

Covid-19 Council Meetings Record of Decisions Prepared by: Jill Martin

Meeting Dates for March, April, May and June:

March 24, 2020

March 27, 2020 (Information Session)

April 3, 2020

April 6, 2020

April 15, 2020 (Information Session)

April 22, 2020

April 29, 2020

May 6, 2020 (Information Session)

May 13, 2020

May 27, 2020

June 10, 2020

June 17, 2020

June 24, 2020

Month of March:

March 16 & 17, 2020: Last Duly Convened Meeting Prior to the Covid-19 outbreak.

March 18, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion for the LMG to close all offices, except for essential personnel, up until April 1, 2020.

March 24, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion for the LMG to extend office closures, up until April 15, 2020.

March 24, 2020: In line with the Covid-19 health and safety guidelines, Chief and Council made a motion to rescind the June 2020 Elections. With the support of Indigenous Service Canada (ISC), there will be no Governance-Gap and the Chief and Council would continue its mandate. In collaboration with the Listuguj Health Services and the Electoral Officer, a new election date will be identified.

Moved: Councillor Dolly Barnaby Second: Councillor Calvin Barnaby

Passed

March 24, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to approve the Order in Council #2544 Emergency Management Committee. Chief and Council approved the development of an inter-Directorate Committee between Public Security, Health Services and Capital and Infrastructure to coordinate protocols and logistics that may be required by Chief and Council to effectively respond to an emergency at the community level.

Moved: Councillor Calvin Barnaby Second: Councillor George Martin

Passed

March 24, 2020: Chief and Council supported the decision to match Quebec's COVID-19 employment/training decision and decided to close all Listuguj training including AGS, up until May 1, 2020.

March 24, 2020: Chief and Council decided to close all public and private non-essential businesses effective immediately.

March 24, 2020: LMG offices will remain closed for an additional 2 weeks, that is until April 15, 2020.

March 24, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to defer all payments for Mortgage and Housing LTO/Section 95 for at least one month. Those who have ministerial loan guarantees will have to arrange with their banks.

Moved: Councillor Dolly Barnaby Second: Councillor Wendell Metallic

Passed

March 24, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to provide a one-time allowance of \$175 for Elders (Single) and \$250 for Elders (Family). Going forward LMG will secure food packages for Elders during this pandemic.

Moved: Councillor Scott Martin Second: Councillor Dolly Barnaby

Month of April:

April 3, 2020: Chief and Council made the motion to approve Order in Council #2543 Applications for PCD Funds: First Quarter 2020 for member who were approved to receive their Per Capita Distribution funds.

Moved: Councillor Chad Gedeon Second: Councillor Dolly Barnaby

Passed

April 3, 2020: Chief and Council discussed the upcoming 2020 Annual Listuguj Powwow. Chief and Council agreed to respect the upcoming decision made by the Powwow Committee regarding the event.

April 6, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to declare a State of Emergency for Listuguj. The State of Emergency authorizes the Emergency Management Coordinator to activate the Emergency Action plan. This would be in line with the Order in Council #2544 LMG Emergency Management Committee. A "Unified Command" was created to direct LMG's emergency response.

Moved: Councillor Dolly Barnaby Second: Councillor Chad Gedeon

Passed

April 6, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to control access to the community and where the Director of Capital and Infrastructure will take the necessary steps to carry out this decision.

Moved: Councillor Chad Gedeon Second: Councillor Marsha Vicaire

Passed

April 22, 2020: A motion was made to approve the Order in Council #2647 BMO Loan Guarantee METALLIC, Carol Ann to receive renovation loans with the Bank of Montreal.

Moved: Councillor Sky Metallic Second: Councillor Gordon Isaac Abstain: Councillor Sheila Swasson

Opposed: Councillor Calvin Barnaby, Councillor George Martin, Councillor Scott Martin

Passed

April 22, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to approve the Order in Council 2548: Land Transfer regarding Derek Barnaby who completed the LMG financial obligations.

Moved: Councillor Dolly Barnaby Second: Councillor Marsha Vicaire

Passed

April 22, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to approve the Order in Council 2545: One Year Ranger Service Contract extension that approves a one-year service contract extension with the Ministere des Resource Naturelles et de la Faune Province de Quebec. Chief Darcy Gray has the approval to sign the one-year extension, until March 2021.

Moved: Councillor Wendell Metallic Second: Councillor George Martin

Passed

April 22, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to approve the Order in Council 2546 Signing Authority Forestry Contract/Agreement, which authorizes Chief Darcy Gray, Alexander Kocsis, Chief Executive Officer and Dr. Fred Metallic, Director of Natural Resources to act as signing authority for the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government Natural Resource Forestry.

Moved: Councillor Sky Metallic Second: Councillor Gordon Isaac Jr. Passed

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April 22, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to table the Order in Council for the Economic Development Initiative until the Pandemic of Covid-19 is over, which limits the funds that are being spent through the Own Source Revenue.

April 29, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to approve the Order in Council 2550: Harry Frye—Transfer of Ownership that authorizes Dr. Fred Metallic, Director of Natural Resources to sign all Transport Canada documents required to complete the transfer of ownership to the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government.

Moved: Councillor Sky Metallic Second: Councillor Gordon Isaac Jr.

Passed

April 29, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to approve the Order in Council 2549: LMG Quarantine Powers to avoid any risk of infection by Covid-19. The LMG Health Director, or the Unified Command may be authorized to order a person to self-isolate for a maximum period of 14 days for any of the following situations:

(1) the person shows Covid-19 related symptoms and there are serious reasons to believe a person has been contacted with Covid-19;

- (2) the person has recently lived, stayed or visited an environment in which in which person having Covid-19 related vulnerability factors are also living or staying or in an environment where there is a greater risk of Covid-19 transmission, and there are serious reasons to believe the person has been in contact with a person who has that illness;
- (3) the person is living or staying in an environment in which persons having covid-19 related vulnerability
- (4) the person is waiting for results
- (5) the person obtained a positive result of covid-19

Moved: Councillor Sky Metallic Second: Councillor Chad Gedeon

Month of May:

May 13, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to approve the Order in Council 2554: Listuguj Band Election 2020. As Coronavirus (Covid-19) continues to evolve, Chief and Council made a motion to rescind Order in Council 2531—Band Elections June 2020. With the support of Indigenous Service Canada as per the guidelines for cancelling and postponement of elections during the Covid-19, there will be no Governance-Gap and Chief and Council will continue its mandate. Listuguj Chief and Council have set the new date for the election November 7, 2020.

Moved: Councillor Dolly Barnaby Second: Councillor Wendell Metallic

Opposed: Councillor Scott Martin; Councillor Calvin Barnaby

Passed

May 13, 2020: Chief and Council approved the Order in Council 2557: Mawo'ltijig Child Care Centre Board of Directors. The decision was made to start communicating with the Mawo'ltijig Mijjuaji'jg (Child Care Centre) Board of Directors on including at least one member of Chief and Council on the board. The outcome of this request will allow for a better line of communication between Chief and Council and the Mawo'ltijig Mijjuaji'jg (Child Care Centre) Board of Directors.

Moved: Councillor Chad Gedeon Second: Councillor Sky Metallic

Passed

May 13, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to approve the Order in Council 2558: Mawo'ltijig Mijjuaji'jg Child Care Delay Opening. The OIC agrees to delay the opening of the Mawo'ltijig Mijjuaji'jg (Child Care Centre) until June 1, 2020 and will be reassessed prior to the official opening date.

Moved: Councillor Marsha Vicaire Second: Councillor Dolly Barnaby

Passed

May 13, 2020: Chief and Council made a decision to support Listuguj Convenience Stores to start operating from 8 A.M. - 10 P.M.

May 13, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to adjust the current Housing Approval Process effective immediately. It was agreed upon between Chief and Council that the adjusted Housing Approval Process will proceed as follows: once the Bank of Montreal (BMO) releases any approved loan to the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government, the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government will distribute to the approved applicant(s) in a phase approach. Clients are required to show progress reports to the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government at the end of completion of each phase, in order to receive the remainder of the funds.

Moved: Councillor Scott Martin Second: Councillor Dolly Barnaby

Passed

May 13, 2020: Chief and Council made the decision to dismantle the monitoring checkpoints on June 1, 2020; this date will, however, be reassessed prior to June 1, 2020 to confirm if the date needs to be extended.

May 27, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to approve the Order in Council 2556: MOU – Treaty Related Measures with the Mi'gmaq in Quebec. This Order in Council allows the LMG's Natural Resource Director, in his capacity as LMG's Lead Fisheries Negotiator, to authorize and sign the *Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Treaty Related Measures with the Mi'gmaq in Quebec* on behalf of LMG, and take necessary action to develop a Treaty Related Measure project proposal and to negotiate a TRM contribution agreement with Canada.

Moved: Councillor Sky Metallic Second: Councillor Calvin Barnaby Abstain: Councillor Marsha Vicaire

Passed

May 27, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to approve the Order in Council 2555: LMG Salmon Fishing Plan 2020. The OIC 2555 enables the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government First Nation salmon fishery to begin on May 27, 2020 (the last Wednesday of May), or one week earlier than last years. The OIC 2555 allows community members to access salmon required for food fishery in a timely matter, due to the imposed restrictions from the New Brunswick boarder. The New Brunswick boarder restrictions, in response to COVID-19, subjected Listuguj to unique challenges, including increased economic uncertainty, job losses, store closures and unprecedented difficulties of accessing food.

Moved: Councillor Sky Metallic Second: Councillor Dolly Barnaby

Passed

May 27, 2020: The Order in Council of the Licensing for a Psychologist was tabled until a further meeting.

Month of June:

June 10, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to have Public Works start boarding up the residence of 22 Micmac Drive effective immediately as it is deemed unlivable for Health and Safety reasons. During this time, we also ask that Public Works turn off the water and hydro in the residence.

Moved: Councillor Calvin Barnaby Second: Councillor Chad Gedeon

Passed

June 10, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to approve the Order in Council 2560: Listuguj Economic Development Initiative. The Order in Council allows for the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Governemnt to allocate \$75,000 to be administered as a non-refundable contribution and in accordance to the LEDI Guidelines. The OIC 2560 will allow for continuing small entrepreneurs in Listuguj and increases the well-being of community members.

Moved: Councillor Dolly Barnaby Second: Councillor Wendell Metallic

Passed

June 10: 2020: Chief and Council had a discussion regarding the Per Capita Distributions funds for Chris Metallic, who has been missing since November 12, 2012. Chief and Council made a motion to give Delphine Metallic, Economic Development Manager, authorization to seek legal advice on how to obtain funds and set the amount aside for Mandy Metallic If necessary, Mandy Metallic shall also be given support in the process of the declaration of death, if the family chooses to proceed in that direction.

Moved: Councillor Scott Martin Second: Councillor Dolly Barnaby

Passed

June 10, 2020: Chief and Council had a discussion regarding the MRC Avignon Committee. A motion was made to mandate Paige Isaac, Tourism Officer to sit on the committee.

Moved: Councillor Calvin Barnaby Second: Councillor Chad Gedeon

Passed

June 10, 2020: Chief and Council had a discussion regarding the renewal of the Council Working Contracts. With the postponement of the June 2020 Band Elections, council made a motion to approve the extension of the council working contracts. Council will sign agreements of the renewal of contacts.

Moved: Councillor Scott Martin Second: Councillor Wendell Metallic

Abstain: Councillor Marsha Vicaire, Councillor Chad, and Councillor Calvin Barnaby

June 17, 2020: Council at the Duly Convened Chief and Council Meeting made an official decision in regards to the Lot 40-5-1 Block 3 / 4437R RSQ on Caplin Road. Council made a motion to sell the lot at \$0.49 a square foot to Dolly Barnaby.

Moved: Councillor Scott Martin Second: Councillor Calvin Barnaby

Abstain: Councillor Marsha Vicaire, Councillor Sky Metallic, Councillor Dolly Barnaby

June 24, 2020: Chief and Council approved the decision to dismantle the monitoring checkpoints on June 26, 2020 at 8:00 A.M.

Moved: Councillor Gordon Isaac Second: Councillor Sheila Swasson

Passed

June 24, 2020: Chief and Council made a decision to approve the re-opening of Listuguj game rooms and casinos on June 26, 2020 at 8 A.M. However, with the on-going possibility of exposure to COVID-19, game rooms and casino operators are required to produce a Safety Plan including contact tracing to be implemented upon re-opening for the safety of staff and customers. The Safety Plan does not need to be approved by Chief and Council.

Moved: Councillor Scott Martin Second: Councillor Gordon Isaac

Passed

June 24, 2020: Chief and Council made a motion to approve the Consolidated Budget for the year of 2020/2021. Chief and Council approved: \$70,508,988 for the Budgeted Revenue, \$69,580,104 for the Budgeted Expense, and \$928,884 for the Projected Surplus/Deficit. Attached is the approved Consolidated Budget. A communique will be made public according to the Financial Administrative Law.

Moved: Councillor Scott Martin Second: Councillor Gordon Isaac Jr.

