



SIOUX LOOKOUT
Hub of the North

Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee Meeting

Monday, June 24, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

In Person

MINUTES

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Chairperson: Darlene Angecone

Committee Members: Reece Van Breda, Mario Rasetti, Darlene Angecone, Brent Wesley, Naomi Hoppe Mackechnie, Alana Anderson, Aileen Urquhart

Absent: Raymond Angecone – with regrets  
Brent Wesley – with regrets

Staff: Megan Pollard – Staff Resource

**1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 11:05 a.m.

**2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Reece Van Breda

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**a. Confirmation of Agenda**

**Moved By: Alana Anderson**

**Seconded By: Joan Cosco**

THAT the Agenda for the May 24, 2024 Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee meeting be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**



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#### 4. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

#### 5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

THAT the Minutes for the April 15, 2024 Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee meeting be approved as amended.

Error in date of meeting on final page, to be adjusted.

**Moved By:** Aileen Urquhart

**Seconded By:** Mario Rasetti

#### 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

**Requesting that Airport Manager attend next meeting, if possible as he was unable to attend this month's meeting.**

**Request to add Brent and an update about Knowledge Keepers on the next agenda.**

#### 7. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE PRESENTATIONS

None

#### 8. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

##### 1. Work Plan and Budget update (Megan Pollard)

- Work plan and budget approved by Council as written.
- Group discussed funds and talked about requesting additional funds for larger projects in the future. Group will consider that request after demonstrating beneficial use of funds for this year.
- Joan suggested "working groups" to be able to complete work outside of committee meetings.

##### 2. Presentation of potential partners for education program (Joan Cosco)



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- Document presented to group. Joan said that every contact she talked to liked the idea and wanted to partner with the TRC.
- Some potential partners wanted to be able to personalize their own standees related to their specific work or area.
- Naomi requested to add KI Law under Child and Family with herself as a contact.
- It was suggested the TRC “brand” be on all standees with the “brand” of the partner.
- Committee is hoping Reece will design the TRC standee.
- Joan did advise that some organizations would like to display a standee but are not able to purchase one and looking for sponsorship.
- Working group for this project will include Reece, Naomi, and Joan, Aileen will be an alternate and Alana will be available as needed.

### 3. Blueberry Festival – (Reece Van Breda)

- Information was sent in to be included in the Blueberry Festival guide book.
- Event will be August 4 from 12-3pm
- It will include a BBQ at the same time that is a fundraiser for Hudson.
- The store will be open and the tables and chairs will be there for use.
  
- Need to do: collect rocks, acquire paint and supplies, and print examples.
- Alana suggested donating supplies.
- Joan asked to make sure rocks are different shapes and sizes.
- Working group: Joan, Reece, Alana, Naomi, and Brent. Reece will collect rocks and Joan will prime them.
  
- Darlene talked about how rocks are sacred and suggested to pivot off rocks onto something else or adjust to plaster of paris rocks.
- Darlene suggested this is a good opportunity to offer a teaching about saying a prayer and putting down tobacco.
- Joan suggested set parameters around rock collation, and try and make this a more inclusive and understanding event.



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- Darlene suggested maybe Brent could talk to the Elders about rocks and get a blessing before they move forward. (suggested talk to Romaine or Victor Lyon, Tom Chisel, or Ralph Johnson).
4. Moose Hide Campaign (Mario Rasetti)
    - Mario said he never heard of this campaign before.
    - Naomi commented that this campaign is for more than Indigenous people, it is about everyone.
    - Committee to include this in the agenda or workplan for next year (May 16 annually).
    - Possibly request moose hide squares and information cards to distribute.
  5. Signage – follow up from July, 2019 (Megan Pollard)
    - Megan provided update regarding correspondence from previous committee.
  6. Water tower – traditional name (Joan Cosco)
    - Discussed bringing request to Council to ensure request for proposal ensures design is inclusive to community and consults with residents and First Nations.
    - Hold until next meeting when information on process can be determined.
  7. Branding policy (Joan Cosco)
    - Joan would the committee to recommend a motion to Council regarding a branding policy.
    - Megan explained there is already a resource regarding use of the logo. Staff Resource directed to inquire about bring forward motions, etc. and if there is template and what the process is for future use.
    - Alana suggested reaching out to Dryden, Thunder Bay and other communities in the area to see what they have before starting any work. Alana will contact other municipalities to see what they have and maybe it can be a good starting point.
    - Aileen mentioned that back around 1992 she recalls the government did a push to designate cities and towns as bi-lingual or multi-lingual. She believes that Sioux Lookout was officially designated as bi-lingual with a specific Indigenous language but is unsure. Staff Resources to check into that and see if information can be located.
  8. Lac Seul flag at town office (Aileen Urquhart)



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- Aileen would like to find out why the Lac Seul flag is located the Travel Information Centre and not the Town Office.
- Megan provided information gathered regarding flag etiquette and how our flag poles are positioned.
- Alana suggested that if Lac Seul would like a change that request should come from Chief Bull, that it isn't the committee's place.
- Naomi stated that the TIC may be the right place for the flag as they fly local area community flags for tourism.
- Mario inquired if there was a Territory flag. There was discussion on what Territory flag it would be 3, 5, or 9 as they are all in the area.

### 9. Anti-racism sign update (Megan Pollard)

- Email from Nicole was read and proofs of sign were viewed.
- Committee suggested maybe they could be turned into lawn signs and sold as a fundraiser. Staff Resource to connect with Nicole to discuss.

### 10. Orange shirt memorial site (Darlene Angeconeb)

- Darlene informed the committee that some people want to clean up the area, specifically the Sunset Women's Circle, since it is on private property now.
- The debate continues if this property belongs to the Municipality or has been purchased privately.
- It has been noticed that the grass has been mowed when they went to clean up.
- Committee request Staff Resources find out about property ownership and if Municipal property zoning information.

### 11. Meeting dates/times (Mario Rasetti)

- Mario commented that his request for this topic was more due to previous committee ability to obtain quorum, and that he sees this committee is really attempting to get together and work on the workplan.
- A specific date and time for meeting was requested as the current schedule does not appear to work for everyone.
- Staff Resource will reach out about next meeting pending room availability keeping mind the following: Naomi would like over lunch time because evening is difficult, Aileen said anytime works for her, Mario said anytime works for him he just wants to get work done, and Darlene said she is unavailable the last week of the month.
- Joan commented that even if quorum cannot be reached, this is part of the reason to have working groups, so that work can continue.



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**9. WORK PLAN**

Working groups created.  
"Rocks to Action" planned.  
Connecting with potential partners for standees.

**9. NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next meeting of the Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee will be held on Wednesday, July, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. as determined after meeting.

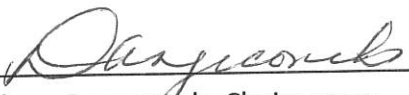
**10. ADJOURNMENT**

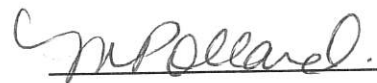
Moved By: Naomi Hoppe Mackechnie  
Seconded By: Aileen Urquhart

THAT the June 24, 2024, meeting of the Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Committee adjourn at 6:50 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Adopted as presented this 17 day of Sept., 2024.

  
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Darlene Angeconeb, Chairperson

  
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Megan Pollard, Staff Resource