



# SIOUX LOOKOUT

Hub of the North

## Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee Meeting

Monday, July 19, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

via Zoom

MINUTES

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### 1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE

Committee Members: Mayor Doug Lawrance, Joyce Timpson, Aileen Urquhart, Lynmarie Manitowabi, Darlene Angecone, Candace Widmeyer, Mario Rasetti, Chief Clifford Bull

Absent: Victor Lyon  
Joyce Timpson – with regrets

Staff: Michelle Larose- Resource, Tiffany Thompson

Guest(s): Garnet Angecone

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 pm.

### 2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Lawrance provided a land acknowledgement.

### 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#### a. Confirmation of Agenda

**Moved By: Mario Rasetti**

**Seconded By: Aileen Urquhart**

THAT the Agenda for the July 19, 2021 Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee meeting be approved.

**CARRIED**

### 4. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST - None



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### 5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

**Moved By: Mayor Doug Lawrance**

**Seconded By: Aileen Urquhart**

THAT the Minutes of the June 14, 2021 Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee meeting be approved.

**CARRIED**

### 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) **Contact person for Equay-Miniss Island Update – Michelle Larose**

Michelle deferred this item to Tiffany Thompson to comment on.

Tiffany advised that she reached out to Vera Lacroix and was able to obtain the contact information for one of the siblings who own the island and gave that information to Michelle.

Michelle advised that she will contact this person once a firm date is decided for the celebration and let them know what will be going on.

### 7. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE PRESENTATIONS - None

### 8. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

a) **Moving the Meeting dates to the fourth Monday of the month – Michelle Larose**

Michelle asked the Committee if it was okay to move the meetings to the fourth Monday of the month. This will allow time for any recommendations to Council to get on the next agenda for the upcoming Council meetings.

The Committee was in favor of this suggestion and the Chair directed Michelle to move the meeting date.



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### **b) Northway Cemetery Memorialization – Indigenous representation to work with staff – Michelle Larose/Garnet Angecone**

A discussion was had lead by Michelle regarding have an Indigenous member of the Committee help the Municipal staff with the memorialization planning.

Chief Clifford Bull volunteered to help the Municipal staff with this task.

Garnet Angecone lead a discussion about the “Bringing Our Children Home” event that happen in Lac Seul on July 14<sup>th</sup>.

From that discussion the Committee suggested having a week of events leading up to the new National holiday on September 30<sup>th</sup> to educate the Community on the history of residential schools and how to begin the Truth and Reconciliation process for those people who want to learn more about it.

- The events will be done in like the Blueberry Festival events;
- Both Lac Seul and the Municipality will host the events;
- An event suggested was to show a movie outdoors at the library.

Michelle advised the Municipality will look into putting something together for this week leading up the Statutory holiday.

Chief Bull suggested contacting the person who put together the board of information at the July 14<sup>th</sup> meeting in Lac Seul and putting together a pamphlet that can be handed out at an event during the week leading up to the September 30<sup>th</sup> Statutory Holiday.

He advised the person was from Treaty 3 and he will provide Michelle with the contact name and phone number.

Michelle advised that she would have staff follow up with that person and see what information they could provide us with.

Mario suggested that for the Northway Cemetery memorialization the Municipality follow up with Jim Morris, as he was involved with the previous search of the cemetery and may have some more information to pass along.



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c) **MTO Signs Update – Michelle Larose**

**Moved By: Mayor Doug Lawrance**

**Seconded By: Aileen Urquhart**

THAT the Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee recommend to Council to change the MTO population signs to include the Ojibway name for Sioux Lookout.

**CARRIED**

Michelle asked the Committee if the spelling should be in syllabics or the Roman Orthography spelling on the sign.

A discussion was had and the Committee decided that if the sign cannot have both on it to go with the Roman Orthography spelling for the sign.

d) **Way Finding Signs recommendation to Council – Michelle Larose**

**Moved By: Mario Rasetti**

**Seconded By: Candace Widmeyer**

THAT the Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee recommend to Council to include the Ojibway wording on all Municipal Way Finding Signs.

**CARRIED**

e) **Airport Sign recommendation to Council – Michelle Larose**

**Moved By: Aileen Urquhart**

**Seconded By: Mayor Doug Lawrance**

THAT the Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee recommend to Council to include the Ojibway wording to denote Sioux Lookout Airport on the Airport Terminal building.



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### CARRIED

#### f) Renaming of Centennial Park – Mayor Doug Lawrance

Mayor Lawrance just wanted to share with the Committee a feedback email he received regarding his article in the Sioux Lookout Bulletin about the possible renaming of Centennial Park to Reconciliation Park.

The email was circulated to the Committee prior to the meeting for their review and comments.

### 9. WORK PLAN

Michelle advised that the work plan is there for the Committee to review regarding any updates that had happened after last month's meeting.

She advised that the signage items will be added to the work plan once Council approves the motions from the Committee. This way the Committee can stay updated regarding the progress.

Garnet suggested to the Committee to speak with the Sioux Lookout Coalition for Healing and Reconciliation.

- This group did a lot of work creating awareness and put on a lot of activities in relation to Residential School issues.

Aileen advised that she would make a list of the people who are still in Sioux Lookout that were involved in that group and see if they would like to do something for the week in September.

### 10. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting of the Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee will be held on Monday, August 23, 2021 at 5:00pm via Zoom.



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## 11. ADJOURNMENT

**Moved By: Mario Rasetti**

**Seconded By: Chief Clifford Bull**

THAT the July 19, meeting of the Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee be adjourned at 6:40 pm.

**CARRIED**

Adopted as presented this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Darlene Angeconeb, Chairperson

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Michelle Larose, Staff Resource