Qalipu First Nation

Council Meeting

September 16, 2019

Community Room

1 Church Street, Corner Brook, NL

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Opening Prayer and Welcome

The Qalipu First Nation held its regular meeting of Chief and Council at the Community Room, 1 Church Street. The official meeting began at 9:40 am. Chief Mitchell began with a prayer and welcomed four(4) Qalipu members.

Attendance

The following members of Council and Staff were in attendance:

Name:	Position:
Mr. Brendan Mitchell	Chief
Mr. Randy Drover	Central Vice-Chief
Mr. Keith Cormier	Western Vice-Chief
Mr. Brian Dicks	Councillor Corner Brook
Mr. Frank Skeard	Councillor Glenwood
Mr. Andy Barker	Councillor Exploits
Mr. Ivan White, SR	Councillor Flat Bay
Mr. Ivan J. White	Councillor St. George's
Mr. Calvin Francis	Councillor Gander Bay
Mr. Bernard White	Councillor Benoit's Cove
Mr. Jasen Benwah	Councillor Port Au Port – Teleconference (Joined following review of the Minutes)
Mr. Keith Goulding	Band Manager
Ms. Tina Diamond	Office Administrator
Ms. Alison White	Communications Officer

Absent

Ms. Odelle Pike Councillor Stephenville

Agenda

Motion 20-19-20 - Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was reviewed, and a motion was made to accept the agenda.

Moved by:	Frank Skeard	Seconded by:	Calvin Francis
Motion Carried	All in Favour	Nine (9) For	Zero(0) Against

Agenda accepted.

Additions/Changes to the Agenda

Central Vice-Chief Randy Drover requested the following be added to the agenda: Workshops and Craft Events. This item was added by approval of Council. Meeting proceeded with no other additions. One item was removed from the agenda.

Special Meeting Minutes – July 2, 2019

Meeting minutes were provided prior to the meeting. One edit to the attendance was made.

Council Meeting Minutes – July 18, 2019

Meeting minutes were distributed to Council by email to edit and draft minutes were provided prior to the meeting. One edit was made regarding selection of member-at-large for the Communications Committee.

Motion 21-19-20 – Adoption of the Minutes

A motion was made to accept the minutes of July 2, 2019 and minutes of July 18, 2019 as edited.

Moved by:	Brian Dicks	Seconded by:	Keith Cormier
Motion Carried	All in Favour	Ten (10) For Councillor Benwah Joined	Zero(0) Against

Minutes of July 2, 2019 and July 18, 2019 were adopted.

Youth Gathering

The youth gathering committee was comprised of the following: Central Vice-Chief Randy Drover; Stephenville Ward Councillor Odelle Pike; St. George's Ward Councillor Ivan J. White; Communications Officer, Alison White; Director of Education and Training, Monique Carroll. Support was provided by several Qalipu Staff and volunteers two of which included: Comprehensive Community Planner, Joanne Harris; and Candace Simon of the First Light Friendship Centre, located in St. John's. The first event was held on Friday, September 14 – Sunday, September 16, 2019 with twenty-two(22) youth in attendance.

The morning of Saturday, September 15th began with a brainstorming session regarding Youth Issues, Environmental Issues, and Culture and Community. The youth voted on which issues that impact youth such as:

- Environmental Education Programs
- Mental Health
- Comfort with Culture
- Connection to Qalipu culture
- Education

In the afternoon the youth went through the election code and on Sunday, September 15, 2019 they elected a Youth Representative. The group elected Jessica Saunders as Youth Representative and they also elected an Alternate Youth Representative – Salome Barker.

It was determined that Chief Mitchell would write a letter to both youth and a press release be issued. Each representative would serve term for one year and there will be an annual Youth Gathering –

Mawita'jik Maljewe'jk. The next session will be in 2020. The new youth representative or the alternate will attend the next council meeting to be held in November. The youth representative will be given a Per Diem and Travel will be provided.

QDC Update

Band Manager, Keith Goulding was asked to provide an update on QDC activities. The report dated September 10, 2019 outlined Council Commitments which include: Subcommittee; General Manager and Business Officer Positions; Board of Directors; Terms of Reference / Investment Parameters; and Share Capital. Conclusion of the report highlighted that all deliverables for QDC have been achieved and Council has met all obligations enabling QDC to advance and grow.

With regards to General Manager and Business Officer positions, these positions were core funded. Core Funding meant that for a period of time, the positions were funded by the Band but this ceased in April 2019; QDC is now self-sufficient.

Band Council Resolution - Subscription of Shares

The Band Council was presented with a resolution to purchase 300 Common Shares. Band Manager, Keith Goulding, read the resolution.

The Resolution was moved by Brian Dicks and seconded by Keith Cormier. Ten(10)members of council agreed to adopt the resolution (see attached).

Band Council Resolution - QNR Central Ridge

Natural Resources Department presented a resolution to council for consideration. The gives QNR an opportunity to apply for funding to participate in federal environmental assessment. After discussion of the wording within the resolution, the resolution was edited. The revised resolution was adopted (see attached).

Ancestral Remains

A letter regarding Ancestral Remains of the Maritime Archaic Tradition was received by Chief Mitchell in July 2019. The letter was addressed to government from Town of Port au Choix. The letter concerned a plea to government to determine what the town would like done with remains.

Similarly, Central Vice-Chief Randy Drover would like Council to take a position on the Beothuk Remains being held in Scotland. Councillors voted to have the Beothuk remains returned to Red Indian Lake and be protected. Chief Mitchell was asked to write a letter to Premier Ball.

Member Question and Answer

Member:

Is there an update on Morley Googoo? Are you expecting the Morley Googoo situation to be discussed at the APC meeting in September? What is the process if we need a new representative to replace Googoo?

Chief:

The Morley Googoo issue is in the hands of the AFN and the Executive. With respect to the meeting on September 24th and 25th, the situation may not be on the Agenda. With

regards to how a new representative will be chosen, there will have to a vote to agree to names who will come forward as a possible representative.

The individual who raised the question regarding Regional Chief Morley Googoo was asked if he considered himself a media representative.

Response:

No, I am a member

Chief:

We will have to discuss media presence at council meetings during an upcoming

meeting of council.

Committee Updates

Communications Committee

St. George's Ward Councillor Ivan J. White presented a Communication report dated September 16, 2019. The report outlined a course of action for the committee with regard to feedback from the Executive Committee. Councillor White highlighted the following:

- ➤ The draft Communication Policy will be renamed "External Communications Policies and Procedures (ECPP)
- ➤ A template for the reformatted policy and procedures will be completed by September 27 and presented to the Communication Committee for feedback; Executive Committee will review the template prior to content being added to the ECPP
- > The ECPP will refer to other existing policies and will be finalized by November
- > With regards to media, there will be further discussions on media attending our council meetings

Housing Committee

Corner Brook Ward Councillor Brian Dicks presented an update on the activities of the Housing Committee. Using the results of the survey completed and presented to Council in March the focus is now to add value to the member. There will be a focus on Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) and working with an employee who deals with First Nations. The Committee will look at applying for Federal Funding. The next meeting of the Housing Committee is late September.

The next time there is a National Housing Conference, it may be a good idea to send a Councillor.

Finance and Audit Standing Committee

Central Vice-Chief Randy Drover presented on the recent meeting minutes of the committee on September 3rd and 4th. He also presented to council three resolutions. Minutes and resolutions were provided to Councillors in the Council Kit.

FASC Minutes

Mr. Drover highlighted key areas discussed during the meeting and Councillors reviewed the minutes and questions were posed. Discussions included:

- > With a focus on Higher Talent Report, Finance Committee recommends further review.
- Receipt of four Requests for Proposal (RFPs) were submitted to choose an auditor Bonnell Cole Janes (BCJ) was chosen. A resolution will be passed around for Council signatures.

With regards to the Participark Project, it was noted that the project has several stakeholders. QFN was asked to be a part of the project and the benefit of the Participark Project is to repair the trails. This project was community driven.

Finance and Audit Committee recommends under section 69 instead of forwarding monthly financial report to Council, the Councillors would receive on a monthly basis: a balance sheet and a consolidated income statement.

On a quarterly basis under section 70, Councillors are to receive balance sheet; consolidated income statement and all program/projects budgets.

Motion 22-19-20 – Recommendations to section 69 and section 70 of the Financial Administrative Law

Central Vice-Chief Randy Drover made a motion on behalf of the Finance and Audit Standing Committee under sections 69 and 70 of the Financial Administrative Law (FAL).

Be it resolved that:

- a) Pursuant to section 69 of the Financial Administrative Law, the monthly report shall be comprised of a balance sheet and a consolidated income statement (compared to budget); and
- b) Pursuant to section 70 of the Financial Administrative Law, the quarterly report shall be comprised of a balance sheet, a consolidated income statement (compared to budget), and all program/project budgets.

Moved by:	Randy Drover	Seconded by:	Brian Dicks
Motion Carried	All in Favour	Ten (10) For	Zero(0) Against

Recommendations accepted.

Band Council Resolution – Staff Member

Finance and Audit Committee recommended moving forward with the First Nation Finance Authority (FNFA) and bringing BCRs to Council. The first BCR recommends Jodie Wells as a staff representative. Mr. Drover read the BCR to Council (see attached).

Central Vice-Chief made a motion to accept the Director of Finance, Jodie Wells as the Staff Representative.

Motion 23-19-20 – Staff Representation

Moved by:	Randy Drover	Seconded by:	Frank Skeard
Motion Carried		Nine (9) For	One(1) Against

Ms. Wells accepted as staff representative.

Band Council Resolution – Council Representative

Recommendation was made by the Finance and Audit Committee to appoint a Council member. Central Vice-Chief read and presented the second BCR to Council (see attached).

Central Vice-Chief made a motion to accept the Chair of the Finance and Audit Standing Committee (FASC) and the alternate councillor to act as Council representative.

Motion 24-19-20 - Council Representation

Moved by:	Randy Drover	Seconded by:	Brian Dicks
Motion Carried	All in Favour	Ten (10) For	Zero (0) Against

Chair and alternate Councillor of the FASC accepted as Council representation.

Band Council Resolution 01-19-20 – Appointment of Auditor

Central Vice-Chief also presented to Council an internal BCR concerning the appointment of the Auditor for fiscal year ending March 31, 2020. The BCR reads:

That the auditing firm of Bonnell Cole Janes is appointed auditor of the Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation Band and MAMKA for the purpose of conducting an examination of the Band's accounting records and financial procedures for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2020 and shall further provide a report on that examination to the Finance and Audit Standing Committee of this Council.

After discussion, a motion was made to appoint BCJ as auditor.

Motion 25-19-20 - Appointment of BCJ

Moved by:	Randy Drover	Seconded by:	Calvin Francis
Motion Carried		Nine (9) For	One(1) Against

BCR was passed around to be signed; BCJ accepted as Auditor.

Community Development Standing Committee

Western Vice-Chief Keith Cormier presented a report on the projects and events happening with regards to Tourism and Cultural Development. Of all projects, discussion took place regarding the following:

- Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Commemoration project
- > Medicine Walk Interpretation Project
- Participark Redevelopment
- Canoe Building Program

Two successful Learn to Camp events were held and there are several events scheduled during the months of September and October.

Natural Resources and the Environment Standing Committee

Glenwood Ward Councillor Frank Skeard began his report by reporting on past and present projects of the Committee. An update was given on Glenwood Seed Potato Farm and the committee is working on maps highlighting where people of the past exercised activities. The maps will be presented at a meeting of Council.

The Natural Resources Department was asked by a member to provide updates. The Committee has begun to provide thirty(30) minutes during their meetings to allow members to speak. Questions presented will come from the committee meetings, phone calls, and previous meetings with members. The next meeting of the Committee is Wednesday, September 18, 2019.

Education and Training Standing Committee

St. Georges Ward Councillor Ivan J. White presented a report to Council on behalf of Stephenville Ward Councillor Odelle Pike. The report provided a brief update on activities of the Director of Education and Training and the activities of the K-12 Education Outreach Officers during the months of July and August.

Executive Committee Report

Chief Brendan Mitchell presented on the Executive Committee Report. The report dated September 9th, 2019 highlighted recent activities and initiatives which include:

- ➤ Students on Ice Two(2) individuals attended; Jesse Byrne from Stephenville and Isabella White of Robinsons who is a member of the Flat Bay Band.
- ➢ Black Bear − Nine(9) individuals completed the program − Seven(7) from Qalipu; two(2) from Conne River.
- Wigwam Point On July 8, 2019, Qalipu First Nation responded to the Chief of Sple'tk First Nation. The Board of Sple'tk will review QFNs letter and respond.
- FNFMB Process Four policies are being worked on and will be presented for adoption during council meeting in November 2019.
- MOU with Eastern Health The document is signed by Qalipu
- Enrolment Discussion between FNI and Canada are ongoing regarding Veterans and those in service - BCR has been forwarded to Minister's Office; Discussion continues regarding FNI members and those of affiliated bands – positive progress is being made.
- Urban Reserve Qalipu continues to move forward with this file despite setbacks from ISC; meeting requested with Minister Bennett.
- Court Cases Executive Committee and FNI continue to be updated.
- QFN AGA Two AGAs this year; September 15th in Corner Brook, September 29th in Grand Falls-Windsor.

On Thursday, September 19th Qalipu sponsored a BBQ and Saturday, September 21st, Qalipu participated in the Pride Parade. As well, on Sunday September 29th at the AGA and on Monday, September 30th, Councillors and Qalipu staff will be wearing an Orange Shirt to support Every Child Matters.

Band Manager's Report

Band Manager, Keith Goulding presented a report outlining major topics and initiatives for the timeframe of July 19^{th} – September 15^{th} , 2019.

Topics of discussion included:

- Corporate Rate Holiday Inn in St. John's now offers a Corporate Rate
- Youth Representative the event was sponsored by TD Bank

The report also listed several projects and meetings related to Band Administrative, Community Development and Stakeholders Engagement.

A request was made to collect all corporate Rates and provide the rates on the website

Council Remarks

Councillors were asked to provide remarks and update each other on activities and events within their wards.

Bern White: Still involved with the Community Council in Benoits Cove

Ivan White, SR: Members in Burgeo are concerned with blueberries and Aquaculture. In Robinson's, there is a Women's Guild and there are plans to have a band. A suggestion is to create a workshop in remote locations to train individuals in the communities to prepare applications – This could be virtual.

Councillor White requested the Traditional Land Use documents.

Response: The Director of Natural Resources can access recent documents.

Ivan J. White: Thank you to the individuals who attended the Youth Gathering. The youth followed the

agenda; Councillors and staff were there as observers.

Calvin Francis: No Remarks.

Brian Dicks: A member wants to have land in the local cemetery identified as Indigenous. She also

wanted a place to have an Indigenous service. Councillor Pike provided information that this is being done in Stephenville either at a funeral home or at the graveyard. She suggested approaching the cemetery in this area. She also noted she could be made

available to perform ceremony.

Keith Goulding: I was speaking with Mr. Lloyd Walters, Chair of the Cemetery Committee at Mount

Patricia. Mr. Walters noted there is a non-denomination section of the cemetery which

would allow for an Indigenous space.

Andy Barker: The Assembly of First Nations(AFN) AGA in July was a great experience. I would

encourage Councillors to attend and listen to the differences between the bands. There is an insurance company in Ottawa which may be able to give members group

rates – the company serves all first nations.

Chief Mitchell: The next meeting of the AFN is December 3-5th, 2019 in Ottawa.

Randy Drover: Central was busy.

Workshop and Crafts Events – I would like to open this to everyone and to conduct a random draw. If we organize future workshops, there should be more time to apply for seats to the workshops with names to be submitted and names chosen by random

draw. First come - First serve is not working.

Keith Cormier: Happy that the letter regarding an Indigenous Room in the hospital was written. We

hope for a positive response. Thanks to IT for live streaming the Corner Brook AGA. It is

important for the live streaming be archived.

Frank Skeard: We should reflect on our diverse membership. To improve services, the Qalipu Natural Resources and the Environment Standing Committee has begun to provide thirty(30) minutes during their meetings to allow for delegations of member(s) to speak. Max of two delegations per meeting. Questions presented will come from the committee meetings, phone calls, and previous meetings with members. The next meeting of the Committee is Nov 8, 2019.

Next Meeting – Date and Location

The next meeting of Council is Saturday, November 16th, 2019 beginning at 10:00 am with an opportunity for an In-Camera at 9:00am. Councillors were asked where they prefer the location of the meeting to be held. Councillors determined the location would be in Corner Brook.

Adjournment

Western Vice-Chief Keith Cormier made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 2:02 pm.

Minutes Submitted By: Tina Diamond

Approved By: Chief Brendan Mitchell

Certified By: Tina Diamond, Office Administrator

QALIPU MI'KMAQ FIRST NATION BAND

RESOLUTION Subscription for Shares

WHEREAS the Band Council Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation (the "Band") is the sole shareholder in Qalipu Development Corporation

AND WHEREAS the Band has determined that it is in the best interests of the Band to purchase additional shares in the Qalipu Development Corporation;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Band shall subscribe for and take up an additional 300 Common Shares in the capital stock of Qalipu Development Corporation for an aggregate subscription price of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) (the "Subscription Price") or One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per Common Share;
- 2. The Band shall transfer, by electronic funds transfer, the amount of \$300,000.00 to Qalipu Development Corporation representing the full amount of the Subscription Price:
- 3. The Band Manager or designate is hereby authorized for and on behalf of the Band to execute and to deliver all documents and to perform and do all acts and things as such persons may in their discretion consider necessary or advisable to carry out the terms of the foregoing resolutions; and
- 4. These resolutions may be executed in one or more counterparts, either originally or with electronic signatures, each of which (including each copy sent by facsimile transmission or electronic mail in .PDF format) shall conclusively be deemed to be an original, but all of which, taken together, shall be deemed to constitute one and the same of each resolution. A facsimile or electronic transmission of the resolutions bearing a signature or an electronic signature on behalf of a party shall be legal and binding.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

The above Resolut	ion was a	dopted by the Bar	nd Co	uncil for the Qal	ipu Mi'kr	maq First Nation
Band by a vote of _	10	_ in favour,(2	against, and	0	_abstentions on
the	_ day of _	Septembe	er	, 2019.		
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Qalipu First Nation Band Council Resolution

WHEREAS Qalipu Natural Resources (QNR) of Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation Band (QMFNB) wishes to submit an application to the Government of Canada under the Participant Funding Program to assist the participation of Indigenous groups in the federal environmental assessment of the proposed Central Ridge Exploration Drilling Project;

AND WHEREAS applications to the Government of Canada 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 QMFNB Council support QNR program's application to CEAA for funding in the amount of \$10,450.00 to participate in the federal environmental assessment:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the QMFNB Council authorize QMFNB to enter into a contribution agreement with the Government of Canada's federal departments and organizations;

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

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

Voting in favor this day of September 2019 are:

Resultable Chief

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Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation Band Council Resolution

WHEREAS: The First Nations Finance Authority (FNFA) is created under the First Nations Fiscal Management

Act (FMA) as a non-profit corporation without share capital;

WHEREAS: Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation is scheduled under the FMA;

WHEREAS: one of the purposes of the FMA is to secure for its Borrowing Members financing from the FNFA;

WHEREAS: Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation wishes to become a Borrowing Member of the FNFA;

WHEREAS: Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation has identified Jodie Wells - Director of Finance as the contact

person of Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation to provide information to the FNFA required for

consideration of the application to become a Borrowing member of the FNFA

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation hereby applies to become a Borrowing Member of the FNFA and will:

- a) provide the FNFA with a copy of the Financial Performance Certificate or Finance Management System
 Certificate issued to Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation by the First Nations Financial Management Board (FMB)
 under section 50(3) of the FMA and provide the FNFA with a copy of the confirmation from the FMB that
 their Financial Administration Law has been approved by the FMB;
- b) manage and operate its financial administration system in material compliance with the certificate issued by the FMB and the FMB standards applicable to the certificate issued;
- upon communication from the FNFA Board that the Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation has been accepted as a
 Borrowing Member, designate by resolution of Council either the Chief or Councillor as the Qalipu
 Mi'kmaq First Nation representative to the FNFA, and send a copy of this resolution to the FNFA;
- d) comply with the terms and conditions of being a Borrowing Member of the FNFA; and
- e) execute all such other documents as maybe required by the FNFA for Borrowing Members.

Dated this 16 day of September 2019

Brendan Mitchell, Chief

Keith Cormier, Vice-Chief (Western)

Bernard White, Councillor, Benoit's Cove

Brian Dicks, Councillor, Corner Brook

Jasen Benwah, Councillor, Port Au Port

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Vice-Chief (Central)

Councillor, Glenwoo

Note: A guorum of the Qalipu First Nation Band is Seven (7) Councillors

Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation Band Council Resolution

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Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation Band Council Resolution

WHEREAS First Nations have led the development of the First Nations Fiscal Management Act (the "Act");

WHEREAS the First Nations Finance Authority ("FNFA") was created under the Act for purposes set out in section 74 of the Act which include the provision of financing and investment services to its members;

WHEREAS Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation is a member of the FNFA as defined under the Act;

WHEREAS under the Act and the FNFA Bylaw FNFA members have rights with respect to corporate governance matters of the FNFA;

WHEREAS under the *Act* and the FNFA Bylaw FNFA members are required, by resolution of Council, to designate the Chief or a Councillor as their representative to act on behalf of the Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation in relation to corporate governance matters of the FNFA.

Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation hereby designates representative to the FNFA. Dated this b day of September 2019 Brendan Mitchell, Chief	Chair of FASC or alternate Councillor. to act as their
Randy Drover, Vice-Chief (Central)	Keith Cormier, Vice-Chief (Western)
Bernard White, Councillor, Benoit's Cove	Francis Skeard, Councillor, Glenwood
Brian Dicks, Councillor, Corner Brook	Jasen Benwah, Councillor, Port Au Port
Andrew Barker, Councillor, Exploits	Odelle Pike, Councillor, Stephenville
Ivan White, Councillor, Flat Bay Calvin Francis, Councillor, Gander Bay	Ivan J. White, Councillor, St. Georges

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