



OCTOBER 25-27, 2016

## **Dehcho First Nations Fall Leadership Summaries**

PASSED BY MOTION #3 – WINTER LEADERSHIP – 21FEB17



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**Fall Leadership Meeting  
October 25-27, 2016  
West Point First Nation Boardroom**

**Present:**

Chief Becky Cayen	Elder James Cayen	
Chief Gerry Antoine	Elder Rita Cli	Elder Ernest Cazon
Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge	Elder Sam Elleze	
Chief David Moses	Elder Tim Lennie	
Chief Lloyd Chicot	Elder Sarah Chicot	
Chief Peter Marcellais		
President Clifford McLeod	Elder John McLeod	
Proxy Derek Erasmus	Elder Marie Lafferty	
Proxy Stanley Sanguez		

**Absent:**

Chief Dolphus Jumbo/Elder Arthur Jumbo (due to weather)  
Nahanni Butte Elder (due to weather)

**Staff/Contractors:**

Alison de Pelham, Executive Director	Patrick Scott, Negotiations Coordinator
Violet Jumbo, Language Manager	Leona Tanche, Negotiations Administrator
Sara McLeod, Sr. Executive Administrator	Greg Nyuli, Executive Assistant
Garth Wallbridge, Chief Negotiator	Chris Reid, Legal Counsel
Mary Jane Cazon, Translator	Ronnie Antoine, Sound Tech

**Opening Prayer – Herb Norwegian**

Grand Chief thanked Chief Becky Cayen for hosting Leadership meeting in West Point. Chairpersons will be Grand Chief and Greg Nyuli. If there is an objection, people can say so, if not, we will continue. *Grand Chief read through agenda items.*

## Agenda

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

Opening Prayer

Appointment of Chairpersons

Host Chief Opening Remarks

Grand Chief's Opening Remarks

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Previous Minutes:

May 3-5, 2016 Spring Leadership

May 17, 2016 Teleconference

July 15, 2016 Teleconference

August 9, 2016 Leadership

August 10, 2016 Leadership with MSR (Ministerial Special Rep)

Resolution Follow Up

Financial Report

Operational Plan Update

SSHRC – Language Proposal Update

DFN Personnel and Administration Policy

Wednesday, October 26, 2016

Opening Prayer

Land Use Planning

Negotiations In-camera

Strategic and Tactical Planning Review

Thursday, October 27, 2016

Opening Prayer

Regional Mineral Strategy

Dehcho Resource Management Authority

Investment Management Board update

Board Appointments

Alison indicated there will be a dinner for Jonas Antoine, Parks Canada arranged it. It was for Jonas' involvement in the Consensus Team but Jonas is at his camp. It will be tomorrow evening.

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**CARRIED with 2 Abstentions: Chiefs Gerry Antoine/Joachim Bonnetrouge**

**MOTION #01 FALL 25OCT16**

**Moved that the DFN Leadership approve the agenda, as amended.**

**Moved by Proxy Stanley Sanguéz**

**Seconded by Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge**

**Motion Carried**

Proxy Stanley Sanguéz would like to add Canada's 150 year celebration and submit a proposal for the region at the end of Thursday after Board Appointments. Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge would like to see Climate Change put on agenda. Gerry would like to present a Treaty report, attended special gathering. Grand Chief indicated it could be put on Thursday morning before Board Appointments, Treaty Report.

**Host Chief Opening Remarks - Chief Becky Cayen**

Thanked the Leadership and welcomed everyone to her home community.

**Grand Chief Opening Remarks**

Chief is new so give her some support. Attended the Dene Nation Leadership Meeting in Inuvik, about half of the Chiefs were there; climate change was brought up. Presented a motion on the Guardian Program.

Dahti Tsetso has been working on that for the last year. What it does is bring young people together and done in different parts of the world. Australia brought young people together to become wardens; protecting the land. It is interesting technology out there, makes it accessible for these young people to take these tools and monitor the land. We had people from the Haida Gwaii explain what they are doing.

Greg indicated that Chief Gladys Norwegian gave proxy vote to Stanley Sanguéz for the remainder of the meeting. It is on record.

**Approval of Summaries**

Alison going through five sets of summaries. These have been emailed out and Chief Gladys Norwegian edits was included.

Spring Leadership - Ft. Providence: Update from the Chief Negotiator ended the first day. A discussion on overlap; Grand Chief dealt with. Resolution requested to accept the Negotiations Preparedness Funding Proposal. Point was taken that it should have been dealt with earlier and I've taken that advisement and we submit that proposal in February so this year we will probably convene a Leadership teleconference to deal with the proposal as recommended. Shannon Cummings reported on the Land Use Plan. Chief Chicot raised issues concerning PAS. Communities are stepping forward and taking action. Dahti Tsetso presented the Dehcho K'ehodi work to date, Committee formed to oversee work.

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Presentation on the Interim Resource Development Agreement with a break down and review of what has been happening with the Dehcho First Nations Royalty allotment since 2005. It was recommended by myself and taken up by the Leadership that we should have a more intensive review by an economist.

### Questions/Comments

Proxy Derek Erasmus indicated he did business for five years. Aboriginal business people are not getting a fair shake down with the government. When you hire an economist to review this, are they going to look at that aspect? Alison could raise that with the Impacts Economic, they are doing work for us on the economy of the Dehcho in preparation of the Economic Development Conference that Greg is organizing and when he looks at royalties, I could raise that with Clinton to see if he could gather information on that. Thank you.

May 17 Leadership Call; Scheduling, Strategic Planning Workshop Follow up, Assembly update. Grand Chief and Patrick to schedule constitutional discussions-incomplete. Follow up on the Strategic Planning Workshop Report and recommended Communications Strategy to be developed, page 9, for comment. At the end of the conference call, Greg brought up the Economic Conference, Dehcho will be hosting.

July 15 Leadership Call; Discuss Ministerial Special Representative appointment and how Dehcho wish to respond to the announcement. Concern expressed communities need to be on the same page. Elder Rita Cli indicated to keep the 21 Common Ground principles in the back of our heads.

August Leadership Summary; Before meeting with Ministerial Special Representative, (MSR), you planned out how to deal with the MSR meeting. The afternoon session laid out who would say what to the MSR. Discussion with Anne Marie Doyle as the Ministerial Special Representative, her mandate and concerns. Dehcho wanted to see her report before it was submitted, she would update Grand Chief of what will be in her report.

Alison added Anne Marie made it clear, she could go back to the Premier and Minister to suggest any change in mandate to deal with Negotiations. Stanley added it seems like she is going to listen and report on the complaints she hears and that some communities still don't understand Negotiations.

What Anne Marie is doing is similar to what Dehcho did with Peter Russell. 21 Common Ground Principles is a driving force behind our Dehcho Process.

May I ask for a mover and seconder to move these minutes on block? I have a mover, Derek Erasmus. Secunder, Ernest Cazon. Discussion to the motion of acceptance of the minutes as

amended. No discussion? Question has been called. All those in favor, please raise your hand. Any objections? Abstentions? Minutes are accepted.

**MOTION #02          FALL          25OCT16**

**Moved that the DFN Leadership approve 2016 Spring Leadership summaries; May 17, 2016 Teleconference, July 15, 2016 Teleconference, August 9, 2016 Leadership and August 10, 2016 MSR/Leadership, as amended.**

**Moved by Derek Erasmus, Proxy. Seconded by Ernest Cazon, Elder**

**CARRIED**

## **BREAK**

### **Resolution Follow up – Executive Director presented**

Spring Leadership Meeting has been reported to the Assembly. There was a Resolution passing the Negotiations Preparedness Initiative funding, forwarded to Ottawa as required.

Resolution 2; IRDA: Resource Development Agreement, \$1 million we receive in Royalties. Now in contract negotiations with Impact Economics. The contract will be struck and we will get a report from Impact Economics for the Winter Leadership Meeting.

Resolution 3; Dehcho K'ehodi Committee; Leadership established Committee. DFN is involved in a major research program called, "Social Return of Investment" looking at the economic impacts and the social return is when Dehcho invest in on the land programs and hiring harvesters. Committee members are Stanley Sanguetz, Margaret Ireland, Albert Tsetso and Darrell Betsaka. DFN received tremendous support from Tides Canada and On the Land Collaborative program are incredibly supportive of the Dehcho First Nations initiatives.

From the Annual Assembly; one resolution. Most of the business was done through a motion. The Resolution dealing with the Health & Social Services Board that is being established by the Minister. We support that and it has been forwarded to the Health & Social Services. In preparing for this meeting, they haven't answered us.

### **RECOMMENDATION TO DO RESOLUTIONS NOT MOTIONS.**

As I've said, in two major meetings, Spring Leadership and Assembly, there is only four resolutions, whereas before we had eighteen or twenty. We need to be cognizant in doing resolutions so that we can forward and act on them.

### **Questions/Comments:**

Executive Director indicated ITI asked for the list whose been awarded and affects their decision-making who they support. Dehcho needs to have a short section on re-vamping that Royalty Program to try make it more effective for aboriginal businesses in the region.

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Proxy Stanley Sanguéz questioned Health Boards. Elder Rita Cli asked for clarification on this, Greg replied took effect September 1 with six members. Ruby Simba was appointed as the Chairperson for the Advisory Council. Hilda Sabourin, Margaret Thom, Rebecca Murdoch, Hilda Tsetso and Raymond Michaud. Ruby Simba sits on Territorial Health Board. Chair Greg Nyuli indicated they have a meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> and will get information and refined further of meeting in June which set up the Health Board and the connections to the Advisory Council and the Indigenous Council. *Greg will send the list to the Leadership.*

Executive Director added that PKFN have a contract with Health & Social Services for medical transportation. They coordinate transportation, you may want to look into that. When it is arranged from Simpson, there is chaos. That contract works out well in the community and provides work in the community, to drive the patient.

Elder Ernest Cazon added glad these people are putting their names forward. As a user of the system, always have problems in Yellowknife, even in Simpson. Elder Rita Cli added if DFN is going to have people sit on Boards for us, they need to have some kind of medical background or some type of background that is very essential because it could mean life or death.

*Greg recognized former Assistant Negotiator, Richard Lafferty.*

### **Summary of Financial Report**

Executive Director indicated we are healthy, a summary would be good so the leaders know we are on track. AAROM program running very well. Aboriginal Fisheries supplements the AAROM program, community allocations for water monitoring work done during the summer. Aboriginal Inter-governmental Meetings, received a grant of \$50,000. We have not received it formally. We have been spending it. I will find out where the grant is in relation to that matter.

### **Aboriginal Languages**

Money received to operate Language and Literacy program, no administration taken. The money is used to support language students who start their placements in January and graduating in May. We started with 19 students and have 12 left.

ASETS training money is supporting majority of the students. There is one student who is a teacher at the school in Providence, not aboriginal but the school supports her in this program. We pay her costs through this as she is not entitled to the training fund being non-aboriginal. I would like to point out a number of First Nations have not applied for their funding.

The Language Coordinator sent out a notice to apply by the end of October or we are going to re-distribute their money. Nahanni Butte, Hay River Reserve and Ft. Liard hasn't applied. In addition, there is \$6000 from Literacy not committed and we are calling for proposals.

We fund four daycares and Head Start Programs with language money. DFN are under a three year Agreement and we knew how much money we were getting for three years.

ASETS: Final year of two year extension. Ottawa has indicated they have not given us the guidelines. This program has been very effective. Forty-one post-secondary students that are being topped up by this money, topping up Adult Education and Short-Term courses.

There are more people in the region that could be applying for this money and not. It is a secondary source of money. *The Student needs to have a main source of income such as SFA (Student Financial Assistance) then we could top them up depending on their expenses.*

DFN received extra allocation from HRSDC for communities, \$60,000 for training. Those communities are PKFN, Sambaa K'e, Nahanni Butte and another small community. They are designated as Communities at Risk because of employment issues and capacity development. ASETS is working with the communities & ECE to work out extra training programs those communities can use.

Dehcho Economic Corporation: Have let it lapse due to no direction. We had to update the registry because in order to access GNWT funding for the Conference and run it through the Corporation. DFN is updating the registry to access money for the Ec. Dev Conference.

Under IRDA, \$1 million allocated this year and from past years \$1, 846,000 still on the books. Some people take 80% and don't report. I discovered an old Resolution money was to come from Royalties each year to support Scholarships. This past year, we engaged in a Trades Program for people throughout the Dehcho and it was very successful, one or two Providence students are now enrolled in Nanaimo. Used some of the Royalty money to pay for that.

\$50,000 Intergovernmental money to support negotiations. It is a buffer.

Regional Mineral Strategy: Held meeting in summer, worked with ENR, CANNOR and DFN put an equity portion. Asked to present that to the Geo-science forum, Heidi Wiebe who facilitated the workshop will be presenting the Dehcho workshop on our behalf.

Species at Risk; GNWT call the meetings, we send people. Tracking Change is looking at climate change. We are doing a lot of work with Universities in the south. That was coordinated with the river trips this summer. Wildlife Act Review, Dean Holman and Edward Cholo attending that meeting this week.



### **Questions/Comments:**

Stanley Sanguet asked Executive Director if this money is to help students. Alison replied that she didn't think that students applied for this money and to talk to the Committee. The students can talk to Maxine or Gloria Buboire, who handles the Post-Secondary because if they are getting SFA and can't meet their cost, ASETS will give them extra money. Stanley added are not applying for the Scholarship because it's a lot of paper work. It is supposed to be simple.

Executive Director replied the need to talk to the Scholarship Committee, have letters of support and do an essay, quite a detailed application. The Leadership approved the Guidelines and now you need to call them back if you think it is too tough. Is there agreement to put the Scholarship Committee on the Winter Leadership Agenda?

Executive Director indicated there is a Regional Training Committee in the Dehcho: ECE, DFN ASETS and Aurora College and they meet monthly. If a community wants specific training, it needs to get on the Teleconference for that meeting and enter that Training Program into their planning. The Federal Government will only allow you to use Aboriginal training money if you combine with another pot. DFN have to go to the College and ECE to find money to run these courses. It all has to be a collaboration of funding. This is the rule from the Federal Government.

Frank Hope's wife, southern aboriginal, now resident in Ft. Providence; we are able to support her in the Language Program. We have another member, who lives in BC and not eligible for funding, he has to go to the BC group to get funding. Elder Tim Lennie added funding is based on per capita formula funding. When they do a census, it is to identify the formula of how much people living in the community, it is not based on a membership list. Executive Director added it was a problem based on where you live compared to membership because it puts us in conflict. If we had our core funding in our communities, we wouldn't have this going on.

Elder Rita Cli indicated it's a good program but federally controlled, residential school days. Alison replied everything is entered into a database, top-up is not being maximized. Leadership could put \$1.8 million aside for students. They are results-based because of Guidelines and we have accepted the contract.

Executive Director added she would like to see the new Liberal Mandate on Education because what we are dealing with the Conservative. We can't support a list of things for students because of the Guidelines but we have accepted their contract. You NEED to look at the new one.

President Clifford McLeod added coming home at Christmas without any money is hard. Make a motion that students are given \$500 for the ones that have families. Executive Director indicated that President McLeod wanted this done for this Christmas.

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A new agreement on ASET dollars, defer discussion and the left overs of what to do with it, at the next Leadership meeting? Alison replied President McLeod asked for us to deal with it at this Meeting, address needs of student families before this Christmas. Tim indicated the need to re-establish a new set of Guidelines from the Federal Government. Executive Director will send the current Agreement to PKFN office as requested. The new one, Leadership need to review that.

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**Moved that the DFN Leadership approve the financials, as presented.**

**Moved by Elder Ernest Cazon**

**Seconded by Chief Lloyd Chicot**

**CARRIED**

*Clarification for LKFN: Elder Rita Cli and Ernest Cazon are delegates.*

Lunch break

**Fall Leadership Meeting**

**October 25 - Afternoon Session**

**West Point First Nation**

**Operational Plan 2016-2017 (Tab 5: Updated October 21, 2016)**

DFN doesn't present this Operational Plan on a regular basis. This was put together by Chief Norwegian and Executive Director, update work DFN is doing so leaders know how DFN is implementing the decisions of the Assembly. The updates are in red ink so you will see what has been added.

The first matter; update Admin Policy; work completed in spring as the Executive Committee and dealt with by Leadership. On the next page, update the Financial Policy. This will be reviewed and Committee will bring it forward when they think the Financial Policy is ready for acceptance. In addition, recommending changes to the Executive Committee Protocol. This work was scheduled to be completed by the Winter Leadership Meeting in January. It will be on the Executive Agenda and reviewed prior to the Leadership Meeting.

George Low responded on the Water Monitoring to the GNWT, that data could be included in their Database. DFN could ask George to attend the Winter Leadership Meeting to report on the state of the water in the Dehcho and results of their work over the summer months.

DFN was to establish an Education Steering Committee, that hasn't moved forward at all. There is discussion with the Divisional Board of Education and need to continue working on a Terms of

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Reference for that Committee. We need an overall Education Committee to deal with the initiatives we are working on.

Scheduling for community constitution work was to be developed by the Negotiations Coordinator and the Grand Chief. Community travel still needs to be arranged to have community discussion on that and it will be in place upon a Final Agreement. There is a draft Communications Strategy for input and direction.

Met with U of Victoria and they are not prepared to start a second Language Revitalization Program. We will have twelve certified Dehcho members in Language Revitalization. Difficult experience, part of the Diploma is on Aboriginal Education and the history in Canada. Unfortunately that sparked a lot of residential issues among students. The U of Victoria has indicated their willingness to do another course in the north, 2017/18 fiscal year.

DFN provides onsite financial support, guiding finance officers at the community level, assisted PKFN in recovery work and with human resource support. We are assisting DGG with administrative needs with Greg Nyuli. Assisted Samba K'e with human resource support. We are available to every community for Advisory Support, we ask the community to cover our travel expenses.

DFN provides support to communities, councils and Leadership in the resource management area and responses to permit applications or resource development issues. We've been assisting both First Nation and Metis on the Cherdon gravel pit issue. Canadian Zinc issues, Tungsten permits and others.

Ongoing work on the policies and the development of the policies of the Investment Management Board (IMB). There is an IMB report in the package for Thursday.

DFN try to streamline operational costs. Running forty-six programs and by year end, all programs will be zeroed. We assist with IRDA Resource Royalty Fund. This year, the Executive Director offered administrative support to that Committee, receiving all applications, pulling Committee Meetings together and doing follow up on service contracts as required by the Committee.

Recommendations from Strategic & Tactical Workshop are listed and track the actions related to that Plan. It is updated and recommendations from Leadership and who is responsible and the outcome to date.

Going through the Truth & Reconciliation Recommendations and trying to consider how we could take those Recommendations and implement them into our day to day operations at the Dehcho First Nations. That work is not complete.

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Third item on Strategic & Tactical Workshop was meeting with Ministers. There has been a meeting with Minister Bennett. The Grand Chief did travel to the Horn Plateau with the Minister of Environment and lobbying on our behalf on Edehzhie. Chief Negotiator has been circulating reports, you have to see his report for updates on Negotiation discussions.

Grand Chief and Executive Director met with administrator of INAC to look at issues throughout the region, he was very forthcoming to assist PKFN.

Recommendations from the Strategic Session are in the binders. There will be a launch of the Dehcho website at 11 am tomorrow. Patrick and Leona have been working on that as their special task.

Dehcho K'ehodi: Dahti is very focused on that, Committee directing on the land work that the Dehcho First Nations is involved in. There is some serious issues in regards to unity among the communities in the Dehcho.

We are putting the AiP in the language and not very many people are reading it. Our office can assist with translation needs if you have documents you need translated into the language.

Federal Government released money on Sports Fishing to assist us in remedial issues in the region. Fish samples are sent from Trout Lake, if there are any concerns then they coordinate with the lab in Yellowknife.

Chief Antoine asked to circulate the motion from Dene Nation, supporting guardian's network and recognizing the work that Dehcho and Lutselk'e are doing.

Language Revitalization Program: In the second year of the Course, funding all students and running into problems with Student Financial Assistance.

U of Victoria is applying for a grant, Social Science and Research Council are applying for \$25 million for a five year research project on Language Revitalization in adults in Canada. They have invited Violet Jumbo as a Collaborator but invited DFN as a partner to that grant application. Executive Director has said yes. They recognize the work we are trying to do in the Dehcho, a research tool. We attended Blue Quills University, was a residential school and purchased by the First Nations and run their own University. A large part of that programming is Language work, meeting the people that are totally committed to their people was quite inspiring. There are about ten First Nations researching in that program.

Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge asked if they could get credits for taking Language Courses. The Executive Director will follow up with Andy Norwegian. The University of Victoria is amazed we still have first language speakers here in our region. Our colonization is much more recent than south.

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As we are using the language money actively, what Violet and Executive Director could do is outreach to the communities what they're doing with their money and how effective they're using the money. It seems some people let it sit and spend the last month of the year and nothing becomes of it and we need more results. The Language Commissioner and Language Board have become much more active this past year and looking for more results.

If we are giving money to a daycare, we want to ensure they are using the Language Program at the daycare. We applied to ALI, the Aboriginal Language Funding for an on the land immersion camp for adults and were denied.

We sponsored students to the Victoria Island University for the Trade Access Program, very successful. We encouraged quite a few Dehcho youth to go on to college and further training.

Economic Conference; we are waiting for CANNOR funding. We are in the process of reviewing Royalties. That is the end of the Operational Plan.

Executive Director continued. In tab six is a MoU with the University of Victoria, to consider and sign as a research partner. I've provided an in-kind contributions to them that would be my salary, Violet's salary, possibly this group would come north and we would provide our Boardroom at no cost. I feel honored they asked Dehcho First Nations to participate. It puts us on the national map in terms of Language and Language Revitalization. Very impressed with the University and how they conduct themselves and what they do to honor the language. Chief Norwegian will be teaching some of our Revitalization Classes. She would become intimately involved in this research project because of her background as Educator and Speaker, she is very interested in what we are doing in this area. This is a critical point in language and puts Dehcho First Nations on the map as being forward thinking in how they want to approach their own issues of culture and language revitalization.

Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge added he heard Andy Norwegian is retired and if he could become more involved in this. Executive Director replied he has become one of our main teachers in the Language Revitalization Course. The University of Victoria stand in awe of Andy, his ability with the language and his teaching ability. Violet acts as his Teaching Assistant when he is doing the courses for the Language Revitalization.

Elder Rita Cli recommends Leadership to sign on, merge with a rolling draft. Like Executive Director said, it puts us on the national map. Andy was one of the people that helped with the dictionary for the Dehcho. Elder Marie Lafferty added that it is an excellent opportunity for us.

**MOTION #4            FALL            25OCT16**

**Moved that the DFN Leadership discussed and reviewed the University of Victoria's Memorandum of Understanding and directs the Executive Director to sign.**

**Moved by Elder Rita Cli. Seconded by Proxy Stanley Sanguéz**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Administrative Policy: Executive has gone through it. Stanley added it is the Executive recommending these changes, all we have to do is say, yes. Chief Rita Cli indicated the leg work is done by the Executive. They need that guideline to do things in the office. Recommend to the Leadership to go ahead and do this. Executive Director indicated Legal Counsel looked at it.

**MOTION#5            FALL    25OCT16**

**Moved that the DFN Leadership approve the Personnel and Administration Policy Handbook, as recommended to the DFN Leadership by the DFN Executive Committee.**

**Moved by Elder Rita Cli. Seconded by Proxy Derek Erasmus**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Closing Prayer – Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge**

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Chief Lloyd Chicot	Elder Sarah Chicot	
Chief Peter Marcellais		
President Clifford McLeod	Elder John McLeod	
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**Opening Prayer – Elder Marie Lafferty**

**Negotiations**

Grand Chief indicated leaders will hear from Chief Negotiator, Garth Wallbridge on some problems. Following that, he will be excused and we will ask our Legal Counsel to do a similar thing with an inside picture of what is going on. Following that, leaders will re-group and have an in camera discussion and make a decision on next steps.

Garth Wallbridge: There is a crisis on the negotiations this morning, the Grand Chief left the table and won't sit with me. There is a crisis that has been created by the Grand Chief. I have a contract that says very clearly, the make-up of the Negotiations Team is my responsibility. I deal with the Executive Director on that issue.

The Grand Chief told me I might have to fire Chris Reid, the very first meeting I had in Fort Simpson because of what the Grand Chief told me, I met with Larry Innes and he was prepared to step up and become the Legal Counsel for Negotiations and Leadership. Having said that, a

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contract dispute is what is between Garth Wallbridge and DFN and the other is between Garth, your Chief Negotiator and Chris Reid. It is completely improper to discuss this in public. I am going to ask for a couple of courses of action, one would be that the Leadership stay in the room and the rest be in camera. That doesn't solve the problem completely but might get us moving forward with the Dehcho Process. There is really one choice, you talk about it or not. My recommendation is if we talk about it, only with the leaders in the room.

Co-Chair Nyuli calling for a motion to go in camera.

Executive Director indicated she wasn't aware of the contract with Garth and DFN, prefers to stay in the room to understand what all the players are saying.

<b>MOTION#6</b>	<b>FALL</b>	<b>26OCT16</b>
<b>Moved that the DFN Leadership agree to go in-camera @ 9:30 am.</b>		
<b>Moved by Elder Ernest Cazon. Seconded by Proxy Derek Erasmus</b>		
<b>MOTION CARRIED</b>		

<b>MOTION#7</b>	<b>FALL</b>	<b>26OCT16</b>
<b>Moved that the DFN Leadership agree to come out of camera @ 4:50 pm.</b>		
<b>Moved by Proxy Stanley Sanguéz. Seconded by President Clifford McLeod</b>		
<b>MOTION CARRIED</b>		

*Alison de Pelham read out resolution into the record RE: Chief Negotiator*

Whereas the DFN leadership has considered the performance to date of the Chief Negotiator, Garth Wallbridge.

Therefore be it resolved that the DFN Leadership will exercise Clause 10 b, section 5 of his Contract, "By the Dehcho First Nations at its own discretion and for any reason whatsoever" hereby terminate the services of Garth Wallbridge as Chief Negotiator for the Dehcho First Nations, effective immediately." Moved by Elder Tim Lennie. Seconded by Chief Peter Marcellais. Carried unanimously

Greg indicated this will be taken to a vote, all in favor of the resolution, please raise your hand. Any opposed? No Opposition. No Abstentions. Carried unanimously.

*Alison asked who is going to inform the Chief Negotiator. Grand Chief indicated he will inform Garth.*

**Closing Prayer – Proxy Stanley Sanguéz**

**MOTION #3 WINTER 21FEB17**

Leadership moved to approve summaries of: January 10-11, 2017; November 29-December 1, 2016; November 22, 2016 and October 25-27, 2016. Moved by Karen Felker. Seconded by Marie Lafferty. CARRIED with 2 Abstentions: Chiefs Gerry Antoine/Joachim Bonnetrouge

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**Fall Leadership Meeting  
Day three – Morning Session  
West Point First Nation Boardroom**

Chief Becky Cayen	Elder James Cayen	
Chief Gerry Antoine	Elder Rita Cli	Elder Ernest Cazon
Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge	Elder Sam Elleze	
Chief David Moses	Elder Tim Lennie	
Chief Lloyd Chicot	Elder Sarah Chicot	
Chief Peter Marcellais		
President Clifford McLeod	Elder John McLeod	
Proxy Derek Erasmus	Elder Marie Lafferty	
Proxy Stanley Sanguéz		

**Absent:**

Chief Dolphus Jumbo/Elder Arthur Jumbo (due to weather)  
Nahanni Butte Elder (due to weather)

**Staff/Contractors:**

Alison de Pelham, Executive Director	Patrick Scott, Negotiations Coordinator
Violet Jumbo, Language Manager	Leona Tanche, Negotiations Administrator
Sara McLeod, Sr. Executive Administrator	Greg Nyuli, Executive Assistant
Garth Wallbridge, Chief Negotiator	Chris Reid, Legal Counsel
Mary Jane Cazon, Translator	Ronnie Antoine, Sound Tech

**Opening Prayer – Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge**

Grand Chief thanked the staff for supper yesterday. A decision on the Chief Negotiator position was made. There is still had a second part of that resolution and if leaders want to put in the next steps to that resolution yesterday.

Susan Fleck will be coming in at 10 am. We could deal with the follow up motion to one. Chief Gerry Antoine can provide update on Treaty 1-11 Conference then Land Use Planning.

Today's agenda: Resource Mineral Strategy, Dehcho Resource Management Authority, Investment Management Board Appointments, Economic Forum update; 150 Celebration, Info on Climate change, Greg to send information to Chief Bonnetrouge.

**Treaty 1-11 Conference Update: Chief Gerry Antoine**

Document being copied and will be handed out. This Conference been happening since 2005, there was a Declaration made. It reflects the Dehcho Declaration of 1993 and the Dene Declaration done in 1975. Declaration of Unity was done up.

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## **Questions/Comments**

**Proxy Stanley Sanguéz:** Elders wanted us to stand on our Treaties. The working group need to be involved somehow. We are dealing with the modern day Treaty.

Elder Tim Lennie indicated there are two versions of the Treaty and that has been the stumbling block at these tables. We are the last of the original people. There was Negotiations that happened in the Sahtu and Gwich'in area. Even in Deline have self-government, they are using current government's policies and legislation to govern themselves. When the Government say Treaty 11, are we talking about the contents of that Treaty? Today, written document, Government of Canada hasn't even implemented that. Are we talking about a Treaty of one square mile for family of five?

The Government had a mandate to review claims and whatever Claim or Agreement that is not moving forward will be put aside. Liberal party doesn't have a Mandate to Negotiate, still using the Conservative's mandate to assimilate our people. What we have tried over the number of years without any resources to engage our people, I came to this table saying that was my responsibility to do as a Chief to inform my people of what the Negotiations are and where they are at. Hopefully we will be able to re-group and put resources in our community so members could be part of the discussion and decisions. In larger communities, you have three governments and three pots of money. You have all the resources and capacity within communities. Today, we are using the government system, even to get work. We used to respect each other's traditional territory; that today is being lost.

Chris Reid replied it is complicated, they have a Mandate. Their Mandate hasn't changed before the Conservative Government. The last time there was any significant change from them was in 2006 when Liberals were still in power and that is when they came to DFN and said they are finished with the exploratory phase and we don't get this idea of shared stewardship so we need to negotiate under the Comprehensive Claims Policy. That was under the Liberal government and they tabled their offer of 46,000 sq. km.

Conservatives are new government in the office and they are very secretive about their Mandate. We need to identify areas where we need Canada to change its' mandate. Get Anne Marie to report to her bosses to get new instructions to follow the Framework Agreement. We need an answer from Canada, Framework Agreement that says it's your job to negotiate these things. We need your mandate to do that then we could get more specific on numbers.

Elder Rita Cli replied Elders have said Treaty means land and resources. We are the ones calling the shots, not them dictating to us. We are in a unique situation so I think we should re-visit the documents to make them stronger.

Grand Chief Herb Norwegian added to give you some reassurance, review Agreements we have in place, Framework Agreement captures the 21 Common Ground Principles. If leaders look at the Agreements, it makes it clear that the Treaties have to be followed and our negotiators of the past weren't able to tell us that. We are still in a strong position.

President Clifford McLeod asked on the Treaty 1-11 Gathering, what is the mandate of this organization? Grand Chief Herb Norwegian replied anytime people put forward Treaty rights issues, that's as far as it goes. People are seeing frustration in their organization trying to pursue the Treaty Rights issues. That is why Chief Antoine and his elder attended this. Any information that is out there, is beneficial especially when you are in negotiations. You want to make sure that all the bits and pieces out there are being taken advantage of. This group that is being created is being specific on Treaty.

Chief David Moses, (Translation): PKFN members are wondering if the process is following the Treaty, Herb reassured Pehdzeh Ki. People are talking about money, there is no money at the community level. It would be good if they could help the communities. If they help with the money then people in the communities could pass the information on to the negotiators. A lot of our Elders spoke saying not to get rid of the Treaty.

The last two days, you said you have lots of money, communities have no resources, why don't you help them then the process would be stronger. You talk about unity, there are some people in the community that have different thoughts and ideas. It would be good if you include their version and hand it over to the negotiators and they could work on those things.

Chief Lloyd Chicot thanked Gerry for his presentation. Have similar concerns to President Clifford McLeod. The Framework Agreement says we are going to sign a new Agreement, thinking about all the issues. When we talk about Treaty, it is not clear to all members.

Yesterday was a good discussion on how we do things and who is going to be involved so that we don't do this process again in about seven or eight months. When we talk about Treaty, it is not clear to our members we are negotiating a newer Agreement. We need to reassure ourselves, this is what we are doing on the Treaty and on the Negotiations. If we talk on Treaty, are we building on it? Are we going to negotiate something more new? Modern?

When the Treaty was done, it was vague. When I first started at home, lands were set aside to build houses. They built seven or nine units, there are nineteen (19) lots in Kakisa and an Indian Agent house. Because some of the members were living here, they build four logging units over here then they had about nine at home. That was the original intent when they signed the Treaty 11. At some point, we are supposed to have an election in our community, be our own government in our community. That concept doesn't work. We tried it.

When I started, first thing I done was I wrote a letter to Yellowknife, the next thing, our funding was cut off. When we talk about the Treaty, will it work? We need to open up another table to negotiate something that will work for us. I have some friends down south, who are chiefs, I talk to them and they are in a lot of turmoil. They can't go outside that little box that was set for them; they can't go hunting. Up here, we are free to do what we want. We have this area we want to plan for the Land Use Planning.

Clifford brought up relationship with Dene Nation, it's not like it was before. For our process, how we will do our own governing process will be totally different than our counterparts and regions around us. As we go along, we will have to figure out our relationship with them.

President Clifford McLeod added Liberal mandate will be more flexible with their current mandate. They are working with the old mandate with more flexibility.

Elder Rita Cli shared what late sister said about Treaties. Dehcho is very unique, we are holding three Treaties, Ft. Providence, Ft. Simpson and Wrigley. That is ammunition that you hold on to, you cannot go wrong. Treaty means lands and resources. We call the shots, not them.

**BREAK**

#### **Land Use Planning Update – Susan Fleck**

At the Assembly in June, Land Use Planning Committee provided a draft Interim Plan for the table to review. Each of the parties; DFN, Canada and GNWT are looking at the Plan to see what they like about it or what issues they have. Land Use Planning Committee had a workshop with Dehcho First Nations in July in Ft. Providence and what was talked about is how the Dehcho First Nations are going to put together comments on the Plan.

There was three pieces of paper handed out this morning. Canada had a presentation on the process to use Land Use Plans and GNWT rep, Eric Binnion talked about the process the GNWT will use to evaluate a Land Use Plan and put together comments.

Suggestion was to look at how GNWT and Canada are doing things and bring something back for the Dehcho First Nations to look at. The first thing to go over is this flow chart, it talks about the steps in regards to the Land Use Plan. Steps one, two, three and four are saying the Dehcho First Nations members on the Land Use Planning Committee provide input to the Land Use Planning Committee to work out a draft Plan and the second step is the Committee handed out the draft Land Use Plan for the parties to look at.

Now we are at step three, Dehcho First Nations is doing a review of the Plan. Step four says the Dehcho First Nations coordinates individual members of the Dehcho First Nations.

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**CARRIED with 2 Abstentions: Chiefs Gerry Antoine/Joachim Bonnetrouge**

To get input, Dehcho First Nations will have their Legal Counsel look at the Land Use Plan and each member of Dehcho First Nations should provide comments. That is the 5 (b) and (c). There needs to be a public presentation to each First Nation and Metis Local that is part of the Dehcho First Nations and each organization would provide comments back to the Dehcho First Nations then you would go into the blue boxes.

Dehcho First Nations will have their comments, brought to the main table then the main table would provide comments back to the Land Use Planning Committee and they could make the final changes to the Land Use Plan then they would hand off a Land Use Plan to Dehcho First Nations, GNWT and Canada. That just shows you the steps we are going through.

There is a one pager which outlines topic areas to ask questions about. In the Dehcho First Nations Interim Measures Agreement, there are a number of sections on how a Land Use Plan is to be put together. You want to look at the Land Use Plan and make sure it follows the process in the Interim Measures Agreement and it meets the mandate in the Interim Measures Agreement. That way you can say yes or no if the Plan is doing what it is supposed to do in the Interim Measures Agreement.

Is the Plan easy to understand? Is the information wrong? Is the Plan flexible? Plans are supposed to be flexible, they are not to be in legislation where it is hard to change things. Does the Plan work with the current Regulatory System? Is a Plan easy to implement? The Plan sets out rules for different organizations. Are they clear and easy to follow? What is really important for each community, is the zoning and activities that can or cannot occur around your community, do they meet your expectations?

Communities talked about important areas to protect. Does the Plan do that around your area? Communities have ideas for economic activities, does the Plan help those activities to happen where you want it to happen? Elders have strong ideas and strong direction on what a Land Use Plan should do. They have said a Land Use Plan should help keep the land clean, wildlife healthy, support Dehcho culture and values. There are things in the Plan that look at that too. There are a couple of other papers on ideas how to evaluate a Plan. I am reporting back to you on the things you asked for from the July Workshop. It would be up to each of you if you want to use these ideas or not.

Chair Joachim Bonnetrouge added there has been discussion between our office and Dehcho First Nations on setting out a community tour. The other thought is for groups in the community will need to be done through a power point. People keep saying they want to see something. Susan replied there is a draft budget to go to the communities to do a public meeting in each community and the Land Use Planning Committee put money aside so there is money to do that. It won't cost the Dehcho First Nations.

Katloodeeche First Nations wanted a public meeting, Allan Bouvier and I went over there in September and did a combination power point and maps on the wall for the public meeting and it seemed to work. We have a power point ready to go and I could send that out to the resource managers so they could look at it and review with their council to see if that will work.

### Questions/Comments

Elder Stanley Sanguéz: I don't agree with Dehcho First Nations making accommodations for the GNWT on the Dehcho Land Use Plan. My heart is with the Dehcho Resource Management Authority. The Dehcho Resource Management Authority was supposed to be the governing body to look at lands and resources and somehow we are watering our own Land Use Planning.

How can we inform Anne Marie Doyle, (MSR) we have a problem with accommodation? We approved this Plan then we lost it and made it into an Interim Land Use Plan to accommodate the conformity requirements on a number of things. This Land Use Plan wasn't to be terminated. It was supposed to be something that stays put and doesn't change anything.

The younger generation may want to open up for mining and gas, those changes could be done within the five year plan. I have to disagree with what is going on at the regional level. At the end of the day, if the federal government doesn't approve it, they have a termination clause. I want to fight for this DCRMA. Whatever decisions you make as chiefs, I am going to be behind you.

Elder Rita Cli agrees with Stanley Sanguéz. We took a position where the highest power sitting, we accepted that Land Use Plan and the Elders said it was to stay intact. It was passed unanimously then got watered down to accommodate GNWT. This is what we have to tell Anne Marie Doyle. I was so upset. To me, we've got a strong position and we need to go back to that Resolution and maintain the initial supported Land Use Plan that was given to us back then.

Elder Tim Lennie indicated in 2006, Dehcho Land Use Plan was completed and in force by the Assembly. There was a number of conditions the Land Use Plan had to conform to the present Policy and Legislation. If you know of the concerns that the government's had on the Plan, get that to the communities. We do have a Land Use Plan and the GNWT is working on their own Land Use Plan. They have plans for the highways and every kind of development and here we are sitting not asserting our rights. The Framework Agreement states Dehcho is based on current Policies and Legislation of the Governments. We have the Dehcho Declaration and we are to abide by that and the Land Use Plan was the first one.

Elder Rita Cli added we have a lot of information on how we arrived at the Land Use Plan. We started at the Horn Plateau and there was various community members with us at that time. There is a lot of information for what Chief Bonnetrouge was saying.

Is there anything on the Dehcho web page about the Land Use Plan? This supports what the Dehcho is doing.

Co-chair Greg Nyuli: It is on our website and they have their own website. With the development of our newer website, we have links and much more user friendly. Alison added they are still loading our website but you can still get to it, [www.dehcho.org/new](http://www.dehcho.org/new). Documents are still being loaded to it. If you don't put the backslash, you go to the old website.

Executive Director pointed out a Regional Mineral Strategy Workshop and a day of the Dehcho Resource Management Authority Workshop, you have both Final Reports. You could defer these two items to the Winter Leadership Meeting and ask the Executive to consider implementing the Dehcho Resource Management Authority, what our next steps are, who is going to prepare Guidelines and Policies. I could attend the December meeting with the Dehcho K'ehodi Committee and further discuss because those initiatives are going to end up merging.

Executive Director will be contacting Impact Economics now there is clarity on two of the deliverables. I received that from the Executive Committee and hope we will have that report for Winter Leadership. IMB has information in your package, Misty could give us an idea of what that is. Misty sits on the IMB Board. Great Slave Advisory Committee needs appointments for DFN representative.

Executive Director has been involved in the On the Land Collaboration Fund, I am listed as the Community Advisor if any of our regional communities are applying. The proposal has to come from the Community Advisor first then forwarded to the Committee. Executive Director is overloaded, Misty Ireland, on my request has been the representative of that group. Executive Committee agreed she would take on that Advisory role for our region, for me. They are to contact Misty in terms of proposal development and she will look at the proposal and forward it to the Territorial Committee.

There will be a resolution coming and the only other matter reviewing the Chief Negotiator's report is that Ducks Unlimited has not transferred the SAPP farm to the federal government, they are waiting for Dehcho to request that Dehcho purchase that for one dollar so that it stays in our land group, not being alienated to the federal government. Executive Director suggested a motion or resolution on that matter. It could wait but its business that could be conducted very quickly.

### **IMB Update**

#### **Misty Ireland, Vic-Chair**

We attended a National Aboriginal Trust Officer Associations 2016 Annual Conference in Toronto and learned that best practices would include periodic reviews of the Investment Managers so this is done to confirm we are getting value added services from our managers.

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**CARRIED with 2 Abstentions: Chiefs Gerry Antoine/Joachim Bonnetrouge**

They are meeting or exceeding the criteria that they agreed upon in their Service Contract with us. The review is sort of like a report card and helps identify strengths and weaknesses.

The IMB reviews this as part of due diligence ensuring that our Trust continues to achieve optimum performance. In your binders are a copy of the service agreement with our investment managers and it expires on March 27, 2017. We believe that a performance review is a good idea. We have been in contact with NATOA for guidance and we put together a resource list.

What we need from Leadership is a resolution authorizing the Board to prepare Terms of Reference and recruit an organization to conduct a review on our current investment managers, CIBC Wood Gundy then we will provide a detailed report of our results at a future Leadership meeting.

**Resolution #3 RE: Performance Review CIBC Wood Gundy**

Whereas the 2016 Fall DFN Leadership has received recommendations from the Investment Management Board (IMB) that a Performance Review of the services provided through the Service Contract and Investment Policy Statement by current contractor CIBC Wood Gundy be completed prior to the end of their contract with Dehcho First Nations in March, 2017.

Therefore be it resolved that the Leadership accepts the recommendation of the Investment Management Board to have a Performance review on CIBC Wood Gundy completed prior to March 2017. IMB intends to keep Leadership informed throughout the review process.

Moved by Elder Marie Lafferty. Seconded by Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge

Question has been called. All in favour of the motion. Any abstentions? None. Motion passed.

**Lunch Break**

**Afternoon Session**

**West Point, NT**

Stanley Sanguéz added need to convey this to Anne Marie Doyle. If we are deferring the DCRMA until the Winter Leadership. We are not having a DCRMA problem, it is the feds and GNWT that have a problem with it. Chris Reid replied he is right. It is a huge subject that has not been negotiated at the table. Dehcho first Nations has the Framework Agreement which says that should be bilateral Treaty based negotiation but in 2005, Dehcho First Nations signed an agreement to end litigation. The Out of Court Settlement Agreement also contains a clause called the Dehcho Process. It specifically says Canada will negotiate a stand-alone DCRMA with the Dehcho. It doesn't say they will agree to that, it says they will engage in negotiations in powers and functions of a stand-alone DCRMA which would be harmonized with the MVRMA but not part of it. We are going to insist that we finally have that negotiations with Canada on the DCRMA and getting out from the MVRMA.



Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge added it would help matters if leaders entertain a small motion to get that work going and what the Terms of Reference would look like. Co-chair Greg Nyuli added there are numerous motions in regards to the legal ties that bound the government to talk to us about that. They did the Resource Management Authority workshop. Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge replied we don't need permission to do certain things especially a critical thing like land management. Chris Reid replied what Greg said is right.

The mandate is clear Dehcho First Nations need to push for a stand-alone DCRMA.

Greg added in regards to the resolution on Wood Gundy passed by Elder Marie Lafferty and seconded by Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge. The only change to this motion, the numbering, number three to two.

Grand Chief Herb Norwegian added we made a crucial discussion yesterday in negotiations. Today is a new day, we read resolution into the record and wanted to deal with one aspect of the resolution which was the termination clause, we did that and passed that. The other part of that is to start looking at moving forward on how we are going to do that. We were looking at replacing the Chief Negotiator with the Legal Counsel on the interim.

Elder Rita Cli added she would like a bit of change to the resolution so that everyone is on the same page, number three, be it resolved...it says, DFN Legal Counsel will temporary resume the role of Chief Negotiator until a replacement is appointed. That is right to the point and covers the whole Leadership. Nothing stopped. Number four should read, "The Negotiations Team should retain legal counsel as soon as possible to assist the interim Chief Negotiator.

Elder Rita Cli read resolution into the record regarding Negotiations Team:

Whereas the Dehcho Process is in a critical phase in which the lands and resources parts of our Agreement-in-Principle will be negotiated; and

Whereas our Framework Agreement provides that negotiations on lands and resources will be addressed; and

Whereas there have been many delays in the Dehcho Process over the past two years in the work of the main table; and

Whereas DFN leaders have called many times of the prompt resumption of AiP negotiations, especially as they relate to lands and resources;

Be it resolved that:

1. Main table negotiations will continue as scheduled with presence of three Dehcho community representatives at each session.
2. The interim Chief Negotiator will be the Dehcho Grand Chief.
3. A Special Leadership meeting is to be called prior to December 31, 2016 to address all negotiation matters and to be coordinated by the Negotiations Coordinator.

4. The November Negotiation Session will take place in the Dehcho region and not Ottawa. Moved by Proxy Derek Erasmus. Seconded by Chief Peter Marcellais

**Discussion to Resolution RE: Negotiation Team**

On the four bullets that are there, if people want comfort, you need to know that if you are going to put someone in place for a period of time, at the end of it, stipulate that you are going to review after six months.

Elder Rita Cli added as long as it regards to what Chief Chicot is saying, that people are going to jump on it right away. Executive Director added the resolution says on an interim basis, Legal Counsel will act as Chief Negotiator that is too open ended for me. I think there should be another bullet that says there will be another call or advertisement or however the Chiefs of invitation of the position, are there for the hiring process. Dehcho First Nations could have an interim Chief Negotiator for years. It doesn't make sense. Elder Rita Cli replied to add another bullet so that everyone is covered. Executive Director indicated whoever is appointed as interim Chief Negotiator and the fifth bullet would be Dehcho First Nations would undertake the advertising. We need to make it clear otherwise I have a resolution that says we have an interim and that interim never ends.

Executive Director added, "Number five, Dehcho First Nations will undertake to advertise, appoint or invite, in a two month period. Ernest Cazon added there should be a number six. Executive Director added is it your intention to appoint Chris on the interim, when he is not on the interim, he remains Legal Counsel or you are appointing a new Legal Counsel.

Chris Reid added if I am no longer your Interim Chief Negotiator and someone is appointed as permanent Chief Negotiator, do you want me to go back as Legal Counsel or does my relationship end at that point? Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge responded he wanted to call point of order. If we could ask Chris to step out the door and have Chief Bonnetrouge talk on the motion.

Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge replied he is a little uncomfortable, we are putting a team together now and the motion has been re-drafted. Yesterday heard clearly that chiefs should be at the table, restructuring the Negotiations Team and we are looking to get an interim Chief Negotiator and an interim Legal Counsel. What is it that we are doing? In addition, this is an in-camera discussion. If Chris is going to be promoted to the Interim Chief Negotiator, I don't think he should be commenting. I think it is a decision you need to make as a group so you are comfortable with your decision.

**MOTION #8 FALL 27OCT16**

**Moved that the DFN Leadership go in camera @ 2:09 pm to discuss Chief Negotiator.**

**Moved by Elder Ernest Cazon**

**Seconded by Chief David Moses**

**Motion Carried**

**MOTION #9 FALL 27OCT16**

**Moved that the DFN Leadership come out of camera @ 3:18 pm.**

**Moved by Elder Ernest Cazon. Seconded by Chief Peter Marcellais**

**Motion Carried**

*Greg read resolution into record.*

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Be it resolved that:

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4. The November Negotiation Session will take place in the Dehcho region and not Ottawa.

Greg indicated he took out the "and", added, in place of 4, it makes more sense.

For the mover, Derek and Peter, are you okay with the motion and suggested changes? Mover and seconder okay with changes.

**MOTION #10 FALL 26OCT16**

**Moved that DFN Leadership agree to support West Point First Nation in assuming the DFN seat of the Great Slave Advisory Working Group and we will advise the coordinating agency of name and send a letter of thank you to Peter Sabourin for helping us out for ten years.**

**Moved by Elder Ernest Cazon**

**Seconded by Proxy Stanley Sanguéz**

**Motion Carried**

In regards to Edehzhie, Ducks Unlimited bought out the SAPP farm, we could continue on with the protected area and want to give back to us for \$1 until everything is done.

**MOTION #3 WINTER 21FEB17**

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**CARRIED with 2 Abstentions: Chiefs Gerry Antoine/Joachim Bonnetrouge**

**MOTION #11            FALL    27OCT16**

**Moved that the DFN Leadership agree to make an offer of \$1 to purchase the SAPP Farm.**

**Moved by Proxy Stanley Sanguéz**

**Seconded by Elder Rita Cli**

**Motion Carried**

**Resolution #4 IRDA Surplus**

WHEREAS, DFN Leadership has funds available for economic development through the Interim Resource Development Agreement; and

WHEREAS, there are currently deferred funds in the Resource Royalty fund as a result of clients not completing their obligations under their funding Agreements; and

WHEREAS, each First Nation community requires funding to assist its members in understanding the Dehcho Agreement including matters related to economic development and the Dehcho Land Use Plan in order to have the AiP and the Land Use Plan understood and approved by members;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, DFN administration is directed to disperse \$100,000 to each Dehcho First Nation so they can undertake activity to ensure their members are able to understand and vote how lands and resources will be managed and developed through the Dehcho Land Use Plan and the Dehcho Agreement; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the First Nations account in writing with financial statements on the expenditures of these funds

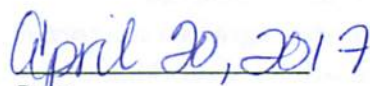
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, First Nations will coordinate with the DFN Negotiations Team.

Moved by Proxy Derek Erasmus. Seconded by Chief David Moses

Motion Carried

**Closing Prayer – Elder Rita Cli**

  
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Herb Norwegian, Grand Chief

  
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Date

**MOTION #3 WINTER 21FEB17**

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**CARRIED with 2 Abstentions: Chiefs Gerry Antoine/Joachim Bonnetrouge**



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Fall Leadership Meeting  
October 25-27, 2016  
West Point, NT

Resolution # 1

Moved by:

RE: DFN Chief Negotiator

WHEREAS, the DFN Leadership has considered the performance to date of the Chief Negotiator, Garth Wallbridge, and

  
Elder Tim Lennie  
Pehdzeh Ki First Nation

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DFN Leadership will exercise Clause 10 b, section 5 of his Contract, "By the Dehcho First Nations at its own discretion and for any reason whatsoever" hereby terminate the services of Garth Wallbridge as Chief Negotiator for the Dehcho First Nations effective immediately.

Seconded by:

  
Chief Peter Marcellais  
Nahanni Butte Dene Band

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Resolution # 2

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**RE: Performance Review CIBC Wood Gundy**

**WHEREAS**, the 2016 Fall DFN Leadership has received recommendations from the Investment Management Board (IMB) that

A Performance Review of the services provided through the Service Contract and Investment Policy Statement by current contractor CIBC Wood Gundy be completed prior to the end of their contract with Dehcho First Nations in March, 2017.

  
Elder Marie Lafferty  
Ft. Simpson Metis Local

Seconded by:

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Leadership accepts the recommendation of the Investment Management Board to have a Performance review on CIBC Wood Gundy completed prior to March 2017. IMB intends to keep Leadership informed throughout the review process.

  
Chief Joachim Bonnetrouge  
Deh Gah Gotie First Nation

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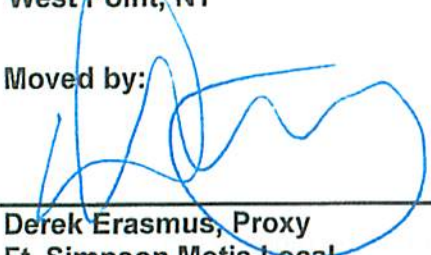
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Resolution # 3

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Ft. Simpson Metis Local

**RE: Negotiations Team**

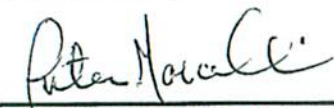
**WHEREAS** the Dehcho Process is in a critical phase in which the lands and resources parts of our Agreement-in-Principle will be negotiated; and

**WHEREAS** our Framework Agreement provides that negotiations on lands and resources will be addressed; and

**WHEREAS** there have been many delays in the Dehcho Process over the past two years in the work of the main table; and

**WHEREAS** DFN leaders have called many times of the prompt resumption of AiP negotiations, especially as they relate to lands and resources;

Seconded by:

  
Chief Peter Marcellais  
Nahanni Butte Dene Band

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. Main table negotiations will continue as scheduled with presence of three Dehcho community representatives at each session.
2. The interim Chief Negotiator will be the Dehcho Grand Chief.
3. A Special Leadership meeting is to be called prior to December 31, 2016 to address all negotiation matters and to be coordinated by the Negotiations Coordinator.
4. The November Negotiation Session will take place in the Dehcho region and not Ottawa.

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## Resolution # 4

**RE: IRDA Surplus**

**WHEREAS**, DFN Leadership has funds available for economic development through the Interim Resource Development Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, there are currently deferred funds in the Resource Royalty fund as a result of clients not completing their obligations under their funding Agreements; and

**WHEREAS**, each First Nation community requires funding to assist its members in understanding the Dehcho Agreement including matters related to economic development and the Dehcho Land Use Plan in order to have the AiP and the Land Use Plan understood and approved by members;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, DFN administration is directed to disperse \$100,000 to each Dehcho First Nation so they can undertake activity to ensure their members are able to understand and vote how lands and resources will be managed and developed through the Dehcho Land Use Plan and the Dehcho Agreement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the First Nations account in writing with financial statements on the expenditures of these funds

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, First Nations will coordinate with the DFN Negotiations Team.