



**Oneida Nation of the Thames**  
**Regular Council Meeting (Administration)**  
**OPO Boardroom**  
**Tuesday, October 24, 2023**  
**5:00pm-9:10pm**

**ONEIDA COUNCIL**  
**APPROVED**

**DATE:** Jan 30, 2024

**PER:** A G

**Chair:** Councillor Ursula Doxtator

**Councillors:** Rosalind Antone, Misty Deleary, Brandon Doxtator (Zoom), Charity Doxtator, Gloria Doxtator, Tekatenyes Doxtator, Holly Elijah, Deborah Hill

**Regrets:** Chief Todd Cornelius, Councillor Alizabeth George-Antone

**Absent:**

**Staff:** Sherry Monastyrski-Interim CEO, Renae Hill-Interim CAO (Zoom) Sandra Doxtator-EA, Rochelle Cornelius-Chief's Assistant, Adrienna Antone-Interim CEO Assistant, Erin White-Finance Administrator

**Guests:** Bette Summers-LLL Administrator

**Recorder:** Angie George

**1. Call to Order: 5:17pm**

**Opening Prayer: Councillor Ursula Doxtator**

**Approval of Agenda**

**Additions:**

- **Sherry Monastyrski, Interim CEO – AIAI Chief's Retreat Update**
- **Cindy Woodhouse – Request to meet with Chief & Council**
- **Councillor Holly Elijah - Post Secondary Committee**

**Council consensus to approve Council agenda for October 24, 2023, with noted additions.**

**2. Bette Summers, LLL Administrator**

*a) Approval FNWSC 2023-2024 Workplan & Budget Submission to CIRNAC*

RIRSD 2023-2024 Workplan & Budget Submission due to CIRNAC by November 1, 2023. This funding will support to cost of legal council, expert advisors, meetings, travel, and elder honorariums leading to the development of a draft education jurisdiction agreement for each First Nation's review and approval.

**Council consensus to approve the 2023-2024 Recognition of Indigenous Rights and Self Determination (RIRSD) Workplan and Budget submission to be submitted by the FNWSC Governance Director.**

*b) Approval of Full Bundle Statement & 19 Draft Decisions*

The Full Bundle Statement with 19 Draft Decisions ensures that decision-makers are agreeable to the elements of a negotiations strategy to be brought forward by delegates is an agreed upon approach. The Full Bundle Statemen and 19 Decision points provides in greater detail the work ahead and is meant to expand our collective understanding of the work being undertaken.

**Council consensus to approve the Full Bundle Statement with 19 Draft Decisions Points. The Full Bundle Statement and decision points, jointly developed, reflect the collective resolve of participating First Nations with Schools Collective including Oneida Nation of the Thames agreement with the decision points to inform the negotiations strategy at the Joint Education Technical Table which Oneida Nation of the Thames is part of.**

**3. Erin White-Finance Administrator**

a) *Financial Budget – Council Budget – DEFERRED*

**4. Sherry Monastyrski-Interim CEO**

a) *AIAI Chief's Strategic Session Update – Niagara Falls*

- Board Training.
- Surprise visit from Dean Sayers.
- Support to run for National Chief.
- Request from Cindy Woodhouse to meet with Chief & Council.
- Priority Areas – ATR – (addition to reserves) Reserves vs Settlement
- Broader information sessions
  - 1) Housing a need.
  - 2) Policing
  - 3) Water
  - 4) Economic Development
- Hold an economic forum.
- Political Portfolios
  - 1) Treaties, Lands, and Resources – Chief Todd Cornelius, Councillor Brandon Doxtator as alternate.
  - 2) Policing – Community Safety Committee – Councillors Rosalind, Misty & Alizabeth.
  - 3) Environment – Councillor Brandon Doxtator as Lead and Councillor Rosalind Antone as alternate.
  - 4) Education – Councillor Holly Elijah, if zoom available.
  - 5) Language – Councillor Brandon Doxtator as Lead and Councillor Ursula Doxtator as Alternate

Alternate to Chair will attend on behalf of Oneida.

**Council consensus to acknowledge Councillor Holly Elijah to join as alternate to the Education Portfolio, Councillor Rosalind Antone as alternate to the Environment Portfolio and Councillor Ursula Doxtator as Alternate to the Language Portfolio to the AIAI Chief's Committees.**

**Council consensus to acknowledge Sherry Monastyrski, Interim CEO's update on the AIAI Chief's Strategic Session.**

Request to meet with Candidates for National Grand Chief, Cindy Woodhouse, Regional Chief of Manitoba, Thursday, October 26, 2023.

- b) Jenelle Cornelius, Interim Environmental Consultation Coordinator – Environmental Contamination Program for Communities & Organizations

**Council consensus that Oneida Nation of the Thames supports the First Nations Environmental Contaminants Programs and to sign BCR #2465.**

- c) Zero Tolerance & BCR #2464 - **DEFERRED**

Bring back on November 1, 2023, for the next council meeting.

- 1) Zero Tolerance
- 2) Council Budget
- 3) Council Minutes

- d) Recruit Corban Nicholas, BCR #2463 (Amended)

**Council consensus to approve signing amended BCR #2463 to Recruit Corban Nicholas as Administrative Officer (Temporary Role) with the Oneida Detachment.**

- e) Review of Portfolio List

Councillor Holly Elijah recommended to establish a Post Secondary Committee. (Ursula & Deb)

**Council consensus to acknowledge the recommendation on establishing a Post Secondary Committee. Councillor's Holly Elijah, Ursula Doxtator and Deborah Hill will be part of the Post Secondary Committee.**

- Follow up with SWMHC.
- Councillor Joel Kennedy had the Health, Education and E&T Portfolios. Will need councillor to fill these spots.
- Councillor Rosalind Antone – Join the Education and Ec. Dev portfolio and drop the public Safety portfolio.

- f) Community AGA, November 17, 2023, Community Centre

- Mandatory to attend.
- Sherry will bring budget back for approval.

- g) Custom Election Code – Request for Additional Funds.

- Water filtration project had \$164,000.00 approved for hiring of water filtration installers.
- Through consultation, no longer needed and information sessions were held instead.
- This funding can be allocated to projects within the Political Office.
- Identified 4 Priorities: 1) Strategic planning (underway), 2) Custom Election Code (underway), 3) Land Claims (New), Other Governance Initiatives (New).
- Some of the funds approved from previous motions and requesting the remaining \$85,000.00 from the cancelled water filtration project.

Council consensus to approve the additional \$8000.00 (Eight Thousand Dollars) for the strategic planning session and \$38,000.00 (Thirty-Eight Thousand Dollars) for the custom election code to come from OLG. The \$164,000.00 is no longer required for the water filtration project.

h) 13 Moons Request – **Deferred**

i) Purchase Halloween Candy

Council consensus to approve \$500.00 (Five Hundred Dollars) for Halloween Candy to come from the OLG Budget.

Councillor Tekatenyes Doxtator left the meeting at 8:45.

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**5. Renaë Hill-Interim CAO**

a) *CEO Recruitment*

**Closing:** Councillor Ursula Doxtator

**Adjourned:** 9:15pm

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Chief

*Angela George*

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Recorder

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