

**Paqtnekek Mi'kmaw Nation
Chief & Council Meeting
April 7, 2015
Paqtnekek Health Centre**

Attendance

Chief Prosper	
Darlene Prosper	Councillor
Robert Pictou	Councillor
Kerry Prosper	Councillor
Josephine Poulette	Executive Assistant

Meeting convened at 11:00am. Chaired by Chief Prosper

Opening Remarks

Chief Prosper welcomed all who attended. Agenda items reviewed and approved. April 18th Councillor Robert Pictou will be away for 10 days, April 21st Councillor Kerry Prosper will be away, Chief Prosper will be away 3 weeks in May. Councillor Anne Marie is excused for this morning portion of the meeting.

Council signed BCR regarding Tobacco Distribution and Housing.

Purchase Order Policy

Council reviewed the Policy. Find out who writes PO's then share Purchase order policy with others who are involved to get their input. Will discuss further with Finance Committee. Written formal notice to vendors to introduce the policy and purchase order procedure.

Fibre Project

Wireless Fibre OP internet. Need an independent research from the community regarding the fibre project. So when Burt comes down the end of April we will be prepared.

Contract

Council reviewed draft contract for the Financial Consultant and approved the contract. This will be a 2 year contract beginning March 31, 2015 to March 31, 2017.

Motion #1

Approved 2 year contract for Financial Consultant Delphine Levi-Gould.

Motioned by Darlene Prosper

Seconded by Robert Pictou

All in favor 4-0

1:13pm Councillor Anne Marie Paul joined the meeting

Custom Election Code Project Proposal

Council received a proposal for the Custom election Code from Robin Vernest who is currently in the process of completing law school at Dalhousie in Aboriginal Law. She would like to work with Paqtnkek Mi'kmaw Nation on the Custom Election Code. She would like to start in May to do Research and Analysis, Case Law Review and Community Meeting.

Motion #2

Approved proposal by Robin Vernest to begin research and analysis for the Custom Election Code to begin in May.

Motioned by Councillor Robert Pictou

Seconded by Councillor Darlene Prosper

All in favor 4-0

Fishery

Council would like Fishery Manager to provide a start- up cost and projection on this year's fishing season. Fishermen need traps for this year's season. Manager contacted the company that provides the traps and are currently backlogged in traps.

Captain position has been approved and they have been notified.

Fleet Supervisor position

Council discussed the fleet supervisor interview results and recommendations.

Motion #3

Council approved to hire Doris Googoo as fleet supervisor for the 2015/16 Season on a 6 month term, 3 month probationary period.

Motioned by Councillor Darlene Prosper

Seconded by Councillor Robert Pictou

All in favor 4-0

Implement drug policy for the snow crab season. Manager will do research and develop a drug policy. Meet with fishers when the policy is drafted

Nancy Macleod and Lori Benjamin will be meeting with fishery department to develop a proposal for the Data collector. If Data collectors start this season, it is recommended that they should be alternated between each boat.

Fishery Meeting

April 17th at 1pm, Paqtnkek Health Centre

Highway Update

A meeting was held with the Highway Strategic Committee

Nancy MacLeod

Retainer has expired and is looking for a renewal. Need to have council consider a renewal. She is still working on projects for the community.

Education

The remaining feasibility funds that Paqtnkek received may not have returned to MK. The funds can be utilized for further planning and research in the possibility of Paqtnkek having a school in the community. Will clarify with the Education department.

Health Centre Receptionist Position


The position for the Health Centre receptionist will be posted. Details will be sent to Native Employment Officer to have it posted as soon as possible.

Meeting Closed at 5:30pm

Minutes recorded by Josephine Poulette, Executive Assistant

Approved



Chief Prosper

Date