

Tłıchǫ Assembly
17th Session Directive
June 20, 2008

The Tłıchǫ Assembly held its 17th Session in Behchokǫ on June 19-20, 2008 and made the following decisions.

1. Approval of CEC Minutes

Chiefs Executive Council minutes dated September 19, 20 and 24, 2007 are approved.

2. Caribou Tags

55 caribou tags will be allocated to each of the three outfitters (Adventure Northwest, Gameti Development Corporation and Warburton Outfitters).

Tags will be allocated for a fee of \$275.00 CDN each.

Tłıchǫ Executive Officer is authorized to enter and finalize an agreement with the approved outfitters.

The outfitters should distribute caribou meat to the four Tłıchǫ communities.

Members of the Elders Advisory Council should visit the outfitting camps to meet with outfitters to see how caribou is handled.

3. Support for Medical Assistance – ISM Clinic & Lab

Invoices totaling \$18,000 will be paid to ISM Clinic & Lab as per written requests received. Any new applications will be reviewed and recommended for payment by the local Chief from where the citizen applying resides.

4. Interpreter Fees

Retroactive to 16th Tłıchǫ Assembly session, simultaneous translation rates are increased to the following:

- \$450 per day for individual contract (minus deductions)
- \$500 per day for translators with a business license

5. Former Elders Compensation

Compensation will be given to the former elder advisors, or their surviving spouses (in the case of no surviving spouse, then to the children) in the following amounts minus deductions:

- Behchokò representative - \$20,000
- Whatì representatives - \$16,000 / \$4,000
- Gamètì representative - \$20,000
- Wekweètì representative - \$20,000

6. **Distribution of funds to Tłıchǵ Citizens**

The Tłıchǵ Government does not have a Tłıchǵ Citizen Register. Therefore the Tłıchǵ Government requests that the Eligibility Committee convene a meeting to review and accept eligible Tłıchǵ as citizens based on the current eligibility criteria and submit a complete Tłıchǵ Citizen register to the Tłıchǵ Government by July 7, 2008.

\$500 will be distributed to each Tłıchǵ citizen registered on July 15, 2008.

7. **Fortune Minerals**

The Terms of Reference and advertisement for receiving proposals to manage the issues surrounding the development of the proposed mine site is approved with the addition of “Tłıchǵ Community Governments for consultation” under the Draft Terms of Reference.

8. **Dene Nation Assembly in Fort McPherson**

The Community Chiefs will select the voting delegates to attend the Dene National Assembly in Fort McPherson, July 7 – 11, 2008 keeping in mind that delegates will also be proxy holders.

9. **Conferences (pre-approve attendance)**

Tabled

10. **Elders Advisory Council – address and mandate**

Terms of Reference for the Tłıchǵ Elders Advisory Council is approved with the following changes:

- Under mandate: “The elders will be called upon to mentor disputes and to provide traditional environmental knowledge”.
- Additional section: “An office will be established and staffed to provide support to the Elders Advisory Council”

11. **Whati Annual Gathering**

Annual Gathering will be extended. The revised dates are August 5 – 9, 2008 with travel days August 4 and 10, or 11.

12. **Edzo - Community**

Issue will be included in the annual gathering agenda with a 30 day notice.

13. **AFN – Quebec City - July**

No Assembly members will attend the Annual General Meeting of the Assembly of First Nations.

14. **Community Land**

The Tł̓ch̓q Government will help the Community Governments of Behchok̓, Whatì, Gamètì, and Wekweètì where it can on the land lease issue when requested by the Community Governments.

15. **Petition from John Mantla**

Issue to be presented during the open forum at the annual gathering

16. **Mine site tour – Tailings ponds leaking**

A letter will be written to BHP requesting that the tailings ponds leaking site be cleaned up. Assembly members will visit after it is fixed.

All IBAs will be reviewed to see where it can be improved in the implementation.

17. **Culture and healing centre**

Administration will develop a proposal for review by the Assembly to include a training plan for counselors.

18. **Scheduling:**

a. **Next Tł̓ch̓q Assembly Session**

August 9, 2008 in Whatì.

b. **Assembly to visit Nisga'a Government**

Assembly members who are available can attend the Nisga'a Executive meeting in British Columbia to observe their meeting July.

Signature: 

Grand Chief George Mackenzie signed this Directive on June 20, 2008.

Tłıchǰ Elders Advisory Council
Terms of Reference

Preamble

Elders are custodians of our language, culture, history and way of life. Their ability to share their skills and knowledge and provide guidance is unparalleled.

As stated in the Constitution “We follow in the footsteps of our ancestors and acknowledge our Elders as the keepers of our living memory, self-determination, values and way of life. We honour and respect the truth of our traditional knowledge and oral history.”

1. Mandate

The Tłıchǰ Elders Advisory Council will mentor to ensure that Tłıchǰ language, culture and way of life are built upon in the proceedings, directives, policies and laws created by the Tłıchǰ Assembly. The Elders will also be called upon to mentor disputes and provide traditional environmental knowledge.

2. Membership

This Council will consist of 5 elders in accordance with the Future Chief’s Meetings Law Section 14.

3. Meetings

Elders Advisory Council Members will attend all Assembly Proceedings and any meetings as requested or called upon by the Assembly.

4. Term

Elders will be appointed for a two year term.

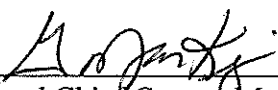
5. Remuneration

Elders will be paid honorarium and travel allowances as per the Tłıchǰ Government Policy and Procedures Manual.

6. Office

An office will be established and staffed to provide support to the Elders Advisory Council.

Effective:



Grand Chief George Mackenzie