

**Neyaashiinigmiing Anishnaabekiing
CHIPPEWAS OF NAWASH UNCEDED FIRST NATION
Giigdoowgamig Maawnjidiwn – Band Council
Ntaam-Giizhbat, Mnidoo Giisoonhs, Mdaaswi-shi-Nswi,
Niizhing Mdaaswak-shi-Niishtana-shi-Naanan
(Monday, January 13, 2025)
Day 2 Regular Band Council Meeting
Council Chambers and via Zoom – 9:00 a.m**

Eniigozid ~ Chairperson: Ogimaa Greg Nadjiwon
Giigidooniniwag/Giigidooninikwewag ~ Councillors: Norma Tobey
Jessica Keeshig-Martin (Virtual)
Anthony Chegahno
Arlene Chegahno
Paul Jones
Regrets/Absent: Carlene Keeshig (Regrets)
Nick Saunders (Regrets late)
Theron Solomon
(Vacant)

Miinwaanh Ayaajig ~ Also Present: Mike Earl-Senior Administrative Officer, Martha Pedoniquotte – Recorder

Naamaawin ~ Prayer: Led by Ogimaa Greg Nadjiwon in Anishinaabemowin

Gamaajtaamin ~ Call to Order: 1) 9:05 a.m.

Waanknigeng (Agenda) Review and acceptance 2)

Councillor Norma Tobey asked for permission away on January 20th, 2025
Ogimaa Nadjiwon will be away on January 22 & 23, 2025
Councillor Jessica Keeshig Martin – add UNDRIP Survey to agenda 10b)

MOTION NO. 960

Moved by Anthony Chegahno, Seconded by Paul Jones,
We, the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Band Council, hereby accept the Agenda
for Monday, January 13, 2025 with amendments as noted:
10b) UNDRIP Survey

5 For
Carried.

Reading of Previous Motions 3):

#958 – replace equal sign with plus sign in Uber reimbursement
NOTE: Costs should have come from Gamzook'aamin Aakoziwin partnership
956 – Joint Council was cancelled to January 23, 2025

MOTION NO. 961

Moved by Anthony Chegahno, Seconded by Paul Jones,
We, the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Band Council, hereby accept Motions No. 944 – 959 dated January 6, 2025 with amendments as noted:

#958 – replace equal sign with plus sign in Uber reimbursement.

5 For
Carried.

Meeting **Closed** 9:20 a.m. Previous Closed Motions Read.

CLOSED MOTION NO. 962
(On file with Other Closed Motions)

Band Member Requests 4):

Meeting remained **CLOSED** for Personal Band Member Request
Natasha Johnston joined virtually 9:45 a.m.
Meeting Opened 9:55 a.m. Councillor Theron Solomon present 9:50 a.m.

Angel McKenzie – Request for financial support of \$600 to participate in grading for 2nd Degree Black Belt on January 24, 2025.

Councillor Nick Saunders entered meeting 9:53 a.m.

MOTION NO. 963

Moved by Norma Tobey, Seconded by Anthony Chegahno,
We, the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation, Band Council hereby agree to donate Five hundred dollars (\$500.00) to J. Angel McKenzie for her grading in Goju Rya Karate 2nd Degree Black Belt on Friday, January 24, 2025. Funds to come from Coldwater Surplus.

3 For
2 Abstained – Nick Saunders – not in room for full discussion
1 Opposed – Paul Jones – agreeable to half the amount.
Carried.

Tracy Boortz, Kathleen Lavalley entered meeting 10:00 a.m.

Tracy Boortz requested the Band consider traditionally adopting her five Cousins that she has been raising since their mothers passing.

Adoption usually takes place between the member, not Council.
Suggest a meeting between Larissa and NCW, need Next of Kin elevated in what we are recognizing at a Provincial level.

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Make everyone aware of the process, pull all information together and how it should be followed, collected and onfile.

Larissa Johnston, Lands and Membership, entered meeting 10:12 a.m.

Ogijmaa – shocking stats on how many band members we will be losing because of legislation.
Larissa – memo from Indigenous Services in 2024 in regards to our capabilities to pass along status to future generations; 42 percent of our members can pass along status at this point. 58 percent can't.

Chief – individuals shouldn't have to come forward with rationale of why they should remain members, up to Council to develop

Arlene – we need to find this out, other people coming up with the same issues, then we need to have this process in place.

William Jones Sr. entered meeting 10:15 a.m.

Nick – is there a way to do this Larissa, that we can provide this adoption?

Larissa – its called Custom Adoption, child raised by a person who is not a parent. First Nation must have a custom adoption process, determined on a case by case basis. Process is Band member fills out required application form and sends to Indigenous Services; BCR from Table; statutory declaration from two individuals; School records, etc. Paperwork needs to be submitted to initiate with Indigenous Services.

Arlene – she needs assistance, generate paperwork and approve here.

Paul – NCW, Lands, Tracy to work on with Next of Kin Care.

NOTE: Collect requirements and have a meeting between those involved – NCW; Lands & Membership; Band Rep to assist Tracy with paperwork required for Indigenous Services to start the process for Customary Adoption in order for Council to pass a BCR.

Pertinent information needs to be sent to the community about what is happening with their offspring. Need our own Membership Code and promote our own heritage.

Mike – will speak with Communications and Larissa in getting background information out there.

Charles Jones – letter of request for Cash Bar on May 17, 2025 for Buck & Doe and July 26, 2025 for Wedding.

Question re: Community Centre construction? Will be this year, still working out costing, and tenders. Hoping this will happen mid February.

Reference also made to BCR regarding No alcoholic events prior to Pow Wow? These dates are not affected.

The wording of BCR to include "If available", anticipating construction and encourage to look for another location.

MOTION NO. 964

Moved by Paul Jones, Seconded by Nick Saunders

Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Band Council hereby agree to Charles Jones and Rachele Boyer holding a CASH BAR during their Buck & Doe on May 17, 2025 and their Wedding on July 26, 2025 within the Recreation Centre facility (*PENDING availability due to Construction*) under the responsibility of Charles Jones.

The Events and CASH BAR to be held on May 17th, 2025 and July 26th, 2025 are under the following guidelines:

- A rental fee of \$200 must be paid in advance of the activity.
- Bar to be open between the hours of 6:00 p.m and 1:00 a.m. **only**.
- Dance to take place between the hours of 7:00 pm. and 1:00 a.m. **only**.
- The community centre to be vacated no later than **1:30 a.m.** the evening of the dance.
- Security of the community centre during the function is that of the person named above. Persons providing security are listed below.
- Cape Croker Police are to be notified of the function a minimum of 5 days in advance and **must** make a minimum of 2 checks during the function and must be allowed access to the Recreation Centre and surrounding parking lot and surrounding yard.
- Cape Croker Police has authority to close down the function and the Recreation Centre at any time during the function should this agreement be violated in any manner. This action could result in a loss of the facility to the sponsor and/or those for whom the function is being held.
- Persons responsible for operation of cash bar must be submitted to Council along with this approval for use.
- Minor children (under the age of 16) in attendance at function must be in the presence and control of responsible adult for the duration of the function.
- No minor children (under the age of 19) shall be in attendance after 12:00 midnight except in the case of private family gatherings (ie: weddings). In such case all minor children in attendance must be supervised by a designated adult person over the age of 18 years.
- Signs are to be posted and clearly visible indicating age of majority is a requirement for access to bar facilities. No person under the age of 19 years will be allowed to purchase or consume alcohol on the premises. Age of Majority Card, Native Status Card or Chippewas of Nawash Band list will be the only source of ID accepted to establish proof of age.
- Sponsor to provide adequate snacks for duration of function.
- Sponsor must provide adequate non-alcoholic beverages at no charge for the duration of the function.
- A maximum of 25 cases of beer and 200 ounces of liquor will be sold.
- Following the function, the sponsor is responsible for prompt removal of all decorations, bar accessories, personal belongings, personal rentals, etc.
- Any intentional damage or vandalism to the facility or its property is the responsibility of sponsor.
- It is necessary that all persons renting the hall for a private function (ie: Wedding) purchase special activity insurance for the duration of the function. Proof of purchase must be shown prior to gaining access to the hall.
- Sponsor must provide designated drivers for the duration of the event. The listed driver's will be clearly visible to the attendees via a yellow arm band.
- This document must be visibly posted within the bar area for the duration of the function.

- all servers at the cash bar must have Smart Serve Certification.

Designated Drivers		Security	
Blake Jones		Charles Jones	Randy Jones
Robert Keeshig		Howard Martin	
Rachelle Boyer		Rick Martin	
Orland Jones		Blake Jones	

6 For
1 Abstained – Anthony Chegahno – no reason given
Carried.

Council break 10:32 a.m.

Operations Manager 5): Pam Linklater absent, Mike Earl presenting

Briefing Note – Public Works regarding Roads Department Recycling Truck 5a):

MOTION NO. 965

Moved by Paul Jones, Seconded by Anthony Chegahno,
We, the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Band Council hereby agree to purchase 2024 Quantum Md rear loading recycling truck from NexGen Municipal Inc for the amount of Two Hundred and Ninety-nine Thousand dollars (\$299,000.00) as per quote issued by Bill Vanderlinden of NexGen Municipal Inc. of Burlington, Ontario. Funds to come from Solid waste and Municipal type agreement project #CR318 from Indigenous Service Canada.

7 For
Carried.

Discussion on Recycling – new truck, do we have a program written up, all that is being recycled is cans? Plastics are recycled.

Mike – producer pays, there are changes coming where industry is responsible for financing recycling, should be seeing reduction in our costs.

Paul – glasses should be included, broken up and recycled.

Bill – can be used for capping. Once we get the roll off truck we can do more, like scrap metal

Paul – what about mattresses? Bill – mattresses go by pound, we have to dispose of them, costs are increased when they get wet.

Paul – shouldn't let them get wet, creates all types of bugs.

Mike – can a proposal be created for the different types of non-recyclable and larger items

Bill – need to tighten up, contractors coming in dumping their stuff, need someone up there to turn them away, use standing BCR regarding abusive language towards staff and have police called

Norma – or have an automatic opener at the gate

Paul – where is it supposed to go then?

Bill – off reserve they charge the owners dumpage fees, don't want to accept waste from off the reserve

Paul – disgraceful that they bring their waste up here

Bill – we should guard our landfill like a gem

Paul – take the Committee down to a landfill that runs properly, organized, people there directing where to put stuff, encourage you to take a road trip to look at a model. Look at other options.

Chief – make up a package of how it is going to be looked at, should be a compressor for the cans.

Bill – should be developing the fire number system, so when they get rid of their garbage they should fill it out, if we are shipping our garbage out, will need to use clear bags so everything is identified in there.

Paul – big issue, take time to talk about, schedule time to bring back, everyone has concerns about how the dump is operating.

Update on Wellness Centre:

Email from Cory Jones of Neegan, present Team with documents, will come to Council on January 27th for Tendering approval. Will provide an Internal memo to Mike and Pam. Council suggests that the Information go out to the Committee as well. Council needs to be made aware of progression.

Update on Culvert Project – finalized design, going over with funder, made first claims and funds are coming back to the Band. Will come to Council to be able to Tender.

Paul – applications to Coldwater should be made for any big equipment ie: roll off truck.

Bill – can shortfalls within budget be applied for as well? Paul – yes, can talk to you about that.

Paul – how long is construction period for? Bill – Six months

Chief – most important date is the closing date.

Meeting CLOSED HR Issues 5b): 11:03 a.m.

CLOSED MOTION NO. 966
(On file with Other Closed Motions)

CLOSED MOTION NO. 967
(On file with Other Closed Motions)

Paul Jones declared Conflict, left meeting.

CLOSED MOTION NO. 968
(On file with Other Closed Motions)

Meeting Opened 11:18 a.m. Closed HR Motions to move to open once positions accepted.
Councillor Paul Jones present.

Senior Administrative Officer 6):

Laidlaw Foundation donation to Community Round Dance Donation of \$10,000.00. Have asked if Band could be a flow through for funds.

NOTE: Council in agreement.

Fire Department successful Coldwater application for new cascade compressor system:

MOTION NO. 969

Moved by Nick Saunders, Seconded by Anthony Chegahno,

We, the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Band Council, hereby accept the Quote Number 018308-0 from M&L Supply Fire and Safety for the purchase and installation of a new Cascade Compressor System at the Chippewas of Nawash Fire Hall. Funds to come from monies received from the Coldwater Trust for the purchase of the system.

7 For
Carried.

Nawash Gym - Windows need to be changed at Firehall. Mike is currently working on a Scope of Work for repairs including soffit and fascia. This past Friday coordinating work on plumbing, sewer backed up and is waiting for plumber.

Meeting **CLOSED** 11:23 a.m. Reopened 11:30 a.m. Anthony Chegahno stepped out. Councillor Nick Saunders stepped out.

Tiny Homes not ready yet, need to extend stay for Band Member

MOTION NO. 970

Moved by Anthony Chegahno, Seconded by Arlene Chegahno,

We the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Band Council hereby agree to extend Storm Johnston's accommodation at the Top Notch Motel for a period of one (1) week, from January 14, 2025 to January 21, 2025. Funds to come from Coldwater and to explore program reimbursement.

6 For
Carried.

Meeting Adjourned for Lunch 11:55 a.m. Reconvened 1:00 p.m. Councillor Theron Solomon absent.

Band Member Request – Guy Nadjiwon. Norma Nadjiwon declared Conflict, left meeting.

Seeking a loan of \$8,000.00 to install furnace and tank at his home.

Chief – received a call to fill his tank; supplier refused to fill as tank needs to be replaced.

Nick – on the phone with Chief, we informed him that he needed to get two estimates.

Paul – he still has time to get what is required of him

Arlene – plus he needs to fill in Loan application, along with a co-signer.

NOTE: Tabled until Band member submits required information and fills out loan application, and identifies a co-signer.

Norma Tobey entered meeting 1:08 p.m.

Tessa Linklater – request for \$1,500.00 for Rugby Tour to London and Scotland.

MOTION NO. 971

Moved by Nick Saunders, Seconded by Anthony Chegahno,
We, the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Band Council, hereby agree to financially assist Band member Tessa Linklater in attending the her Rugby Tour to London and Scotland in the amount of One Thousand, Five Hundred dollars (\$1,500.00). Costs to be reimbursed through Jordan's Principle if successful and/or Education Diversity Fund. Funds to come from Coldwater.

6 For
Carried.

Meeting **CLOSED** 1:12 p.m. HR issue Meeting Opened 1:20 p.m.

Bills for Payment 10a):

MOTION NO. 972

Moved by Arlene Chegahno, Seconded by Nick Saunders,
We, the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Band Council, hereby approve payment of Invoice# 2451-6, dated November 30, 2024 to 3rd Line Studio Inc. in the amount of Twenty Thousand, Six Hundred and Sixty-three dollars and Seventy-two cents (\$20,663.72). Funds to come from account 6260-25 Community Centre Upgrades.

3 For
2 Abstained – Norma Tobey– wording
Anthony Chegahno – process bypassed
Carried.

MOTION NO. 973

Moved by Paul Jones, Seconded by Anthony Chegahno,
We, the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Band Council, hereby approve Invoice 6204 for the amount of Thirty One Thousand, Nine Hundred and Two Dollars and Eleven Cents (\$31,902.11) from Bridge Contracting for work completed on Light House Rd. - Farm Rd.Works. Funds to come from ISC Account WTP-(Bridge) Distribution System Acct 6274-25

6 For
Carried.

Finance Motions Tabled due to wording; and authorization

UNDRIP Survey – Phase 2 was scaled back due to funding. Survey will contain the following questions:

As we develop an implementation plan for UNDRIP, what specific areas do you think should be prioritized for action? What challenges do you think the community might face in implementing UNDRIP?

What are the top three immediate needs you believe the community should address to support self-determination? How can Nawash members better participate in decision-making processes?

How can Nawash members better participate in decision-making processes that honor Anishnaabeg governance traditions? How important is it for the Declaration to be translated and shared in Anishnaabemowin?

How would you like to receive regular updates about the Declaration and our progress in implementing it?

How would you most like to participate in Nawash UNDRIP implementation planning? Which types of educational materials would help build an understanding of the Declaration and self-governance?

What structures or systems should be in place to ensure accountability and transparency in our governance over the next decade, incorporating Anishnaabeg traditions?

How important is it for Nawash to focus on holding Canada and Ontario governments accountable for maintaining and recognizing our rights?

How important is it for Nawash to develop a written Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Constitution? This constitution will lay the foundation for self-governance, formalizing our government's authority and relationship with our members, our land, and our culture.

Is there anything else you would like to share about Nawash's Implementation of UNDRIP?

Survey will be on line but can make physical copies for those who want it. Although copies that are dropped off, will need to be transcribed.

Mike can have Rachel develop a Survey Monkey and provide direction that Survey go out in Newsletter.

Jessica – SAS will provide a digital survey to go out.

NOTE: Council in agreement for Survey to be distributed.

Council Correspondence:

TCEL – Agreement to be signed as per BCR #941, December 18, 2025

Alex Ruff – meeting scheduled for Friday, January 17, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

OKT – Bill Fitzgerald had an old map that could help in negotiations. To see if OKT has a copy. Renee should tell us what she wants us to say; walk away; Write legally why we are not submitting the map.

Norma – cannot understand why Matheson can dictate to us what we are claiming

Anthony – super disappointed with Matheson

Paul – have to let her make a judicial mistake; only when we agree to be somebody else is when they have us, if we don't agree then they don't have a position

Norma – she is saying we need to walk away from the Remit;

Paul – Lakebed is about ownership; Sidney is talking about the Boundary Line from Nochemowaning straight across. We are talking about Cape Croker Boundary line.

Meeting to be set with Rene before January 23, 2024.

Councillor Arlene Chegahno left meeting 2:10 p.m.

MOTION NO. 974

Moved by Arlene Chegahno, Seconded by Nick Saunders,

We, the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Band Council, hereby acknowledge the attendance of Councillor Jessica Keeshig Martin, Anna Desjardine and Patricia Meekins to the Assembly of First Nations (AFN) National Forum on the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People's Act (UNDA) in Vancouver, BC from February 4 – 5, 2025 (Travel dates February 3 & 6, 2025). Airfare and Accommodations not included below: Funds to come from Dept 9 and/or UNDRIP Acct # 4959-12

Councillor & UNDRIP Members Expenses:

Per Diem X 4 x \$200.00	\$ 800.00
Registration	\$ 250.00
Mileage to Toronto (return)	\$ 280.50
Meals 4 x \$80.00	\$ 320.00
Parking \$20 x 4	\$ 80.00
Incidentals 4 x \$17.00	\$ 68.00
Total expense:	\$ 1798.50

3 For

2 Abstained – Anthony Chegahno – try to take out of UNDRIP funding we have instead of our own dollars

.- Jessica Keeshig Martin – Mentioned in Motion

Carried.

MOTION NO. 975

Moved by: Paul Jones, Seconded by: Jessica Keeshig Martin ,

We, The Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Band Council hereby acknowledge Ogiimaa Greg Nadjiwon and Councillor's Anthony Chegahno, Nick Saunders, and Norma Tobey and members of the Opioid Crisis Response Teams' attendance to the Chiefs of Ontario (COO) Mental Wellness and Addictions Conference at Blue Mountain, ON., on January 28 - 30, 2025

(Travel day January 27, 2025) for the costs below (not including accommodations). Funds to come from Department 9 and individual Program budgets

Councillor's Expenses

Per Diem 4 x \$200	\$800.00
Mileage – Blue Mountain (return)	\$127.60
Meals 3 x \$80.00 + \$45	\$285.00
Expenses to Councillor	<u>\$1,212.60</u>

Ogiimaa's Expenses

Mileage – Blue Mountain (return)	\$127.60
Meals 3 x \$80.00 + \$45	\$285.00
Expenses to Ogiimaa.....	<u>\$412.60</u>

2 For

3 Abstained – Nick Saunders – Mentioned in Motion
Norma Tobey – Mentioned in Motion
Anthony Chegahno – Mentioned in Motion


Carried.

MOTION NO 976

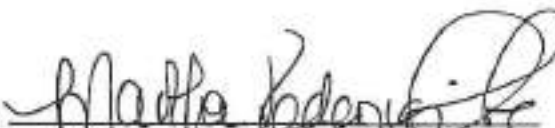
Moved by Anthony Chegahno, Seconded by Nick Saunders,
We, the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Band Council, hereby move to Adjourn,
time being 2:35 p.m.

5 For

Carried.



Chairperson – Ogiimaa / Chief Greg Nadiwon
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Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation



Martha Pedoniquotte - Executive Assistant
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Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation

(Approved by Motion No.961 & 962, dated January 20, 2025)