

**Cree Trappers' Association
Annual General Assembly
Draft Meeting Minutes
August 22 and 23, 2024
Nemaska, QC**

Present:

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| Norman Whiskeychan | Waskaganish |
| William T Hester | Waskaganish |
| George Katapatuk | Waskaganish |
| Kathleen Whiskeychan | Eastmain |
| Marjorie Weapnicappo | Eastmain |
| Victor R Gilpin | Eastmain |
| Ernest Tomatuk | Wemindji |
| Abraham Matches | Wemindji |
| Johnny Mark | Wemindji |
| Keith Bearskin | Chisasibi |
| John Lameboy | Chisasibi |
| Reggie Bearskin | Chisasibi |
| Ian Bobbish | Whapmagoustui |
| Chance House | Whapmagoustui |
| Sandy Petagumskun | Whapmagoustui |
| Florrie Jolly Petagumskum | Whapmagoustui |
| Yvonne Neeposh | Nemaska |
| Lawrence Neeposh | Nemaska |
| Anderson Jolly | Nemaska |
| Lina Trapper | Nemaska |
| Charles Cheezo | Nemaska |
| Donovan Blacksmith | Waswanipi |
| Don Saganash | Waswanipi |
| Jack Ottereyes | Waswanipi |
| Wally Wapache | Ouje-bougoumou |
| Charlie Bosum | Ouje-bougoumou |
| James Wapachee | Ouje-bougoumou |
| Ricky Bosum | Ouje-bougoumou |
| Geroge M Shecapio | Mistissini |
| Willie K Gunner | Mistissini |
| Abel Neeposh | Mistissini |
| Louise Trapper Gilpin | Washaw Sibi |
| Pauline Trapper Hester | Washaw Sibi |
| Maurice Kistabish | Washaw Sibi |

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| Charles Alissapi | Moose Cree |
| Douglas Small | Moose Cree |
| Peter Kapashesit | Moose Cree |

Also Present

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| Allan House | CFO/ Interim CEO |
| Redfern Blueboy | Chairperson |
| Bill Blackned | Co-Chairperson |
| Jacinthe Beaudoin | Controller |
| Thomas Stevens | Special Project Coordinator |
| Gordon Louttit | Senior Accountant |
| Samuel Moses | Purchasing Agent |
| Phyllis Tomatuk | Reception/Secretart |
| Sophia Cheezo | Corporate Secretary |
| Karilynn Blackned | Local Administrator Waskaganish |
| Judy Coon Come | Communications officer |
| Bill Stewart | Local Administrator Wemindji |
| Mabel Rabbitskin | Local Administrator Nemaska |
| Stanley Mianscum | Local Administrator Mistissini |
| James Neeposh | Local Administrator Ouje-Bougoumou |

Quorum

Upon ascertaining the quorum, the meeting convened at 9:31 AM with an Opening Prayer by Norman Whiskeychan and a Traditional hand drum by William Wapachee

Review and Adoption of Agenda (Draft Resolution)

Proposed Agenda:

Day 1 August 22, 2024

Quorum

Opening Prayer and Traditional Hand Drum

Welcoming Remarks – Nemaska Chief Clarence Jolly (TBC)

Opening Remarks by CTA Chairperson– Mr. Arden Visitor

Introduction of Delegates

Appointment of Arden Visitor as Chairperson / Redfern Blueboy as Vice-Chairperson & Appointment of Secretaries (Draft Resolution)

Appointment of Resolutions Committee (Draft Resolution)

HEALTH BREAK

Announcements

Review and Adoption of Agenda (Draft Resolution)

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Review and Adoption of Minutes from 2023 Annual General Assembly (Draft Resolution)
Resolutions Committee (Draft Resolution)

LUNCH BREAK CORPORATE MATTERS

Presentation of Audited Financial Statements 2023-2024 / Appointment of Auditors

- CTA Audited Financial Statements 2023-2024 (Draft Resolution)
- Ishthchiikun Audited Financial Statements 2023-2024 (Draft Resolution)
- Appointment of Auditors – RCGT (Draft Resolution)

CTA Year-In Review – CFO/Interim CEO-President Allan A. House

HEALTH BREAK

Cabin Rebuild Project – Special Projects Coordinator – Thomas Stevens

In Harmony with Wildlife - Cree-led Lake Sturgeon (Nameau) Management Plan – Audrey Lauzon & Jane Voyageur (CNG). Moose Management – Zone 17 Waswanipi, Ouje-Bougoumou, Waskaganish) – TBD (CNG) (Draft Supporting Resolution)

Day 2 – August 23, 2024

Opening Prayer

Grand Chief Mandy Gull Masty, Cree Nation Government

HEALTH BREAK

Bush Kit Program – Cree Health Board PPRO-Emergency Measures -Thomas Chakapash

Eeyou Hunting Governance in Eeyou Istchee Update

LUNCH BREAK

Other Matters

- 2025 Cree Trappers' Association Annual General Assembly – Date and Place (Wemindji)
- Resolutions

HEALTH BREAK

Closing Remarks by CTA Vice-Chairperson – Mr. Redfern Blueboy

Closing of Meeting and Agenda

Closing Prayer

Allan House briefly explained the assembly concerning the agenda, the agenda was shortened due to the most items were tabled at summit that was held in Mistissini and Chisasibi QC

On motion made by Don Saganash and seconded by Willie K Gunner, motion carried. It was agreed that the assembly adopt members resolution no. 486-24

SUBJECT: Adoption of Agenda

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT; it was agree to adopt the agenda as presented and to leave it open

THAT; the corporate secretary of the Cree Trappers Association is hereby mandated to do all things deemed necessary to give effect and useful to the foregoing

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Welcoming Remarks – Nemaska Chief Clarence Jolly

Cree Nation of Nemaska Chief Clarence Jolly Welcomed the delegation to the assembly

Opening Remarks by CTA Chairperson– Mr. Redfern Blueboy

Redfern Blueboy welcomed the delegation to the assembly

Appointment of Arden Visitor as Chairperson / Redfern Blueboy as Vice-Chairperson & Appointment of Secretaries (Draft Resolution)

Allan briefly informed the delegation in change of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

On motion made by Sandy Petagumskum and seconded by Donovan Blacksmith, motion carried. It was agreed that the assembly adopt members resolution no. 487-24

SUBJECT: Appointment of Chairman/Vice-Chairman/Recording Secretaries

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT; Redfern Blueboy is hereby appointed to Chair the assembly

THAT; Bill Blackned is hereby appointed to Co-chair the assembly

THAT; Karilynn Blackned and Phyllis Tomatuk are hereby appointed to record the minutes

THAT; the corporate secretary of the Cree Trappers' Association is hereby mandated to do all things necessary to give effect and useful to the foregoing

Introduction of Delegates

Each delegate introduced themselves and stated their roles

Appointment of Resolutions Committee (Draft Resolution)

On motion made by Ricky Bosum and seconded by Sandy Petagumskum, motion carried. It was agreed to adopt members resolution no. 488-24

SUBJECT: Appointment of CTA AGA 2024 Resolutions Committee

THAT; 1. Sophia Cheezo,
2. Wally Wapachee
3. Willie K Gunner

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Are hereby appointed in the 2024 Cree Trappers Association Annual General Assembly Resolutions committee

THAT; the corporate secretary of the Cree Trappers Association is hereby mandated to do all things deemed necessary to give effect and useful to the foregoing

Honorarium Rates

Allan briefly explained to the delegation that it has been prepared to increase the rates for the assembly and he also briefly explained the change of Job Title for the Executive Assistance, her new Job title is a Corporate Secretary for the Regional CTA

Suggestions/Questions from the delegation

- Ernest Tomatuk suggested the honorarium to be increased in the amount of \$300
- Keith Bearskin explained the assembly that only 3 delegates are covered through regional CTA
- Willie K Gunner addressed the assembly that he supports the increasement and he also explained that essential items are also expensive in the Cree Nation
- William T Hester questioned about other rates, mileage, boarding rates etc.
- Sandy Petagumskum briefly explained the cost of living for whapmagoustui and to consider increasing the honorarium in the amount of \$350 due to isolation factor
- Don Saganash suggested an amount of \$450 to be increased to the Whapmagoustui only due to isolation factor
- Carol Ann Tanoush addressed the assembly that our hunters and trappers do not have Job and they work hard to keep the tradition alive, she suggested to increase the amount of \$750, to have the same rates as the Cree Nation Government
- Ernest Tomatuk addressed the assembly that the mileage is paid by \$1.00, it is a reasonable price.
- William T Hester suggested to consider Carol Ann's suggestion
- Allan A House responded we will give the mandate to the Board of Directors of the amount of \$750.00

On motion made by Don Saganash and seconded by Florrie Jolly Petagumskum, Action Carried. It was agreed to adopt members resolution no. 489-24

SUBJECT: CTA AGA Honorariums Fees

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT; the recommendation is to amend the CTA Honorarium fees for the delegates of the CTA Annual General Assemblies, in the amount of **\$300 per day**, and **\$300 for travel days**. \$450.00 for the Whapmagoostui delegation considering the isolation factor.

THAT; a mandate given to the CTA Board of Directors to look into the Honorarium fees.

HEALTH BREAK

Health break at 10:48 AM and continued at 11:05 AM

Announcements

Allan House made an announcement for the following below:

- Thomas Stevens will present the Cabin rebuild project
- Cabin Insurance – Deadline was extended to October 20, 2024
- The Board of Directors are mandated and review the cabin insurance. You can visit your local community administrators if you have further questions
- Allan A House acknowledge the youth Attending our Regional CTA AGA and to further continue in their education and advice the youth to keep the Cree tradition/language alive.
- Brief explanation the changes of the CTA organizational structure
- Elijah Sandy and Arden Visitor Chairman and Vice Chairman could not attend the assembly
- CEO – Clark Shecapio was previously employed back in march 2024 and he is now working the CCDC as a CEO
- Allan is the interim CEO and also CFO, with holding 2 positions
- CEO/President position was extended for 2 weeks, The new deadline is August 23, 2024 at 5PM
- The Board of Directors have a mandate to bring community issues to the regional CTA board of directors' meetings for a review and to be tabled at the Regional CTA Annual General Assembly if need for further discussions
- The meeting of the Council of Tallyman is scheduled in Val-d'Or, QC
- An announcement was made in Chisasibi that a tallyman meeting will be held on September 16, 2024, Cree Nation Government is responsible for this meeting
- Brief Explanation of JBNQA under CTA

Eeyou Hunting Governance in Eeyou Istchee Update

Allan House briefly explained the current status of the Eeyou hunting Governance in Eeyou Istchee for update. Bert W Moar was hired as an Eeyou hunting Governance in Eeyou Istchee agent and his contract ended June 28, 2024, he made a presentation to our communities. CEO/president will be mandated to this file, we will be conducting another tour to the communities once the CEO/President is hired. The purpose of this project is to modernize it, to revise it and to finalize the Eeyou hunting governance In Eeyou istchee

Allan House acknowledges the delegation to participate in the future of the Eeyou hunting governance in Eeyou Istchee, it is important to be reviewed, to give direct consultations, the delegates are encouraged to consider this opportunity

The project is on hold until the CEO is hired

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Questions/Concerns/Suggestion's from the delegation

- Ernest Tomatuk addressed the delegation that the communities still have time to consult with the Eeyou hunting governance in Eeyou Istchee
- Don Saganash suggested that Mo Creebec should have the same rate as Whamgoustui, I believe it is the same situation
- Willie K Gunner questioned about the Cabin insurance deadline
- Keith Bearskin acknowledge the cabin insurance, he also gave a suggestion to find other solutions for Cabin insurance

LUNCH BREAK

The meeting is recessed for lunch break at 11:55 AM and continued at 1:40 PM

CORPORATE MATTERS

CTA Year-In Review – CFO/Interim CEO-President Allan A. House

Allan house presented the year in review annual report 2023-2024 to the assembly

Judy Coon Come made a presentation for Eeyou Ituun Program

Stephanie Varty and Natasha Louttit made a presentation for the CTA EMR Projects

Presentation of Audited Financial Statements 2023-2024 / Appointment of Auditors

• CTA Audited Financial Statements 2023-2024 (Draft Resolution)

Allan house presented the CTA Audited Financial Statements to the Assembly

On motion made by Ernest Tomatuk and Seconded by John Lameboy, Action carried. It was agreed to adopt members resolutions no. 490-24

SUBJECT: Ratification of Board of Directors of the Cree Trappers' Association Resolution No. 2024-06-20-02 – CTA Audited Financial Statements 2023-2024

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT; the members of the Cree Trappers Association hereby ratify the Cree Trappers' Association Board of Directors Resolution Bo. 2024-06-60-02 – CTA Audited Financial Statements 2023-2024.

THAT; the Corporate Secretary of the Cree Trappers Association is hereby mandated to do all things deemed necessary to give effect and useful to the foregoing.

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• Ishtthchiikun Audited Financial Statements 2023-2024 (Draft Resolution)

Allan House presented the Ishtthchiikun Audited Financial Statements to the assembly

On motion made by Ernest Tomatuk and seconded by Don Saganash, action carried. It was agreed to adopt members resolution no. 491-24

SUBJECT: Ratification of Board of Directors of the Cree Trappers' Association Resolution No. 2024-06-20-03 Cree Services Trust Ishtthchiikun Audited Financial Statements 2023 – 2024

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT; The Members of the Cree Trappers Association hereby ratify the Cree Trappers Association Board of Directors Resolution No. 2024 – 06- 20 – 03 Cree Services Trust Ishtthchiikun Audited Financial Statements – 2023 – 2024

THAT; the Corporate Secretary of the Cree Trappers' Association is hereby mandated to do all things deemed necessary to give effect and useful to the foregoing.

HEALTH BREAK

The meeting is recessed for health break at 3:20 PM and continued at 3:41 PM

• Appointment of Auditors – RCGT (Draft Resolution)

Allan House presents the resolution for the appointment of Auditors, Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton Law firm

On motion made by Abraham Matches and seconded by Abel Neeposh, action carried. It was agreed to adopt members resolution no. 492-24

SUBJECT: Appointment of Auditors 2024-2025

THAT; the firm Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton be and hereby appointed auditors of the Cree Trappers Association and Cree Trappers Services Trust (ishtthchiikun) for the fiscal year of 2024-2025

THAT; the corporate secretary of the Cree Trappers' Association is hereby mandated to do all things deemed necessary to give effect and useful to the foregoing

Review and Adoption of Minutes from 2023 Annual General Assembly (Draft Resolution)

Sophia Cheezo, Appointment of recording secretary presented the CTA Annual General Assembly meeting minutes November 3 and 4, 2023

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Questions/Concerns/Suggestions from the delegation

- Don Saganash questioned about the Trapline disputes from last years resolutions
- Allan responded; we will be reviewing last years resolution during the item is presented
- Don Saganash suggested it is important to be reviewed and to provide updates from these resolutions
- Allan responded; the resolutions that are carried in the general assembly are forwarded to the board of the directors for further mandate, he also mentioned the resolutions will be reviewed from 5 years prior to this year

On motion made by Willie K Gunner and seconded by William T Hester, Action Carried. It was agreed to adopt members resolution no. 493-24

SUBJECT: Approval of the minutes of CTA Annual General Assembly November 3 and 4, 2024

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT; The minutes of the Annual General Assembly of the Cree Trappers' Association dated November 3 and 4, 2023 were approved as corrected.

THAT; the corporate secretary of the Cree Trappers' Association is hereby mandated to do all things deemed necessary to give effect and useful to the foregoing.

Cabin Rebuild Project – Special Projects Coordinator – Thomas Stevens

Thomas Stevens presented the update for the cabin rebuild project for the burned cabins 2023.

Questions/Concerns/Suggestions from the delegation

- Don Saganash from Waswanipi, question towards the amount the Cree nation Government provided and he informed that the Waswanipi local budget was used to pay the carpenters and he questioned if the Regional CTA received this amount
- Thomas Stevens responded they have received the amount and the criteria states that a priority was given to Income Security members at this time until further notice to proceed with the other members that are listed
- Don Saganash informed that a local budget was used to rebuild the waswanipi cabins that was burned in the forest fire, we have already given the Income Security members. We still waiting for the other 2 cabins
- Thomas responded Soon, your 2 cabins is in the proceedings
- Charles Cheezo from Nemaska questions with the cabin material and suggested to modify the material for weather protection of the cabins
- Maurice Kistabish questioned if the regional CTA has any amount left to consider to give a cabin towards their Income Security Program members
- Thomas Stevens briefly explained the cabin program project in the past and the project is hold due to the forest fire cabin rebuild project

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- Allan House, responded to Don Saganash previous questioned. The amount received towards the Cabin rebuild project is not the final amount. Only 30% was received, once all reporting is completed the remaining balance will be released.
- Don Saganash questioned if no report is submitted, will I be penalized?
- Allan House responded Yes, its all collective. We can assist in this situation
- Stanley Mianscum, I Would like to address from the seasonal hunters. They have other equipment lost in the forest fire, will the people be assisted
- Thomas Stevens responded I am aware other equipment was lost; I cannot assist in this situation. I believe CTA subsidy are provided in the local CTA's; I suggest to the local CTA to with hold some projects so they can assist their local members in purchasing these equipment that was lost in the forest fire.
- Stanley Mianscum questioned If a member can be assisted with a motor and a boat to further assist in the setting camping area
- Keith Bearskin, not even a reimbursement is provided to a member
- Thomas Stevens responded; it will be tabled to the board of directors for further discussion
- Keith Bearskin, we have received the criteria to follow, some of the criteria we didnt agree, to those that stay in the bush often that's who we gave the priority too, it was not approve at the regional, are you aware we still have 2 cabins to give.
- Thomas Stevens responded the cabins the you received in the beginning are still under construction, I am looking at how the progressive the construction is going to further continue to select other members to receive the cabin. You must give this project a priority
- Allan House addressed the assembly
- Agnes Wapachee questioned the amount of assistance received from Niskamoon for the members.
- Redfern Blueboy responded each local CTA in the communities receives an amount to assist their local CTA members and gave an example for Waskaganish towards their projects. The cabins we receive is an absolute gratitude that we can thank towards our members

In Harmony with Wildlife – Cree-led Lake Sturgeon (Nameau) Management Plan – Audrey Lauzon & Jane Voyageur (CNG)

Jane Voyageur and Audrey Lauzon made a presentation to the assembly

Questions/Concerns/Suggestions

- Ernest Tomatuk would like to be updated from a resolution
- Allan questioned if it's the right resolution to be tabled
- Ernest Tomatuk gave the definition of fund. The request of the funding to be distributed from the resolution and he also needs a response of the resolution

The meeting is adjourned with an announcement of entertainment night on August 22, 2024 at 5:10 PM

Day 2 – August 23, 2024

Opening Prayer

The meeting is opened in prayer recited by Pauline Trapper at 9:37 AM

Redfern Blueboy chair of the assembly briefly explained the changes of the agenda

Bush Kit Program – Cree Health Board PPRO-Emergency Measures -Thomas Chakapash

Thomas Chakapash addressed the assembly his title and the purpose of the Bush kit Training Program. He addressed the assembly a brief history of the beginning of the bush kit program and the purpose and its benefits towards the training. He mentioned the communities he's been travelling to provide the training

Questions/Concerns

- Johnny Mark, can we verify the medication towards a person?
- Thomas responded mostly cree medicine is used towards the healing process
- Keith Bearskin questioned the difference between bush kit program and the first aid training program
- Thomas responded it is similar from the first aid training but only partially is different
- Keith Bearskin, do you receive a certificate?
- Thomas responded, yes
- John Lameboy suggested to lock the bush kit
- Thomas responded it is locked, it is very important because of the medication that's included with it and we cannot just give the bush kit, we must modify the medication before distributing the kits
- Thomas responded we implement with the local CTA, CHR and BCCR for the trainings
- Wally Wapachee, questioned the 3-day trainings, I believe it is too short for this training.
- Willie K Gunner addressed the assembly that the bush kit has a lot of medication, I suggested to be aware of the bush kit because of the medication. Each medication is listed in a book from the bush kit. The training is only basic, it is only temporary assistance from the medical bush kit until a patient can be further diagnose at the clinic
- Sandy Pettagumskun, questioned we have taken a training in the past, what is the update from this training, is it more advanced?
- Thomas responded is it a lot more different and advanced in the past. He acknowledges the delegation to take the training.
- Florrie Jolly questioned if she can take the medication that is in the bush kit and also when will be the next training?
- Thomas responded if you need more information of the trainings, you can see your local administrator
- Pauline Trapper Hester, acknowledge the training that was given in Washaw Sibi and she also questioned the lack of communication, she suggested a cree medicine to be part of the training
- Keith Bearskin, can other members be responsible of the bush kit

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- Thomas responded No; it is only to the person who was trained
- Keith Bearskin, suggested to always remember to be aware while pursuing traditional activities and the safety purposes
- James Wapachee, not many land users participate in this training, he suggested a cree teacher to give the training
- Ian bobbish, we did have participants towards the training, he explained the lack of communication and he questioned if he can have a recommendation from the Cree Health Board for the Whapmagoostui communications for a tower
- Thomas responded, I can give you recommendation to Whapmagoostui, I will address it to the person in charge

After the presentation, Allan Briefly explained the board of directors' honorarium fees, that the board of directors implemented the restructuring of the CTA. The board of directors have a directive for the work required of the restructuring of CTA. Due to an amount of excessive work was done for the restructuring of CTA, they have requested an increasements of \$650 for board of director honorarium fees towards the CTA Annual General Assembly Delegation.

Questions/Suggestions/Concerns from the delegation

- Ernest Tomatuk questioned if the budget can be reviewed before the increasements of the board of directors' fee is approved

HEALTH BREAK

The meeting is recessed for a health break at 10:30 AM and continued at 10:45 AM

Grand Chief Mandy Gull Masty, Cree Nation Government

Grand Chief Mandy Gull Masty made a presentation to the assembly

After her presentation, Mandy Gull asked the delegation the roles of tallyman, and gave a brief history in the past year of 1978 the beginning of the JBNQA

Questions/Suggested/Concerns from the delegation

- Don Saganash acknowledged the presence of the Grand Chief Mandy Gull, he gave his concerns as one of the many concerned hunters. The low income needs more assistance, due a significant amount of increasements such as gas, food, transportation etc. and the amount received for income security is barely enough to provide. The CTA does help in need to those that are income security but it is not enough to provide for everyone. I am requesting on behalf of CTA to increase more funding and so we can provide more assistance to our members
- Mandy Responded, reviewing of the JBNQA. The ministry of Quebec is the only structure that can change the JBNQA, we are in the process of changing the 3 challenging regulations. One of them is the income security, the crees were only expected to hunt and trap during that time of the establishment JBNQA. The income security is reviewed as a welfare program from our Quebec government. It is very challenging but we are in the process of changing the program

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from the JBNQA. The most important occupation is we must be recognized every where, not only income security

- Ernest Tomatuk, I am also in stand with waswanipi, to those that are affected with the increasements of the cost of living in the bush is very challenging. As soon as you want to apply for the income security, is it almost the form of discrimination between the people who work and the people who want to stay in the bush. Also why does the income security is based on a notice of assessment. It is something I want to be reviewed; some cannot enroll the income security program due to the cree pension
- Many responded acknowledges Ernest concerns, it is very important to hear your concerns so we will have a case to change and challenge the program.
- Marjorie Weanicappo, as for me when you are in the process of the meeting for the tallyman, I was there when they did trapline transfers and many of them are no longer alive, and many are very young. They must know their tallyman roles. In the previous years they used to received an amount of \$50 a year, but we cannot do that anymore due to low funding. I did not agree with the income security program a person was selling a moose hide and it was deducted from the income security program. Also, at the cultural program teaching for Eeyou ituun to receive income was also deducted. She also pointed out the lack of fundings they receive to provide programs such as Cabins, Gas ETC.
- Keith Bearskin, roughly we have 10,000 members. I am presenting on behalf of the tallyman for the cree tallyman association meeting. Will the roles of tallyman be reduced, as a concerned tallyman for the exploration of mining purposes. Some of the roles of the tallyman is lost, even family cannot cope due to the trapline. He also discussed their lack of communications, even with Tibo Solutions it cannot function properly. He also gave his concern the amount received per day from the income security program for the far and short distance is different, a cree person is no different just because of the distance.
- John Lameboy, many people are in our traplines who are not a crees. It is important to protect our traplines. He also mentions the challenging increasements of gas and food. It is very challenging to continue our cree way of life due to these increasements.
- Mandy responded to Keith Bearskin, I saw the communication network of Jean Tibo, she responded the Eeyou mobility is currently in the establishment of the towers so our cell phones will work, within the next 2 years it will work in the large part of our territory and along the Billy Diamond Highway. She also mentions the challenges of the construction companies are covered within the regulations for contracting. she also briefly explained the cree prioritization agreement to only cree companies will be allowed towards constructions. She also responded the cree tallyman association, she briefly explained she was not aware of certain items during the meeting and some authorization is not recognized. She briefly explained the recognized groups towards the JBNQA.

Chairman Redfern Blueboy addressed the assembly for information to shorten the questions due to the time.

- Donovan Blacksmith addressed the assembly, I am aware of the concerns of the Assembly, I also want to bring more to the youth. He suggested that the elders should teach our youth to be aware to voice their concerns at the assemblies. He also suggested to have more funding

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towards the youth and more involvement from the youth such as to have land-based programs, so our youth cannot forget the cree way of life, so our youth can focus the traditional way of life and also to not be distracted from other bad habits.

- Many responded we work closely with the youth Grand Chief Adrian N. Gunner and we are in the process of establishing with a funding to land base programs for the youth. I have appointed a person to look over these files for the youth.

LUNCH BREAK

The assembly is recessed for lunch at 12:32 PM and continued at 1:47 PM

Redfern reminded the assembly that the delegation was selected to represent each community

After lunch, the questioned period is continued for Grand Chief Many Gull

- Abel Neeposh, I am addressing on behalf of our cree hunters, he gave his suggestion to consider towards Keith Bearskin and Ernest Tomatuk concerns towards the income security program., Currently the JBNQA considers us a collective, we must change the JBNQA from the income security program
- Charles Cheezo, brief history the role of Tallyman. He addresses the assembly the impacts of R-16 Trapline, I am the head of tallyman at the moment. It is important to inform a tallyman if you hunt within a trapline, since I am responsible of the trapline.
- Sandy Pettagumskum, the roles of Tallyman, I am one of the tallymen for one of the trapline. It is important to have the roles of the tallyman from the JBNQA, its very difficult to supervise some tasks without having the tallyman roles from the JBNQA. He also briefly explained he encountered a non-native within his trapline. He would like to find out what are the steps if he encounters the situation again
- Wally Wapachee addressed the concern of the Cree Leadership towards the medical bush kit, he suggested to have a 5-day training, there are many accidents in the bush. He also mentioned the Cree Women have a right to stay in the bush, to also represent for CTA as well and to also benefit a cabin.
- Mandy responded, she thanked and acknowledge the concerns, questions and suggestions from the delegation, she briefly explained the roles in the leadership. I will be present in the assembly for further questions.

Moose Management – Zone 17 Waswanipi, Ouje-Bougoumou, Waskaganish) – TBD (CNG) (Draft Supporting Resolution)

Elaine Grant made a presentation

Questions/Suggestions/Concerns from the delegation

- James Wapachee, I was part of the survey in Ouje. We are aware that the non-natives hunt secretly within the territories. I was previously trained as a wild life protection officer; I still have my badge. He suggests to bring that training back to the tallyman

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- Don Saganash, He addressed the impacts for the previous 20 years and he also questions the CNG's role in the moose management.
- Thomas Stevens suggested he should bring his concerns for the next meeting. He also briefly explained the big game wild life conservation.
- Ricky Bosum, there is a lot of impact on Zone 17 also during the night, the people moose hunt. He also mentioned the equipment that he lost in his camp, we must be careful how we treat the non natives.
- Thomas Stevens responded to the assembly if the delegation has any related concerns or questions to the presentation.
- Keith Bearskin, the impacts of the closure of the Zone 17, the moose can walk toward different traplines. He informed the assembly, if we don't regulate our people not to hunt during the night, it could be out of our control. I am concerned for our people in the camp areas from those who hunt during the night. He suggested a mandatory road signs to be installed that you're entering a camp area.
- Redfern Blueboy informed the assembly if you support the resolution of the moose management of the Zone 17 to the delegation.
- George M Shecapio, there is a lot of activity in the territory such as mining, forestry etc. the moose is also affected by this. The moose population is decreasing, I am sure there are not many in Zone 17. Also, moose can walk trapline to trapline in able to feed itself, it cannot be in the same area. He also suggested regulations must be establish on big game, even thou we have a right as a JBNQA member.
- William T Hester, Concerning the Zone 17, I am currently the chairman of the moose management committee, we only have 2 traplines that partially affected by Zone 17. I would like to know how was the report in Zone 17 within our Waskaganish Trapline. We are also in the process of the Zone 22, we have received suggested regulations as well.
- Eliane Grant responded to William's question
- Charles Cheezo, in response that he supports to the resolution. He suggested to regulate a certain time for moose to be harvested and to also give the person an authority to have the right to say, he's not allowed to harvest a moose.
- Wally Wapachee, there will be conflicts to Non natives and natives. He also suggested the Cree Wildlife officers training to our members and that it will also be hard for them to supervise the regulations.
- Mandy Gull addressed the delegation, the purpose of this moose management in Zone 17 its because the decreasing of moose. It has been 5 years now that Zone 17 was closed to Non-Natives. The Natives were at fault of the over harvesting, but we fought back to explain not only to blame the Natives, also the non natives were the ones that were over harvesting, this regulation comes from the Government of Quebec.

HEALTH BREAK

The meeting is recessed for health break at 3:56 PM and continued at 4:19 PM

Other Matters

- **2025 Cree Trappers' Association Annual General Assembly – Date and Place (Wemindji)**

The delegation approved for the next Cree Trappers Association Annual General Assembly is to take place in Wemindji, QC, dates to be reviewed by the Board of Directors.

- **Resolutions**

Allan House reviewed the following previous resolutions from the CTA Annual General assembly 2023

- Ratification of the Board of Directors Financial Statements Resolution
- Ishthchiikun Audited Financial Statements Resolution
- Appointment of Auditors, Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton
- Meeting Minutes
- Creation of Cabin Insurance Program, Under Cree Trappers Association
- Feasibility Study, Fur.
- Standard fees for the Board of Directors, Section 16 General by law
- Creation of New Cabin Support Fund, Under Cree Trappers Association
- Revisit Trapline Boundaries Disputes, Eeyou Istchee Traplines Under Cree Trappers Association
- Amendment to the definition of a member to the CTA General by law
- Mandate to review roles and titles of Officers positions, Under the New Restructuring plan
- Implementation plan of the Traditional Eeyou Hunting Law

After the review of the resolutions, Allan House informed the delegation that if needed more information, please do not hesitate to contact him if you need to require further information

Questions/Suggestions/Concerns from the delegation

- Ernest Tomatuk informed to Allan House, if you need any information from the previous mandates I can provide
- Wally Wapachee, would the member must be recognized by the local CTA?
- Allan House, yes, he/she must be recognized by the JBNQA
- Wally Wapachee, Trapline dispute was budgeted in the amount of \$50,000 and Eeyou hunting law, no budget was set aside.
- Allan House, further mandate will be discussed with the CEO and including the progress report. If moving forward I am expecting over 500 consultations
- Keith Bearskin, I am wondering what is Ernest Tomatuk update
- Ernest Tomatuk, Cabin Replacement Program, I just wanted to inform how will we proceed with this project.
- Keith Bearskin, how are the cabins?
- Allan House, there is an update but I can bring it at the next board meeting
- Pauline Hester, Eeyou hunting law and revisit of trapline boundaries. We have a trapline dispute with Waskaganish, can someone be hired to be the coordinator for the trapline boundaries?

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Redfern Blueboy informed the delegation a supporting resolution is needed for the Cree-led Lake Sturgeon (Nameau) Management Plan

In Harmony with Wildlife – Cree-led Lake Sturgeon (Nameau) Management Plan – Audrey Lauzon & Jane Voyageur (CNG)

On motion made by Don Saganash and seconded by Wally Wapachee, action carried. It was agreed to adopt members resolution no.XXX-24

SUBJECT: Support of the Cree-led Threat Management Plan for the Conservation of Lake Sturgeon in the James Bay Northern Quebec Agreement Territory

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT; The members of the CTA Support the Cree-led threat Management Plan for the Conservation of Lake Sturgeon/Nameu/Nimaau in the James Bay Northern Quebec Territory

Questions/Suggestions/Concerns from the delegation

- Wally Wapachee suggested a monitoring plan to be added
- William T Hester, asked a question the location

Moose Management – Zone 17 Waswanipi, Ouje-Bougoumou, Waskaganish) – TBD (CNG) (Draft Supporting Resolution)

On motion made by Don Saganash and seconded by Johnny Mark, action Carried. It was agreed to adopt members resolution no. XXX-24

SUBJECT: Implementation of Mandatory Moose Conservation Harvest Permit and Reporting System in Buffer Area (Zone 17)

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT; The members of the CTA Recognize the role of our Indohou Ujemauch (Cree Trappers) to project the well-being of their traplines and support their right to manage their traplines

THAT; The members of the CTA support the Cree representatives on the Hunting Fishing and Trapping and Coordinating the Cree Moose Technical committee to, for a duration of 3 years;

1. To implement a mandatory moose conservation Harvest Permit and reporting system in Zone 17 to enhance the accuracy of moose harvest data and increase hunter awareness
2. To require all Cree hunters participating in the moose harvest Zone 17 to obtain the necessary Moose Conservation Harvest permits and comply with all reporting requirements.
3. To collaborate with the hunting fishing and Trapping Coordinating Committee (HFTCC), the Cree Nation Government (CNG), the Cree Trappers' Association (CTA) and local communities to ensure the effective implementation and enforcement of the new permit and reporting system

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4. To regularly monitor and review the effectiveness of the Moose Conservation Harvest permit and Reporting System, making adjustments as needed to ensure the continued protection and conservation of the moose population in Zone 17
5. To conduct educational programs and outreach initiatives aimed at increasing awareness among hunters about the importance of accurate harvest reporting and conservation practices.

Questions/Suggestions/Concerns from the delegation

- George Shecapio Suggested to change the word into Harvest.
- Don Saganash gave a definition the term Kill and Harvest
- Keith Bearskin
- Ernest Tomatuk commented towards the resolution, you have a right but you also have right to respect others.
- Wally Wapachee consulted the assembly
- Willie K Gunner consulted the assembly

Redfern Blueboy suggested the resolution to be mandated at the Board of Directors, Don Saganash does not agree to proceed, he supports the resolution

- **Communities**

The delegation is requested to bring items to your local CTA director to further mandate to table at the board of directors meeting.

Ratification of Resolution CTA BOD #2024-06-19-04 CTA Board of Directors Honorarium Fees

On motion made by Ernest Tomatuk and seconded by Ricky Bosum, action Carried. It was agreed to adopt members resolution no. 496-24

SUBJECT: Ratification of Resolution CTA BOD #2024-06-19-04 CTA Board of Directors Honorariums Fees

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT; the members of the Cree Trappers Association having reviewed the recommendation from the board of Directors of the CTA, here by accepts the following

- \$650.00 per day for in person Board meetings, Virtual Board Meetings, Conference Meetings, Invitations and CTA Annual General Assemblies for the Directors of the Regional Cree Trappers Association.
- \$350.00 for travel days for the Board of Directors of the Regional Cree Trappers Association

THAT; the Corporate Secretary of the Cree Trappers Association is hereby mandated to do all things deemed necessary to give effect and useful to the foregoing.

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Questions/Suggestions/Concerns from the delegation

- Ernest Tomatuk, questioned about the time limit during the assembly
- Allan suggested to have 3 days assembly and to be reviewed by the Board of Directors
- Keith Bearskin, recommended to have 3 days assembly and to open more discussions.
- Allan House, the Board of Directors has the mandate to further table at their meeting

Allan House thanked the assembly and the hospitality that Nemaska has provided

Closing Remarks by CTA Chairperson – Mr. Redfern Blueboy

Redfern Blueboy thanked the staff for the accommodating the delegation

Bill Blackned addressed the assembly for their discussions, it has been a learning experience, he is also happy for the participation from the delegation. He thanks the staff, the cooks and everyone who has provided the hospitality for the delegation and wishes a safe travel to all.

Redfern Blueboy, it's been a learning experience to chair at this meeting, he thanked the participation from the delegation towards the assembly

Closing of Meeting and Agenda

There being no further business to conduct, on a motion made by Willie K Gunner and seconded by Ricky Bosum, motion carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:27 PM Members' Resolution No. ____.

Closing Prayer

The closing prayer was recited by Willie K Gunner



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**CREE TRAPPERS' ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION NO. 486-24**

PROPOSED BY:

Don Saganash

SECONDED BY:

Willie K. Gunner

ACTION:

Carried

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Sophia Cheezo
Corporate Secretary

SUBJECT: Adoption of Agenda

WHEREAS; the Members of the Cree Trappers' Association having met in Nemaska, Eeyou Istchee on this 22nd day of August 2024.

WHEREAS; Chairman, Redfern Blueboy reviewed the agenda. It was agreed to adopt the agenda at the end of the meeting and to leave it open.

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT; it was agreed to adopt the agenda as presented and to leave it open.

THAT; the Corporate Secretary of the Cree Trappers' Association is hereby mandated to do all things deemed necessary to give effect and useful to the foregoing.

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**CREE TRAPPERS' ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION NO. 487-24**

PROPOSED BY:

Sandy Petagumskum

SECONDED BY:

Donovan Blacksmith

ACTION:

Carried

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Sophia Cheezo
Corporate Secretary

SUBJECT: Appointment of Chairman/Vice-Chairman / Recording Secretaries

WHEREAS; the Members of the Cree Trappers' Association having met in Nemaska, Eeyou Istchee on this 22nd day of August 2024.

WHEREAS; the CFO/Interim CEO Allan A. House announced the appointments of Chairman/Vice-Chairman and Recording Secretaries.

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT; Redfern Blueboy is hereby appointed to Chair the assembly.

THAT; Bill Blackned is hereby appointed to Co-Chair the assembly.

THAT; Karilynn Blackned and Phyllis Tomatuk, are hereby appointed to record the minutes.

THAT; the Corporate Secretary of the Cree Trappers' Association is hereby mandated to do all things deemed necessary to give effect and useful to the foregoing.

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**CREE TRAPPERS' ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION NO. 489-24**

SUBJECT: CTA AGA Honorarium Fees

PROPOSED BY:

Don Saganash

WHEREAS; the Members of the Cree Trappers' Association having met in Nemaska, Eeyou Istchee on this 22nd day of August 2024.

SECONDED BY:

Florrie Jolly Petagumskum

WHEREAS; the members of the Annual General Assembly recommended to modify the Honorarium Fees to be amended at this 2024 General Assembly of CTA.

ACTION:

Carried

BE IT RESOLVED:

WHEREAS; the General By-law concerning the governance remuneration must be approved by the members at an Annual General Assembly.

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THAT; the recommendation is to amend the CTA Honorarium fees for the delegates of the CTA Annual General Assemblies, in the amount of **\$ 300 per day**, and **\$300.00** for travel days. **\$450.00** for the Whapmagoostui delegation considering the isolation factor.



Sophia Cheezo
Corporate Secretary

THAT; a mandate given to the CTA Board of Directors' to look into the Honorarium fees.

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**CREE TRAPPERS' ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION NO. 492-24**

PROPOSED BY:

Abraham Matches

SECONDED BY:

Abel Neeposh

ACTION:

Carried

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August 22nd, 2024

SUBJECT: Appointment of Auditors 2024-2025

WHEREAS; the Members of the Cree Trappers' Association having met in Nemaska, Eeyou Istchee on this 22nd day of August 2024.

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT; the firm Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton be and are hereby appointed auditors of the Cree Trappers' Association and Cree Trappers' Services Trust (Ishtchiikun) for the fiscal year 2024-2025.

THAT; the Corporate Secretary of the Cree Trappers' Association is hereby mandated to do all things deemed necessary to give effect and useful to the foregoing.



Sophia Cheezo
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**CREE TRAPPERS' ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION NO. 493-24**

PROPOSED BY:

Willie K. Gunner

SECONDED BY:

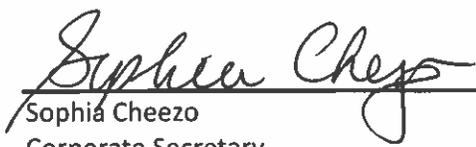
William T. Hester

ACTION:

Carried

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August 22, 2024



Sophia Cheezo
Corporate Secretary

**SUBJECT: Approval of the Minutes of CTA
Annual General Assembly
November 3 & 4, 2023.**

WHEREAS; the Members of the Cree Trappers' Association having met in Nemaska, Eeyou Istchee on this 22nd day of November 2023.

WHEREAS; After a review, the CTA Annual General Assembly Minutes dated November 3 & 4, 2023 were approved, therefore; it was agreed to adopt a members' resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT; the Minutes of the Annual General Assembly of the Cree Trappers' Association dated November 3 & 4, 2023, were approved as corrected.

THAT; the Corporate Secretary of the Cree Trappers' Association is hereby mandated to do all things deemed necessary to give effect and useful to the foregoing.

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ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION NO. XXX-24

SUBJECT: Implementation of Mandatory Moose Conservation Harvest Permit and Reporting System in Buffer Area (Zone 17)

PROPOSED BY:

Don Saganash

WHEREAS;

the Members of the Cree Trappers' Association met in Nemaska, QC on the 22nd day of August 2024;

SECONDED BY:

Johnny Mark

WHEREAS;

Indohou Oujemauch (Cree tallymen) are recognized by Cree communities and the *James Bay Northern Quebec Agreement* as being the caretakers of their respective hunting territories (traplines) and are recognized as being responsible for the supervision of harvesting activity, which includes who can be granted permission to hunt on the traplines and under what conditions;

ACTION

Carried

WHEREAS;

Naacatawaayatacano refers to the concept that the land and its living resources are precious to the Eeyou and that their good and respectful management will ensure the continuous well-being and renewal of the land and its living resources and will allow future generations of Eeyou to maintain their way of life.

Certified true copy of a resolution adopted on
Date: August 22, 2024

Allan A. House
Chief Financial Officer

WHEREAS;

the role of the Kaanowapmaakin/tallyman is the proper stewardship, guardianship and custodianship of the Indoh-hoh Istchee is carried out both for the benefit of the Kaanoowapmaakin's family and hunting group and for the benefit of the whole community in order to ensure the

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productivity and sustainability of the Indohoh Istchee both for present and for future generations.

WHEREAS;

the health of moose populations in zone 17 continue to be a concern since the last population census conducted in the winter of 2021 which confirmed a significant reduction of 35% since the previous survey conducted in 2009;

WHEREAS

the state of the moose population in Zone 17 requires measures to protect the species and uphold the principle of conservation, the priority and guaranteed level of harvest for the Cree as provided under Section 24 of the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement (JBNQA);

WHEREAS

under paragraph 24.2.1 of the JBNQA, the Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Regime established by and in accordance with this Section shall be subject to the principle of conservation whereby pursuant to paragraph 24.1.5, "Conservation" means the pursuit of the optimum natural productivity of all living resources and the protection of the ecological systems of the Territory to protect endangered species and primarily ensure the continuance of the traditional pursuits of the Native people, and secondarily, the satisfaction of the needs of non-Native people for sport hunting and fishing;

WHEREAS

the Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Coordinating Committee (HFTCC) has binding authority to establish the upper limit of kill for moose in the buffer area for both

Cree and non-Cree as per paragraph 24.4.30 of the JBNQA;

WHEREAS

the HFTCC Resolution 21-22:10 established an annual upper limit of 104 moose kills in hunting Zone 17 for Native and non-Native people, which has been maintained by Resolutions 22-23:13 and 23-24:17, in conformity with sub-paragraph 24.6.3d) of the JBNQA, the entire harvest of moose in the zone was allocated to the Cree;

WHEREAS

on the recommendation of Board/Council of the Grand Council of the Crees (Eeyou Istchee)/Cree Nation Government a Technical Committee composed of the Cree Nation Government (CNG), the Cree Trappers' Association (CTA), and the Waswanipi, Oujé-Bougoumou, and Waskaganish local governments was created to develop guidelines and put in place the appropriate monitoring mechanisms.

WHEREAS

the Cree Nation Government (CNG), the Cree Trappers' Association (CTA), and the communities of Waswanipi, Oujé-Bougoumou, and Waskaganish have developed and implemented guidelines on harvest modalities and reporting mechanisms based on traditional principals and conservation values;

WHEREAS

the reporting of the harvest by Cree hunters has been challenging and inconsistent, and interviews conducted with the tallymen have highlighted the need for more accurate harvest data and increased awareness among hunters; it was recommended to implement a mandatory Moose Conservation Harvest

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ermit and Reporting System to address these issues;

WHEREAS

under section 24.1.8 of the JBNQA the role of the tallymen is recognized and defined as responsible for the supervision of harvesting activity on a Cree trapline; and as such support is needed for the Tallymen and CTA to ensure proper and efficient monitoring of the Cree harvest;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED:

THAT

The Members of the CTA recognize the role of our *Indohou Oujemauch* (Cree tallymen) to protect the well-being of their traplines and support their right to manage their traplines;

THAT

The Members of the CTA support the Cree representatives on the Hunting Fishing and Trapping and Coordinating and the Cree Moose Technical committee to, for a duration of 3 years;

1. To implement a mandatory Moose Conservation Harvest Permit and Reporting System in Zone 17 to enhance the accuracy of moose harvest data and increase hunter awareness.
2. To require all Cree hunters participating in the moose harvest in Zone 17 to obtain the necessary Moose Conservation Harvest Permits and comply with all reporting requirements.
3. To collaborate with the Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Coordinating Committee (HFTCC), the Cree Nation Government (CNG), the Cree Trappers' Association (CTA), and local communities to ensure the effective implementation and enforcement of the new permit and reporting system.

4. To regularly monitor and review the effectiveness of the Moose Conservation Harvest Permit and Reporting System, making adjustments as needed to ensure the continued protection and conservation of the moose population in Zone 17.

5. To conduct educational programs and outreach initiatives aimed at increasing awareness among hunters about the importance of accurate harvest reporting and conservation practices.

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CREE TRAPPERS' ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION NO. XXX-24

SUBJECT: Support of the *Cree-led Threat Management Plan for the Conservation of Lake Sturgeon in the James Bay Northern Quebec Agreement Territory*

PROPOSED BY:

Don Saganash

WHEREAS; the Members of the Cree Trappers' Association met in Nemaska, QC on the 23rd day of August 2024;

SECONDED BY:

Wally Wapachee

WHEREAS; Lake Sturgeon (*Acipenser fulvescens*) Southern Hudson Bay-James Bay population has been listed in the Species at Risk Act (SARA) as a "Species of Special Concern" in April 2017. As is specified in section 65 of the SARA, a management plan for the species and its habitat must be prepared by the competent minister.

ACTION

Carried

WHEREAS; Lake Sturgeon is a species reserved for exclusive use by the Cree population within the JBNQA territory north of the 50th parallel as per Schedule 2 of Section 24 of the JBNQA. Furthermore, section 24.6 stipulates the priority of harvest of the Cree Nation with a guaranteed level of harvest provided that the principle of conservation is respected.

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Date: August 23, 2024

Allan A. House
Chief Financial Officer

WHEREAS; Lake Sturgeon has a very special cultural value for the Cree Nation and is of great importance for many local subsistence economies.

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**CREE TRAPPERS' ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION NO. 496-24**

PROPOSED BY:

Ernest Tomatuk

SECONDED BY:

Ricky Bosum

ACTION:

Carried

Certified Copy of a resolution adopted on

August 23rd, 2024

Sophia Cheezo
Corporate Secretary

**SUBJECT: Ratification of Resolution CTA BOD
#2024-06-19-04 CTA Board of
Directors Honorarium Fees**

WHEREAS; the Members of the Cree Trappers' Association having met in Nemaska, Eeyou Istchee on this 23rd day of August 2024.

WHEREAS; the CTA Board of Directors' recommended the standard fees of the Board fees to be amended at the General Assembly of CTA.

WHEREAS; in accordance with section 16 of the General By-Laws of the CTA, there must be one representative on the Board of Directors of the CTA from each of the Cree Communities of Whapmagoostui, Wemindji, Waskaganish, Mistissini, Ouje-Bougoumou, Chisasibi, Eastmain, Nemaska, Waswanipi, and any other Cree Community fully recognized as such by the Grand Council of the Crees (Eeyou Istchee)/Cree Nation Government;

WHEREAS; the General By-law that governs the board of directors indicates any board member remuneration must be approved by the members at an Annual General Assembly

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WHEREAS; the recommendation amended fees for the Board of Directors in the amount of \$ **650.00 per day** for Directors for the regional Cree Trappers' Association for the Board of Directors In-Person Board Meetings, Virtual Board Meetings, Conference meetings, Invitations, and CTA Annual General Assemblies, and **\$350.00** for travel days will be required.

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT; the Members of the Cree Trappers' Association having reviewed the recommendation from the Board of Directors' of the CTA, here by accept the following:

- \$ 650.00 per day for In-Person Board Meetings, Virtual Board Meetings, Conference Meetings, Invitations, and CTA Annual General Assemblies for the Directors of the Regional Cree Trappers' Association.
- \$350.00 for travel days for the Board of Directors' of the Regional Cree Trappers' Association.

THAT; the Corporate Secretary of the Cree Trappers' Association is hereby mandated to do all things deemed necessary to give effect and useful to the foregoing.

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