

**BUFFALO LAKE METIS SETTLEMENT  
COUNCIL MEETING, June 27, 2017  
BUFFALO LAKE CULTURAL INTERPRETIVE CENTRE**

**Council Present:**

**Chairman** – Horace Patenaude

**Vice Chairman** – Harold Blyan

**Council Members** – Archie Handel, Cyril Boucher, Lorne Ladouceur

**Present:** Shelly Durocher – Recording Secretary

**Observer:** Mabel Howse, Bruce Barry

**Opening Prayer** – Horace Patenaude

**Meeting called to order by the Chairman (9:15 a.m.)**

**Adoption of agenda**

**MOTION#192/06/17**

Harold Blyan moves to accept the agenda seconded by Archie Handel. 4 in favour, 1 opposed, carried.

**MOTION#193/06/17**

Archie Handel moves to accept the June 1, 2017 Special Council Meeting minutes, seconded by Harold Blyan. 3 in favour, 2 opposed, carried.

**MOTION#194/06/17**

Archie Handel moves to accept the June 13, 2017 Council Meeting minutes, seconded by Harold Blyan. All in favour, carried.

Discussion on Mcsnet tower in Buffalo Lake.

**Leo Mcsnet**

Wanting to set up a 150ft tower at Deana Augers. Everything is approved, sent a master agreement to council. Has about 18-20 Customers. Council asked Leo to step out for them to discuss.

**MOTION#195/06/17**

Lorne Ladouceur moves to accept Mcsnet's proposal to build a tower on Buffalo Lake, seconded by Cyril Boucher. All in favour, carried.

**Lori Gabara, Darlene Drayton**

Came to meet with Council to introduce the New Registrar. Discussion on issues, Provisional metis titles, Maps, and Status Checks.

Lorne Stepped out of the meeting.

**MOTION#196/06/17**

Harold Blyan moves to go in Camera, seconded by Archie Handel. 3 in favour, 2 opposed, carried.

**MOTION#197/06/17**

Harold Blyan moves to come out of Camera, seconded by Archie Handel. 3 in favour, 1 opposed, and 1 abstained, carried.

### **Mariette Boucher**

Draft Agreement, consent needed signed for Ackroyd to representative of both parties.

### **MOTION#198/06/17**

Cyril Boucher moves to consent to have Ackroyd be the lawyer for both Buffalo Lake Metis Settlement and Buffalo Lake Development Corp, seconded by Archie Handel. All in favour, carried.

Letter of Offer

### **MOTION#199/06/17**

Cyril Boucher moves to approve the Conditional letter of offer to purchase 20 acres of land on SW-02-064-17-4, seconded by Archie Handel. All in favour, carried.

### **MOTION#200/06/17**

Cyril Boucher moves whereas BLDC/BLLP operate as autonomous arms-length entities: Therefore be it resolved that the Buffalo Lake Metis Settlement Council supports the effort of these entities to ensure due diligence is completed for business planning, acquisitions, and economic development initiatives, seconded by Harold Blyan. All in favour, carried.

Archie left for a meeting at General Council.

### **General Meeting**

July 3<sup>rd</sup> is a holiday can't have the meeting. Wants to see if Council wants a General Meeting for the month of July. Options are have it on the 10<sup>th</sup>, wait till August, or stop till September. It was decided to have it for the 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **Cyril's emailed concerns**

Feels he is being withheld from seeing the lawyers, and from doing his job as a Councillor. Would like to know where in legislation it states he needs quorum of Council to allow him to see the lawyers. Bill had told him it is correct, but he would like to see if for himself.

What Cyril would like to ask the Lawyer:

- What files are currently open with Buffalo Lake?
- How much has Blms paid Ackroyd since 2013?
- The file on conflict of interest from 2016.
- Does Ackroyd have a file on Cyril Boucher?
- Wants the files they've been working on since October of 2013.
- Hard copy of policies and bylaws.

Was told he should be able to get these answers from the office instead of paying for a lawyer. If the questions could be answered here he will. Asked if he cannot find the answers here he would like to go see the lawyers for the remaining answers. Harold explained that Ackroyd is hired by the settlement, the Council, so they can meet with them together but it needs to be approved by quorum to meet with them individually.

### **Lorne's Letter regarding his appeal**

Bruce Barry had sent a letter to Council on behalf of Lorne Ladouceur regarding registering the interest of his expired PMT to the new interest holder, which Lorne did not apply for in time when the land was posted. Lorne stated his agent Bruce Barry will be speaking for him.

Lorne Stepped out

Chairman advised Bruce that he was not on the agenda, and he is not allowed at this time to speak to Lorne's letter. Bruce disregarded what the Chairman had to say and continued to speak on behalf of Lorne.

Chairman and recording secretary stepped out.

Lorne joined the meeting

Cyril stated maybe this is not the meeting to do so, 1 Councillor left for a meeting, Lorne cannot vote, Chairman who stepped out. Suggested to get on next agenda.

Chairman and recording secretary joined.

Chairman asked Bruce to remove himself from the meeting for being disruptive and speaking when he's not on the agenda. Bruce refused and stated anyone can be removed from the chamber including the Council if being disruptive.

Cyril said he is prepared to make a motion, Bruce advised Cyril that he can make the motion and Lorne can second it, it's not a conflict. Chairman told Bruce to leave, he refused again.

#### **MOTION#201/06/17**

Cyril Boucher moves to have an interim order to Metis Settlements Land Registry not to change the PMT held in Lorne Ladouceur's name to Matthew Patenaude while this is going through MSAT, seconded by Lorne Ladouceur. 2 in favour, 1 opposed, and 2 abstained, **MOTION DEFEATED.**

#### **Election committee**

Jack Ladouceur and Joe Blyan had proposed an Election committee for Council. Will not have enough time for the upcoming election. Lorne will like to put a motion forward to go ahead with the committee.

#### **MOTION#201/06/17**

Lorne Ladouceur moves to accept the proposal for an election committee, seconded by Cyril Boucher. 4 in favour, 1 abstained, carried.

#### **Administrator Report**

Infrastructure manager was brought in, he handed out the master service agreement for Road C with Amec for Council to look at. Discussion on the Engineers work on another road in the Settlement.

Tabled for a few days for Council to review.

Lorne has concerns but will put a motion forward to approve the master service agreement but the tender agreement must be ratified.

#### **MOTION#202/06/17**

Lorne Ladouceur moves to hire Amec as the Engineers for Road C, seconded by Harold Blyan. 3 in favour, 1 opposed, 1 abstained, carried.

Road C scope change hydro vac the Gas lines for locations and depth, cost is \$31,059.20

Cyril is stepping down in the Road C Committee.

#### **MOTION#203/06/17**

Harold Blyan Road C scope change hydro vac the Gas lines cost \$31,059.20, no Seconder, **MOTION DEFEATED.**

Lorne wanted to discuss some concerns with Bruce.

- The Million-dollar road hasn't been graded or gravelled for one month, Bruce advised him it has been. Lorne stated people have been wrecking their vehicles and it's a hazard.
- Found a grader operators timesheet, feels it isn't filled out properly. Should have more information.

Cyril wanted to discuss some concerns with Bruce also.

- Land owners are aware that some dirt maybe removed from there lands. Bruce said yes, they are aware.
- And if there is a place for a camp for the construction work. And Bruce said no he wanted to talk to Council about that. Once they find a place it would have to be an agreement.
- A big concern with the gravel, Cyril feels the council is not involved much. Bruce stated Deans already aware of everything. Has concerns with the gravel sitting on land till October when the lease for that land expires in august. Should be moved to the new location.

Bruce left the meeting.

#### **Administrator report cont.**

Agriculture, and Horticulture/landscaping, only 16 people approved. Lots are getting held back because of their household contributions. Discussion on what to do, give the members 2 weeks to bring them up to date.

#### **Council Concerns**

##### **Lorne Ladouceur:**

- Tiny homes program meals, every community that did the program meals were provided. Feels that we should provide meals for our members attending.

##### **MOTION#203/06/17**

Lorne Ladouceur moves to provide meals 5 days a week for the students taking the tiny homes program, seconded by Cyril Boucher. 2 in favour, 1 opposed, 2 abstained. **MOTION DEFEATED.**

- Highland Feeders – Fencing 1 resume presented was told 2 other resumes were submitted.
- Wants to put a motion forward to put \$3000 in the budget to honor Members that have done good in their life. for example, Wayne Howse he has been in the RCMP for 36 years, longest serving aboriginal member.

##### **MOTION#203/06/17**

Lorne Ladouceur moves to put \$3000 into the budget to honor members that have done good in their life, hold something for Wayne Howse in August recognising his achievements, seconded by Cyril Boucher. 4 in favour, 1 abstained, carried.

- Would like to attend Batoche this year, will need the agenda for Batoche for next meeting.
- Road issues brought up with Bruce, about grading etc. the following motion was put forward.

##### **MOTION#204/06/17**

Lorne Ladouceur moves to terminate Bruce Gordon as the Infrastructure Manager for negligence, seconded by Cyril Boucher. 2 in favour, 1 opposed, 2 abstained, **MOTION DEFEATED.**

##### **Cyril Boucher:**

- Needs a clear understanding for settlement business, because there is a difference with Council and individual Councillors.

- Travel for aboriginal day was declined by the administrator because the settlement has their own celebration. And where does she have the right to decline his expense. Now that quorum is here he would like to be paid for that trip.
- Boundary changed in LLB Post.
- Has issues with the Administrator same as Lorne's concerns with the infrastructure manager.

**MOTION#204/06/17**

Cyril Boucher moves to terminate Lana Howse as the Administrator due to negligence, seconded by Lorne Ladouceur. 2 in favour, 2 opposed, 1 abstained, **MOTION DEFEATED.**

**Harold Blyan:**

- Solar Farm - wants to see RFQ sent by Dan. All he sent was a 120-page blank form. It would not be done by the end of the week; the solar farm is dead.
- LTA update.

**Horace Patenaude:**

- Letter from minister for all grants available under climate change.

**MOTION#204/06/17**

Harold Blyan moves to adjourn @ 3:44 p.m., seconded by Lorne Ladouceur. 4 in favour, 1 abstained, carried.

APPROVED