

Paqtnkek Mi'kmaw Nation
Chief and Council Meeting
Paqtnkek Health Centre
July 29th 2014

Attendance

Chief PJ Prosper	
Darlene Prosper	Councillor
Robert Pictou	Councillor
Kerry Prosper	Councillor
Josephine Marshall	Executive Assistant

Regrets

Anne Marie Paul

Opening Prayer

Councillor Kerry Prosper said Opening Prayer

Opening Remarks

Chief welcomed all to the meeting. Council will review and approve minutes from May and June 2014.

Minutes review and approval for May and June 2014
Minutes for May 4, 7, 8 & 13 edited and approved

Motion #1

To approve minutes for May 27th, 2014
Motioned by Kerry Prosper
Seconded by Robert Pictou
Unanimous

Motion #2

To approve minutes for June 3rd, 2014
Motioned by Kerry Prosper
Seconded by Robert Pictou
Unanimous

Motion #3

To approve minutes for June 10, 2014
Motioned by Kerry
Seconded by Darlene
Unanimous

Motion#4

To approve minutes for June 12th, 2014
Motioned by Darlene Prosper
Seconded by Kerry Prosper
Unanimous

Conference call with Jaime Rudolph from Grant Thornton

Jamie provided Council with a draft copy of the Tobacco review and Council has gone over it and approved the draft copy. Grant Thornton will revise the draft version with minimal changes to be completed in the next few days.

Grant Thornton Year-End 2014 Audit

Verbal warnings issued to Directors who haven't been cooperating with the auditors. A memo was issued and emailed to all directors giving a warning by Council
These warnings will be issued and put on their personnel file.
There is continuous a lack of supporting documents and lack of support from staff members

Fishery

The Director of Fishery met with Council to update and discuss the 2014 Fishing Season. This year was a very successful year in Lobster and Crab. With that being said, the director suggested having a bonus for both lobster and crab, under the conditions that ALL winterization be done by the fishermen.

The director provided council with a breakdown of their budget on each boat, how much was caught, and a percentage breakdown for their bonus. It was also recommended that because the first mate and deckhands have the same amount of bonus across the board. Council approved that recommendation.

It was recommended that 20% or 25% of their bonus be withheld until winterization is completed thus ensuring the boats are all winterized. There is also a safety program mandatory for all fishermen to attend in September, which would require 2 boats to be in the water, this would result in winterizing those 2 boats after the program. Council approved that recommendation.

With the data that was captured in this year's season they are able to see now what and where and how much is being caught. A Council member and the director will meet with the fishermen to discuss and make a plan for next year's season.

This year each vessel had their own budget. Some expenses incurred due to the breakdowns but overall this fishing season the fishermen maintained their quotas. Council suggested meeting with all fishermen to get their input and concerns. There is little to no communication between the fishermen, fishery department and Council. Director will notify the fishermen and set up a meeting in the near future.

CLOSING PRAYER

Closing prayer said by Councillor Kerry Prosper


NEXT MEETING

Paqtnkek Chief and Council will meet August 5th, 2014 at the Paqtnkek Health Centre

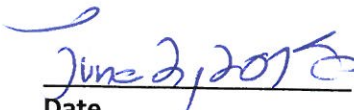
Meeting closed at 4:00pm

Minutes prepared by Josephine Marshall, Executive Assistant

Approved



Chief



Date