

Provincial Métis Council Meeting – March. 10/10

Teleconference Call PMC Meeting March 10/10 10:00 a.m

In Attendance: Al Rivard, Allan Morin, Robert Doucette, Bob McLeod.

On the Telephone: Louis Gardner, Billy Kennedy, Max Morin, Robby Lafontaine and Marlene Hanson

Staff: Laurier Caron, Jenifer Spriggs

Item – State of the Nation; Financial

Met with the bank this morning:

Send back \$431,000.00 from Powley \$140,000.00 Jeff should be sending ASAP

Allan: propose the PMC will release money from trust but might not need it.

Get the specks from Robert.

Robert: Asking for confidence and discussion

Louis: Are we having a PMC meeting March 17th?

Robert: No, no money to do this.

Louis: Clarify where the money is going. Where is MACSI's surplus?

Robert: There is none, only on paper.

Louis: Is asking for a loan from the bank.

Bob: Did not assign putting trust on it, thus is just a line of credit.

Al: What is the amount in the bank?

Al: Are there any programs under spent or over spent?

Allan: We will have a balanced budget when the audit is done.

Robert: Shristi will provide the PMC with weekly reports.

Robert: Good finance meeting, "We will not go into debt".

Marlene: There is no quorum, are we going to get in trouble for this?

Robert: Just want support of Directors, we cannot make any motions.

AL: When do you receive the first cheque that that you are waiting on?

Allan: May.

Laurier: I will check with Shristi.

Marlene: Not comfortable, what do we do to move forward?

Allan: The discussion with Jeff will release holdbacks on submission of reports and financial statements for the audit.

Robert: No spending money unless it is in the bank. Projects don't go through if the money is not in the bank.

Robert: Suggest Ministers for group with lots of resources. Join the financial committee.

Allan: Every Aboriginal organization is in a cash crunch, everyone funded by the government.

Laurier: What is the role of the Treasury board in spending this money?

Robert: They will be involved in everything.

Allan: If this is going to happen, they need PMC support.

Laurier: Last year, money for projects did not come in till September.

Bridge funding will keep us going many programs.

Louis: We should relieve how long the Government is taking, how do we ensure this will work? How do we make it better?

Robert: With Brian and Gabe gone it is a learning experience, they did well.

Look at how things transpired with the government.

Robby: Understand that this is not about mismanagement. Support Plan B option, but hope that the bank will come through.

Max: Support idea, we are over budget.

Allan: We are over spent in Registry.

Marlene: Disappointed that the Treasury Board members are not on the call.

Robert: Lots from Treasury board here, only Darlene McKay and Karen Larocque are missing.

Marlene: Budgets have to be done at every PMC meeting, no excuses.

Robby: The issue is cash flow needs to be exceeded, the company has expanded. **Action Item-01:** Need financial statements at every meeting.

Louis: Team work approach, very important how we go from here. We need support from <u>all</u> Regional Directors. We need to get our salaries.

Robby: I think we are moving ahead. Make a meeting with the Premier to discuss this.

Marlene: Federal government might have money for this.

Al: Should be recording that any money spent should have proof of how it will be paid back. This is only plan B, clarify how to access dollars.

AL: Support

Billy: Support Louis: Support Marlene: Support Bob: Support **Bob:** We have to come together. The first option is the bank. We can't run programs and spend money we don't have. Let's come together. Allan: Support , assurance that Holdco will be recovered. The bank is first and foremost.

Max: Support.