



Otipemisiwak Métis Government Citizens' Council

MEETING AGENDA			
DATE:		March 20, 2024 - 9:00AM	
LOCATION:		DoubleTree by Hilton West Edmonton 16615 – 109 Avenue, Edmonton, AB T5P 4K8	
Room:		Rundle / Robson Ballroom	
ITEM #	TIME	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
-	8:00AM	BREAKFAST PROVIDED ON SITE	
1	9:00AM	CALL TO ORDER	CHAIR
2	9:00AM	OPENING PRAYER	
3	9:05AM	ADOPTION OF AGENDA **Motion Required**	CHAIR
4	9:10AM	APPROVAL OF MINUTES a.) Citizens' Council Meeting – January 23 rd to 26 th , 2024 **Motion Required**	CHAIR
5	9:20AM	PRESIDENT'S WELCOME	PRESIDENT
6	9:30AM	CABINET UPDATE: MANDATE LETTERS a.) BN: Citizens' Representative & Provincial Secretaries' Mandate Letters **Motion Required**	PRESIDENT
7	10:00AM	OMG ADMINISTRATION REPORT(S) a.) Senior Executive Officer i) BN: Travel & Expense Policy Update **Motion Required** ii) Recovery Centre **Motion Required** b.) Self-Government & Transition i) BN: Update on the Appointment of Officers & Judicial Tribunal **Motion Required** ii) BN: Transition of Locals to Districts Update **Motion Required**	OMG DIRECTOR(S)
-	10:30AM	BREAK	
7	10:45AM	(CONT.) OMG ADMINISTRATION REPORT(S) c.) Director of Consultation:	OMG DIRECTOR(S)



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		i) Communicating consultation notifications, consultation process overview, and current project updates. **Motion Required**	
8	11:15AM	LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL PROCESS a.) BN: Interim process for developing and assessing legislative proposals. **Motion Required**	SELF-GOV
-	12:00PM	LUNCH PROVIDED ON SITE	
9	1:00PM	IN-CAMERA ITEM: a.) Affiliate Board of Directors Appointment(s) b.) NAIG Appointment c.) Discussion: Secretary of MS & FN Relations **Motion(s) Required**	CHAIR
10	2:00PM	DISTRICT COUNCIL BYLAWS a.) Review for approval in principle, the proposed District Council bylaws as submitted by the following Districts: i) Calgary-Elbow Métis District ii) Fort Vermilion Métis District iii) Lesser Slave Lake Métis District iv) Medicine Hat Métis District v) Red Deer Métis District vi) St. Albert Métis District vii) St. Paul-Cold Lake Métis District **Motion(s) Required**	LEGAL COUNSEL
-	2:30PM	BREAK	
11	2:45PM	CITIZENS' GATHERING a.) BN: Selection of 2024 Annual Citizens' Gathering Date and Location **Motion Required**	PRESIDENT
12	3:45PM	YOUTH SUMMIT ON CLIMATE CHANGE a.) BN: Métis Nation Youth Summit on Climate Change Attendance **Motion Required**	SEC. LAVALLEE
13	4:00PM	COMMUNICATION PLAN	PUBLIC AFFAIRS
14	4:15PM	PRESIDENT'S CLOSING REMARKS	PRESIDENT
15	4:30PM	CLOSING PRAYER	
16	4:45PM	ADJOURNMENT **Motion Required**	CHAIR



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Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

9:50AM The Chair called the March 20, 2024, regular meeting of the Citizens' Council of the Otipemisiwak Métis Government to order.

Agenda Item #2 – Opening Prayer

9:51AM Knowledge Keeper Norma Spicer delivered an opening prayer.

Agenda Item #3 – Adoption of Agenda

9:53AM **MOTION:**
Moved by: Rep. Aura Leddy
That the agenda for the March 20, 2024, Regular Meeting of the Citizens' Council be adopted as presented.
Seconded by: Sec. Lisa San Filippo

No debate.

Result: Carried by Consensus

Agenda Item #4 – Approval of Minutes

a.) Minutes of the Citizens' Council Meeting, January 23 to 26 2024

9:55AM **MOTION:**
Moved by: Sec. Shannon Dunfield
The Minutes of the Joint Citizens' Council Meeting and Elected Officials Education Sessions – January 23 to 26 2024, be approved as presented.
Seconded by: Rep. Nancy Cardinal

No debate.

Result: Carried by Consensus



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Agenda Item #5 – President's Welcome

9:57AM President Andrea Sandmaier to read onto the floor the President's Welcoming Address.

Agenda Item #6 – Cabinet Update: Mandate Letters

a.) BN: Citizens' Representatives & Provincial Secretaries' Mandate Letters

10:05AM The Chair directed President Andrea Sandmaier to present onto the floor the Mandate Letters.

MOTION:

Moved by: Sec. Brooke Bramfield

Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council that the Citizens' Representative and Provincial Secretaries' Mandate letters, as issued by the President and Chair of Cabinet, be accepted for information as presented. Administration is hereby directed to publish the Mandate Letters to Cabinet as required by the Otipemisiwak Métis Government law and Constitution.

Seconded by: Rep. Aura Leddy

Debate from the floor.

Result: Carried by Consensus

Agenda Item #7 – OMG Administration Report(s)

a.) Senior Executive Officer

i.) BN: Travel & Expense Policy Update

10:25AM The Chair directed the Senior Executive Officer to deliver an update of the Travel & Expense Policy onto the floor.

Questions from the floor.

MOTION:

Moved by: Rep. Sarah Wolfe

Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council, that the Senior Executive Officer's update in respect to the Travel & Expense Policy is accepted for information as presented.

Seconded by: Sec. Joseph Chodzicki

No debate.

Result: Carried by Consensus



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ii.) BN: *Recovery Centre*

The Senior Executive Officer read onto the floor the Recovery Centre – Grant Agreement.

MOTION 1:

Moved by: Sec. Kaila Mitchell

Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council that the following Grant Agreement, be executed and ratified for the purposes of constructing a recovery community facility, subject to the terms outlined, and as presented and reflected into the minutes.

Seconded by: Sec. Lisa San Filippo

Debate from the floor.

Result: Carried by Consensus

MOTION 2:

Moved by: Rep. Aura Leddy

Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council that the Officer Certificate, to be certified by Andrea Sandmaier in her capacity as President of the Métis within Alberta, for the purposes of certifying the Community Facility Capital Grant Funding Agreement, subject to the conditions outlined, be accepted as presented and executed as required.

Seconded by: Rep. Sarah Wolfe

Debate from the floor

Result: Carried by Consensus

10:47AM The Chair declared Council to be in recess.

11:02AM The Chair recalled Council to order.

b.) *Self-Government & Transition*

i.) *BN: Update on the Appointment of Officers & Judicial Tribunal*

11:03AM The Chair / Senior Director of Self-Government read onto the floor the Update on the Appointment of Officers & Judicial Tribunal Members.

Questions from the floor.

MOTION:

Moved by: Sec. Lisa Wolfe

Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council that the Update on the Appointment of Officers and Judicial Tribunal Members be accepted for information as presented.



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Seconded by: Sec. Joseph Chodzicki

No Debate.

Result: Carried by Consensus

ii.) BN: Transition of Locals to Districts Update

The Chair / Senior Director of Self-Government read onto the floor a report for the Transition of Locals to Districts.

MOTION:

Moved by: Rep. Nancy Cardinal

Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council that the transition Report be accepted for information as presented.

Seconded by: Sec. Lisa San Filippo

Debate from the Floor.

Result: Carried by Consensus

c.) Director of Consultation

i.) BN: Communicating Consultation notifications, Consultation process overview and current project updates.

The Chair directed the Director of Consultation to present onto the floor the Consultation Report.

Questions from the floor.

MOTION:

Moved by: Sec. Karen Collins

Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council that the Department of Consultation Report be presented and accepted for information.

Seconded by: Sec. Lisa Wolfe

Debate from the Floor.

Result: Carried by Consensus

12:25PM The Chair declared Council to be in recess.

1:25PM The Chair recalled Council to order.



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Agenda Item #8 – Legislative Proposal Process

a.) BN: Interim process for developing and assessing legislative proposals.

1:27PM The Chair directed the Self-Government Policy Team to present the Legislative Proposal Process onto the floor.

Questions from the floor.

MOTION:

Moved by: Rep. Aura Leddy

Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council that the recommendations in this Legislative Proposal Development Process Briefing Note be accepted and adopted as presented, and become the Interim Legislative Proposal Procedure for Citizens' Council.

Administration is directed to draft a final Interim Legislative Proposal Procedure document based on the contents of this Briefing Note to be provided to all Representatives of Citizens' Council.

Seconded by: Sec. Lisa Wolfe

Debate from the floor.

Result: Carried by Consensus

MOTION:

Moved by: Sec. Lisa Wolfe

To add the Provincial Women's Representative and Provincial Youth Representative as members of the Legislative Proposal Assessment Committee.

Seconded by: Sec. Shannon Dunfield

Debate from the floor.

Result: Carried by Consensus

MOTION:

Moved by: Sec. Rebecca Lavallee

To approve the following appointments to the Legislative Proposal Assessment Committee:

Battle River Territory – Sec. Jason Chernow

Lower Athabasca River Territory – Sec. Brooke Bramfield

Lesser Slave Lake Territory – Sec. Grant Lacombe

Peace River Territory – Sec. Bobbi Paul-Alook

North Saskatchewan River Territory – Rep. Sarah Wolfe

Seconded by: Rep. Aura Leddy

No debate.



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Result: Carried by Consensus

Point of Order: Motion to Amend the Agenda

MOTION:

Moved by: Sec. Rebecca Lavallee

Moved to amend agenda item #12 to nominate 5 youth to attend the Métis Nation Youth Summit on Climate Change in Ottawa April 5th to 7th 2024

Seconded by: Rep. Sarah Wolfe

Undebatable

Result: Carried by Consensus

Agenda Item #9 – In-Camera Items(s)

2:20PM

MOTION:

Moved by: Sec. Jason Chernow

The Citizens' Council shall enter in-camera session.

Seconded by: Sec. Lisa Wolfe

Undebatable

Result: Carried by Consensus

3:45PM

MOTION:

Moved by: Sec. Shannon Dunfield

The Citizens' Council shall exit in-camera session.

Seconded by: Sec. Lisa San Filippo

Undebatable

Result: Carried by Consensus

3:45PM

The Chair declared Council to be in recess.

4:00PM

The Chair recalled Council to order.

4:02PM

RESOLUTION (by MOTION):

Moved by: Rep. Aura Leddy



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WHEREAS the Otipemisiwak Métis Government, through its legal and administrative arm the Métis Nation of Alberta Association, controls a number of important affiliated entities (“**Otipemisiwak Métis Government Institutions**”), including but not limited to: (i) Métis Crossing; (ii) Rupertsland institute; and (iii) Métis Urban Housing Corporation;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to the Otipemisiwak Métis Government’s *Transition Plan*, Otipemisiwak Métis Government Institutions shall remain controlled by the OMG, continue to exist in their current form, and continue to deliver programs and services to Citizens of the OMG;

AND WHEREAS through inadvertence or otherwise, corporate records for certain Otipemisiwak Métis Government Institutions are inaccurate and/or outdated with respect to the registered directors and officers of such Otipemisiwak Métis Government Institutions;

AND WHEREAS in certain instances, further amendments to the bylaws or other constating documents of Otipemisiwak Métis Government Institutions may be required in order to align Otipemisiwak Métis Government Institutions with the Otipemisiwak Métis Government Constitution and Otipemisiwak Métis Government laws and regulations.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1) The President and Senior Executive Officer of the Otipemisiwak Métis Government are authorized and empowered to direct legal counsel to update the corporate records and amend the bylaws or other constating documents of Otipemisiwak Métis Government Institutions to bring the corporate records in alignment with the Otipemisiwak Métis Government Constitution and Otipemisiwak Métis Government laws and regulations.
- 2) The President and Senior Executive Officer are authorized and empowered to direct legal counsel to take all such further action and to execute and deliver all such further agreements, certificates, instruments, and documents, in the name and on behalf of the Otipemisiwak Métis Government and the Métis Nation of Alberta Association, to carry out the transactions contemplated by and the intent and purposes of the foregoing resolution.

Seconded by: Rep. Sarah Wolfe

No debate.

Result: Carried by Consensus

MOTION:

Moved by: Rep. Sarah Wolfe



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To appoint the Secretary of Tourism & Economic Development Lisa San Filippo to the Boards of Métis Crossing and Apeetogosan Métis Development Incorporates as a standing Board Member.

Seconded by: Rep. Catherine Schnell

No debate.

Result: Carried by Consensus

MOTION:

Moved by: Sec. Lisa San Filippo

To appoint the Secretary of Education, Training, Languages & Veterans Affairs Lisa Wolfe to the Board of Rupertsland Institute as a standing Board Member.

Seconded by: Rep. Catherine Schnell

No debate.

Result: Carried by Consensus

MOTION:

Moved by: Sec. Lisa Wolfe

That the Secretary of Youth and Sport, Rebecca Lavalley as the Otipemisiwak Métis Government appointee to NAIG (North American Indigenous Games) 2027 Host Society Board of Directors.

Seconded by: Rep. Joseph Tremblay

No debate.

Result: Carried by Consensus

Agenda Item #10 – District Council Bylaws

a.) Review for approval in principle, the proposed District Council bylaws as submitted by the following Districts:

- i.) Calgary-Elbow Métis District*
- ii.) Fort Vermilion Métis District*
- iii.) Lesser Slave Lake Métis District*
- iv.) Medicine Hat Métis District*
- v.) Red Deer Métis District*
- vi.) St. Albert Métis District*
- vii.) St. Paul-Cold Lake Métis District*



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4:04PM The Chair directed the Laws Group to review for approval the District Council bylaws as presented onto the floor.

4:15PM **RESOLUTION (by MOTION):**
Moved by: Rep. Aura Leddy

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Subject to technical edits as may be required, the following District Council Bylaws are approved in principle:

- i.) the Bylaws of the District Council of the Calgary-Elbow Métis District
- ii.) the Bylaws of the District Council of the Fort Vermilion Métis District
- iii.) the Bylaws of the District Council of the Lesser Slave Lake Métis District
- iv.) the Bylaws of the District Council of the Medicine Hat Métis District
- v.) the Bylaws of the District Council of the Red Deer Métis District
- vi.) the Bylaws of the District Council of the St. Albert Métis District
- vii.) the Bylaws of the District Council of the St. Paul-Cold Lake Métis District

Seconded by: Sec. Lisa Wolfe

No Debate.

Result: Carried by Consensus

Agenda Item #11 – Citizens' Gathering

a.) BN: Selection of the 2024 Annual Citizens' Gathering Date and Location

4:40PM The Chair directed President Andrea Sandmaier to present onto the floor the Selection of the 2024 Annual Citizens' Gathering Date and Location.

MOTION:

Moved by: Sec. Karen Collins

Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council that the 2024 Otipemisiwak Métis Government Annual Citizens' Gathering will be held from August 15th –18th, 2024 at the Edmonton EXPO Centre, within the North Saskatchewan River Territory and that Administration is directed to immediately draft and publish all required notices of the Gathering as required by Otipemisiwak Métis Government law.

Seconded by: Sec. Lisa Wolfe

Debate from the floor.

Result: Carried by Consensus



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Agenda Item #12 – Métis Nation Youth Summit on Climate Change

a.) BN: Métis Nation Youth Summit on Climate Change Attendance

5:11PM The Chair directed Secretary Rebecca Lavallee to present onto the floor the Métis Nation Youth Summit on Climate Change Attendance.

MOTION:

Moved by: Sec. Lisa Wolfe

Be it resolved by Citizens' Council that the participant selection process to attend the Métis Nation Youth Summit on Climate Change, as recommended by the Department of Environment & Climate Change, is accepted, and implemented as presented.

Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council to provide to Secretary Lavallee the names of Métis youth to possibly attend the Métis Nation Youth Summit on Climate Change, April 5th-7th, 2024 in Ottawa, ON, by the afternoon of March 21, 2024. Secretary Lavallee will identify five (5) youth that are able to attend the event from those provided by Citizens' Council.

Seconded by: Rep. Aura Leddy

Debate from the Floor.

Result: Carried by Consensus

Agenda Item #13 – Communications Plan

5:13PM The Chair directed the Press Secretary and the Communications Manager to present the communication plan for the decisions of Council onto the floor.

Agenda Item #14 – Presidents Closing Remarks

5:47PM President Andrea Sandmaier to read onto the floor the President's Closing Remarks.

Agenda Item #15 – Closing Prayer

5:50PM Knowledge Keeper Norma Spicer delivered a closing prayer.

Agenda Item #16 – Adjournment

5:51PM There being no further business of the Citizens' Council of the Otipemisiwak Métis Government properly tabled on the agenda, the Chair called for a motion to adjourn Council.



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MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Moved by: Sec. Lisa Wolfe

The Chair declared that the Citizens' Council of the Otipemisiwak Métis Government stands adjourned until further notice.