#### MINUTE 05.2013

# Edkaagmik Nbiizh Neyaashiinigamiingninwag Edbendaagzijig Trust Meeting April 9, 2013

# **Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Council Chambers**

### Trustees:

Paul Jones NOT PRESENT
Cheryl Johnston PRESENT
Michael Hills PRESENT
Geewadin Elliott PRESENT
Beth Grace (Scotiatrust) PRESENT

## Guests:

Iris Askewe – Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Martha Pedoniquotte

### **Election Discussion**

Cheryl informed that the Chief and Council election is being held on July 19, 2013. Trustees decided to have the election for the Elected Trustees on the same day, but in a different location to keep any confusion between the two elections at a minimum.

Timeframes will be tight and the election will need to be the primary focus of the trustees in the coming months.

Criteria for nominations will be the same as cited in the Trust Agreement and will include a CPIC.

Iris provided information on the election guidelines and the time frames for all the different deadlines and an estimate of the costs involved.

The Trust Agreement was worded so that costs could be minimized by allowing the Trustees to have the election at the same time as the General Election and also by allowing the Trustees to draft their own procedures in their sole discretion.

After consideration of the General Election guidelines and the costs associated with this process, it was suggested that the Trustees review and consider the guidelines used for the Board of Education Trustees election which does not mail out information and ballots to off reserve members. The cost savings would amount to several thousand dollars if these guidelines are used instead of the General Election guidelines.

#### MOTION 2013-09

Motion to set the election date for the Elected Trustees as July 19, 2013 and adopt the elections guidelines used by the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Board of Education for the election of their Trustees concerning the posting of notices and the nomination and voting regulations.

Moved: Michael Hills Seconded: Cheryl Johnston In Favour: Geewadin Elliiott

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Motion Carried.

Beth will inquire about using the Economic Development office as the venue for the nomination meeting and the election. The nomination meeting will be held on June 7, 2013. Notices will be posted in the community (Council Offices, Community Centre, Health Centre, Day Care, All R's, Website) on May 7<sup>th</sup> (Beth will draft the notice which will include the nomination eligibility requirements including a deadline of July 12, 2013 for the CPIC, in order to have it before the ballots are printed). Beth will print and fold 1,000 ballots on coloured paper with a watermark on the reverse side (the trust logo) and the nominated trustees in alphabetical order on the front. Snacks will be provided at the nomination meeting and the election. Beth will prepare the candidates packages for the people nominated (including a notice of nomination, the eligibility requirements and a withdrawal form). Signs will be posted at the Community Centre directing people to the Economic Development office for the Trustee nomination/election. A suggestion was made to hire Martha Pedoniquotte on an hourly basis for the position of Electoral Officer for the nomination meeting (approximately 5 hours) and election day (approximately 17 hours). Martha was able to attend the meeting and she is willing and available for \$20 per hour.

### MOTION 2013-10

Motion to hire Martha Pedoniquotte as Electoral Officer at \$20 per hour for the nomination meeting and election day.

Moved: Michael Hills Seconded: Cheryl Johnston In Favour: Geewadin Elliott

Scotiatrust

Motion Carried.

Beth will draft an election schedule and the election rules to be formally adopted by the Trustees at the next meeting.

<u>Review</u> of Patrick Nadjiwan's letter concerning the T.E.Wealth Service Agreement. The Trustees agreed to sign the Agreement as presented, but to forward Patrick's concerns and suggestions to Jack Jamieson for his information.

Review of newsletter submission thanking the Distribution Days volunteers, introducing the new logo and announcing the upcoming election. Trustees agreed to submission as presented. Beth will send to Quinto for the newsletter and to Iris to add to the website.
<u>Update</u> on the Investment Management Agreements from Dixon Mitchell and Guardian Capital. Both have been received and reviewed by Scotiatrust. Both require a few changes/corrections. Pending the corrected versions and will send to the Trustees for signing when acceptable versions are received.
Update on the application for NATOA membership. Beth applied for membership for the Trust on-line and is waiting for the invoice to be sent. Information will be provided directly to the member Trustees from NATOA when they receive payment.
Discussion about the Proposal process.  The revised proposal handbook (including the flowchart requested at the meeting of March 15,
2013) was distributed to the Trustees. Time did not allow for any discussion today – deferred to the next Trustee meeting.
Adjourn
Next Meeting: April 30, 2013, 9am
Trustees' Signatures
Geewadin Elliott
Michael Hills
Cheryl Johnston

Paul.	Jones				
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