



# **Northern Association of Community Councils Inc.**

## **Full Board Meeting**

04 December 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Ambassador D, Canad Inns Destination Centre Polo Park

## **Minutes**

### **Present:**

#### **BOARD**

Sheryl Matheson, President  
Eric Olson, Vice President & Eastern Chairperson  
Helgi Einarsson, Eastern Vice-Chairperson  
Reg Simard, Director at Large, Eastern Region  
Walter Becker, Northern Chairperson  
June Chu, Northern Vice-Chairperson  
Leonard Budd, Director at Large, Northern Region  
Harold Fleming, Western Chairperson  
Ken Spence, Western Vice-Chairperson  
Doug Popowich, Director at Large, Western Region

#### **1.0 Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 09:05 A.M. by Sheryl Matheson

#### **2.0 Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was amended. A motion to approve the changes was made by H. Fleming and seconded by K. Spence.

**CARRIED**

#### **3.0 Approval of Minutes from September 25–26, 2025**

Moved by D. Popowich and seconded by W. Becker that the minutes be accepted.

**CARRIED**

#### **4.0 Business Arising from the September 25–26, 2025, Full Board Meeting Minutes**

NIL

#### **5.0 Delegations**

NIL

#### **6.0 Correspondence**

NIL

## **7.0 Resolutions**

**7.1** Resolution to standardize travel dates for all board members, requiring travel the day after each meeting, in line with the practice of northern board members, to ensure consistent hotel arrangements for all board members. Motion moved by H. Einarsson and seconded by W. Becker.

**CARRIED**

## **8.0 Staff Report**

8.1 Executive Director Report      Andrea Kwasnicki (Unable to attend)  
8.2 NHFI Program Coordinator      Nadine Tonn

## **9.0 Reports – Regional Chairs**

### **9.1 Northern Region**

9.1.1 President, Sheryl Matheson  
- Sheryl discussed concerns and challenges associated with the recent U.S. tariff. Sheryl will have a meeting with Arctic Gateway Group regarding the Indigenous Collaboration Crown Corporation that the board is opposed to.  
\* Attached is the submitted online report

9.1.2 Northern Chairperson, Walter Becker  
- Walter contacted his assigned communities, including Pikwitonei, and discussed concerns regarding the lack of support they are receiving. Sheryl advised Walter to obtain specific details about the type of support needed and the departments involved in order to address the concerns.  
- Walter presented a report/documents obtained from external parties; however, these materials should not be included in Walter's documentation/possession.

9.1.3 Northern Vice-Chairperson, June Chu  
- June noted that the Brochet community will attend the Regional meeting in Dauphin due to travel considerations.  
- June discussed concerns about other communities not receiving adequate support

9.1.4 Director at Large , Northern Region, Leonard Budd

- Contacted Joel Jackson Project Manager for Norway House Cree Nation with regard to obtaining rental space at Norway House Embassy 820 Taylor Ave. Wpg. Joel informed building is under construction and no available space for at least one year, however Joel said he will speak with Chief Anderson concerning request and will get back to me.

## **9.2 Eastern Region**

- 9.2.1 Vice President/Eastern Chairperson, Eric Olson
  - Reached out to Stewart to check the status of a couple of communities with issues, including Island Lake.
  - Stewart informed Eric that one of the council in Dalas Red Rose had contacted Paul Doolan to inquire about the process for reinstating a council in that area.
  - Harwill submitted a letter to the department urging it to take full responsibility for road management.
- 9.2.2 Eastern Vice-Chairperson, Helgi Einarsson
  - Helgi helped Willie of Princess Harbour organize for his advocacy with NMFCCC.
  - Dauphin River received approval for the 77th Ground-Up funding installment to extend two community halls.
- 9.2.3 Director at Large, Eastern Region, Reginald Simard
  - Community concerns were discussed, including those of Princess Harbour. A copy of the report will be shared.

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## **9.3 Western Region**

- 9.3.1 Western Chairperson, Harold Fleming
  - Harold addressed Meadow Portage concerns.
  - Participated in Waterhen's Orange Shirt Day, which went well.
- 9.3.2 Western Vice-Chairperson, Ken Spence
  - Ken contacted Shiela and Crane River
- 9.3.3 Director at Large, Western Region, Doug Popowich
  - Attached is the submitted report

## **10.0 Unfinished Business and General Orders**

**10.1** The Board has been provided with a copy of the Strategic Plan for review. Any input, concerns, or suggestions regarding the plan, including recommendations related to SMART goals, are welcome.

## **11.0 Financials**

11.1.1	Financial Year-To-Date Budget Compare	<i>No Motion Needed</i>
11.1.2	Profit/Loss (Income Statement)	<i>No Motion Needed</i>
11.1.3	General Ledger	<i>No Motion Needed</i>
11.1.4	Cheque Detail	<i>No Motion Needed</i>
11.1.5	Visa Reconciliation	<i>No Motion Needed</i>
11.1.6	Bank Reconciliation	<i>No Motion Needed</i>

## **12.0 Next Meeting**

Next board meeting is to be determined.

## **13.0 Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 P.M.