteers to support and organize our community to be more present. I'm sure our people will feel the power of us coming together and assert our Creator given rights. Miigwech.

"Let us put our minds together and see what life we can make for our children." – Sitting Bull



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MAY 2025 UPDATE

Aanii/Boozhoo Wasauksing

"Happy June! May this month bring you sunshine and smiles"

May 1st I attended the Housing Committee meeting. There were lots of items discussed, as unfortunately it has been a while since the members have been able to meet. Good news as we have been approved to build 8 new units, which will go behind the new development, behind Medweyosh.

May 2nd & 3rd, Chief and Council did start some long overdue Orientation. Still needs to be completed. Currently my Portfolios will Health, Housing and Education. Shared with Councillor Rice (Health and Education), Councillor Swanson (Housing) & Councillor Rice (Education). There is still lots of work that needs to be done, so I thank you for your patience.

May 5th was Missing, Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls – Red Dress Day. Attended the drop in at the Health Station. There was a nice luncheon, raffle and good conversation had. For community members that attended they created their own Red Dress magnets/hanging, Red Dress Peg Dolls, and some created Red Dress earrings. Later that evening I attended the Parry Sound Friendship Centres MMIWG event where also they came together to honour and raise awareness through unity and healing.

May 7th was the Community Council Meeting.

May 12th attended Education Committee meeting. Upcoming events – June 4th Waterwalk, June 19 is Wasauksing School PowWow

May 13th attended Health Committee meeting

May 20th attended the Nobel School Pow as both a Wasauksing Representative and as an Alumni graduating student from Nobel way back in the late 70's. Remember

Auntie Soda – baa made my graduation dress. Sorry that the school will be closing down.

May 26th, attended BCM. Was a business filled agenda, lots of business items to review.

May 30th attended Parry Sound High School Pow Wow held at the Bobby Orr Community Centre.

Attended Monday's elder's luncheon. Mno Dibishkaan to all our May Birthdays celebrated.

May 30th Treaty Day was once again postponed by the Feds; new date is June 18th.

In closing I offer my heartfelt condolences to the family of Cathy Noganosh and Stan Judge.

Miigwech

Liz Taylor

Chief Councillor



**Wasauksing First Nation
Council Report: July 2025
Submitted: August 5, 2025 CCM
Submitted by: Councillor Pazhe Rice**

Report on the 30th Potawatomi Governance Meeting & Economic Summit

**Potawatomi Confederacy Annual In-Person Meeting
Gun Lake Casino July 31, 2025 9 am – 4 pm**

- **Opening and Welcome 9am**
Cultural Opening
Ojichidaa Flags of Nations Bands present:
 1. Citizen Potawatomi Nation
 2. Forest County Potawatomi
 3. Gun Lake Tribe
 4. Hennahville Indian Community
 5. Nottawaseppi Huron Band
 6. Pokagon Band
 7. Prairie Band
 8. Walpole Island First Nation
 9. Wasauksing First Nation
 10. Kettle Point First Nation**Note: Cape Croker/Neyaashlinigming absent due to elections**

A Song & Prayer were given followed by Chairman Peters of Gun Lake's Opening Remarks.

- **Tribal Introductions went around the room. Chief Shane Tabobondung, Councillor Dave M. Rice and I were present.**
- **A presentation was made by Dr. Robin Wall Kimmerer author of Braiding Sweetgrass. Her book is being adapted into film. There were introductions made for both the Production team and the Braiding Sweetgrass Wisdom Council who are advisory to this project. Bands who wish to make a contribution to the production of this film can do so.**
- **All Council Discussion – Working together for further political power ie: Great Lakes Water Compact and Consultation with the Great Lakes Tribal bodies.**

Afternoon 1:00pm

- **Potawatomi Confederacy Ceremonial Signing of both the Articles of Confederation and Rules of Order.** The official documents were signed by the Bands/First Nations present. I'm sharing Article 1 for community information. Primarily to assist with what the Confederacy's purpose will be. A copy of the Potawatomi Confederacy Document will be sent to Wasauksing to be displayed.

Article 1: General

Section 1. The Confederation will be known as the Bodewadmi Confederation of Tribal Nations.

Section 2. The purpose of this Confederation is to:

- a. Promote unity, cooperation, and mutual support among Nations, and to advance the interest and well-being of its citizens and indigenous peoples.
 - b. Maintain the sovereignty and self-determination of all member Nations.
 - c. Coordinate collective decisions on matters of external relations at the international, federal, state, and provincial level.
 - d. Promote unity, cultural continuity and survival among Bodwedmi peoples.
 - e. Protect our ancestral territories from encroachment and environmental harm.
- **All Council Discussion on a Potawatomi Confederacy Strategy Plan.**
 - **Priority Areas Discussion Breakouts.** All Councils broke up into groups and drafted ideas in the following areas for development.
 1. Culture, Language, and Identity attended by Councilor Dave M. Rice
 2. Sovereignty attended by Chief Shane Tabobondung
 3. Health and Wellbeing attended by Councilor Pazhe Rice
 4. Economic and Community Development attended by Councilor Pazhe Rice
 5. Confederacy Political Power
 - **Priority Area Discussion Recap & group presentations.**
 - **Closing – Host Tribal Chair Peters** gave the Closing Remarks
 - **Exchanging of Gifts.** Wasauksing Council presented our host, Gun Lake Band with a Pendleton Blanket and three photos gifted by Wasauksing Veteran and Photographer Mat McGregor
 - **Closing Prayer**

I would like to take a moment to emphasize the significance of this historical day. It has been the result of many decades of discussions and negotiations among various Tribal and First Nation Councils, as well as esteemed traditional leaders. Their collective efforts have finally arrived in the successful establishment of this confederacy. The Bodewadmi history, both past and present, offers countless reasons for pride and celebration. From the resilience shown by our ancestors to the vibrant culture and traditions that continue to thrive today, this day marks a key moment in our journey. Let us honor the sacrifices and achievements that have brought us to this point, while looking ahead to the future.

Pottawatoml Economic Summit
Friday, August 1, 2025
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Gun Lake Casino & Resort

Welcome by Monica King, CEO Gun Lake Investments

Discussion on Hub Zone & Free Trade Zones by Tanya Gibbs, Mshkawzi Law. Tanya presented areas where Free Trade Zones currently exist and ways to work trade between Potawatomi Bands in various states including Ontario Potawatomi Bands who may want to look at future business ventures.

EDC Introductions & Updates on Successes/Lessons Learned. Each Band presented updates.

1. Citizen Potawatomi Nation
2. Forest County Potawatomi - Potawatomi Ventures
3. Gun Lake Tribe - Gun Lake Investments
4. Hannahville Indian Community
5. Nottawaseppi Huron Band - Waseyabek Development Corp.
6. Pokagon Band - Mno-Bmadsen
7. Prairie Band - Prairie Band LLC
8. Walpole Island First Nation
9. Kettle Point First Nation
10. **Wasauksing First Nation :** I presented an update on the expansion and upgrade of the Wasauksing First Nation's Sugar Bush. I included the new facility that promises to enrich our community Maple product business. I mentioned the future plans for the Wasauksing Marina. The expansion, filled with potential and opportunities waiting to be developed. I also pitched our commitment to growth that drives us to seek partnerships that will not only enhance our existing businesses but also pave the way for exciting new ventures. I invited the other Potawatomi Bands to join us in partnership to collaboratively work to cultivate vibrant economic opportunities that will uplift our community and extend far beyond. It was shared that the Canada Potawatomi's do not have the opportunities to develop Casino resorts as they have; therefore we have to rely on businesses to generate revenue for our First Nation.

The next Gathering Meeting Host In 2026 will be Forest County: Potawatomi Ventures



Councilor Dave Rice - Monthly Report

May, 2025

May 6th, 2025

Attended the CCM with last council

Business & community participation- lot of community concerns

May 16th, 2025

Attended the Nobel School Pow Wow to support the closure of the school.
The Pow Wow was a great turn out.

BCM Virtual from side of road

May 23rd, 2025

Attached council retreat at Tappattoo Resort

Portfillo-Social-Restorative

Justice and Education



Councilor Dave Rice - Monthly Report

Attended the celebration of life

May 26th, 2025

Attended social committee

Had a tour of the safe house

Condolences to the Misquadis & Noganosh families

Meet with legal team to discuss land claims

Attended the celebration of life

May 29th, 2025

Attended Shawanaga First Nation for the loss of Wasauksing community member who passed away

His celebration of life was very well attended. He was a father, son, uncle, nephew, cousin, friend and a warrior for both first nations and Anishinabek nation as well. He attended as a veteran and carried the eagle staff for neuromas pow wows. He collaborated with neuromas band members, councilors and was always there to help. His ideas and updates contributed to the first nations.



**APPROVED
BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
June 17, 2025**

Present:

Chief Shane Tabobondung (Joined Virtual)
Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Councillor Neil Swanson
Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Staff:

Adam Good, Chief Executive Director (CED)
Ryan Tabobondung, Director of Public Works (DOPW)
Theresa Raymond, Acting Director of Social (ADOS)
Deborah Pegahmagabow, Director of Health (DOH)
Dave McDougall, Director of Educations (DOE)
Bernadette Drake, Administration Support Clerk (ASC) - Recorder

Regrets:

Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Councillor Dave Rice

WFN Citizens:

Wilma Tabobondung - (Joined Virtual)

Prayer & Smudge:

Smudge - Councillor Neil Swanson

Prayer - Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Chairperson: Adam Good, (CED)

Meeting called to order 5:04pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion: 06-17-25-1

That the Agenda for the Business Council Meeting of June 17, 2025 is approved.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

2. Action Items

See attached for Action Items

3. Acceptance of Previous Minutes

Motion: 06-17-25-2

That the Business Council Meeting Minutes of May 27, 2025 are approved.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

4. WFN Organizational Updates

Education Department and Daycare Updates - Presented by Dave McDougall, (DOE)

Motion: 06-17-25-3

That the Chief and Council endorses Dave McDougalls, DOE June 7, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 06-17-25-4

That the Chief and Council endorses the 2025-2026 Budget for the Numeracy Project as presented.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

That Dave McDougalls, DOE will adjust the 2025-2026 Budget for the Kinomaugewgamik Infrastructure Capital Reserve Funding and present at the next BCM July 14, 2025.

Recommendation by Chief Shane Tabobondung that Dave McDougalls, DOE, to review the KEB agreement as per administration fees.

Motion: 06-17-25-5

That the Chief and Council endorses the updated 2025 Wasauksing First Nation Education/ Kinomaugewgamik Committee Terms of Reference as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 06-17-25-6

That the Chief and Council endorses the Education Committee Minutes of May 12, 2025 with revisions noted by Council.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Socil Department Updates - Presented by Theresa Raymond, (ADOS)

Motion: 06-17-25-7

That the Chief and Council endorses Theresa Raymond, ADOS June 17, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 06-17-25-8

That the Chief and Council endorses the Shelter/Transitional Housing Job Description for Program Coordinator and Facilitator with revisions noted by Council and with updates if needed in future.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 06-17-25-9

That the Chief and Council endorses the Shelter/Transitional Housing Job Description for Shelter Supervisor Outreach Services with revisions noted by Council and with updates if needed in future.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 06-17-25-10

That the Chief and Council endorses the Shelter/Transitional Housing Job Description for Social Navigator & Intake Worker (Weekend Shifts Days, Evenings, Nights, Weekday On-call)- 3 Positions with revisions noted by Council and with updates if needed in future.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 06-17-25-11

That the Chief and Council endorses the Shelter/Transitional Housing Job Description for Social Navigator & Intake Worker (Evenings) with revisions noted by Council and with updates if needed in future.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 06-17-25-12

That the Chief and Council endorses the Shelter/Transitional Housing Job Description for Social Navigator & Intake Worker (Nights) with revisions noted by Council and with updates if needed in future.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Action Item:

Recommendations by Chief and Council to look in to developing and improving Wasauksing First Nations Health and Safety Regulations versus following the provincial and federal Health and Safety Regulations.

Motion: 06-17-25-13

That the Chief and Council endorses the Widookdahwin Committee Minutes of May 27, 2025 with revisions noted by Council.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 06-17-25-14

That the Chief and Council endorses the Social Committee Minutes of May 26, 2025 with revisions noted by Council.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by: Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Action Item:

Recommendations by Chief and Council to explore the need of a Court Worker for the Community.

Comfort Break - 6:40pm to 6:53pm

Health Department Updates - Presented by Deborah Pegahmagabow, (DOH)

Motion: 06-17-25-14

That the Chief and Council endorses Deborah Pegahmagabow, DOH June 17, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 06-17-25-15

That the Chief and Council endorses the Enji-Nooj-Mo-Haad-WFN Health Services/Health Committee Minutes of May 13, 2025 as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 06-17-25-16

That the Chief and Council endorses the Health Departments Job Description for Clinical Coordinator-RN as presented.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Recommendations by Chief and Council to allow more time to review the following Job Description. Moved to next BCM July 15, 2025.

- I. Director of Health
- II. Registered Practical Nurse-RPN

Motion: 06-17-25-17

That the Chief and Council endorses the Budget for the MOH Home & Community Care Nursing - Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 06-17-25-18

That the Chief and Council endorses the Budget for the Health Department Fundraising Budget - Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as presented.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Carried by Consensus

Action Item:

Finance to create a code for the Health Department Fundraising Budget

Comfort Break - 7:40pm to 7:53pm

Public Works Department Updates - Presented by Ryan Tabobondung, (DOPW)

Motion: 06-17-25-18

That the Chief and Council endorses Ryan Tabobondung, DOPW June 17, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Hydro One Networks – 303736055 - 281 Oak Point Road

Motion: 06-17-25-19

That the Chief and Council accepts the recommendation of Public Works Support and approves the Director of Public Works to execute documentation for Hydro One Notification #303736055 and endorses Council signature on the corresponding BCR 2025-0055.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - CHRT 41 Capital Funding Proposal – Post Majority Transitional Housing

Motion: 06-17-25-20

That Chief and Council accept the recommendation of the Public Works Support and endorse Council signature on BCR 2025-0056 that supports the submission of CHRT 41 pre-capital phase funding request for the planning and design of a Post Majority Transitional Housing project with revisions noted by Council to add Director of Social to BCR.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Housing Committee Recommendations to Council- Appliance Purchases and Maintenance

No Motion at this time. Recommendations by Chief and Council send back to the Housing Committee to review the lifespan of appliances in tenant's homes. If the appliance breaks down within or beyond its expected lifespan replacement should be granted.

If the appliance breaks down before expected lifespan it must be determined whether the damage is due to tenant misuse or natural malfunction. Misuse or tenant abuse, the tenant should be responsible for the cost of replacement. Suggested funding options may include Ontario Works (OW), or Wasauksing First Nations Community Support Fund for payment of appliances. In the event these options are not available and cannot be paid in full by the tenant, a payment plan may be offered.

Policies and Rental Agreement's must be updated to reflect the applicable changes and resubmit to Chief and Council for approval before implementation.

Briefing Note - Housing Committee Recommendations to Council- Committee Member Appointment

Motion: 06-17-25-21

That the Chief and Council accepts the recommendation as per the Housing Committee Motion: 05-01-25-11, to decline the community members request to join the Housing Committee as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Housing Committee Recommendations- Monthly Rent Increases

No Motion at this time. Chief and Council recommend that the matter be referred back to the Housing Support staff and Housing Committee to revise the proposed rental increases. It is suggested that they consider implementing a sliding scale model for rent adjustment, possibly over a five-year period for example. To ensure gradual and manageable increases for the tenants.

Additionally, it is recommended to look into the differences between federal and provincial guidelines on rental increases and regulations.

Comfort Break - 8:50pm to 9:03pm

CED Updates - Presented by Adam Good, (CED)

Motion: 06-17-25-22

That the Chief and Council endorses Adam Goods, CED June 17, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 06-17-25-23

That the Chief and Council endorses the Administration Departments Job Description for Trust Clerk as presented.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Coming of Age 19 & PCD Eligibility

Motion: 06-17-25-24

That the Chief and Council authorize the Chief Executive Director to process the first and second Per Capita Distribution (PCD) payments of \$163,000 each to the eight as presented Wasauksing First Nation members, contingent upon the completion of all required documentation.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Carried by Consensus

5. Community Participation

No Community Participation at this time.

Motion: 06-17-25

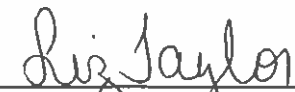
That the Business Council Meeting for June 17,2025, is adjourned at 10:05pm.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by Councillor Neil Swanson

Carried by Consensus

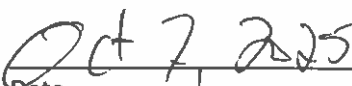
Closing Prayer: Chief Shane Tabobondung



Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor



Adam Good, Chief Executive Director



Date



**APPROVED
COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
July-02-2025 Rescheduled to July-08 2025**

Present:

Chief Shane Tabobondung
Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Councillor Neil Swanson
Councillor Dave Rice
Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Staff:

Bernadette Drake Administration Support Clerk (ASC) - Recorder

Regrets:

Adam Good, Chief Executive Director (CED)

WFN Citizens:

Chrystal Tabobandung, Laura Pegahmagabow, Jodi Contin, Taylor Partridge - (Joined Virtual)

Prayer & Smudge:

Smudge: Chief Shane Tabobondung

Prayer: Chief Shane Tabobondung

Chairperson: Adam Good, (CED)

Meeting called to order 6:13pm

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion: 07-08-25-1

That the Agenda for the Community Council Meeting of July 08, 2025 is approved.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

2. Non-Member Residency Request

No Non-Member Residency Requests at this time

3. Chief & Council Reports

See attached for All Chief & Council Reports

Motion: 07-08-25-2

That Chief and Council endorse the Chief and Council Reports.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

4. Acceptance of Previous Minutes

Motion: 07-08-25-3

That the Community Council Meeting Minutes of June 03, 2025 are approved by Chief and Council.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

5. Action Items Pending

Action item noted as per list.

6. Committee Recommendations

Briefing Note - Citizenship Applications

Band Council Resolutions (BCRs) were not signed prior to the end of Council's previous term (2023-2025), and new BCRs are required.

Motion: 07-08-25-4

That the Chief and Council move to In Camera. To discuss procedures, to set a date for a special meeting and to allow more time to review applications.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Citizenship Applications

Applications require motions from Council.

Motion: 07-08-25-5

That the Chief and Council move to In Camera. To discuss procedures, to set a date for a special meeting and to allow more time to review applications.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

7. Other Business

Letter of Support

Motion: 07-08-25-6

That Chief and Council recommends that the letter of support for Miss Canada from Robin Rice be forwarded to the next Directors Meeting and to follow up with Robin to request her budget.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Aboriginal Community Safety Planning Initiative (ACSPI)

Motion: 07-08-25-7

That Chief and Council endorse the Aboriginal Community Safety Planning Initiative (ACSPI).

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Action Item

Adam Good (CED) to follow up with Aboriginal Community Safety (ACS) Public Safety Canada for next steps.

RHTLF - Orientation and Community Information on Go-Forward and Work of RHTLF

Action Item

Adam Good (CED) to follow up and send out Community Notice for upcoming RHTLF Legal Go Forward Community Information Session.

Georgian Bay Anishinaabek Youth Request

Motion: 07-08-25-8

That Chief and Council endorse the Georgian Bay Anishinaabek Youth request for any youth wishing to participate and are employed by the band to be paid through their positions to attend Bemishkaajig 2025. The 4-day canoe trip is planned to occur from August 4th to 8th, 2025.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

First Nations Finance Authority ("FNFA") PROMISSORY NOTE (the "Promissory Note")

Motion: 07-08-25-9

That Chief and Council endorse the First Nations Finance Authority ("FNFA") PROMISSORY NOTE (the "Promissory Note") as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Representative to act on behalf of Wasauksing First Nation for First Nations Finance Authority ("FNFA").

Motion: 07-08-25-10

That Chief and Council endorse the Chief Shane Tabobondung to act as Wasauksing First Nation representative to the First Nations Finance Authority ("FNFA")

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Lake Huron Council Fire Declaration

Motion: 07-08-25-11

That Chief and Council endorse the Lake Huron Council Fire Declaration BCR 2025-0059.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

8. Signing Document

As presented in package.

Comfort Break - 7:39pm to 7:55pm

9. Community Participation

Community Member Taylor Partridge has queried:

- a) The RHT Trust, looking for an update

Community Member Laura Pegahmagabow has queried:

- a) Renovations at Lane B, 6 plex. Requesting a 24-hour notice if units are to be worked on due to noise level.
- b) Objects left on walk ways, tripping hazard.
- c) Requesting Wellness checks are being conducted on elders during heat waves.
- d) Renovations for Bathroom Mobility.
- e) Requesting Notifying the Community when WFN equipment brakes down e.g. grader, plows etc.
- f) Gift Youth helpers with ribbon shirts.

Community Member Jodi Contin has queried:

- a) Requesting for the Parry Sound Friendship Center to harvest sweet grass on Wasauksing First Nation Depot Harbour Area. To gift back to the elders.

Chief and Council acknowledge and support Jodi Contins request.

Community Member Chrystal Tabobandung has queried:

- a) Review and development of a Harvesting Policy.
- b) Discussion regarding WLI leases and WFN staffing.
- c) Concern that the Town of Parry Sound only displayed the National Indigenous Peoples flag for one day.
- d) Plan to inform the community of upcoming out-of-town meetings and rallies.
- e) Discussion on support for community members to attend out-of-town meetings and rallies.
- f) Boundary and lands clarification.
- g) Review of the Snowmobile By-law.
- h) Discussion on Election Code – suggestion that the Chief and Council term be set at four years.

Comfort Break - 9:13pm to 7:25pm

10. In Camera

Motion: 07-08-25-12

That the Council will go in-camera at 9:30 p.m.

Moved by: ChiefCouncillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Open discussion between Chief & Council inregaueds to Council pre diem and policy. Remediation for Adam Good, (CED) to update the policy and precent at the next Bussines Council Meeting July 15th, 2025.

Motion: 07-08-25-13

That the Council will go out of in-camera at 10:38 p.m.

Moved by: ChiefCouncillor Elizabeth Taylor

Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

11. Meeting Adjourned

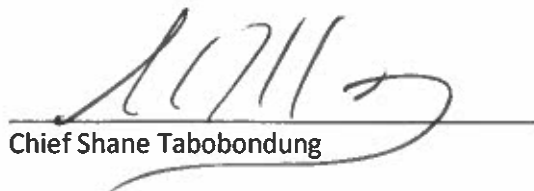
Motion: 07-08-25-14

That the Community Council Meeting for July 08, 2025 is adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

Moved by: ChiefCouncillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Closing Prayer:



Chief Shane Tabobondung



Adam Good, Chief Executive Director



Date



Wasauksing First Nation
Council Report: June 2025
Submitted: July 8, 2025 CCM
Submitted by: Councilor Pazhe Rice

Waywaynabozhoo kenawayas before continuing, my report for June, I want to express my heartfelt condolences to the Partridge/Charbonneau family. Our tight-knit community truly feels the loss of one of our Elders and language speakers. Martha was also a wonderfully creative spirit and an incredibly talented quill box maker and Quilt Maker. Her memory will always inspire us.

Community Council Meeting - Tuesday June 3, 2025 – Council Minutes to go out to community.

LARC Committee - Wednesday June 4, 2025

Presentation on WASAUKSING FIRST NATION – Aquatic Monitoring Program updates.

Health Committee/Board – Ongoing work of health care services include Palliative Care and Home & Community Care. A proposal for an expansion of Primary Care to be submitted for funding. Director of Health updates presented. Note that all health programming is posted in the newsletter and various websites for community participation.

Education Committee – Mon. June 16, 2025 – On going discussion PSHS new build is still being addressed. No update as of yet.

The Comprehensive school evaluation is ongoing. A chart system has been created to show what's been completed and what's outstanding. Many items are continuous and will be repeated annually.

- The Director of Education and I met with the RLC Headmaster on June 18th nothing was resolved in regard to the tuition increase. It was stated that Chief Shane Tabobondung has requested to meet with board. Date to be determined.

Business Council Meeting – Tuesday June 17, 2025 - Meeting minutes to go out to community.

Citizenship Committee – Wednesday June, 2025 – Cancelled due to lack of quorum.

Waawilindamaagewin – June 10, 2025 Land Use & Occupancy Study - Mapping of current Land Use including harvesting, ceremonial use, hunting & fishing. Maps to be handed over to each individual in a ceremony.

Community Events & Activities

I feel it's important to attend as many events and activities as portfolio holder and as a Council Rep.

Listed below are;

- Wasauksingkinomaugewgamik Water Walk, Pow Wow, Awards Day & Grade 8 Graduation
- Rosseau Lake College Student Pow Wow
- Parry Sound High School Student Pow Wow & Grade 12 Graduation
- WFN Indigenous Peoples Day Celebration
- WFN Summer Solstice & Strawberry Moon Ceremony
- Migizoons Daycare Baby Eagle Staff Ceremony

This concludes my Councilors report for the Month of June 2025



Councilor Dave Rice - Monthly Report

June, 2025

Attended Council - June 3, 2025.

Community Participation was well attended at the meeting and council business continued after the community shared.

June 10, 2025. - Attended mapping/ presentation meeting with Gii-ma and Council. Update on first first and want to do more interviews with members for harvesting areas we do that work on.

June 11, 2025.

Volunteer to run the KIND Man program for the Child Well Being .

June 17-19 , 2025.

I attended the Men's Gathering in North Bay with a good number of our men attending that amazing experience . Learning about the men's roles and responsibilities of protecting the community and all our families , elders, healers and the ceremonies as well.



Councilor Dave Rice - Monthly Report

June 24, 2025.

I attended the Grade 8 graduation for the Wasauksing kinogamiik , it was a very beautiful ceremony to see the 4 youth celebrate one of the many celebrations that will come in their education journey.

June 25, 2025.

I attended the Parry Sound High School for the Wasauksing First Nation students who have made big steps towards their education to either college or university in the near future.

June 26, 2025.

I attended the Wasauksing School awards day at the community complex , it was a great day to see the excitement in the kids' eyes and their smile when they received their awards.



**APPROVED
BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
July 15, 2025**

Present:

Chief Shane Tabobondung (Joined Virtual)
Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Councillor Walter Tabobondung (Arrived 5:37)
Councillor Neil Swanson
Councillor Dave Rice
Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Staff:

Adam Good, Chief Executive Director (CED)
Ryan Tabobondung, Director of Public Works (DOPW)
Theresa Raymond, Acting Director of Social (ADOS)
Dave McDougall, Director of Educations (DOE)
Bernadette Drake, Administration Support Clerk (ASC) - Recorder

Regrets:

Deborah Pegahmagabow, Director of Health (DOH)

WFN Citizens:

Clara Partridge, Frank Pegahmagabow, Frank Jr. Pegahmagabow

Prayer & Smudge:

Smudge - Adam Good, (CED)

Prayer - Councillor Dave Rice

Chairperson: Adam Good, (CED)

Meeting called to order 5:12pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion: 07-15-25-1

That the Agenda for the Business Council Meeting of July 15, 2025 is approved with revision of moving Community Participation to tab 2.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

2. Community Participation

Community Member Frank Pegahmagabow queried:

- a) Request to renew his Authorize Cannabis retail.
- b) That the Wasauksing First Nation Cannabis Law be amended to provide that the authorization for cannabis retail applications shall be valid for a period of two (2) years, instead of the current one (1) year, before renewal is required.

Motion: 07-15-25-2

Chief and Council endorse the Authorized Cannabis Retail Application for a term of one (1) year, in accordance with the Wasauksing First Nation Cannabis Law, for retail owner Frank Pegahmagabow.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Community Member Frank Jr. Pegahmagabow queried:

- a) Status of his Land Application.

3. Acceptance of Previous Minutes

Motion: 07-15-25-3

That the Business Council Meeting Minutes of June 17th, 2025, are approved.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

4. Action Items

Carried over from previous minutes.

5. WFN Organizational Updates

Education Department and Daycare Updates - Presented by Dave McDougall, (DOE)

Motion: 07-15-25-4

That Chief and Council endorse, in principle, the Education Department's purchase of a new school van, with Dave McDougall, (DOE) to provide three vendor quotes for consideration.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 07-15-25-5

That the Chief and Council endorses the Budget for the Wasauksing Kinomaugewgamik Elder Knowledge Carrier Budget - Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 07-15-25-6

That the Chief and Council endorses the Budget for the Wasauksing Kinomaugewgamik Hearing Our Voices Budget - Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 07-15-25-7

That the Chief and Council endorses the Budget for the Wasauksing Kinomaugewgamik e Capital Reserve Funding Budget - Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as presented.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 07-15-25-8

That the Chief and Council endorses Dave McDougalls, DOE July 15, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Comfort Break - 6:30pm to 6:43pm

Public Works Department Updates - Presented by Ryan Tabobondung, (DOPW)

Briefing Note - Swing Bridge Replacement initiative

Motion: 07-15-25-9

That the Chief and Council endorses e the budget revision for the Swing Bridge Maintenance Budget, to account for the agreement with CCS Group and formally endorse the agreement terms as set out in the proposal.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Land Applications

Motion: 07-15-25-10

That the Chief and Council endorses as per the Lands and Resources Committee, (LARC) Motion 04-02-25-04, Land Application LA2024-16DK, Deborah L. King, for rural residential use.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 07-15-25-11

That the Chief and Council endorses as per the Lands and Resources Committee, (LARC) Motion 04-02-25-05, Land Application LA2025-01JK, Jason King for recreational use.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Wasauksing First Nation Reserve Name and Additions to Reserve Applications

That the Chief and Council acknowledged receipt of legal advice briefing note from Nogala Law Group LLP. Council agreed to review and discuss the content further before making and decisions. Any additional information or question from Council to be sent directly to Ryan Tabobondung, (DOPW).

Briefing Note - Lots 51 and Lot 52 CLSR 55088 – Certificate of Possession Conflict

Motion: 07-15-25-12

That the Chief and Council endorses the recommendation to direct ISC to reactivate the noted CPs and remove the comments from the file. All parcels to be resurveyed.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Councilor Pazhe Rice-Menominee abstained from voting on the motion.

Motion: 07-15-25-13

That the Chief and Council endorses Ryan Tabobondung, DOPW July 15, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update Report.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Comfort Break – 7:22pm to 7:40pm

Social Department Updates - Presented by Theresa Raymond, (DOS)

Motion: 07-15-25-14

That the Chief and Council endorses the Budget for the Social Departments, Health Promotions Budget - Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - A Lodge for Men's Mental Wellness, Wasauksing First Nation Men's Mental Health Initiative

Motion: 07-15-25-15

That Chief and Council endorse the Revitalizing Spirit initiative as a culturally significant men's mental wellness project, and promote collaboration among Social Services, Cultural Coordination, and community leadership to ensure successful lodge development and long-term sustainability.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Feather Carriers – Men's cohort

Motion: 07-15-25-16

That Chief and Council endorse the Feather Carriers – Men's Cohort Program and approve the budget as presented for the program.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Wasauksing First Nation Logo

Motion: 07-15-25-17

That Chief and Council endorses the change to the WFN logo for the Social Wellbeing Department.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Wasauksing First Nation Logo

Motion: 07-15-25-18

That Chief and Council endorse the construction of the new Youth Building adjacent to the Wasauksing Activity Community Center (WACC), including the building plans and the budget as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note – Job Discription - Gladue Aftercare worker

Motion: 07-15-25-19

That Chief and Council endorse the further growth and implementation of the *Wiidookdahwin We-wina Chi B'maadizeyin* initiative, and that the new job description be submitted to Human Resources for revision.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note – Job Discription – Gym Trainer

Motion: 07-15-25-20

That Chief and Council endorse the Social Department's Child Well-Being Programs and approve the new Job Description for Gym Trainer as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 07-15-25-21

That the Chief and Council endorses Theresa Raymond, (DOS) July 15, 2025 Business Council Meeting Update.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Rice

Carried by Consensus

Comfort Break - 8:30pm to 8:40pm

Health Department Updates - Presented by Adam Good, (CED) for Deborah Pegahmagabow, (DOH)

Budgets

Motion: 07-15-25-22

That the Chief and Council endorses the Budget for the Health Departments, Community Health Representative- Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Carried by Consensus

Motion: 07-15-25-23

That the Chief and Council endorses the Budget for the Health Departments, Medical Transportation- Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Carried by Consensus

Motion: 07-15-25-24

That the Chief and Council endorses the Budget for the Health Departments, Mental Wellness Team- Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as presented.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Walter Tabobondung

Carried by Consensus

CED Updates - Presented by Adam Good, (CED)

Briefing Note – Urgent Replacement of WFN Marina Vehicle (2015 GMC Sierra)

Motion: 07-15-25-25

That Chief and Council endorse the Marina to purchase of a new vehicle and approves the budget as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note – Adoption of Chief and Council Honorarium Policy

Motion: 07-15-25-26

That Chief and Council endorse the Chief and Council Honorarium Policy, authorize the signing of BCR 2025-0060, and direct the Finance Department to implement the administrative procedures necessary for claim submissions and monthly reporting.

Moved by: Councillor Dave Rice

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 07-15-25-27

That Chief and Council endorse the signing of BCR 2025-0060 for the OFNLP distributions and investments income for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 07-15-25-28

That Chief and Council authorize Adam Good, (CED) to obtain cheques for the PCD payments from the Bank of Montreal.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

6. In Camera

Motion: 07-15-25-29

That the Council will go in-camera at 10:07pm.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 07-15-25-30

That the Council will go out of in-camera at 11:15pm.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 07-15-25-31

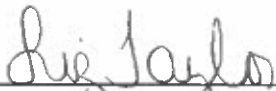
That the Business Council Meeting for July 15, 2025, is adjourned at 11:20pm.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Carried by Consensus

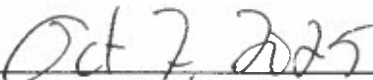
Closing Prayer:



Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor



Adam Good, Chief Executive Director



Date



**APPROVED
COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
August 5th, 2025**

Present:

Chief Shane Tabobondung
Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Councillor Neil Swanson
Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Staff:

Adam Good, Chief Executive Director (CED)
Bernadette Drake Administration Support Clerk (ASC) – Recorder
Abby Moore Chief and Council Assistant (CCA) - Recorder

Regrets:

Councillor Walter Tabobondung
Councillor Dave Rice

WFN Citizens:

Threasa McInnes, Karen Pegahmagabow, Payton Brown, Teena Tababondung, Clara Partridge, Terry Pegahmagabow, Nancy Tabobandung, Susan Miller Hardy, Beverly Miller
Jodi Contin, Wade Nanibush (Joined Virtual)

Prayer & Smudge:

Smudge: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Prayer: Chief Shane Tabobondung

Chairperson: Adam Good, (CED)

Meeting called to order 6:15pm

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion: 08-05-25-1

That the Agenda for the Community Council Meeting of August 5th, 2025, is approved.

Moved by: ChiefCouncillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

2. Non-Member Residency Request

No Non-Member Residency Requests at this time.

3. Chief & Council Reports

See attached for All Chief & Council Reports.

Motion: 08-05-25-2

That Chief and Council endorse the Chief and Council Reports.

Moved by: ChiefCouncillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Comfort Break - 7:08 PM – 7:25 PM

4. Acceptance of Previous Minutes

Motion: 08-05-25-3

That the Community Council Meeting Minutes of July 08, 2025, are approved by Chief and Council.

Moved by: ChiefCouncillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-4

That Chief and Council endorse Chief and Council special newsletter to be released to the community.

Moved by: ChiefCouncillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

5. Action Items Pending

Action item as presented.

6. Committee Recommendations

Briefing Note - Citizenship Applications

That the Chief and Council acknowledged receipt of legal advice briefing note from Arbutus Law Group. Council agrees to review and discuss the content further before making decisions. Council recommendations to develop a detailed action plan and community engagement for input. Conduct a cost analysis to assess financial implications and inform decision making.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Chief and Councils recommendations for incomplete citizenship applications that the term “deferred” be used rather than “denied”, as the application has not yet been completed. Chief and Council further recommend that only completed citizenship applications be presented to the Council table for review and acceptance.

Band Council Resolutions (BCRs) were not signed prior to the end of Council’s previous term (2023-2025), and new BCRs are required.

Motion: 08-05-25-5

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-03 to accept Awanibiisaa Ellanore Boyden into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0062.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-06

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-04 to accept Paimossigai James Zander Pegahmagabow into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0063.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-07

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-05 to accept Frank Joseph Drake into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0064.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-08

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-07 Everleigh Brownley to accept into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0065.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-09

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-08 to accept Joseph Brownley into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0066.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion:08-05-25-10

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-12 to accept Ashton St Michael into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0067.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-11

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-013 to accept Connor St Michael Boyden into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0068.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-12

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-14 to accept Robert Judge into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0069.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-13

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-18 to accept Jase Spiegelberg into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0070.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-14

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-19 to accept Gregory Medwayosh into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0071.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-15

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-20 to accept Nathan Difebo into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0072.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-16

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-21 to accept Madison Difebo into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0073.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-17

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-25 to accept Cherrie-Lynn Rice into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0074.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-18

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-26 to accept James Merchant into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0075.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-19

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-27 to accept Connor Gomes into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0076.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-20

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-28 to accept Marissa Gomes into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0077.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-21

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-29 to accept Nicole Gomes into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0078.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-22

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-30 to accept Judy Gagnon into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0079.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-23

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-35 to accept Samantha Kuula into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0080.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-24

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-36 to accept Kyle Kuula into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0081.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-25

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-37 to accept Vanessa Lewis into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0082.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-26

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-38 to accept John Beaucage into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0083.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-27

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-39 to accept Irah Sackaney-Rice into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0084.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-28

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-40 to accept Sage Pegahmagabow into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0085.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-29

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 12-11-24-44 to accept Jason King into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0086.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Briefing Note - Citizenship Applications

Reviewed by the Citizenship Committee on July 11, 2023, September 12, 2023, October 10, 2023, December 13, 2023, and April 10, 2024. They were brought forward to Council July 11, 2023, October 10, 2023, December 13, 2023, and April 10, 2024. No motions from Council were made. Each application requires a motion from Council.

Motion: 08-05-25-30

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 10-10-23-14 to accept Roslan Shields into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0087.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-31

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 10-10-23-13 to accept Ruslan Shields into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0088.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-32

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 10-10-23-12 to accept Rylynn Shields into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0089.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-33

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 10-10-23-16 to accept Noah Baker into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0090.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-34

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 10-10-23-17 to accept Sage Baker into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0091.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-35

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 10-10-23-15 to accept Theo Baker into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0092.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-36

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 04-10-24-11- to accept Elsie Tabobondung into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0093.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-37

That the Chief and Council approve the citizenship committee recommendation Motion 04-10-24-13 to accept Naanookasshiinh King into the Wasauksing First Nation Citizenship Registry. BCR 2025-0094.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Swanson

Seconded by Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

Motion: 08-05-25-38

Chief and Council recommend that the Social/Child Wellbeing Department, the Health Department, and Niijaansinaanik Child and Family Services be authorized to assist with and register non-citizens to the registry.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

7. Signing Documents

Motion: 08-05-25-39

That the Chief and Council endorse the Amendment Comprehensive funding agreement (CFA) No: 2021-ON-000066 Amendment NO:0106 program funding fiscal year 2024-2025 in the amount of \$866,209.00.

Moved by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee

Seconded by Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
Carried by Consensus

Comfort break-8:21-8:31

8. Community Participation

Community Member Wade Nanibush has queried:

- a) Land and extraction resources
- b) Robinson Huron treaty
- c) Off reserves community concerns and rights

Community Member Marie Medwayosh-Hall has queried:

- a) Membership Process

Community Member Clara Partridge has queried:

- a) All Ontario Fastball Tournament.

Chief and Councils recommendation is to move to in camera discussion.

Community Member Nancy Tabobandung has queried:

- a) Allocation of tax dollars that pertain to schools

Community Member Terry Pegahmagabow has queried:

- a) Beach Patrol
- b) Forest management of pines at 3 Mile Lake Road.
- c) Depot Island squatters
- d) Notices at beaches

Motion: 08-05-25-40

That Chief and Council closed community participation.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

9. In Camera

Motion: 08-05-25-41

That the Council will go in-camera at 8:55 p.m.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

Open discussion on Community Safety Letter

Motion: 08-05-25-42

That the Council will go out of in-camera at 10:25 p.m.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Pazhe Rice-Menominee
Carried by Consensus

10. Meeting Adjourned

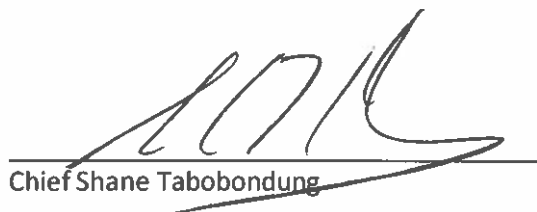
Motion: 08-05-25-43

That the Community Council Meeting for August 5, 2025, is adjourned at 10:26 p.m.

Moved by: Chief Councillor Elizabeth Taylor

Seconded by: Councillor Neil Swanson
Carried by Consensus

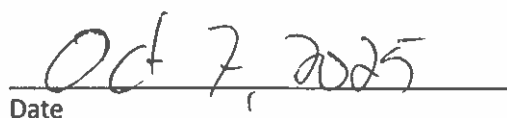
Closing Prayer: Chief Shane Tabobondung



Chief Shane Tabobondung



Adam Good, Chief Executive Director



Date



Wasauksing Chief | Community Report July 2025

INTRO | ADMINISTRATION | GOVERNANCE | COMMUNITY

Aanii Kinaweya

Chief and Council have been busy with planning meetings and attending community events including Wasauksing Kinomaugewgamik and PSHS graduation ceremonies. The month of June was busy with Chiefs Assemblies both the Anishinabek Nation and the Chief's of Ontario were held this month. The Assembly of First Nation's gathering in Manitoba was postponed to the fall due to the fires. There was plenty of opportunity to be proud to be Anishinaabe with Anishinaabe Gizhat and National Indigenous Peoples Day Celebrations this month. I attended a demonstration in Ottawa against Bill C-5 in June with a small but mighty contingent from WFN!



Administration Briefing on the most pressing issues that impact the community:

Finances: Audit Presentations still continue to be delayed from Administration. Today we finally received the draft 22/23 Audit. We look forward to planning a all members meeting to present the audit and combine a OLG info session to look at new priorities



Robinson Huron Litigation Fund meeting on June 24th regarding planning a Summer info session on the go forward issue with Annuities. The Chief and Council have sent letters to both Premiere Ford and Prime Minister Carney to encourage progress and to negotiate.

RHT Trust and Mitigo Min Trust progress has been slow at the Administration level. Chief and Council continue to pressure Administration based on Community feedback for a presentation and next steps. All funds are sitting in Trust and are awaiting community decision making.

"In Potawatomi, the strawberry is ode min, the heart berry. We recognize them as the leaders of the berries, the first to bear fruit." Robln Wall Kimmerer

'Come to me with hat in hand, I treat you people like Gold'

Racism alive and well as Premier Doug Ford made these comments in regards to the First Nations of Ontario. I was invited to Queen's Park to sit with the Premier as well the a contingent of Chiefs led by the Anishinaabek Nation's Grand Council Gimaakwe Linda Debassige to meet in council and discuss our concerns over Bill 5 and more importantly his racist remarks made in the Media. As a collective we shared our disappointment and disgust to the harmful remarks to our People. We reminded him of Treaty Relationships.

- The Chiefs of Ontario Gathering in Hiawatha First Nation to celebrate the 50 years of advocacy. Resolutions involved all areas from Health, Social, Economic Development and of Course our Opposition to the Federal Bill C-5 we took a day to go to Ottawa to Protest on Parliament Hill.

It was inspiring to hear from the panel of former Regional Chiefs discuss the eras of political advocacy. This included Constitutional Reform in the 80's, the Oka Crisis in the 90s, Bornt Church Crisis in the late 90's, Upperwash Crisis and the killing of Dudley George. To more current issues including the attack on Indigenous Rights and Free and Informed Prior Consent as well the the UNDRIP principles being upheld Internationally



Healing and wellness continue to be on the top of my mind. June was a difficult month as we seen more loss. We continue to need to be united in our struggles and grief. Our Ancestors are there to help us but we need to honour and have ceremonies to invoke spirit. This is what separates us in the world and what makes us unique, it's our Identity. 15 years ago the Chiefs of the Robinson Huron asked for guidance through Shake tent. The response was we have another way to look at wealth.

Rights and Responsibilities:



I am humbled to be in this position as it has a tremendous responsibility to uphold our rights and speak for the people. I am not here to make decisions on your behalf, I am here to listen to the Anishinaabek of Wasauksing and act accordingly. Despite the harse reality of being Anishinabe, I take pride and hope this month from attending celebrations and seeing our future through our Children and Youth. As a Nini I uphold my role to protect and provide for our community the best I can. We are a collective not individuals. The Chiefs of the RHW heard from Shake tent again and what we were told by our Ancestors to imagine that binojii 7 generations ahead, really see in your mind's eye what they look like. Make decsions today for them. This will be a challenge for leadership and each of us during the 7th fire.

"Choosing the right path leads to peace and harmony, while the wrong one brings destruction"



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JULY 2025 UPDATE

Aanii/Boozhoo Wasauksing

"Children are the seeds of our future. Plant love in their hearts, water them with wisdom and life's lessons"

July came and went, another busy month with lots of events planned.

July 5th was an Orientation Chief and Council meeting held with the Directors. We were provided with department updates, staffing and upcoming projects happening. During break we went out and waved our Pride Flag for the parade that was happening that day.

July 8th attended our monthly Community Council Meeting. Before the meeting we had highlights provided by the Director of the Georgian Bay Biosphere, which is celebrating its 20years and Youth Anishinabek Biosphere presenters Meaghan Tabobondung and Dawson Bloor were there as well. They are partnering with the Social Department and planning a camping/canoe trip with the youth of Wasauksing. Great land base training opportunities.

July 10th was the Elders boat cruise, which was a beautiful day and well attended by the Nations along the corridor.

July 11th Attended the Health Fair. Was well attended given the hot day, lunch was great. In the evening, I attend the Child Well Being Law Session with guests from the Anishinabek Nation. Session was about how to move forward to incorporate Koganaawsawin as a not-for-profit corporation. I believe there will be a committee formed and community sessions coming up

July 14th attended the monthly Health Committee meeting.

July 15th attended the Employment Fair, which was well attended. Social OW department did a great job organizing. In the evening attended our regular month BCM.

July 21st attended Education Committee, discussion on tuition fees, the new super school. Rosseau Lake College working group to be formed for new/updated policy.

July 25th Chief and Council continued with some additional orientation with First Nations Financial Management Board. Discussion on the Financial Administration Law, disclosures/conflicts of interest.

July 28th attended Circle Time, a free concert presented by the Festival of the Sound. Local hand drummers and singers and some classical musicians. Great show.

July 30/31st attended the APS General Annual Gathering in Garden River. There was Guest Speakers from the Nishinawbe Aski Police, on the Community Safety & Policing Act. Organization update, discussion on APS Expansion and their Strategic Plan. Elections were had for APS Council Chair & vice Chair, Governing Authority Chair & Vice Chair. I even got to meet one of the Elders who painted "This is Indian Land" on the Garden River Bridge.

Happy August, which looks to be another busy month.

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Liz Taylor

Chief Councillor



Walter Tabobondung

July Monthly Report

July 5th, 2025

Attended the Chief & Council orientation

July 8th, 2025

Regrets for July CCM Meeting

July 8th-10th, 2025

Went to Winnipeg on July 8th until July 10th for the FNFA AGM meeting which was to vote a new board of directors.

July 11th, 2025

Attended our health fair

July 15th, 2025

Attended BCM

July 31, 2025

Attended the Fire Department Golf Tournament at Seguin Valley



Councilor Dave Rice - Monthly Report

July, 2025

July 2, 2025.

Volunteering to run a men 's group on the first nation , our men are starting to look for support from the community.

July 4, 2025.

Meet with the new Cultural Coordinator, Child Well Being Program to share my thoughts on the program and what activities within the community.

July 10, 2025

The Child Well Being program added information with the Anish-nawbeeb New child welfare program who shared how to work with sharing and reporting information.



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July 5, 6, 2025

Council Retreat

We spoke of our roles and responsibilities as councilors and how we see ourselves in the community and how to conduct ourselves living the 7 grandfather teachings.

We also discussed our portfolios for the community. I am sitting as council rep on 3 committees , Restorative Justice with Neil Swanson , Social Committee with Neil Swanson and Education Committee with Liz Taylor and Pahze Rice.

Information sharing about the positive things in the community , Safe House recruiting people , RHT Update , looking at improving the IT in the community.

July 15, 2025.

BCM

Smudge and Prayer

Community Participation Spoke of the renewal of his Cannabis agreement and wanted it to be 2 years instead of coming to council yearly .

And the question was asked again about the last 2 years of audit that the organization has yet to provide . Education motion to approve new 15 passenger bus for the school .

Daycare has an Eagle staff which worked on Perry McCleod Knowledge keeper who is well knowledgeable .



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July 23,2025.

Attended the Orange Standard Elders and Youth Gathering at the Caruso Club in Sudbury , Ontario.

Youth spoke of how they are at times not heard when they share or speak and seem like they are looked at differently . They shared as well as the lateral violence on social media by adults and how it affects them personally and how they shut it out by ignoring it.

July 29- August 3,2025.

Attended the Pottawatimii Gathering at Gunn Lake Tribe land in Michigan , USA.

Attended the council meeting with tribal leaders with Giima Shane Taboondung and Councillor Pahze Rice for Thursday and Friday half day. Great information sharing and to see how the tribes are moving forward to develop more resources for their community members. The leaders spoke about relieving the language and how we as communities are going to help move it forward . Lots of great discussions. One suggestion is to have a language conference separate from the gathering to put language first.

Gift for leadership was great. Our relatives in the south really love our Maple Syrup.



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NEIL SWANSON

APRIL

APRIL 1, 2025 • COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 5, 2025 • MAPLE FEST
APRIL 6, 2025 • SWEARING IN CEREMONY
APRIL 15, 2025 • BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING

MAY

MAY 1, 2025 • HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 5, 2025 • MAINLAND CLAIM MEETING
MAY 5, 2025 • COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 26, 2025 • SOCIAL COMMITTEE & SHELTER TOUR
MAY 27, 2025 • BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING

JUNE

JUNE 3 • COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 17, 2025 • BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 21, 2025 • NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY

JULY

JULY 5, 2025 • CHIEF AND COUNCIL ORIENTATION
JULY 8, 2025 • COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 15, 2025 • BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 31, 2025 • FIRE DEPARTMENT GOLF TOURNAMENT



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