

## **JOINT STEWARDSHIP BOARD**

**Draft Minutes**, December 19, 2013

GREAT Boardroom, Ohsweken, ON

### **Board Members In Attendance:**

From Hamilton: Rob Norman, Andrew Grice  
From Haudenosaunee: Brian Doolittle, Aaron Detlor  
JSB Coordinator: Sheri Longboat

### **Regrets:**

Hamilton: Guy Paparella, Chad Collins  
Haudenosaunee: Hazel Hill

**Chair:** Sheri Longboat

**Note taker:** Tracy General

**Guest Presenter:** Dr. Gary Warrick,  
Wilfrid Laurier University

### **Guests:**

Chief Blake Bomberry  
Chief Arnold Hill  
Clan Mother Mary Sandy  
Clan Mother Eileen Jacobs  
Clan Mother Brenda Mitten  
Clan Mother Gloria Thomas  
Elvera Garlow  
Wayne Hill

**1. Opening and Introductions** – Chief Arnold Hill opened the meeting

### **2. Agenda Review**

- Item 5f added to the agenda – Presentations to Council

**3. Guest Presentation on Archaeological Artifacts** (*See PowerPoint Presentation provided by Dr. Gary Warrick PhD, Archaeology Professor, Wilfrid Laurier University*)

- Gary discussed archaeological processes under Ontario law, including some of the challenges the systems poses for Indigenous people with respect to involvement in archaeological processes on traditional lands, and the ownership, protection and reclamation of ancestral and historic artifacts
- Discussion on considerations for obtaining artifacts, and their storage and care-taking

### **4. Christmas Luncheon**

- During lunch photographer Brenda Mitten provided a slide presentation of recent photographs of the Red Hill Valley that will be used for communications and assist in documenting seasonal changes in the Valley for education programming and monitoring

**5. Monthly Board Business** (*See JSB December 19, 2013 PowerPoint by Sheri Longboat*)

#### **a) Minutes from November 21, 2013 meeting**

- The minutes were approved with two minor changes. Item 3: Meeting Places, to clarify that while the Eel requires less design work compared to

the Nest and Turtle, all three are still in need of surveying and grading designs; and Item 5c), correct typo from “aft” to “Draft”.

**b) Coordinator Report – Update**

- Sheri provided an update on activities (*See Handout – Monthly coordinator report*)
- Clarification on item under “Planned Q1 2014” re: Interpretive Centre
  - Should read Final Design Concept not Final Design
- Presentation to Councils
  - Will likely coordinate with GIC dates at City of Hamilton
  - Date to be determined
- Medicine Mapping or Image Catalogue
  - Medicines are sacred to Haudenosaunee, and some are leery to sharing their knowledge
  - We have to be mindful about projects that would identify medicine locations
  - If the plant stand location data can be used it might be presented as “eco regions” rather than site specific
  - The image catalogue is another way to make use of Medicine Data from the past – for example, to show pictures and names (e.g., common, Haudenosaunee, and scientific) of significant plants in Red Hill Valley
  - Over time a few key plants could be selected for education – For example, information on importance both ecologically and to the Haudenosaunee
  - Medicine Gatherers have supported and been a part of the project in the past
  - Sadie Buck and Eunice Henry worked on the original inventory and could be contacted to assist

**c) Web Site Redesign**

- The new design of the Board web site was shown along with an explanation of the functions and content to be included in the final site
- A completed draft of the redesign architecture is anticipated by January
- New context will be completed in February in time for presentation to Councils
- Members were pleased with the look of a simplified, informative and multi-purpose site

**d) Communications Materials**

- The Annual Report was distributed
- The members and guests provided positive feedback on the material contained in the document and its design and format

**e) 2014 Meeting Schedule**

- The Board approved the schedule to meet on the third Thursday of every month from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, alternating between Six Nations and Hamilton

**f) Communications Materials**

- The coordinator will draft a brief presentations to Council following along the information in the Annual Report
- The City will provide suggested dates and assist in organizing a Board display booth to post communications materials

**6. Closing** – Chief Blake Bomberry closed the meeting