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## MCA & OPG CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT



On October 2, members of the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne were excited to celebrate the 10-year anniversary of the settlement agreement between MCA and Ontario Power Generation (OPG), as well as the unveiling of the "Sowatise" John B. Thomas Memorial Auditorium at the St. Lawrence Power Development Visitor Centre!

We look forward to continuing our partnership!

### **UPCOMING MCA MEETINGS & SPECIAL DATES:**

#### <u>October 25, 2018</u>

• MCA General Meeting - Tsi Snaihne Recreation Center: 6 p.m.

#### October 1-December 7, 2018

Online voting for Tsi:karistisere/Dundee Settlement Agreement Referendum

#### December 8, 2018

Polling Stations in the 3 districts for Tsi:karistisere/Dundee Settlement Agreement Referendum

### MOHAWK COUNCIL OF AKWESASNE 2018-2021

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Kana:takon District Chief Theresa Jacobs Chief Darryl Lazore Chief Julie Phillips-Jacobs Chief Tim Thompson

Kawehno:ke District Chief Carolyn Francis Chief Edward Roundpoint Chief Vince Thompson

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Robyn Mitchell Director, Community & Social Services

> Keith Leclaire Director, Department of Health

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Shawn Dulude Chief of Police, Akwesasne Mohawk Police Service

> Kylee Tarbell A/Director, Tehotiiennawakon

# WAT'KWANONHWERA:TON/GREETINGS

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The MCA Communications Team is proud to bring you a new issue of our print newsletter, Onkwe'ta:ke. The name Onkwe'ta:ke means "For the people" and the newsletter is our way of reporting MCA news and information to those we are serving...you, the people. MCA prides itself on transparency and accountability, and the news and reports in the pages to follow are MCA's attempt to ensure you receive informative and helpful news.

There is always a lot to learn about Council and the MCA departments, so we hope you find the newsletter both interesting and useful. We look forward to sharing our most valuable news with you in this format, and welcome you to provide feedback or suggestions by emailing our team at communications@akwesasne.ca.

### Below are 5 THINGS we want you to know about MCA this month:

1. Online Voting is underway for the largest and most significant land claim our community has had the option to settle with Canada – the Tsikaristisere/Dundee claim. Voting means participating in our history. Vote now at: https://akwesasne.simplyvoting.com/. Read more on Page 16.

2. The Akwesasne Heating Assistance Program is now accepting applications. Each qualifying household (including Akwesasne members in Cornwall) will receive \$500 toward their heating costs. See more on Page 7.

3. MCA has developed the Akwesasne Interim Cannabis regulation to manage the newly legalized recreational marijuana. See Page 4 for more information.

4. A by-election has been ordered for the Kawehno:ke District, to take place on Dec. 22, 2018 for one position. Read more on Page 10.

5. New meeting dates have been scheduled to discuss the Kawehno:ke Natural Gas Pipeline Expansion Project that being proposed to residents of Kawehno:ke. Be informed on the pros and cons. See Page 8 for more information.





### SMART AKWESASNE - MONTHLY UPDATE

The Mohawk Council of Akwesasne recently welcomed consultants from Zu down from Saskatoon for a visit with community members and staff.

Zu is the digital products and services firm that has been contracted to develop an app/web system catered to Akwesasne for the Smart Cities Challenge by Infrastructure Canada.

The goal for the app is to help Akwesasronon with education, prevention and management of diabetes by lowering the rates within the community to be at or lower than the Canadian average (0.5%; 5.9/1000).

Other aspects to the Smart Akwesasne proposal are the implementation of greenhouses within the community to grow fresh food for members, and electric cars to help with accessibility issues with our and give their input. placement on the border.

During the visit, Zu met with Community Health nurses to discuss the impact of diabetes and its effect to enter to win one of six prizes rafon the community. They also met with representatives from Wholistic Health and Traditional Medicine to get a better understanding of the traditions and culture of Akwesasne. A main goal of their visit was to show them Akwesasne and the challenges we face as a community.

Zu also led a Design Thinking Workshop with MCA employees to brainstorm ideas of how the app could be beneficial to the community. These ideas were then turned into preliminary sketches and presented at the Community Engagement Session. Community members were able to talk to Zu about the sketches, vote on ideas they thought were good,

The Community Engagement Session had a great turnout. Everyone who attended was offered a ticket fled off. The prizes given away for the first session were: two Fitbits, an Apple Watch, Bose Earbuds, a \$100 Farmboy gift card, and a \$100 SportChek gift card.

The next Community Engagement Session will be held on November 14, 2018 at the Kana:takon Recreation Center. There will be even more prizes given away at this session. There will be booths set up from various MCA programs. Come out again for your chance to win a prize and to help the community develop an app that can be as beneficial as possible.

### SMART AKWESASNE WELCOMES NEW COORDINATOR

Smart Akwesasne is proud to announce that Jillian Roundpoint has joined the team as the Smart Akwesasne Coordinator!

Make sure that you say she:kon and welcome to Jillian at the next **Community Engagement Session on** November 14 in Kana:takon.







### MCA PASSES INTERIM CANNABIS REGULATION

galization of recreational cannabis in Canada, the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne has passed the Akwesasne Interim Cannabis Regulation. The regulations were passed on October 1 and officially went into effect on the date of Canada's recreational cannabis legalization -October 17. Cannabis will no longer be considered a drug under the Akwesasne Drug Law.

From February to April of 2018, MCA conducted a cannabis survey in order to gauge the level of support in the community for the legalization of the possession of cannabis, commercial sale of cannabis, and MCA's regulation of cannabis and its industry. The survey results were reported at the May 2018 MCA General Meeting and revealed a strong support for the legalization of cannabis as well as for MCA's regulation of the production, distribution, sale and possession of recreational cannabis in Akwesasne.

MCA will work to develop a cannabis control law through the Akwesasne Legislative Enactment Regulation process during the 2018-2021 term. MCA invites all members to get involved in the process. It will take time to develop a successful community cannabis law. In the meantime, immediate interim mea-

of legalization.

"The intent of the interim regulation is to protect the rights, interests and welfare of the Mohawks of Akwesasne," said Grand Chief Abram Benedict who is part of the Cannabis Working Task Group. "We are working to ensure that the legalization of recreational cannabis is a smooth transition and that our community members have the clear parameters they need to navigate through the process of legally buying, possessing, growing or selling recreational cannabis in Akwesasne."

The Akwesasne Interim Cannabis Regulations apply to any person in MCA's jurisdiction whether they are a member of the Mohawks of Akwesasne or not. The regulation

includes rules for possesscannabis, growing, ing selling or distributing cannabis, as well as quidance on the enforcement of the regulations.

The regulation stipulate:

- No person under 18 is permitted to possess cannabis.
- Cannabis must be purchased from a licensed dispensary.

In preparation for the upcoming le- sures need to be in place at the time • Cannabis may only be transported to Tsi Snaihne and Kana:takon by watercraft, utilizing an approved route.

> • Any person who wishes to produce, sell or distribute cannabis must be licensed to do so by the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne.

> The community is encouraged to review the full Akwesasne Interim Cannabis Regulation and ensure that any cannabis-related activity is conducted in accordance with the stipulations of these regulations.

> The Akwesasne Interim Cannabis Regulation can be found on our website: www.akwesasne.ca

> For more information on the Akwesasne Interim Cannabis Regulation please contact the Mohawk Government Office at 613-575-2348.





### MCA CANNABIS LICENSING INFORMATION

The Mohawk Council of Akwesasne (MCA) recently passed the Akwesasne Interim Cannabis Regulation (MCR 2018 #212), which will govern the possession, use, cultivation, sale, and distribution of cannabis in Akwesasne when it came into force on October 17. The regulation includes the requirement for cannabis-related businesses to obtain a license from the MCA.

The interim regulation was enacted to reassure community members that their health and safety is the top priority of the MCA as we near the date of legalization and to ensure an orderly transition from cannabis prohibition to a regulated cannabis market in Akwesasne. Beginning on October 17, the unlicensed commercial production, distribution, possession or sale of cannabis will continue to be prohibited in Akwesasne. The provisions of the Akwesasne Interim Cannabis Regulation will be enforced and violations can lead to prosecution under applicable legislation.

The MCA recognizes that the legalization of cannabis brings significant economic opportunities for entrepreneurs and for the community as a whole. The Akwesasne Interim Cannabis Regulation allows community members to apply to the MCA for an interim cannabis licence for the business ventures.

As we approach the date of legalization, the MCA is completing work on the processes and procedures for the issuance of interim licences. Section 7 of the regulation provides an outline of the basic application and approval process. Please take note that each applicant must submit a business plan which includes a detailed description of the proposed operations of the business for which an application is submitted (section 7.3) as well as a non-refundable application fee of \$2,000 which must be paid at the time of submission.

The MCA will provide a notice to the community when it is prepared to receive cannabis-related business applications. Any questions can be directed to the Mohawk Government Office at 613-575-2348 or by emailing info@akwesasne.ca.



Join ARRO for a bus tour of the Tsi:karístisere/Dundee selection area!

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 | 11 AM - 2 PM

PICK UP LOCATIONS: Peace Tree Mall - SRMT Office for the Aging Truckstop #9 - Tsi Snaihne Recreation

Sign up today by calling 613-575-2348 ext. 2206!

## **NEWS**

### CANNABIS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### gal in Canada? a.October 17, 2018

# cannabis on October 17, 2018?

a.No. MCA is currently working out the licencing process under the Akwesasne Interim Cannabis Regulation.

#### 3.Can I apply for a business licence to sell recreational cannabis out of my house?

a.No, a retail location will be required.

#### 4.Where can I apply for a business licence to sell recreational cannabis out of a retail store?

a.The Mohawk Council of Akwesasne is currently working on WHERE to apply for the licence, and an update will be provided in the next few weeks.

### 5. Where can I purchase cannabis Interim Cannabis Regulation? legally in Ontario?

a.On October 17th, you can purchase online through OCS - the Ontario Cannabis Store.

#### 6.Where can I purchase cannabis 11.What would happen if I open a legally in Quebec?

a.On October 17th, you can purchase online through Quebec cannabis agency (SQDC) stores through SAQ-managed Société Québécoise future licencing requests. du Cannabis (SQC) retail stores.

1.When is recreational cannabis le- 7.When can I purchase cannabis in Ontario at a retail brick-and-mortar store?

a.April 19th is the estimated date 2.Can I start selling recreational for retail stores to open in Ontario.

### 8.If I legally purchase cannabis in Ontario can I bring it to Kana:takon or Tsi Snaihne by driving in my car? a.No. Transporting cannabis from Ontario through the U.S portion of Akwesasne and through New York and the U.S Customs is illegal.

### 9. How do I know the cannabis I purchase is legal?

a.Right now in Akwesasne there are no legal retail store options.

b.In Ontario there are online stores available as of October 17th.

c.In Quebec there are online stores and retail stores as of October 17th.

### 10.What are the requirements to get a licence within the Akwesasne

a.MCA currently does not have an application. In the next few weeks an application will be available and an announcement will be made.

# cannabis store without a licence?

a.lt will be illegal to open a cannabis store without a licence. Sanctions will be enforced and will jeopardize

### 12.Can I travel with my legally purchased cannabis from one district to another?

a.Crossing into the United States portion with legally purchased cannabis in Canada is still illegal in the United States/New York and will put you at risk for importing/possession and potentially other charges.

### 13.What if I have medical cannabis?

a.Medical cannabis prescribed by a health care practitioner for medicinal purposes provides legal options of purchasing safe, quality-controlled cannabis from one of the producers licenced by Health Canada.

#### 14.Can I transport my medical cannabis through Akwesasne?

a. Transportation of medical cannabis through the United States portion of Akwesasne is still illegal even though it was purchased legally in Canada.

15.Recreational cannabis is not intended for medical purposes. Please see your health care practitioner for medicinal cannabis.

The Mohawk Council of Akwesasne encourages everyone to be responsible and diligent when choosing to use or consume cannabis. Do not operate a motor vehicle or heavy equipment under the influence of cannabis. Do not provide cannabis to minors.



2018-2019 AKWESASNE HEATING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Mohawk Council of Akwesasne would like to inform the community that the Akwesasne Heating Assistance Program will once again be offered for the upcoming 2018-2019 winter months. The eligibility application process now includes Akwesasronon who are residing within the municipal boundary of the City of Cornwall, Ontario, provided the applicant is a registered member of the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne under the Akwesasne Membership Code.

The application process is open to Akwesasronon who reside under the jurisdiction of Mohawk Council of Akwesasne, one per household. Applications can be submitted beginning Tuesday, October 15th, 2018 through Friday, November 30th, 2018 at 4 p.m.

The final deadline will be Friday, November 30th, 2018 at 4 p.m. There will be no exceptions after the deadline date, as the fuel distribution will commence. As per Mohawk Council Resolution 2018/2019 - #194, the heating assistance amount will be \$500.00 dollars per eligible household. Please note, if you are an Elder aged 60 years and older, the Elder Heating Assistance Program provides \$800.00 dollars per eligible household.

Individuals submitting applications

must provide a copy of the heating bill for the heating source that you would like paid. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS; the bill must accompany your application. Please ensure the name on your bill matches the name on the application. Individual checks will not be processed. Once approved, your name will be provided to your heating source provider and your allotment will be credited to your account. Applications will be accepted starting Monday, October 15, 2018 – through November 30, 2018 at the following locations: Each Location will be available October 15, 2018 to Friday, November 30, 2018.

• Tsi Snaihne — Iohahi:io (8 a.m. – 4 p.m.)

• Kawehno:ke — A'nowara'ko:wa Arena (8 a.m. – 4 p.m.)

• Kana:takon — Kanonhkwat'sheri:io Health Facility Atrium (8 a.m. – 4 p.m.)

This program is made possible by funding from the Mohawks of Akwesasne Community Settlement Trust. Nia:wen kowa.



2018-2019

# AKWESASNE HEATING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Submit applications now until Friday, November 30!

Drop-off locations (8 AM - 4 PM):

- Tsi Snaihne Iohahi:io
- Kawehno:ke A'nowara'ko:wa Arena
- Kana:takon Kanonhkwat'sheri:io Health Facility Atrium



### NATURAL GAS PIPELINE INFORMATION SESSION DATES

The Mohawk Council of Akwesasne has rescheduled information sessions regarding the proposed Kawehno:ke (Cornwall Island) natural gas pipeline project that were previously postponed.

#### The meetings will be held:

Monday, Oct. 22, 2018 – 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. – Kawehno:ke Recreation Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018 – 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. – Kawehno:ke Recreation

The information sessions are part of a larger discussion taking place regarding the possibility of expanding natural gas distribution to Kawehno:ke. Along with information sharing and discussions, a doorto-door survey of all residents and businesses on Cornwall Island will also take place to determine the level of support for the project and interest in converting.

#### **Project Overview:**

The project as proposed involves connecting to the existing natural gas line that crosses Cornwall Island and installing approximately 21 kilometers of new natural gas line running east-west along Island Road with branches to existing side roads in order to provide access to all residents and businesses on Cornwall Island. The total cost of the project is approximately \$8.4 million.

and businesses up to 50% on their Island. annual heating and hot water costs.

For example, based on average prices:

A typical household that uses Fuel Oil for heating and hot water could save approximately 50% annually by switching to natural gas

The underlying goal of the proposed If three quarters of the residents project is to address the high-energy and businesses were to switch, the costs on Cornwall Island, as natural total savings would be on the order gas could potentially save residents of \$350,000 per year for Cornwall



In addition, when burned, natural gas produces 20% less greenhouse gas emissions than propane and 25% less than Fuel Oil.



A typical household that uses Electricity for heating and hot water could save approximately 36% annually by switching to natural gas



A typical household that uses Propane for heating and hot water could save approximately 30% annually by switching to natural gas



For more information, please contact the Mohawk Government Office at 613-575-2348.

### MOHAWK COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

MCR #154 Bank of Montreal-Guarantee ORHLP

Moved by: Darryl Lazore Seconded by: Vince Thompson For: 10 Against: 0 CARRIED

MCR #155 Access to Territory Request

Moved by: Edward Roundpoint Seconded by: Tim Thompson For: 10 Against: 0 CARRIED

MCR #156 Ministry of Children and Youth Services Registered Education Savings Plans Moved by: Tim Thompson Seconded by: Connie Lazore For: 10 Against: 0 CARRIED

MCR #157 Updating Signing Authority for Band of Montreal to reflect New Council for Term 2018-2021 Moved by: Connie Lazore

Seconded by: Darryl Lazore For: 10 Against: 0 CARRIED

MCR #158 Audit of the Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures for Literacy and Basic Skills Program under the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development. Moved by: Tim Thompson Seconded by: Carolyn Francis For: 10 Against: 0 CARRIED MCR #159 Allotment – Lot A/85-6 Chenail Range CLSR 104226 2nd SUBMISSION Moved by: Connie Lazore Seconded by: Joe Lazore For: 10 Against: 0 CARRIED

MCR #160 Lot 6 Block C Hamilton Island-Assignment of Lease Moved by: Tim Thompson Seconded by: Connie Lazore For: 10 Against: 0

#### CARRIED

MCR #161 To accept and approve the AANDC Financial Agreement No. 1516-ON-000028-Amendment NO.0042 Moved by: Julie Phillips-Jacobs Seconded by: Connie Lazore For: 10 Against: 0

#### CARRIED

MCR #162 Housing Upgrade Application Moved by: Carolyn Francis Seconded by: Theresa Jacobs For: 10 Against: 0 CARRIED

MCR #163 Housing – Upgrade Application Moved by: Dennis Chaussi Seconded by: Joe Lazore For: 10 Against: 0 CARRIED

MCR #164 Housing – Upgrade Application

Moved by: Theresa Jacobs Seconded by: Connie Lazore For: 10 Against: 0 CARRIED

MCR #165 Bank of Montreal-Guarantee ORHLP Moved by: Carolyn Francis Seconded by: Tim Thompson For: 10 Against: 0 CARRIED

MCR #166 AMPS S.A.V.E. Unit Final Expenditure Report Requirement Moved by: Tim Thompson Seconded by: Connie Lazore For: 10 Against: 0 CARRIED

MCR #167 Akwesasne Court Duty Council Contract Moved by: Connie Lazore Seconded by: Carolyn Francis For: 8 Against: 2 CARRIED

MCR #168 Accept and Approve the General Meeting Minutes dated Onerahtohko:wa/May 24th, 2018 Moved by: Joe Lazore

Seconded by: Julie Phillips-Jacobs For: 11 Against: 0 CARRIED

MCR #169 New Youth Council Member Moved by: Tim Thompson Seconded by: Julie Phillips-Jacobs For: 10 Against: 0 CARRIED

MCR #170 Approve of Matching funds for Kawehnoke Street lights Installation Project Moved by: Vince Thompson Seconded by: Theresa Jacobs For: 7 Against: 3 CARRIED

MCR #171 AMPS (S.A.V.E. Team) Dock and Boat Storage Facility Moved by: Connie Lazore Seconded by: Carolyn Francis For: 8 Against: 2 CARRIED

MCR #172 Lot 9 Stanley Island – Assignment of Lease Moved by: Darryl Lazore Seconded by: Edward Roundpoint For: 7 Against: 0 CARRIED

MCR #173 Grant Agreement with Infrastructure Canada to develop Final Proposal to Canada's Smart Cities Challenge. Moved by: Carolyn Francis Seconded by: Tim Thompson For: 7 Against: 0 CARRIED

### MOHAWK COUNCIL OF AKWESASNE BY-ELECTION

Law 2005/2006-192, the Executive Director for the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne is announcing the date In accordance with MCR 2018/ (For a copy of the Akwesasne Elecof the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne By-Election for the District of By-Election is to be held within 90 Kawehno:ke.

This is a result of an August 30, 2018 Petition for Removal of Kawehno:ke sasne Election Law. District Chief Dennis Chaussi, delivered to a duly convened General Meeting in accordance with subsection 16.(2) of the Akwesasne Election Law (MCR 2005/2006-192); verified as meeting the required Registered Eligible Voters as per Akwesasne Election Law section 16(2)(a) by the Chief Electoral Officer, Leona Bene- The Chief Electoral Officer, Leona dict; and, acted upon by Mohawk Council of Akwesasne at a duly con- inations and will post a Voters List

Pursuant to the Akwesasne Election vened General Meeting on Septem- of Eligible Voters who reside in the ber 27, 2018.

> 2019-200 (September 27, 2018) a tion Law, please contact the Akwedays in the District of Kawehno:ke for the position of one (1) District For information contact: Chief in accordance with the Akwe-

Therefore, the Executive Director is notifying the District of Kawehno:ke that a By-Election will be held on December 22, 2018 for the position of one (1) Kawehno:ke District Chief.

Benedict, will set the dates for nom-

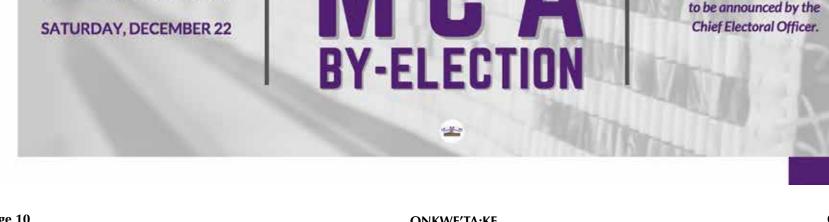
District of Kawehno:ke.

sasne Justice Department.)

**Executive Director** Mohawk Council of Akwesasne Tel: (613) 575-2250

Dates for nominations

**KAWEHNO:KE DISTRICT CHIEF** 



### **COUNCIL WEEKLY MEETING REPORTS**



#### **September 24, 2018**

- Representatives from Aboriginal Sport and Wellness Council of Ontario (ASWCO) provided an overview of who they are, as well as programs available for community partnerships.
- The Manager for the Aboriginal Rights and Research Office (ARRO) provided an update to Council on the ongoing education process for the upcoming referendum for the Tsi:karistisere

SUBMITTED BY GRAND CHIEF ABRAM BENEDICT

Dundee land claim.

- A representative from Cornwall Gravel provided Council with an overview of a proposed project to expand an existing quarry located on Akwesasne traditional territory. Further follow up will occur.
- Council determined that they will provide assistance, in the form of political solutions, to a community business. This is in regards to the business' ongoing challenge with Canada Revenue Agency.
- MCR's passed: Approval of 2017/18 audit report for AIDS program; Approval of 2017/18 audit for Health Access & Diabetes Program; Approval of 2017/18 audit for Community Service Pro-

gram; Approval of 2017/18 TPAR report for Child Welfare Program; Approval of 2017/18 CMHC audit for section 95, Approval of transfer agreement with Ontario New Relationship Fund; Approval to increase the benefit allotment for the 2018/19 Heating Assistance Program; Approval of assignment of lease on Hamilton Island; Approval of Assignment of lease on Renshaw Island; Approval to rescind MCR for previous lease assignment; Approval to amendment to contact with Ministry of Community and Corrections for program delivery; Approval of contract with Zu.com for development of Akwesasne Smart Cities final proposal.

### October 1, 2018

- The MCA Legal Counsel provided an overview of proposed draft Interim Cannabis Regulations for Council consideration.
- Representatives from the Canadian Coast Guard, Indigenous Relations and Partnership Office introduced themselves to Council and provided an overview of programs and services the Canadian Coast Guard delivers.
- The Manager for the Aboriginal Rights and Research Office

(ARRO) provided an update to Council on the ongoing education process for the upcoming referendum for the Tsi:karistisere Dundee land claim.

- Council was briefed on the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne's efforts to become one of the first 100 communities to be a recipient
  of a 10-year grant. A 10 year grant is a funding agreement which will replace existing outdated contribution agreements.
- A briefing was provided on a re-

cent Iroquois Caucus membership conference.

- Council discussed the possibility of expanding the Akwesasne Heating Assistance program to Community Support Clients; research will be conducted and reported back.
- Health Portfolio Chief provided a report to Council from a recent portfolio meeting.
- Council reviewed a letter received from a residential school survivor; additional research will be con-

ducted in order to respond.

- A request from a religious organization to visit Kawehno:ke was discussed and will be presented at the upcoming District Meeting.
- Council was briefed on a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the concep-

#### October 9, 2018

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- Representatives from the Department of Health provided Council with an overview of the Accreditation Canada process and reviewed the recent report of findings.
- A University of Ottawa law student introduced herself to Council and explained a possible opportunity to assist with the MCA strategic planning exercise.
- Council discussed the recent presentation to Indigenous Services
   Canada (ISC) on the Akwesasne 10-year grant and outlined next steps.

tual design of a business proposal.

- A briefing was provided on an ongoing waterline access issues and will be followed up on.
- MCR's passed: Approval of 2017/18 audit for Ministry of Education; Approval of (5) upgrade
- The agenda for the upcoming General Meeting at the Tsi Snaihne Recreation, October 25, 2018 was set.
- Council was briefed on upcoming fundraisers for the Dreams Take Flight event.
- A briefing was provided on the recent community information sessions on the potential natural gas expansion on to Kawehno:ke. Additional meetings will be scheduled.
- Council identified Chief Tim Thompson as next week's Council meeting chair in Grand Chief's absence.

loan (s) to community member(s); Acceptance of Youth Council member resignation; Approval of allotment of land (loan paid off); Approval of new lease on Thompson Island; Approval of Interim Cannabis Regulations.

- An overview of the upcoming Council – MCA strategic plan was provided.
  - MCR's passed: Approval for placement of stop sign at Kana:takon intersection of Third Street & Akwesasne Street; Approval of allotment of land (loan paid off); Approval to amend date of Akwesasne Court Regulations (error on date); Approval of 2017/18 Audit for OFNLP; Approval of maps for Additions to Reserve (ATR); Approval of proposal for Restorative Financial Management; Approval of 2017/18 CHMC Audits

### TSI SNAIHNE DISTRICT CHIEF CONNIE LAZORE UPDATES



**Portfolio:** Justice, Public Safety, Executive Services

Month: August 2018 Committee: Finance, Governance, Cannabis Working Task Group

#### **Monthly Notables**

1. Orientation was completed this month; the process and information was well received. The Structure of MCA was provided with an update on the current work with the review. A Leadership and Communication

session was held for Council which was quite interesting and informative. A tour was conducted of the Seven Leaf Facility as an update for council. Dress for Success was part of our orientation which provided good information and the Mohawk Government Structure with processes was presented.

A Leadership and Communication 2. Council began our Weekly Coun-

### **TSI SNAIHNE DISTRICT CHIEF CONNIE LAZORE UPDATES**

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cil Meetings on August 13th: At the first meeting we considered and approve a number of resolutions that included: land, membership transfers, Housing upgrades, funding agreements and council meeting minutes. August 20th we had discussions on the general meeting agenda, trust overseer concern, Akwesasne drop off tax exempt purpose and provided an update on the cannabis progress. A Presentation was made by ARRO on the Dundee Referendum timelines. Resolutions were considered for Housing, access to territory, registered application savings plan for Ministry of Child & Youth Services, audit for literacy & basic Skills and signing authorities. August 27th we considered resolutions for housing upgrades, land allotments, funding agreements, AMPS SAVE Unit Expenditure Reports and dock and boat storage facility and the Court Duty Counsel Contract. Discussion was held on digging on the east end of Tsi Snaihne and Flood Mapping, Taxation, and the visit by the Irish Ambassador. A Presentation was made by ARRO on the Tsi:karistisere/ Dundee Referendum timelines.

3. Tsi Snaihne District Meeting was held on August 13th at the Tsi Snaihne Recreation. We had several in attendance and various topics that were discussed included: employees for the Recreations, Yellow Island common land, housing funding, road construction, special needs, economic development, water flow on James E. Lazore Road, speed bumps on Wade Lafrance road.

4. Youth Council Meeting was held prior to the General Meeting this month. Updates were provided by the members and discussions were held on their ongoing work such as a mentorship program and the planning phase to host a youth conference. Council was also provided with a draft portfolio structure prepared by the youth council to assist council.

5. General Meeting was held on August 30th, the agenda included: A presentation by the Independent First Nations (IFN) 5th Youth Conference Participants, Tsi:karistisere/ Dundee Land Claim, council orientation, introductions and portfolio selections. A petition was presented to council for consideration, it was then handed over to the Chief Electoral Officer.

#### Work in Progress

 Multi-Jurisdictional Table on the Administration of Justice: This is an ongoing process. We had a meeting on August 15th in Ottawa with Canada, Ontario & Quebec Justice representatives present. The process is encouraging but needs to improve.
 Membership Review: Currently we have gathered several times during the process to review the finding as presented by the Consultant. The review is to look at the Membership Code, Charter and create Regulations to ensure consistency with the membership/residency process.

3. Cannabis Meeting: This month we held a meeting with full council to discuss the Cannabis legislation. A working task group of Grand Chief, Chief Carolyn Francis, Chief Edward Roundpoint and myself have been identified to continue the work on this file. A draft document has been reviewed and changes are being made.

4. Ahkwesahsne Mohawk Board of Education (AMBE) Structural Readiness Review: This project is going to be an ongoing item. A meeting was held to provide a review and update to Indigenous Services Canada and to discuss funding opportunities and concerns.

5. Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador (AFNQL) Meeting requesting that I participate on an oversight committee to improve the communication between the AFNQL Office and the Chiefs. I also attended their session on the Rights Framework discussion and the child welfare session.

### 6. Tsi:karistisere/Dundee Land Claim is an ongoing process. The reference will begin online voting on October 1st, 2018 with a polling station to be held on December 8th, 2018, which will complete the voting process.

#### **Collaborative Opportunities**

- Assembly of First Nations Quebec & Labrador (AFNQL)
- Assembly of First Nations (AFN) tions
- Indigenous Services Canada (ISC)
- Crown & Indigenous Relations & Northern Affairs (CIRNA)
- Department of Justice

#### **Financial Status/Lobbying Progress**

Member of the Finance Commit-

- tee
- Chiefs Committee on Fiscal Rela- Tsi:karistisere/Dundee Land Claim

### TSI SNAIHNE DISTRICT CHIEF TOBI MITCHELL UPDATES



### Monthly Notables:

1. I attended my first negotiation session with the Entewatatha:wi Program, along with the preparation sessions.

2. I attended initial meetings with all portfolios, along with a tour of the islands in the Mohawk Council of 2. I met with the Environment Pro-Akwesasne jurisdiction.

3. I attended a presentation with representatives from Indigenous Services Canada regarding a pilot project they are working on.

4. I attended the Iroquois Caucus Collaborative Opportunities: meeting, that was held in Akwe- • I attended the Iroquois Caucus sasne.

5. I attended the small business expo that was held at the Akwesasne Mohawk Casino.

6. I attended various Dundee informational meetings throughout the community.

#### Works in Progress:

1. I have met with the Health department regarding their achievements, works in progress and discussed community issues/concerns.

gram to gain a better understanding of the program.

3. I have begun to familiarize myself with the Indigenous Rights Recognition Framework that is currently being proposed by the federal government.

meeting, held at the Akwesasne Mohawk Casino on September 20, for information sharing, as well as to discuss political issues and projects that are relevant to the Iroquois communities located in Canada.

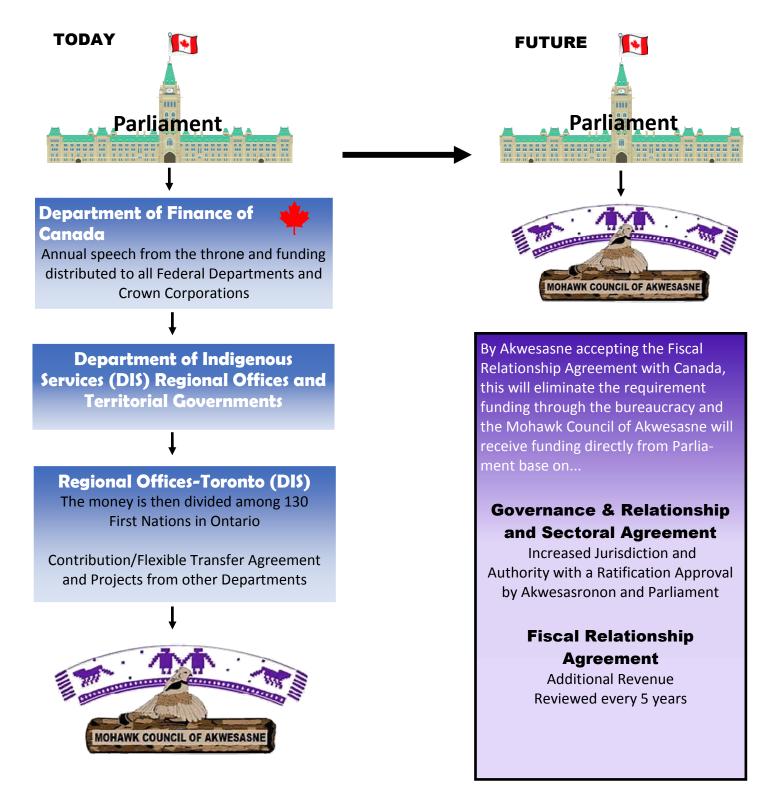
### **Financial Status/Lobbying** Progress

• Working on gathering the information needed to begin lobbying efforts.

# ENTEWATATHÁ:WI - "WE WILL GOVERN"

### FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

This Chart shows how the money flows today and how it will flow in the future with the Entewatatha:wi Agreements (Governance & Relationship Agreement and Sectoral Agreement)



# ABORIGINAL RIGHTS AND RESEARCH OFFICE

### **REFERENDUM POLLING STATIONS CONFIRMED FOR TSI:KARÍSTISERE/DUNDEE LAND CLAIM SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

The Chief Referendum Officer • (Chief Electoral Officer) Leona Benedict hereby gives confirmation that the St. Regis Mohawk School in Hogansburg will be the location of the final polling station for the Tsi:karístisere/Dundee Land Claim Settlement Aareement.

The Settlement Agreement will only be signed with the approval of the community byreferendum. The referendum on the Tsi:karístisere / Dundee Claim Settlement Agreement will be conducted through referendum polling stations on Saturday, December 8, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at the following locations:

- District of Kawehno:ke \_ Kawehno:ke Recreation Center
- District of Tsi Snaihne Tsi • **Snaihne Recreation Center**
- District of Kana:takon • -Kana:takon Recreation Center
- Southern Portion of Akwesasne – St. Regis Mohawk School (Hogansburg)

Unassisted Online Voting for this referendum will open on Monday, October 2018 at 9:00 a.m. EST and will close on Friday, December 7, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. EST. Referendum Officers will be going door-to-door throughout Akwesasne to assist Eligible Referendum Voters with completing their ballots from Monday,

October 1, 2018 through December, 7, 2018.

Contact the Chief Referendum Officer to schedule an appointment with a Referendum Officer for assistance in Online Voting, or to make arrangements for a Mohawk Language Interpreter or Sign Language Interpreter.

Instructions for Online Voting can be obtained by visiting the following website www.akwesasne.ca/ referendum or contacting the Chief **Referendum Officer Leona Benedict** at 613-575-2250 ext. 2406 or at leona.benedict@akwesasne.ca.

### **DEPUTY REFERENDUM OFFICERS TO ASSIST WITH ONLINE VOTING**

Please see below for the full list • Tina Point of Deputy Referendum Officers • who will be going door-to-door to assist with online voting for the Tsi:karístisere/Dundee Land Claim Referendum.

- Theresa Thompson
- Laura Benedict
- **Cynthia Garrow**
- Kayla Point

- Tania Mitchell-Clute
- Daylen Day ٠
- **Tyran Diabo** •
- Alma Ransom •
- Vaughn Adams
- Kawennahente Toni Cook

To schedule an appointment or for more information, please contact Chief Referendum Officer Leona Benedict at 613-575-2250 ext. 2406.

#### **CONTACT US!**

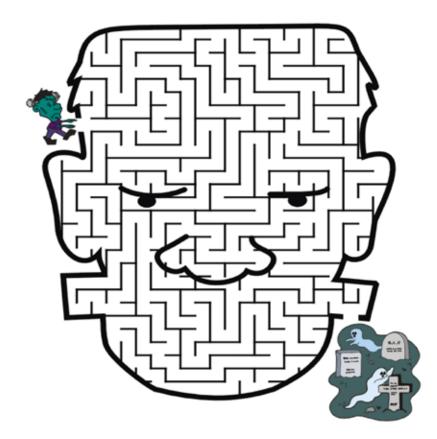
**Aboriginal Rights and Research Office** (613) 575-2348 ext. 2206

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# **CHILDREN'S PAGE**

### **SPOOKTACULAR MAZE!**



### FRIGHTENINGLY FUN FACTS ABOUT HALLOWEEN

- The first Jack O'Lanterns were made from turnips.
- Samhainophobia is the fear of Halloween.
- The largest pumpkin ever measured was grown by Norm Craven with a 836 lb. pumpkin.
- Black and orange are typically associated with Halloween. Orange is a symbol of strength and endurance. Black is typically a symbol of death and darkness.
- Halloween has variously been called All Hallows' Eve, Witches Night, Lamswool, Snap-Apple Night, Samhaim, and Summer's End.
- According to tradition, if a person wears his or her clothes inside out and then walks backwards on Halloween, he or she will see a witch at midnight.
- Halloween is thought to originate in 4000 B.C., which means it has been around for over 6,000 years.

### YOU GOT TO BE KIDDING ME!

Who did Dracula bring to the dance?



His ghoul friend!

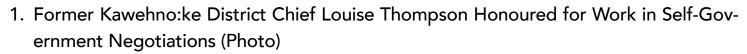




# SOCIAL MEDIA CONNECTION

### FACEBOOK STATS

Facebook Posts with the Most Likes in September



2. MCA Welcomes Dr. Sarah Bascoupé Funnell to Medical Team (Photo & Release)

- 3. #NationalPoliceWomanDay (Photo)
- 4. Introduction to Small Engines: Maintenance & Care (Announcement)
- 5. MCA Staff Participate in Orange Shirt Day (Photo)

### Facebook Posts with the Highest Reach in September

- 1. SIBC Temporary Bridge Closure for Routine Maintenance 5,882
- 2. Former Kawehno:ke District Chief Louise Thompson Honoured for Work in Self-Government Negotiations 3,340
- 3. MCA Welcomes Dr. Sarah Bascoupé Funnell to Medical Team 2,298
- 4. AMBE Post-Secondary Assistance Program Moving 2,161
- 5. Quintessence Breastfeeding Challenge 2018 1,820

### TWITTER STATS Top Tweet in September

Top Tweet earned 1,167 impressions

SIBC - TEMPORARY BRIDGE CLOSURE FOR PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE

The South Channel Bridge (linking Cornwall Island to Rooseveltown, NY) will be closed on Tuesday, September 25 from 12 AM - 4 AM.

In the event of rain, the temporary closure will be moved to the next available day. pic.twitter.com/jVLfUi7uo8



YOUTUBE STATS

Highest Viewed Videos on the MCA Youtube Channel for September

- 1. MCA & INAC | Status Cards & Border Crossing (100 views)
- 2. MCA General Meeting | September 27, 2018 (90 views)
- 3. Irish Ambassador Visits Akwesasne & Surrounding Areas (35 views)



## **EXECUTIVE SERVICES**

### **NEW AND CHANGING FACES AT MCA**

#### September 2018

Lauran Bigtree	Personal Support Worker
Paul Cree	••
Brenda David	Core Language Teacher
Jarrad Fairborn	Instructor
Ryan Francis-Forgues	Concession Worker
Kobi Johnson	
Colleen Lazore	Case Aide
Lorretta Lazore	Concession Worker
Meg Martin	Concession Worker
Allen Smoke	Traditional Support Worker
Kristan Swamp	
Dava Thompson	
Laura Thompson	
Marcey Thompson	

### **COMPLIMENTS & APPRECIATIONS**

### Nia:wen!

• Nia:wen to the staff members at Tsi Snaihne School for volunteering to run 14 After School Clubs from Culture Club to Robotics. Your dedication to our students academic and social/emotional well-being is greatly appreciated.

• Nia:wen to the Community Involvement Fund for sponsoring many of the Tsi Snaihne School's After School Clubs.

• Nia:wen from Tsi Snaihne School to the Ahkwesahsne Mohawk Board of Education for Staff Appreciation Week.

• Nia:wen to the ladies who work in Mohawk Government office and assist Council with meetings, organization of schedules and reports and much more. They are such an asset to our governmental duties and to so helpful with our busy schedules. Niawen, Rosemary Square, Noreen Cook, Chelsea

Francis, Adrianne Jacobs, Kuyra Chaussi, Taylor Armstrong!!! You're doing a great job, professional and proficient in your work, which is so appreciative and does not go unnoticed!!!

• Niawen'kó:wa to nurse April Terrance from the Community Health Program. We truly appreciate her commitment to care for and protect the community. Her hard work does not go unnoticed!

• Kristy Lauzon, Executive Servies, has worked hard to develop the service complaints policy which is an important document for our community members to have their service complaints addressed by the organization. We, as an organization, take community issues seriously and this policy is demonstration that we are committed to service quality and better service for our members. Nia:wen Kristy!



Halloween is a time for dressing up, eating candy, carving pumpkins and decorating homes. Learn how to make it safe as well as fun. Halloween is a time when children get dressed up in costumes and roam their neighborhoods in search of candy. It is a time for carving pumpkins and decorating your home with spider webs, bats and maybe a few tombstones. This can be a lot of fun, but can also create some safety issues.

#### Costumes

- Costumes should let your child see and be seen. They should also fit
- properly and not be able to cause harm to your child or anyone else.
- Make sure drivers can see your child. Ideally, use costumes with • bright
- fabrics. Keep ninjas and assassins visible with reflective tape.
- Give each child a flashlight or battery operated lantern to carry. Robots and wielders of mag- Costumes

### HALLOWEEN SAFETY

right into their costumes. Glow sticks are fun and can also make children more visible, but make sure they do not break, as the liquid inside them can irritate yourchild's skin and eyes.

- Make sure your child can see. Masks can cut down on your child's range of vision. Instead use hypoallergenic, non-toxic face paint or makeup for your Lone Ranger or superhero. If your child's costume involves a hat, wig or scarf, fasten it securely so it will not slip over your child's eyes.
- To prevent tripping, make sure shoes fit properly (sorry, clowns and scuba divers) and make sure the length of your child's costume • does not go below their ankles (sorry, wizards and witches).
- Devils and dragons should not have real flames. Make sure your child's costume cannot catch fire easily. If you are buying a costume, look for a label with the words "flame resistant." Avoid costumes with loose sleeves, baggy pants and billowing skirts.
- For obvious reasons, your musketeer's or pirate's sword, cutlass or dagger should not be sharp. Look for or make "weapons" in soft, flexible materials.

ic wands can incorporate lights • Supervise younger children when

trick-or-treating. Make sure all children know the rules for crossing the street safely:

- Before crossing the street, stop ۲ and look left, right and straight ahead -then do it again.
- Cross the street only at crosswalks or intersections. Do not cross between parked cars or other obstacles, such as giant pumpkins or tombstones. If you must cross at a spot with poor visibility, be extra careful about looking left, right and straight ahead before crossing.
- Walk, do not run, from house to house, and stay on the sidewalk or at the side of the road facing traffic.
- Rather than crossing and recrossing the street, go up one side of the street and down the other. Keep in mind that Halloween is exciting, and children may forget the rules they follow every day when walking to school.



# Be Safe: Have an alcohol-free pregnancy



#### Give your baby the best start possible.

Pregnancy is a turning point in life, a time for new beginnings. A healthy start is important – for you and your baby. Choose not to drink any alcohol during your pregnancy. Read on to find answers to your questions about alcohol and pregnancy...

# What might happen if I drink alcohol when I am pregnant?

Drinking alcohol during pregnancy can cause permanent birth defects and brain damage to your baby. To help your baby be as healthy as possible, stop drinking alcohol.

#### Be safe - no alcohol

### Is there a safe time to drink alcohol?

There is no safe time to drink alcohol during pregnancy. Your baby's brain is developing throughout pregnancy. The safest choice during pregnancy is no alcohol at all. In fact, it is best to stop drinking before you get pregnant.

# What if I had a couple of drinks before I knew I was pregnant?

Many pregnancies are not planned. Having a small amount of alcohol before you knew you were pregnant is not likely to harm your baby. You can help your baby by stopping drinking. Call Motherisk for information at 1-877-FAS-INFO.

# Is it OK to have a few drinks at a special event?

It is best not to drink any alcohol during your pregnancy. There is no known safe level of alcohol use during pregnancy.

### Are some types of alcohol less harmful?

Any type of alcohol can harm your baby (beer, coolers, wine or spirits). Binge drinking and heavy drinking are very harmful to an unborn baby.

No safe time - No safe amount

### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH ANNOUNCES LEAVE OF LANNIE MITCHELL, NP

The Department of Health would like like to advise the community that are available the Kawehno:ke Medito announce that effective October Dr. Horn will be following all of her 10, Alanna (Lannie) Mitchell, Nurse patients, for lab results and follow-Practitioner at Tsiionkwanonhso:te up. Clinic will no longer be providing services.

We also would like to make the reer. We are grateful for her contricommunity aware that Dr. Funnell butions to our community! Wholistic Health & Wellness would and Janet Brant, Nurse Practitioner

cal Clinic.

The Department of Health wishes Lannie success in her future and ca-

# SAME DAY CLINIC

#### WHAT IS A SAME DAY CLINIC?

A Same Day Clinic is a block of time that is reserved for 15 minute appointments that are made "that" day. KMC does not schedule patients in these time slots any other time other than the day the same day clinic is scheduled.

#### WHEN CAN I SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT FOR THE SAME DAY CLINIC?

You may call for a same day appointment starting at 7:30 a.m.

### WHAT SHOULD I GO TO THE SAME DAY CLINIC FOR?

Same Day Clinics are for patients that need to be seen ASAP for minor problems. For example: cough, cold, earaches, sore throat, bladder infection, minor injuries, fevers, minor aches & pains and return to work notes.

Our providers will NOT do any kind of physical, forms, immunizations, prescription renewals, back pain/injuries -please book a regularly scheduled appointment for these.

### WHEN ARE THE SAME DAY CLINICS HELD?

All Same Day Clinics can change due to the availability of our providers -- you can find out about the clinics through MCA announcements, CKON and Indian Time.

Our monthly schedules can be found at the Kawehno:ke Medical Clinic, on the MCA Facebook page or at akwesasne.ca/medical-clinics.

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### KARATE KIDS: TAE KWON DO CLASS

The MCA Community Health Program is pleased to announce that they are offering a free, six week Karate Program for children ages 7-13.

The class will held every Tuesday and Thursday beginning on November 6 through December 13. It will be held at the Kana:takon School Gym from 6 p.m.-7 p.m.

For all classes, the parent or guardian must be present on site at all times. Children are required to wear active-wear (ie. t-shirt, sweatpants).

To register, please contact the Community Health Program at 613-575-2341 ext. 3220. Call today, space is limited!



Funded by MOHLTC Healthy Eating Active Living

### MCA COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAM 2018 FLU CLINIC SCHEDULE

Kana:takon Flu Clinics 4 p.m.- 6p.m. Community Health Office

Tuesday, October 23 Tuesday, October 30 Tuesday, November 6 Tuesday, November 13

Kawehno:ke Flu Clinics 4 p.m.-6 p.m. Kawehno:ke Medical Clinic

Wednesday, October 24 Wednesday, November 7 Wednesday, November 14



Tsi Snaihne Flu Clinics 4 p.m.-6 p.m. Tsi Snaihne Fire Hall

Thursday, October 25 Thursday, November 1 Thursday, November 8 Thursday, November 15



### **AKWESASNE HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY**

The goal of the Akwesasne Housing Needs Survey is to Survey is anonymous and strictly confidential. gather current, accurate statistical data regarding the housing needs of the community. The results will be used for future housing planning purposes.

Please find the survey at https://www.surveymonkey. com/r/RGR5FH6

Paper copies of the survey will be available at the Housing Department (Admin. 4 Building).

The various agencies partnered in this endeavor include the Mohawk Indian Housing Corporation (MIHC), Akwesasne Housing Authority (AHA), Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe (SRMT) and the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne (MCA).

Please be advised that filling out this Housing Needs Survey does not, in any way, constitute a promise for services.

The information you provide in this Housing Needs

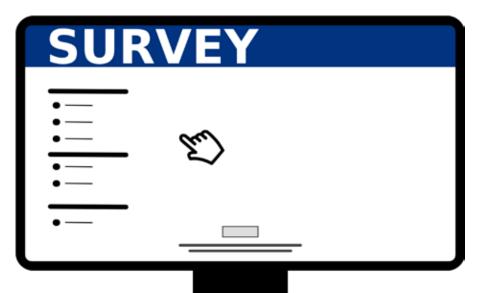
# ENTER FOR A CHANCE TO WIN A **\$50 GIFT CARD!**

If you sign up for the MCA e-newsletter in September or October, you will be entered to win a \$50 gift card for TwinLeaf!

#### Go to: akwesasne.ca/signup

2 winners will be chosen in early November.

You may fill out a separate form in order to be included in the incentive prizes for participating. 1st Prize - \$1,000.00 2nd Prize - \$ 500.00 3rd Prize - \$ 250.00





# AHKWESAHSNE MOHAWK BOARD OF EDUCATION

### STUDENTS FROM IOHAHI: IO ARE WELCOMED AT SAINT LAWRENCE COLLEGE

gram at Iohahi:io recently visited the Cornwall campus wall welcomed the students to her campus. with their instructor, Natalie Clark.

Students who are in the Personal Support Worker pro- Deb Stava, the Dean of St. Lawrence College in Corn-



Diane Thomas, student at TR Leger's Iohahi:io's campus in Akwesasne, received a certificate of recognition for her demonstration of the character quality of respect towards her fellow students and staff for the month of September. Shown presenting Diane her certificate from left to right are Ronald Holla, TR Leger Iohahi:io teacher, Diane Thomas, and Norma Sunday, Iohahi:io Associate Director of Post Secondary Programs.



# DEPARTMENT OF TEHOTIIENNAWAKON

### A'NOWARA'KO:WA ARENA UPDATES

the arena bike/walking will begin. Community mem- — the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne & arena staff are bers are asked to be safe and cautious when entering not responsible for any personal or team property lost. the arena grounds.

2. Please supervise your children and we do not en- To contact the Anowarakowa Arena, please call 613courage children being dropped off.

1. Starting Monday, October 22, the construction for 3. Lost or left items can be found in Lost & Found Box

936-1583

Recreation, CKON 97.3 Radio and the A'nowara'ko:wa

### **TRUNK OR TREAT**

Arena.

On Wednesday, October 31 from 5:30-7:00 p.m., the This free event is brought to you from the Kawehno:ke A'nowara'ko:wa Arena will be hosting a Spooktacular Trunk or Treat party!



Throughout the event, hotdogs, pizza, chips and drinks will be available free to all!

If candy isn't your thing, from 5:30-8:00 p.m., the arena will also be holding a rock n' skate with scary music and lots of family fun.



Department of Tehotiiennawakon (613) 575-2250 ext. 1053

> A'nowara'ko:wa Arena (613) 936-1583

**CONTACT US! Economic Development** (613) 575-2250 ext.1053

**Emergency Measures** (613) 575-2250 ext. 1030

**Environment Program** (613) 575-2250 ext. 1038

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# **DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & SOCIAL SERVICES**

### INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S DAY

The Mohawk Council of Akwesasne, Akwesasne Child You are sure to have fun, so don't miss out! & Family Services and the Kawehno:ke Recreation Center are proud to sponsor an International Children's Day event!

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When: Tuesday, November 20 | 3 PM Where: A'nowara'ko:wa Arena

A Rock & Skate will be held from 3-5 PM.

Come celebrate with face painting, door prizes, corn soup and more!

Busing will be provided for AMS students and students that reside in Kawehno:ke.



### NATIONAL ADDICTIONS WEEK

During the week of November 26-December 2 the al Addictions Awareness Week as a time to learn more Wholistic Health & Wellness Addictions and Prevention Program will be hosting events for National Addictions Awareness Week.

Addictions to tobacco, alcohol and drugs can take tolls on not only those who suffer from addictions, but on society as a whole. We hope everyone will use Nation-



about addictions and what they can do to prevent them.

It is important to recognize this week in November and all of the good work that goes into assessing, counseling, treating, and recovery from substances abuse.

During the week, there will be some great events lined up, including:

A workshop on Colonization effects & Addiction,

- a mixed sweat will be held
- Wholistic health is joining up with AMBE Alternative program to provide services through our addictions program
- and more!

Please keep your eyes and ears on the look out as more information will be shared in the upcoming weeks.

To find out more information, please contact Bonnie Bradley at 613-575-2341 ext. 3109.

# DEPARTMENT OF TECHNICAL SERVICES

### **ROADWAY AND RECONSTRUCTION UPDATES**

The Department of Technical Services provides the following update for a number of on-going projects:

#### Kawehno:ke Corridor Improvements

The Seaway International Bridge corporation and the MCA are working cooperatively to oversee the demolition of the existing roadway between the SIBC maintenance facilities and the south approach of the South channel Bridge on Kawehno:ke. The project paving is scheduled for Nov. 1, 2018, followed by line painting, with the expectant completion for the International Road section by the end of to repaint the wall under the direc-November.

For community safety - the Ten-

ing Tuesday October 9, 2018 – for the construction of the Tennis court the International Road is complete. area. The retrofit of the tennis court includes the removal of the old existing fence to be replaced with a new 12' high fence around the tennis court area. FBCL will remove the old asphalt and replace it with a new asphalt surface followed by a new access to the court area from the recreation road. The old lacrosse wall is found to be structurally unsafe and will be demolished. FBCL has found resources to design and erect a new wall in its place. MCA has contacted the previous artist who has agreed tion of the Kawehno:ke Recreation Committee.

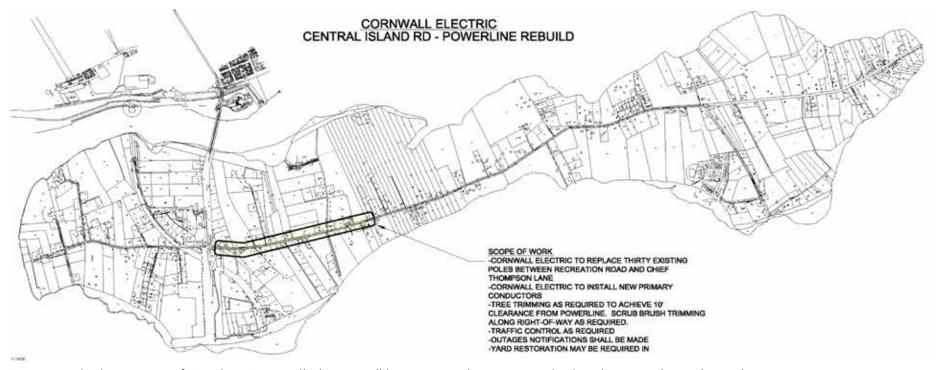
nis Court area will be closed start- The curbing will be installed to the international side service road once

#### Kawehno:ke Hydro Pole Replacement

Cornwall Electric was granted permission by Council to replace exist-



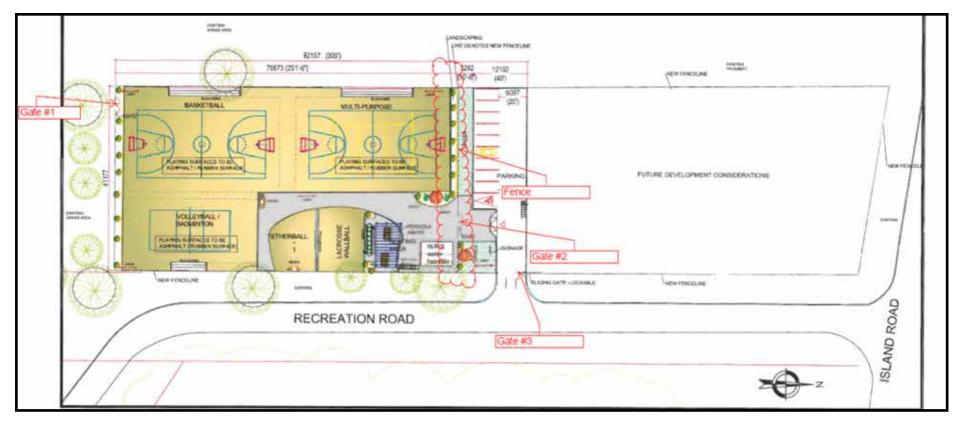
Street lights on Main Island Road east will be replaced.



Starting in the beginning of October, Cornwall Electric will begin to replace existing hydro electric utility poles with new ones.

# **DEPARTMENT OF TECHNICAL SERVICES**

### **ROADWAY AND RECONSTRUCTION UPDATES**



The Seaway International Bridge corporation and the MCA are working together to oversee the demolition of the existing roadway between SIBC maintenance facilities and the south approach of the South channel bridge on Kawehno:ke.

ing hydro electric utility poles with new ones starting from the corridor, International Road, heading east on the main Island Road up to the former Iroquois Water Plant location.

In the first week of October, the contractor brought in stringing equipment to run the new conductor. Please note, the effort of transferring the equipment will impact customers by way of short-duration interruptions. Valard will make every effort to notify the customer of these power interruptions. The Poles will be cut but left in place, and will be removed by Cornwall Electric once the communication wires are transferred to the new poles.

**CONTACT US!** 

#### Kawehno:ke Street Lighting

The MCA has provided approval to move forward with installation of new LED street lights on the Main Island Road east, between Akwesasne International Road and Philip-Hopps Memorial Road. Cornwall Electric is reviewing the engineers report to prepare for the street lighting as a safety requirement.

Department of Technical Services (613) 575-2250 ext. 1003

> Maintenance Program (613)-575-2250 ext. 1022

Roads Department Central Dispatch (613) 575-2340 or (613) 938-5476 Water / Wastewater Infrastructure Emergency (613) 575-2000 After Hours Pager (518)404-3352 Office Hours Mon – Fri. 8AM-4PM (613) 933-4924

Solid Waste Management (Garbage and Recycling) (613) 575-2250 ext. 1022

# DEPARTMENT OF TECHNICAL SERVICES

### ROADWAY AND RECONSTRUCTION UPDATES

The installation work would occur next Spring. The funding for this is provided in part by the Ontario Ministry of Transportation.

More information will be provided to the community as it becomes available.

#### Kana:takon School Underground **Storage Tank Removal**

The project includes removal of the underground fuel oil storage tank, the existing oil fired boiler system, and replacement with new high efficiency propane boilers and propane tank supply system to supply the school with a new state of the art boiler system for heating. The MCA DTS had placed the project on Canada's First Nations Infrastructure Investment Plan and it was fully funded this year. The work began August 20th and is now complete.

#### Kana:takon Health Facility Renovations

Everyone is asked to adhere to the safety/caution/no entrance regulations signs, as well as the designated construction parking. The interior renovations are underway and progressing as scheduled. The completion dates for the Medical Clinic and Traditional medicine offices is scheduled for the middle of October, followed by Addictions and Counselling, Holistic Health by the End of February 2019 and Com- down to ensure everyone's safety.



River Road Reconstruction is projected to be complete by November 30, 2018.

munity Support by the end of May 2019.

#### **Tsi Snaihne River Road** Reconstruction

This project is the section of River Road located between Wade Lafrance Road and the Sugar Bush Bridge. The work is on schedule and projected to be completed by November, 2018.

Community members had raised concerns about dump trucks driving too fast, and some private vehicles being damaged from the rough terrain, etc. The construction company has been notified of this type of complaint.

The speed limit for the construction area is 35km. those not obeying the 35km posting will be ticketed by the AMPS. Community members and construction vehicles are asked to slow

This project is under the supervision and care of Jp2G Engineering Services. Jp2G employs an Akwesasne community member that is also our project Engineer on site.

#### Tsi Snaihne Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrades

The sewage treatment plant is an upgrade to the pumping station and lagoons that will allow capacity for more homes to be added to the subdivision in the future. The project started at the end of August as planned and on schedule, and is targeted to be completed by the end of April 2019.

The Department of Technical Services thanks you in advance for your patience while our projects are under construction. If you have comments, questions or concerns, please call the Department of Technical Services to leave your comment for review and follow up at ext. 1003.

Niawen.

# **AKWESASNE MOHAWK POLICE SERVICE**

### **INVESTIGATION REGARDING OFF-DUTY AMPS OFFICER**

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On Monday, September 17, 2018, the Chief of Police of the Akwesasne Mohawk Police Service (AMPS) was notified that an off-duty AMPS member was arrested at the CBSA Cornwall Port of Entry.

Justin Delormier was not on active duty and has been on leave since 2016. He is no longer an employee of the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne.

The investigation into this matter is being conducted by the RCMP Cornwall Detachment and is currently on-going.

The AMPS Chief of Police would like to note that "Police officers are held to a higher standard of integrity and trustworthiness within a community regardless if they are on or off duty. The AMPS is proud to serve our community, we stand together for the protection of our community members and we stand to do the right thing."



AKWESASNE MOHAWK POLICE SERVICES EMERGENCY LINE (613) 575-2000

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# SERVICES PROVIDED TO COMMUNITY

**GENERAL UNIFORM PATROL** 

COMMUNITY POLICING

JOINT INVESTIGATION TEAM (JIT)

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

EMERGENCY DISPATCH SERVICES

TRAFFIC LAW ENFORCEMENT

MARINE PATROL SERVICES

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ne Akwesasne Family Wellness Program & Akwesasne Child & Family Services proudly present the

# Annual Celebration of Life Conference 2018

November 28 & 29, 2018 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM both days at the Ramada Inn, Cornwall Ontario

How do you manage your stress? Is laughter is truly the best medicine?



### Keynote Speakers

Susan Stewart

Alayna Eagle Shield & Tonia Jo Hall



Comedian/author/speaker, Susan Stewart, has spent the past ten years delivering programs that help people meet adversity with a positive outlook, and of course, a sense of humour. A mixture of stand-up comedy and inspiration, Susan's programs entertain and empower people to live and work with more ease. Alayna Eagle Shield & Tonia Jo Hall of the Standing Rock, Sioux Tribe will present on self care and self healing.

Special Performance

Additional sessions on essential oils, meditation, teas & medicines and so much more.



Tonia Jo Hall, comedian. Motivational speaker. Educated. Healthy & Fit. Jingle dress dancer. Drug & Alcohol free. Also known on social media as "Auntie Beatrice.

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