

**MÉTIS NATION – SASKATCHEWAN
PROVINCIAL MÉTIS COUNCIL MEETING
March 17, 2017**

Minutes of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) Meeting held March 17, 2017 in the Pinnacle Ballroom at the Marriott Pinnacle Downtown Hotel, 1128 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, British Columbia.

DATE: Friday, March 17, 2017

PRESENT:

Gerald Morin, Vice-President, Chair
Lela Arnold
Jaycee Bell
Michael Bell
Earl Cook
Helene Johnson
Billy Kennedy
Glen McCallum
Darlene McKay
Lennard Morin
Robert St. Pierre

ABSENT:

Robert Doucette, President
Louis Gardiner
May Henderson
Derek Langan
Shelly Kapell
Tammy Mah
Shannon Unrau

ALSO PRESENT:

President Clément Chartier, Métis National Council (MNC)
Kyle Vermette, Métis Legal Research and Education Foundation

WELCOMING COMMENTS and OPENING PRAYER

Vice-President Morin called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. Glen McCallum offered an Opening Prayer.

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Vice-President Morin led the meeting in a round of self-introductions, and confirmed that a quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Glen McCallum)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Provincial Métis Council (PMC) approves the following Agenda for its March 17, 2017 meeting:

1. Waiver of Notice
2. Appointment of Métis Nation – Saskatchewan delegates for the Métis National Council Special Sitting of the General Assembly on March 18 and 19, 2017; and
3. Abandonment of position of President by Robert Doucette.

1. WAIVER OF NOTICE

It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Darlene McKay)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council explicitly waives the notice requirement pursuant to Article 3(7) of the *Constitution of the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan* for the March 17, 2017 meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES FOR MNC SPECIAL SITTING OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Glen McCallum)

That the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council appoints Viola Bell and Jimmy Derocher as delegates for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan for the March 18 and 19, 2017 Métis National Council Special Sitting of the General Assembly.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. ABANDONMENT OF POSITION OF PRESIDENT BY ROBERT DOUCETTE

It was MOVED (Gerald Morin) and SECONDED (Earl Cook)

WHEREAS Mr. Robert Doucette has not attended any of the six Provincial Métis Council (PMC) meetings since the July 2016 Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA) held in Yorkton, SK, being the PMC meetings held on September 10-11, 2016; October 22-23, 2016; December 3-4, 2016; December 30, 2016; January 14-15, 2017; and February 11-12, 2017, as well as not attending the February 18-19, 2017 MNLA and General Assembly;

AND WHEREAS Mr. Robert Doucette has not attended the last two sittings of the Métis National Council General Assembly;

AND WHEREAS Mr. Robert Doucette handed out a President’s Report to the July 2016 MNSLA wherein he stated it was his “final report in any capacity for the Métis Nation of Saskatchewan (sic)” and that he was “ending this chapter of [his] life”;

AND WHEREAS Mr. Robert Doucette in September 2016 returned the MNS cell phone to the head office and stated that his term is over;

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the PMC does not recognize Mr. Robert Doucette as President of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan as he has effectively abandoned the position of President and is no longer entitled to serve in that capacity.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MEETING ADJOURNED

The Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Métis Council Meeting held March 17, 2017 adjourned on March 17, 2017 at 4:45 p.m.