



FIRST NATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ON SAFE DRINKING WATER

**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING FOR THE FIRST NATIONS ADVISORY
COMMITTEE
(the “Committee”)**

(11 February 2026 – TD TOWER, 66 WELLINGTON STREET WEST, T’KARONTO)

Reference: CHAIR

John P. Brown (“**Executive Director**”) acted as chair and secretary for the meeting.

Reference: MEETING PROPERLY CONSTITUTED

A quorum of the Members of the Committee was present in person or virtually as set out in Schedule A.

Reference: BUSINESS CONDUCTED

The Committee considered and addressed the matters set out in the Agenda attached as Schedule B.

Reference: ADDITION OF TWO NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO THE FNAC

ON A MOTION DULY MADE, seconded and carried:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The First Nation Advisor Committee for Safe Drinking Water (FNAC) welcomes the addition of two new committee members, Cheyenna Hunt and Katrina Maurice Eaglechild, who are both from English River First Nation, Saskatchewan.

Reference: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 14 JANUARY 2026 MEETING

ON A MOTION DULY MADE, seconded and carried:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT; the minutes of the 14 January 2026 meeting be and are hereby approved.

**Reference: PROVIDING SUPPORT TO KASHECHEWAN FIRST NATION
THROUGHOUT CURRENT WATER CRISIS**

ON A MOTION DULY MADE, seconded and carried:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Kathleen Padulo has provided the FNAC with the letter from the Chiefs of Ontario to Canada requesting fulfilment of obligations under the water settlement. The FNAC supports Kashechewan First Nation with its request to compel Canada to meet its obligations under the settlement agreement.

Reference: ACCEPTANCE OF THE TEMPLATE TO BE USED FOR APPROVAL OF PROPOSALS THROUGH THE WATER GOVERNANCE FUND

ON A MOTION DULY MADE, seconded and carried:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: John Brown has prepared a standardized template agreement outlining the specific terms and conditions that a First Nation community must adhere to in order to receive funding. The approved template agreement will be used as part of the proposal review and approval process for the Water Governance Fund. Members have seven days from the date of this meeting to provide John with any edits and recommendations before the template is finalized.

Reference: WATER GOVERNANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH NORTH SHORE MI'KMAQ TRIBAL COUNCIL

ON A MOTION DULY MADE, seconded and carried, one abstention:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The FNAC will enter into an agreement with North Shore Mi'kmaq Tribal council to distribute to it \$466,800.00 from the Water Governance Fund to support the development of water and wastewater regulations for the 15 communities in New Brunswick, which will be presented to both provincial and federal governments for implementation.

Reference: ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Schedule A

Members of the First Nations Advisory Committee (“FNAC”)		
Name	Email	Community
Chief Emerita Emily Whetung (absent)	emilieee.whetung@gmail.com	Curve Lake First Nation Southern Ontario
Councilor Doreen Spence (absent)	doreenspence@tataskweyak.com	Tataskweyak First Nation Northern Manitoba
Chief Chris Moonias (absent)	chris.moonias@neskantaga.com	Neskantaga First Nation Northern Ontario
Richard Inkster (present)	rinkster@kitsumkalum.com	Kitsumkalum Band Council British Columbia
Wesley Bova (attended in writing)	wesbova@shaw.ca	Akwesasne First Nation Ontario
Kathleen Padulo (present)	kathleen.padulo@coo.org	Oneida Nation of the Thames Ontario
Mario Swampy (absent)	mario_73@hotmail.com	Nipisihkopahk (Samson Cree Nation) Alberta
Maggie Stothart, P. Eng., FEC (present)	maggiestothart@nsmtc.ca	New Brunswick
Cheyenna Hunt (present)	Cheyenna.hunt@desbedhe.com	English River First Nation, Saskatchewan
Katrina Maurice-Eaglechild (present)	Katsakic2014@outlook.com	English River First Nation, Saskatchewan

Schedule B

Agenda – 11 February 2026		
	Time	Description
1	12:00 to 12:05	Opening
2	12:05 to 12:10	Introducing the two new FNAC members • Cheyenna Hunt • Katrina Maurice-Eaglechild
3	12:10 to 12:15	Approve Minutes of January Meeting – 14 January 2026 (Tab 2)
4	12:15-12:25	Update re Kashechewan water crisis - Kathleen Padulo (Tab 3)
5	12:25 to 12:40	Transfer by Canada to the FNAC of the \$9m Water Governance Fund • Money Received • Review and Approve Draft Agreement with First Nation Applicants (Tab 4)
6	12:40 to 12:45	FNAC IN-Person meeting April 8 th ?
7	12:45 to 12:55	Review of live social media pages and hashtag discussion
8	12:55 to 1:00	Other Business
9	1:00	Closing