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CHIEF & COUNCIL MEETING

NOVEMBER 8, 2011

PUBLIC MINUTES

Chief Deborah Robinson	Councillor Charmaine Stevens
Councillor Darlene Coulton	Councillor Andrew Francis
Councillor Tom Pictou	Councillor Mike Paul
Councillor Ed Benham	Councillor Todd Labrador
Councillor Debra Wentzell	Band Manager Marsha Boudreau

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 pm.

Debra Wentzell opened the meeting with a prayer.

The minutes were reviewed and accepted.

REPORTS

Housing – Jim Pictou

Jim Pictou submitted a housing policy for council to review. Council will discuss further at the next Chief & council meeting.

Carpenter pay scale was reviewed and accepted by council.

All future homes to be built on slabs. This was approved by council.

Jill Francis – Water report

Jill addressed band member concerns regarding water issues. A majority of homes have the small sink tap for filtering arsenic. Water issues will be added to the

housing committee as an item to oversee. Letters will be sent to homeowners explaining the water system and maintenance for the system in their home. The GPS study is almost completed.

A new plan will be implemented for the distribution of car seats.

Lisa Francis/Rachel Pictou – Ec Dev

An update was given on land management. There is a new mapping program available. A needs assessment needs to be completed for future funding from INAC. There is no cost to the band for the assessment application process. Council advised Lisa & Rachel to proceed and update council by email and then they will be brought back into another Chief & council meeting for an update.

IN CAMERA

OLD BUSINESS

Profit sharing was discussed again. They will be sent out before the end of November.

Councillor Todd Labrador left the meeting early for an appointment.

Staff Christmas bonuses were reviewed and discussed for all staff including the gaming establishments. Council agreed and approved the changes made for this year.

Christmas close down for 3 weeks was approved by council.

NEW BUSINESS

11 band member requests were reviewed.

Cathy Gehue – Social submitted a quote for a new social program. All councillors received a copy and will review at the next meeting.

Viola Robinson submitted in writing her resignation. She is also resigning from the gaming commission. A Letter for interested band members will be sent out to all band members for applications for a new chairperson.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.