



**Gesgapegiag Band Council Minutes
November 18th, 2019
Place: Galgoasiet Natural Resources
101 Perron Boulevard
Time: 9:00 a.m.**

Attendance: Chief John Martin

Councillor Christianne Jerome-Bernard
Councillor Gary Luc Martin
Councillor Mitchell Syvret-Caplin
Councillor Amy Martin
Councillor Armand Martin
Councillor Tammy Martin
Councillor Dorothy Gedeon
Councillor Douglas Martin
Jasmine Martin, Administrative Assistant

Meeting called to order at 9:13 AM.

1. Adoption of the Agenda

Council made a motion to approve the agenda with the following added agenda items:

- Request for travel Councillor Gary-Luc Martin
- Retreat

Proposed by: Councillor Tammy Martin

Seconded by: Councillor Christianne Jerome-Bernard

Motioned carried: 2019-11-18

2. Presentation by Veronique Henry (Maxime Lambert's HR firm)

Three options were left at the last meeting: Council on salary, per diem, or honorariums. Councillor Christianne Jerome-Bernard invited Veronique Henry to open the discussion. She will give her recommendations in about two weeks.

3. **Decision Note: Approval of Revised Gesgapegiag Economic Development Fund Policy / BCR 1468**

The Director General will get a Comparison Chart as requested by Chief John Martin. The BCR#1468 was not signed today.

4. **Decision Note: Contract to Update Micmacs of Gesgapegiag Accounting System / BCR #1473**

Chief and Council approved the proposal from Multi-Services Primco Inc. and directed the Director General to sign the appropriate contract with the firm on behalf of the Micmacs of Gesgapegiag. The BCR #1473 was signed by Chief and Council today.

Proposed by Councillor Christianne Jerome-Bernard
Seconded by Councillor Amy Martin
Motion carried 2019-11-18

5. **Decision Note: 9309-0942 Quebec Inc (Joneve) and 9272-4152 Quebec Inc (Mathilde)**

Chief and Council approved the steps to close 9309-0942 Quebec Inc. and 9272-4152 Quebec Inc. companies.

Proposed by Councillor Dorothy Gedeon
Seconded by Councillor Christianne Jerome-Bernard
Motion carried: 2019-11-18

6. **Decision Note: Bidding submissions to develop Policies in the Area of Housing and Tangible Capital Assets.**

Councillor Christianne Jerome-Bernard was excused due to conflict of interest. Chief and Council accepted the bid that PWIH (Public Works; Infrastructure; and Housing) recommended and awarded the contract to Christianne Jerome-Bernard.

Proposed by Councillor Tammy Martin
Seconded by Councillor Amy Martin
Motion carried 2019-11-18

7. **Information Note: Adult Foster Care Rates**

As of April 1st, 2019 the new rates are \$93.87 a day per adult placed in foster homes according to Indigenous Services Canada compliance review and report. The Director General will provide a chart on the total cost at a later date.

8. **Information Note: Education Funding for Gesgapegiag Under Grant Funding**

The goals here are to make an agreement, sign it (deadline November 29, 2019) then make a payment the week after.

Proposed by Councillor Amy Martin
Seconded by Councillor Mitchell Syvret-Caplin
Motion carried 2019-11-18

9. **HR – Hiring Reports for the month of October 2019**

Six hiring reports were presented to Chief and Council.

A motion was made to prohibit all Councillors to conduct interviews.

Proposed by Councillor Douglas Martin
Seconded by Councillor Amy Martin
Motion carried 2019-11-18

10. **Annual Plan 2019-2020**

For Chief & Councillors to review.

11. **Policy Grid – Micmacs of Gesgapegiag Financial Management System Certification**

For Chief & Councillors to review.

12. **Request from Community Members**

12.1 **Housing (2)**

Two letters were submitted to Chief and Council. Letters of acknowledgement will be sent and the requests will be forwarded to the housing department.

13. **Services for Elders**

Chief and Council decided to keep the qualifying age at 60 years old for Elders.

14. Infrastructure Fundraising Committees

A draft protocol of *Proposed Measures for Infrastructure Fundraising Committees* was presented by Chief John Martin. Councillors suggested adding #10: Roles and Responsibilities.

15. 15. Chief's Update

Chiefs update November 11th to the 22nd, 2019

- Meeting community members regarding housing on three separate occasions, advised to resend letters with cc to council.
- Meeting with community member regarding complaint on HR issue, advised to put it in writing.
- Meeting with community member employment related, advised to put concerns in writing.
- Meeting regarding fundraiser to assist in funeral expenses.
- Meeting regarding administrative support issue for Chief and Council.
- Meeting with community member regarding services, follow up with DG
- Presentation by Mr. Guy Latouche regarding community 5 yea master urban plan. Modifications requested and final draft will be prepared. Council informed of projection that within 5 years we will have a 77 housing unit backlog.
- Request made to Chief of Police and school transportation manager to meet with representatives from Minister of Transportation regarding our request for school bus signage and possible crosswalk for students and staff crossing highway 132 to get to school at Galgoasiet and offices.
- Attended two funerals Gesgapegiag & Listuguj.
- Following up with implementation of council decision regarding school overtime.
- Follow-up on council decision and instructions to legal counsel on rods.
- Preparation of accountability requirements for fund raisers in community.
- Adjustments resulting from the AGA to presentation on council's vision for retreat.
- Review and modification requests of documentation from MMS; press release on Consultation Framework Agreement, and consultation requests regarding developments in Maria, Matane wharf, Caplan Wharf, and in the chic-choc.

- Meeting with DG regarding issues raised at council.
- Meeting and update from Legal to counsel on all files.
- Discussion with legal and requested second legal opinion on estuary agreement.
- Two regular council meetings
- Meeting with Adult Education regional CFO and Listuguj coordinator for Gesgapegiag.

16. 16. Varia

Chief and Council made a motion to support Councillor Gary-Luc Martin financially for his travel to Spain to attend the COP25 International Climate Summit. Round trip to Quebec will be covered by the Band (meals and kilometers) and the sponsoring organization will cover his plane ticket and accommodations.

Proposed by Councillor Christianne Jerome-Bernard

Seconded by Councillor Armand Martin

Motion carried on 2019-11-18

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Proposed by Councillor Armand Martin

Seconded by Councillor Douglas Martin

Motion carried: 2019-11-18