

ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Date: August 29, 2017
Time: 11:00 AM
Place: BRFN Cultural Center
Present: Chief Carol Dee Potter, Councillor Frank Meuse,
Councillor Fred Robar-Harlow, Councillor Carol Ann Potter
Kerry Payson, Band Administrator
26 Band Members + 4 Council Members = 30 Band Members, 2 Youth, 2 Children,
6 Non Band Members, 2 Presenters, Guest (Friends of Ferrell)

11:00 AM – staff available for Community Members to ask questions. All of the Band's Policies were available for viewing.

Kait arrived with Pizza lunch

12:08 PM – Opening Prayer by Elder Agnes Potter

Honor Song by the drummers (Nathan, Jeff, Fred, Royden, Rob)

Chief welcomed everyone and offered lunch.

Councillor Carol Ann - Shout out to Amber Potter for the great PEI trip. Krista was hired to do Summer Program, thanks to her. Chief and Council hearing great things from the trip and they want to see more like it. She spoke about wanting to name the gathering/cookhouse area.

Chief asked if anyone had anything to add to agenda. Since no one had any additions she asked for acceptance of the agenda as presented.

Motion #1

Approve agenda as presented.

Moved by Christine Harlow.

2nd by Kait Harlow.

All in favor.

Resolve: Motion passed.

Chief gave an update to much of the Band Business. (See notes attached).

She also spoke about Maritime Pipeline and how the 13 Chief's do not agree with it. Nothing has been signed. She spoke about her trip to Norway and their education, students attending exploring University. She also spoke about how clean and green Norway is and how they promote community bussing, bicycling etc.

Election process – Oct 19 – nominations, Nov 30 – Election, Dec 7 – change over

Councillor CAP spoke about forestry and gave an update. Forestry buy back lands to secure our own fuel wood. She spoke about her vision for how forestry works. Commercial is Carol Ann, Frank is On Reserve and they are separate. Councillor Carol Ann is working on Aquaculture and Fishing. Looking at different approaches, not the fin fish aquaculture but the whole ecosystem and maybe partnering with Annapolis Valley. Fisheries was finalized to partner with them again this year. While we may hear other things, this is the way we want to do business. Not wanting

to put Community in debt for this venture. She is staying hard course to the plan. She is hoping this is the last year we have to hold hands. Councillor Fred Robar-Harlow was thanked for cooking lobsters for families to take home from Communal/Food Fisheries. Announcement made this was Ainsley and Eli's first time at the AGA.

1:00 PM - Michelle, Ulnooweg Education Financial Group gave presentation – Overview of Band's Finances (see attached). Done at 1:25 PM.

Chief spoke about the mortgages and discussion was held about rent. She talked about Chief and Council getting flagged and are told to charge rent.

1:30 PM - Michelle from CMHC presented on housing and funding. She spoke about how well our housing is. Questions were asked to Michelle. Done at 1:43 PM.

Chief gave opportunity for Band Members to ask questions or make comments.

Round of applause to Friends of Feral, Kathy's program has been using this program regularly in the Community.

Thanks was given to all the staff.

No questions or comments were made other than to the Michelle's in regards to housing and finance.

Chief closed the meeting and asked Elder Agnes to do a prayer.

Elder Agnes Potter did the closing prayer.

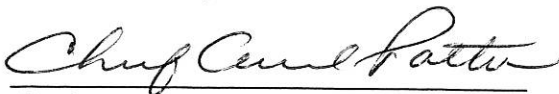
The drummers did a final song while those present did the round dance.

Lakota Swinamer Lane and Krista Currie won door prizes.

Assembly ended at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Kerry Payson, Band Administrator.

Approved by:



Chief Carol Dee Potter



Councillor Fred Robar-Harlow



Councillor Frank Meuse



Councillor Carol Ann Potter