

**Qalipu Mi'Kmaq First Nation Band
Council Meeting
Community Room
1 Church Street, Corner Brook
January 19, 2019**

- 9:00 am **In Camera**
- 10:00 am **Opening Prayer**
- 10:10 am **Review and Acceptance of Agenda**
✓ Motion to accept Agenda
- 10:15 am **Swearing in of outstanding Councilors**
✓ Frank Skeard
✓ Bern White
- 10:20 am **Review and Acceptance of Minutes**
✓ Motion to accept Minutes of September 15, 2018 (Council Meeting)
✓ Motion to accept Minutes of November 23, 2018 (Orientation Meeting)
✓ Motion to accept Minutes of November 24, 2018 (Orientation Meeting)
✓ Business Arising:
- 10:30 am **Enrolment Update (Chief Mitchell)**
✓ Update on Enrolment
- 11:00 am **Committee Structures**
✓ Review Committee Structure
- 11:30 am **Member Question & Answer Period**
✓ Opportunity for questions from members
- 12:00 pm **Lunch**
✓ Lunch Provided
- 1:00 pm **Qalipu Development Corporation (Brian Dicks)**
✓ Investment Parameters & Opportunity Evaluation Framework
✓ Capital Request
- 2:00 pm **Band Council Resolution 08-18-19 (Keith Goulding)**
✓ Review and signing of the Resolution regarding Health
- 2:05 pm **Briefing Note & Resolution – Regional Assessment (Keith Goulding)**
✓ Review of briefing note
✓ Review and signing of Resolution regarding QNR
- 2:10 pm **MOU Correctional Services Canada (Keith Goulding)**
✓ Review and signing of the MOU

2:15 pm

Committees Updates

- ✓ Communications (Odelle Pike)
Committee - TOR
Committee - Recommendations
- ✓ Housing (Brian Dicks)

2:55 pm

Council Meeting Dates

- ✓ Review of Proposed Council Meeting dates and locations for 2019

3:10 pm

Date of Next Meeting

- ✓ March 9, 2019

3:15 pm

Adjournment

Qalipu First Nation

Council Meeting

January 19, 2019

Community Room

1 Church Street, Corner Brook, NL

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The Qalipu First Nation held its regular meeting of Chief and Council at the Community Room, 1 Church Street, in Corner Brook, NL. The meeting began at 10:35 am with an opening prayer by Odelle Pike - Elder and Qalipu Councilor of Stephenville Ward. Chief Mitchell welcomed members of Council along with the fourteen (14) Qalipu members in attendance.

Attendance

The following members of Council were in attendance:

Name:	Position:
Mr. Brendan Mitchell	Chief
Mr. Randy Drover	Central Vice-Chief
Mr. Keith Cormier	Western Vice-Chief
Mr. Brian Dicks	Councilor Corner Brook
Mr. Frank Skeard	Councilor Glenwood
Mr. Andy Barker	Councilor Exploits
Mr. Calvin Francis	Councilor Gander Bay
Mr. Ivan White, SR	Councilor Flat Bay
Mr. Ivan J. White, JR	Councilor St. George's
Ms. Odelle Pike	Councilor Stephenville
Mr. Jasen Benwah	Councilor Port Au Port (Teleconference)
Mr. Keith Goulding	Band Manager
Ms. Tina Diamond	Office Administrator

Absent

Mr. Bernard White	Councilor Benoit's Cove
Ms. Alison White	Communications Officer

Agenda

Motion 20-18-19

A motion was made to accept the **agenda** as with one revision and several additions.

Moved by:	Ivan J. White	Seconded by:	Keith Cormier
Motion Carried	All in Favour		

Revisions to the Agenda

Mr. Bernard White will not be sworn in at this meeting - he will be sworn in at another meeting.

Additions to Agenda

The following items were added to the agenda:

- At 11:00 am – Honouring the lives of missing and murdered Indigenous Women
- Honorariums – Councilors
- Letter of Support – Centre of Excellence for Eye Care
- Memorandum of Agreement – Sealing Industry
- Resolution: Amend the General By-Law to require two General Meetings
- Resolution: Web-based General Meeting
- Resolution: Quorum By-Law
- Resolution: Councilor Participation at Conferences/Meetings
- Qalipu Service Centers

Swearing in of Outstanding Councilors

Ceremony was conducted by Chief Brendan Mitchell with the assistance of Odelle Pike. Mr. Frank Skeard was sworn in, he read and signed the Oath of Office, and was presented with a gift.

Meeting Minutes – September 15, 2018

Motion 21-18-19

A motion was made to accept the *minutes of September 15, 2018* as presented.

Moved by:	Andy Barker	Seconded by:	Calvin Francis
Motion Carried			

Business Arising from Minutes of September 15, 2018

Election of next Council in 2021. A request to hold the election earlier in the month of October 2021.

Keith Goulding: An earlier election can be done, the thirty-days following the election will remain the same to swear in the Councilors.

Councilor: With regards to Donation Policy, was there ever a sub-committee put in place?

Keith Goulding: A sub-committee was not put in place.

Councilor: The development of an Evaluation Criteria could go to an existing committee.

Action: Refer donation policy to Finance Committee to establish evaluation criteria.

Clarification was requested regarding Youth Groups and insurance coverage for leaders and the children. If a Qalipu event, leaders are covered. If not a Qalipu group, policy is to be checked. Renters of the Community Room are covered under Liability insurance.

Keith Goulding: There has been an inquiry with AON representative as to whether leaders are covered under the Directors Insurance.

Action: Keith Goulding will schedule a follow-up with AON.

Meeting Minutes – November 23 & 24, 2018

Motion 22-18-19

A motion was made to accept the *minutes of November 23 & November 24, 2018* as presented.

Moved by:	Ivan J White	Seconded by:	Keith Cormier
Motion Carried			Abstained: Frank Skeard & Odelle Pike (Absent from meeting)

Page 4, under GINU, minor sentence revision.

Business Arising from Minutes of November 23 & 24, 2018

Councilor: Have new members been added to GINU?

The data needs to be cleaned and the new members will need to be contacted to update their information. We expect that members can populate their own information into GINU by February.

Councilor: Will members be able to live-stream the next meeting?

We anticipate members to be able to live-stream at the next council meeting to be held in March 2019.

Councilor: Can we attach the Band Council Resolutions to the minutes?

Action: Add resolutions to the Draft minutes.

Honouring the lives of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW)

At 11:00, Council and members of QFN took a moment of silence for MMIW in light of recent events in Conne River. The Honour Song was sung accompanied by drumming.

Enrolment Update

Membership Committee, formally called Implementation Committee is a special committee which consist of Brendan Mitchell as President, the two Vice-Chiefs Mr. Keith Cormier and Mr. Randy Drover, also Councilor Frank Skeard, elected by the last council. Also involved is Band Manager, Keith Goulding and Lawyer Steve May of Cox & Palmer. Canada has their own members.

- We met on December 11th and 12th, 2018, in Corner Brook
- We had a conference call on January 15, 2019
- Next meeting is January 25, 2019

Wells & Wells

- Letters are going out and should be released end of January 2019 and there will be a deadline of May 13, 2019 to provide more information
- Judge stated an inequity for individuals who signed before and after the date of September 22, 2011
- To Self-ID, individuals will be able to submit documents dated between June 2008 up to September 22, 2011

Veterans

- We have worked on a defining a Military veteran – Army, Navy, Airforce
 - Canada has given this a broad definition
- We are working on defining a veteran with the RCMP
 - A former RCMP officer is working on this

Member Question and Answer Period

Member: I have three siblings living in Ontario who have lost their status. Mom was a member of the FNI and a plaintiff in a lawsuit who signed away her rights. Is there a way that a Sparkes family member can be a spokesperson on behalf of FNI members? Do we have legal recourse for my siblings that live away?

Chief: Because your family were members of FNI, the Minister has committed to supporting former FNI members in the November press release. Qalipu and Canada are working together in response to the press release announcement. We hope to have some success.

Member: Do the Supplemental Agreement override the original Agreement in Principle(AIP)?

Chief: Legally and technically -Yes. That agreement came in as a supplement to the original AIP. The supplemental agreement gave an extension of time and money to get all those 75,000 plus applications reviewed. What hurt our family members was the point system. The point system was added as a directive to the Enrollment committee.

Member: Who can provide more information? 50000+ cannot?

Chief: The current process is for those who couldn't Self-ID. A new documentation request is about self identification, not about connection to a community.

Councilor: Some members may have documents in their possession that they weren't able to submit before. This new process allows members to submit evidence they may have, dated between June 2008 and September 2011.

Member: Do we have any senior programs?

Chief: We are looking at housing for seniors, repairs for senior's homes. We can look at cultural activities and have programs to assist seniors.

Member: I have my brother's letter stating he was a member of the Benois Cove Band. The Benoit Band states they do not have this letter.

Chief: We need to know the story so we can address it.

Member: Could Qalipu work out a deal with businesses for our members?

Councilor: We have a Housing Committee and we can look into working with businesses. Please submit your ideas.

Member: The positive outcome of the court cases is that we are going to get members back into the band. It is possible for council to look at our past leaders who have left us without getting recognized. It is important to recognize them somehow.

Action: We can look into that.

Member: I am concerned about being charged if I use a snowmobile trail without a trail-pass. I'm also concerned about the purchasing of Moose Hide for my craft.

Councilor: If the trail is not under license with the Snowmobile Federation, they cannot enforce. They can groom a trail. I'd be interested in member rights such as roadkill animals which could be offered to Qalipu Members when safe to do so. Agreements are already in place for feathers to go to Miawpukek First Nation in Conne River.

Action: We can look into a conversation with government regarding moose hide and snowmobile trails.

Councilor: This could be an issue to be taken on by the Executive Committee.

Member: With regards to election in 2021, Qalipu will overlap with the Provincial Election. Can we change the By-laws to hold an election every four?

Keith Goulding: To change the Custom Rules, we would have to propose the change in a Referendum Question. The question can be asked in 2021 or earlier at a high cost.

Chief: An Election committee will start in 2020 and issues can be addressed at that time.

Committee Structures

Chief Mitchell handed out a revised list of Committees. A review of the Committees was completed, indicating who is involved.

Motion 23-18-19

A motion was made to accept the Committees and the members.

Motioned By:	Calvin Francis	Seconded By:	Brian Dicks
Motion Carried	ALL in favour	Ten(10) For	Zero(0) Against

A Standing Committee meets six(6) times per year minimum. A Special Committee may meet up to four(4) times per year. An External Committee meets more often.

Qalipu Development Corporation (QDC)

Brian Dicks, Corner Brook Ward Councilor gave a brief background on the QDC Committee. He noted the committee was tasked with structuring QDC and presenting recommendations to Council for approval. Cox and Palmer supplied QDC with a document as a reference point to recommend ways QDC could be structured by way of Legal and Accounting practices.

Mr. John Davis, QDC General Manager was asked to present to Council on the document entitled Investment Parameters & Opportunity Evaluation Framework.

Investment Parameters & Opportunity Evaluation Framework

This document -dated January 10, 2019 - was presented to council for review prior to today's meeting. The document outlines how QDC Board operates with respect to investment activities. Mr. Davis gave a brief overview of the structure, the operation of QDC and answered questions from Council.

Council made suggestions to the wording of some sentences and the document was revised.

Motion 24-18-19

A motion was made to accept the document entitled Investment Parameters & Opportunity Evaluation Framework as presented and revised by Qalipu Council.

Motioned By:	Brian Dicks	Seconded By:	Ivan White
Motion Carried	ALL in favour	Ten(10) For	Zero(0) Against

Capital Request

Council reviewed the request presented.

Motion 25-18-19

A motion was made for QFN to increase paid up capital of band's common shares in QDC in the amount of \$300,000.00.

Motioned By:	Brian Dicks	Seconded By:	Keith Cormier
Motion Carried	ALL in favour	Ten(10) For	Zero(0) Against

Band Council Resolution 08-18-19

Council was presented with a resolution regarding Health. The resolution reads:

The Council of Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation Band currently administers Non-insured Health Benefits programs such as Navigator, Medical Transportation, Traditional Healers, Health Services Integration, and Mental Health Counselling. The current funding approach is "set". Commencing April 1, 2019, the Council requests that this funding approach changes to "flex".

Motion 26-18-19

A motion was made to pass BCR 08-18-19. BCR was passed around and signed.

Motioned By:	Randy Drover	Seconded By:	Frank Skeard
Motion Carried	ALL in favour	Ten(10) For	Zero(0) Against

Briefing Note and Resolution – Regional Assessment

Qalipu Natural Resources (QNR) requires permission of Chief and Council to complete participant funding application.

Resolution reads:

WHEREAS Qalipu Natural Resources (QNR) of Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation Band (QFN) wishes to submit an application to the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA) under the Participant Funding Program to assist the participation of Indigenous groups in the Regional Assessment of Offshore Oil and Gas Exploratory Drilling East of Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND WHEREAS applications to CEAA under the Participant Funding Program must provide a valid signed resolution authorizing the Applicant to act on behalf of their organization;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the QFN Council support QNR program’s application to CEAA for funding in the amount of \$4,262.00 to participate in the Regional Assessment of Offshore Oil and Gas Exploratory Drilling East of Newfoundland and Labrador;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the QFN Council authorize QNR to enter into a contribution agreement with CEAA;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that QFN designate Jonathan Strickland, Director of QNR, as authorized signatory on behalf of QFN for the purposes of signing and submitting the application for funding;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that QFN designate Brendan Mitchell, QFN Chief, as authorized signatory for the purpose of signing the contribution agreement, or any other documents required under the contribution agreement;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that QFN authorize Jonathan Strickland to manage the funds, the expense claim process, and to receive payment in relation to the contribution agreement.

Motion 27-18-19

A motion was made to pass the Resolution. The Resolution was passed around and signed.

Motioned By:	Frank Skeard	Seconded By:	Andy Barker
Motion Carried		Nine(9) For	One(1) Against

MOU Correctional Services Canada (see attached)

This MOU involves QFN providing inmates with referrals to services offered. Correctional Services Canada wants a formal relationship with QFN.

Motion 28-18-19

A motion was made to accept the MOU. The MOU was signed by Chief Brendan Mitchel.

Motioned By:	Odelle Pike	Seconded By:	Keith Cormier
Motion Carried	ALL in favour	Ten(10) For	0 Against

Committee Updates – Communications & Housing

Two(2) new Committees presented to Council on recent activities.

Communications Committee - Terms of Reference (TOR)

Councilor Odelle Pike presented the TOR and asked for a motion to accept the TOR. Much discussion took place and it was noted that the Communication Committee may be long standing and will act as a special committee. The Communications Committee is scheduled to meet with Nathan Sack, of FMB and Council decided to not move forward with a motion to accept the TOR until after the meeting with Mr. Sack in February.

Communications Committee Recommendations

Councilor Odelle Pike addressed her report on Communications Committee Recommendations. Discussions and decisions made were as follows:

- Social Media: each Councilor will be assisted by another Council member with set-up of a Facebook page
- Ward Meeting: Councilor will hold a minimum of two meetings per year
- Elders Mailing List: Councilors are to notify members in their ward that the option is available to receive communication by mail; email or call Tina Diamond to add a member
- Business Cards: Councilors who want business cards can contact Tina Diamond
- Meet the Chief and Council: bios need to be updated; can add standing and special committees; contact Alison White
- Meeting Minutes and Reports: Tina Diamond is to provide a draft copy of the meeting minutes to Councilor within 10 days of the meeting; Councilors are given three(3) days to reply with changes/edits; Council agreed to respond to the draft copy of minutes and have it posted for members
- Integrity of the Membership List: Look into a mechanism for identifying deceased members who are on the list (Follow up when list is Finalized)
- Emails: Councilors agree to respond to emails with three-days; should use Qalipu.ca email addresses

Council agreed to follow the recommendations set forth by Communications Committee. No motion was made.

Housing Committee

Councilor Brian Dicks gave a brief summary of the members of the Housing Committee and noted that they met in December 2018. Some topics to be addressed include:

- Home repairs
- Downsizing (the size of house)
- Rental Properties
- Pre-fab homes
- Existing properties/houses
- Accessible Housing (for seniors with common spaces)
- Long-term safe environments/Shelters

A survey has been completed to ask members “what is your situation” and “what are your needs”.

Action: The survey requires feedback from Chief and Band Manager. How should the survey be sent to the members?

Honorariums – Councilors

Motion 29-18-19

A motion was made to increase the Council honorarium to \$7,200 for \$600.00 per month.

Motioned By:	Calvin Francis	Seconded By:	Keith Cormier
Motion Carried		Nine(9) in favour	One(1) Against

Letter of Support – Centre of Excellence for Eye Care

Western Vice-Chief Keith Cormier presented Council with a letter from Dr. Justin French. Dr. French is requesting a letter of support for the creation of a publicly funded, universally acceptable off-site Centre of Excellence for eye care in Newfoundland. This letter is to be drafted and signed by Chief Brendan Mitchell.

Motion 30-18-19

A motion was made asking Council if Dr. French can be provided with a letter of support.

Motioned By:	Keith Cormier	Seconded By:	Odelle Pike
Motion Carried		Nine(9) in favour	One(1) Against

Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)– Sealing Industry

Councilor Brian Dicks presented Council with a draft MOA regarding Sealing Industry Cooperation and Development Agreement.

After discussion between Council regarding the wording of the document and the clauses within, it was decided that the document needed revisions and more discussion between the parties of the MOA was required. It was suggested that an exit clause be included in the MOA.

Motion 31-18-19

A motion was made to accept the MOA subject to an exit clause.

Motioned By:	Brian Dicks	Seconded By:	Keith Cormier
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Motion Carried		Eight(8) For	Two(2) Against
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Following the discussion, Councilor Calvin Francis left the meeting.

Resolution – Amend the General By-Laws to require two general Meetings

Central Vice-Chief Randy Drover presented the Resolution to Council. The Resolution was read as follows:

Whereas subsection 4.1 of the General By-Laws of the Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation Band (hereinafter referred to as the By-Law) requires the Band to hold a General Meeting not less than once a year; and whereas it has been customary for the Band to alternate General Meetings throughout Qalipu territory; and whereas, on occasion, it may take two years before a General Meeting returns to the Central Region; and whereas many central members are unable to travel the distance to attend meetings in the Western Region; and whereas General Meetings are an important source of information for members; and whereas General Meetings are also an important point of contact between members and the Chief and Council; therefore, be it resolved that the Band Council shall, in accordance with subsection 8.1 of the By-Law, amend subsection 4.1 to read as follows:

The Band will hold General Meetings not less than once a year. One General Meeting shall be held in the Western Region and the other shall be held in the Central Region in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Motion 32-18-19

A motion was made to amend the General By-Law as presented.

Motioned By:	Randy Drover	Seconded By:	Keith Cormier
Motion Carried	ALL in favour	Nine(9) For	Zero(0) Against

Resolution – Web-based General Meeting

Central Vice-Chief Randy Drover presented the Resolution to Council. The Resolution was read as follows:

Whereas subsection 4.1 of the General By-Laws of the Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation Band requires the Band to hold a General Meeting not less than once a year; and whereas General Meetings are an important source of information for members; and whereas Qalipu has members scattered throughout Canada and other parts of the world; and whereas restricting

the General Meeting to a physical location inherently creates an access problem for member outside the immediate area; therefore, be it resolved, that Council shall mandate the Communications Committee to develop a web-based system that enables Qalipu members to virtually attend and contribute to General Meetings regardless of their location; be it further resolved that Council shall require the Communications Committee to present a system for Council's consideration by October 30, 2019.

Motion 33-18-19

A motion was made to set up a Web-based General meeting.

Motioned By:	Randy Drover	Seconded By:	Keith Cormier
Motion Carried	ALL in favour	Nine(9) For	Zero(0) Against

Resolution – Quorum By-law

Central Vice-Chief Randy Drover presented the Resolution to Council. Resolution was read as follows:

Be it resolved that Council shall, in accordance with subsection 8.1, amend subsection 6.4 of the General By-Law of QFN by increasing a quorum from five(5) to seven(7) Band Council Members.

Motion 34-18-19

A motion was made to amend subsection 6.4 to increase a Quorum from five(5) to seven(7).

Motioned By:	Randy Drover	Seconded By:	Ivan J. White
Motion Carried	ALL in favour	Nine(9) For	Zero(0) Against

Band Council Members can attend by telephone/teleconference.

Resolution – Councilor Participation at Conferences/Meetings

Councilor Frank Skeard presented the Resolution to Council. Resolution was read as follows:

Whereas Qalipu is invited to attend conferences and meetings throughout Canada on a regular basis; and whereas, in some instances, these conferences and meetings relate to strategic and/or policy matters important to the Band Council; and whereas the Band Council has formed Standing Committees that are mandated to consider and oversee policy matters important to Qalipu; therefore, be it resolved that Council shall consider sending Councilor(s) to conferences and meetings throughout Canada, provided the conference or meeting focuses on strategic and/or policy matters, subject to the following conditions:

- a) *The Band has the necessary budgetary resources for the Councillor to attend the conference or meeting. Additionally the Finance Standing Committee recommend developing an annual budget to support this motion.*
- b) *The travel has been approved in accordance with Band policy.*
- c) *The Councillor attending the conference or meeting is the Chairperson or a member of the Standing Committee with the mandate best correlating to the conference or meeting's subject matter.*
- d) *The Councillor agrees to provide a written report to the respective Standing Committee summarizing key information obtained during the conference or meeting within 10 business days after the conference or meeting.*
- e) *In the event a Councillor is unable to attend, the Chief and/or Band Manager, as the case may be, shall decide if the Band will send another representative from staff.*
- f) *Notwithstanding any other section in this resolution, a Councillor shall not attend the conference or meeting if it is technical in nature and the Band is best served by sending the employee responsible for the program/file.*

Motion 35-18-19

A motion was made to send a Councilor(s) to conferences and meetings.

Motioned By:	Frank Skeard	Seconded By:	Ivan White, SR
Motion Carried	ALL in favour	Nine(9) For	Zero(0) Against

Qalipu Service Centers

Councilor Frank Skeard presented on the topic. A brief discussion took place, regarding how it would work and how it would benefit our smaller/remote locations. Some topics to be addressed include:

- Can Qalipu build networks with other service providers?
- Can Qalipu utilize resources that we currently have?
- What is the cost?
- How do we provide the services?
- What are the gaps?

This item was tabled for the next meeting with information to follow.

Council Meeting Dates

Dates for the yearly meetings have been identified. Next meeting on March 9, 2019 will be held in Corner Brook. Locations for all other meeting to be determined.

Adjournment

Motion 36-18-19

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 4:44 pm.

Motioned By:	Keith Cormier	Seconded By:	Frank Skeard
Motion Carried	ALL in favour		

Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting is planned for March 9, 2019, in the Community Room, at 1 Church Street, Corner Brook, NL.

Minutes submitted by: Tina Diamond

Approved By

Certified By



Correctional Service
Canada
Atlantic Region

Service correctionnel
Canada
Région de l'Atlantique



Qalipu
FIRST NATION

Memorandum of Understanding

The Mi'kmaq people have a long and rich history that includes unique cultural, social, political and spiritual traditions. The Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation provides services to its members in the areas of culture and heritage, education, employment and programs and business networks.

It is the purpose of Correctional Service Canada to contribute to the maintenance of a just, peaceful and safe society by carrying out sentences imposed by courts through the safe and humane custody of offender; and by assisting the rehabilitation of offenders and their reintegration to the community as law abiding citizens through the provision of programs in penitentiaries and in the community (Corrections and Conditional Release Act, s. 3). Aboriginal offenders continue to be disproportionately represented at all levels of the Canadian criminal justice system. To assist in addressing this challenge it is an organizational priority of Correctional Service Canada to provide "Enhanced capacities to provide effective interventions for First Nations, Métis and Inuit offenders". It is important that Correctional Service Canada continue to collaborate with Aboriginal communities and partners to strengthen initiatives that support the safe reintegration of Aboriginal offenders.

As such, the Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation is in position to provide culturally appropriate holistic, restorative, and wellness services and interventions to those Aboriginal offenders under Correctional Service of Canada (CSC) conditional release supervision in the Newfoundland and Labrador area.

The Correctional Service Canada and the Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation will work together to develop a partnership toward meeting the needs of Qalipu members under the conditional release supervision of the CSC. Collaboration with Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation is envisaged as an important component to the successful management and reintegration of Aboriginal offenders in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Partnering on strategies for the eventual establishment of Section 84 reintegration plans will contribute in the long term to meet the needs of Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation members who are under the jurisdiction of CSC.

CSC will retain the responsibility of ensuring offender adherence to the terms and conditions of the conditional release as established by the Parole Board of Canada.

The Qalipu First Nation will provide liaison services to address the following objectives:


Objectives

Liaison services shall be provided to clients referred by the Correctional Service of Canada

(CSC) (i.e. Federal and Provincial offenders who have applied for conditional release or who are under the supervision of CSC in the community)

- Provide access to healing, spiritual and cultural teachings to offenders to assist the offender's transition back to family and community where available.
- Provide access to Qalipu cultural activities where available.
- Provide access to Elders' services where available in the community.
- Provide access to Qalipu programs and services offered where eligible.
- Engage and collaborate with CSC on strategies to provide the Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation the opportunity to become an active partner in the release planning and supervision of Aboriginal Offenders under Section 84 of the CCRA.

Renee Spurrell
Area Director
NL District



Brendan Mitchell
Chief
Qalipu First Nation