Otipemisiwak Métis Government

Citizens' Council

ADOPTED MEETING AGENDA

DATE:	July 8, 2026 – **10:00AM**
LOCATION:	DoubleTree by Hilton West Edmonton 16615 109 Ave NW, Edmonton AB T5P 4K8
ROOM:	Rundle/Robson Ballroom

ITEM #	TIME	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
1	**10:00AM**	CALL TO ORDER	CHAIR
2	10:00AM	OPENING PRAYER	ELDER DIANNE LUDWIG
3	10:05AM	ADOPTION OF AGENDA ***Motion Required***	CHAIR
4	10:10AM	PRESIDENT'S WELCOME	PRESIDENT
5	10:20AM	IN-CAMERA ITEM(S) a.) Confidential Human Resources Matter b.) Confidential Intergovernmental Relations Matter c.) Confidential Intergovernmental Relations Matter	PRESIDENT ECC
-	10:45AM	***BREAK***	
5	11:00AM	IN-CAMERA ITEM(S) CONT'D	PRESIDENT ECC
-	12:00PM	***LUNCH***	
5	1:05PM	IN-CAMERA ITEM(S) CONT'D	PRESIDENT ECC
-	2:30PM	***BREAK***	
5	2:45PM	IN-CAMERA ITEM(S) CONT'D	PRESIDENT ECC

6	4:20PM	KEY MESSAGES	COMMUNICATIONS/ STRATEGIC GOVERNANCE
7	4:25PM	PRESIDENT'S CLOSING REMARKS	PRESIDENT
8	4:30PM	CLOSING PRAYER	ELDER DIANNE LUDWIG
9	4:30PM	ADJOURNMENT ***Motion Required***	CHAIR

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Attendance – July 8, 2026

P = Present **V**= Virtual **A**= Absent ✓

Executive Representative(s):		P	V	A
President	Andrea Sandmaier	✓		
Secretary of Records	Sarah Wolfe		✓	
Secretary of Treasury	Jason Ekeberg	✓		

Representative(s):	P	V	A	Representative(s):	P	V	A
Secretary Rebecca Lavallee		✓		Representative Darryl W. Campbell	✓		
Secretary Joe Chodzicki	✓			Representative Catherine Schnell	✓		
Secretary Nelson Anthony Lussier	✓			Representative Trevor Ward	✓		
Secretary Kaila Mitchell	✓			Representative Jason Chernow		✓ PM	✓ AM
Secretary Lisa Wolfe		✓		Representative Alfred L'Hirondelle		✓ PM	✓ AM
Secretary Aura Leddy	✓			Representative Shannon Dunfield	✓		
Secretary Karen (KC) Collins	✓			Representative Bobbi Paul-Alook	✓		
Secretary Barry Dibb	✓			Representative Joseph Noel Tremblay	✓		
Secretary Brooke Bramfield	✓			Representative Judy Ann Cardinal		✓	
Secretary Valerie Quintal	✓			Representative Cindy Moore	✓		
Secretary Grant Lacombe	✓			Secretary Gabrielle Blatz	✓		

Officer(s) & Administration:		P	V	A
Chair	Garrett Tomlinson	✓		
Acting Clerk of Citizens' Council	Lindsay Henderson			✓
Senior Executive Officer	VACANT			
Acting Chair	Tyler Fetch			✓
Invited Guest	Daniel Quan-Watson	✓		

Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

10:06AM The Chair called the July 8, 2026, regular meeting of the Citizens' Council of the Otipemisiwak Métis Government to order.

Agenda Item #2 – Opening Prayer

10:07AM Elder Dianne Ludwig delivered an opening prayer.

Agenda Item #3 – Adoption of Agenda

10:09AM **MOTION #20260708-1:**
Moved by: Secretary Joe Chodzicki
Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council that the Agenda for the July 8, 2026, Regular Meeting of the Citizens' Council be adopted as amended.
Seconded by: Representative Catherine Schnell

No debate

Amendments to Agenda as follows:
- Addition of c.) Confidential Intergovernmental Relations Matter

Result: Carried by Consensus

Agenda Item #4 – President's Welcome

10:10AM President Andrea Sandmaier read onto the floor the President's Welcome Address.

10:11AM President Andrea Sandmaier welcomed and introduced Bailey Oster, Acting Director of Strategic Governance.

Agenda Item #5 – In-Camera Item(s)

10:21AM **MOTION #20260708-2:**
Moved by: Representative Trevor Ward
The Citizens' Council shall enter in-camera session.
Seconded by: Secretary Joe Chodzicki

Undebatable

The Chair read the Declaration of Confidentiality to virtual attendees and confirmed they were in a private and secure space.

a.) Confidential Human Resources Matter

11:19AM **MOTION #20260708-3:**
Moved by: Secretary Joe Chodzicki
The Citizens' Council shall exit in-camera session.
Seconded by: Secretary Karen Collins

Undebatable

11:20AM **MOTION #20260708-4:**
Moved by: President Andrea Sandmaier
Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council that:

1. Given the extraordinary situation created by the former SEO no longer being in place, the urgent need to have an Interim SEO in place, and the interest of Citizens' Council in having Daniel Quan-Watson attend the next in-person meeting of Citizens' Council scheduled for July 8, 2026 as the Interim SEO, instruction and authorization is hereby given to legal counsel to negotiate and finalize a consulting contract with Mr. Quan-Watson that is consistent with this resolution, the Métis Nation within Alberta Constitution and Otipemisiwak Métis Government Laws as well as market rates for a position filling the role of the SEO; AND

2. Upon the consulting contract authorized above being finalized, President Sandmaier and one of the other statutorily authorized signing authorities will execute the above-authorized consulting contract between Mr. Quan-Watson and the Otipemisiwak Métis Government, whose legal arm is the Métis Nation of Alberta Association, with the goal to have Mr. Quan-Watson attend the next in-person Citizen's Council meeting as Interim SEO.
Seconded by: Secretary Joe Chodzicki

Questions from the floor

Result: Carried by Consensus

11:21AM The Chair declared the proceedings of Council to be in recess.

1:18PM The Chair recalled the proceedings of Council back to order.

b.) Confidential Intergovernmental Relations Matter

1:19PM The Chair invited President Andrea Sandmaier to welcome and introduce Daniel Quan-Watson, the Interim Senior Executive Officer of the Otipemisiwak Métis Government.

1:21PM President Andrea Sandmaier presented Daniel Quan-Watson with a gift.

1:22PM The Chair invited Citizens' Council members to introduce themselves.

1:38PM **MOTION #20260708-5:**
Moved by: Secretary Aura Leddy
The Citizens' Council shall enter in-camera session.
Seconded by: Representative Trevor Ward

Undebatable

2:38PM The Chair declared the proceedings of Council to be in recess (*in-camera*).

2:56PM The Chair recalled the proceedings of Council to order (*in-camera*).

4:00PM The Chair declared the proceedings of Council to be in recess (*in-camera*).

4:35PM The Chair recalled the proceedings of Council to order (*in-camera*).

5:53PM **MOTION #20260708-6:**
Moved by: Secretary Aura Leddy
The Citizens' Council shall exit in-camera session.
Seconded by: Representative Trevor Ward

Undebatable

5:54PM **MOTION #20260708-7:**
Moved by: Secretary Aura Leddy
Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council that the briefing note regarding the Environment and Climate Change update to the Citizens' Council of the Otipemisiwak Métis Government be accepted and Administration be directed to implement the feedback as discussed by Citizens' Council.
Seconded by: Secretary Joe Chodzicki

Questions from the floor.

Result: Carried by Consensus

c.) Confidential Intergovernmental Relations Matter

5:54PM **MOTION #20260708-8:**
Moved by: Secretary Gabrielle Blatz
Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council that Administration be directed to coordinate a joint meeting between District Captains and Citizens' Council of the Otipemisiwak Métis Government to discuss the Otipemisiwak Métis Government-Canadian Consultation Agreement as soon as practicable.
Seconded by: Secretary Joe Chodzicki

No debate

Result: Carried by Consensus

Agenda Item #6 – Key Messages

5:55PM The Chair read onto the floor key messages from the July 8, 2026, regular meeting of the Citizens' Council.

Agenda Item #7 – President's Closing Remarks

5:55PM The Chair invited President Andrea Sandmaier to present onto the floor the President's closing remarks.

Agenda Item #8 – Closing Prayer

5:56 PM The Chair invited Elder Dianne Ludwig to deliver a closing prayer.

Agenda Item #9 – Adjournment

5:59PM **MOTION #20260708-9**
Moved by: Representative Shannon Dunfield
Be it resolved by the Citizens' Council that all remaining Council agenda items be tabled to a future meeting of Citizens' Council.
Seconded by: Secretary Gabrielle Blatz

No debate

Result: Carried by Consensus

There being no further business of the Citizens' Council of the Otipemisiwak Métis Government properly tabled on the agenda; the Chair declared the Council meeting adjourned.

Tracked Motions

20260708-1	20260708-2	20260708-3	20260708-4
20260708-5	20260708-6	20260708-7	20260708-8
20260708-9			

There were no redactions pursuant to Section 11 of the Live Streaming and Recording Regulation 2025 applied to the July 8, 2026, Citizens' Council audio-visual recording.