





### CHIEF OF MISSANABIE CREE FIRST NATION

Jason Gauthier, BA (Hons)

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#### Assembly of First Nations

The Chiefs met on some national issues such as health and governance in Ottawa.

#### Alamos

Met with Alamos and negotiated our Community Benefit Agreement, it's shaping up to be one of the best agreements ever negotiated by Missanabie Cree. We talked about business development, revenue sharing, and environmental issues.

#### Court Proceedings

We as a Council met with our lawyer to discuss our case involving Treaty 9 and also to discuss our Ontario litigation. Our lawyers are feeling optimistic

about a favorable ruling which we should be seeing the results of in around six months.

#### MCBC

Have been meeting with the business corporation on a daily basis to discuss all the projects we are working on including emergency management and long term care.. I have been involved regularly in the due diligence and oversight of all our business initiatives, JV's, and governmental discussions.

#### IVC & Dog Lake Camp

We will be meeting soon to discuss the usage of our camps and how members and campers can access them. Details of this meeting will be posted in the next newsletter and online.

On a more personal note, I would like to say Happy Mother's Day to all the mother's of our community and Happy Nurses Week to all of our Community Member's who have taken on the brave and honourable role of Nurse. I would also like to give a special thank you to all health care professionals in our community. Without you, our loved ones wouldn't be taken care of in the special way that you do.

In the spirit of community.



### LANDS & RESOURCES DIRECTORR

Tess Sullivan, MPA, BA, BEd,  
Provisional Forester

Wachiaye MCFN Members,

Celebrating Anikis Pisim (Frog Moon)!

I heard the first frog peepers on April 25th here in Sault Ste. Marie!

The Lands and Resources Department has been busy gearing up for the 2023 Field Season. We have hired a Summer Water Guardian, Ryan Wesley, who starts May 1 (Full Bio in Next Bear Fax), and we are in the final stages of hiring a Climate Change Solutions Coordinator. Both positions will provide the department the much-needed capacity to undertake the extensive field work of several projects that are

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being implemented. Projects include bat and bird monitoring, wetland inventory, moose pellet plots to study the effects of Herbicide Spray, water monitoring.

Our Community Energy Planner, Stephen Hawkins, continues his work with the support of a consultant to bolster his energy feasibility study with technical measurements of the potential of wind, water and solar power to source energy to the reserve. There are plans to install a renewable energy demonstration unit at Missanabie. We have also commenced studying the availability of biomass (wood fibre) from areas adjacent to the reserve, to get a better understanding of whether there is wood supply available to make biomass heat and energy production a viable option for the reserve community. We anticipate having a first draft the Energy feasibility study by end of June.

Ty Hourtovenko has scheduled his spring monitoring of the Mines in Dubreuilville. He will be monitoring the Goudreau Watershed and inspecting the

expansions of the mines in early May. Ty will also be working collaboratively with Michipicoten First Nation during the 2023 Field Season, to get GPS coordinates and visual descriptions of the Pictographs on Dog Lake.

Thereafter, the plan is to apply for Site of Archaeological Significance permits with the Ministry of Mines, such that we can get prescribed protection for the area around these pictographs.

Reserve Creation plans are also progressing along. The Nolan Road Tender closed April 21, and we have completed our comparative analysis of the three bids received. We are sharing our analysis with Chief and Council for their deliberation within the next week. The plan is for the road to be graveled, ditched and connected to hwy 651 by the end of August. The proposal for the development of rental units has also been drafted. The plan is to have this proposal published Friday April 28 to welcome construction companies to bid on the construction of a duplex (2 bedroom each) and two 3 bedroom single units. These will be constructed along the Island View Road at the intersection with Nolan Road. This was the site

selected so that the rental units have immediate access to electrical hookup. The plan is to try to have construction of these units completed by the end of December 2023. This is an ambitious goal, however we will steadfastly aim for the best!

Chi-meegwetch. Mikwec, and Happy Spring

Please do not hesitate to reach out to anyone of us in the department if you have any questions or comments.

Kind regards,

Tess on behalf of the Lands & Resources Department (Ty Hourtovenko, Stephen Hawkins, Brie Nemeth, and welcome Ryan Wesley)!

### MINERAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISOR

**Ty Hourtovenko**

Wace My relations!

As Springtime weather makes its way to all our members, there are many of us that are finding ourselves in the seasonal routine of cleaning our yards, tending our gardens, and managing our outdoor spaces. These outdoor

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activities have prompted my monthly critical mineral choice – **Phosphate**. As most gardeners are aware, this element is a key item in growing a successful crop, or to simply maintain a healthy flowerbed.

Phosphate is an essential mineral for all life on Earth and is added to farmers' fields in huge quantities. But rock phosphate is a finite resource, and the biggest supplies are mined in politically unstable places, posing risks to the many countries that have little or no reserves.

Phosphate use has quadrupled in the last 50 years as the global population has grown and the date when it is estimated to run out gets closer with each new analysis of demand, with some scientists projecting that moment could come as soon as a few decades' time.

There is so much information that can be found around this topic and the sensitivities described in its limited availability, which can drastically affect all of our lives, especially regarding our global food supply.

If you are further interested, I

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# PHOSPHATE

**Phosphate** – is derived from sedimentary or igneous rocks that are rich in phosphate minerals. Inorganic phosphates are mined to obtain phosphorus for use in agriculture and industry. Phosphate occurs in Ontario as both primary and secondary commodities.

**Geological Environment and Sources:** In Ontario, phosphate occurs in carbonatite and alkalic intrusions.

**Host Minerals:** Phosphate is found in Ontario mainly as apatite.

**Total World Production 2021:** Worldwide production of phosphate in 2021 was 220 million tonnes.

**Notable Ontario Localities:** Kapuskasing (Kapuskasing Phosphate Operations (closed 2013)), Hearst area (Martison Lake).

*Apatite is the name of a group of phosphate minerals and is an important source of phosphate.*

## How Is Phosphate Used?

**Phosphate** is used in fertilizers, steel production (phosphor bronze) and industrial chemical manufacturing, such as wet-process phosphoric acid and superphosphoric acid.





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suggested the following link or simply pursuing the information at you own leisure.

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2019/sep/06/phosphate>

### **BREAKING NEWS!!!**

First Nations leaders in Treaty 9 say their message is clear — no development without us as partners.

Chiefs from 10 communities in the region launch lawsuit, arguing Crown can't make unilateral land decisions

'We do this together or we don't do it'

The lawsuit is seeking \$95 billion in damages for Treaty 9 First Nations and injunctions to prevent the two levels of government from regulating or enforcing regulations in the treaty lands without the consent of the plaintiffs. If there are disputes, they say, it should go to an independent third party, similar to other international treaties.

The plaintiffs in the lawsuit

announced Wednesday claim they never agreed to cede, release, surrender or yield up their jurisdiction to govern and care for the lands, as it says in the written treaty, which was first entered into in 1905.

The Ring of Fire is expected to be a key supplier of the raw minerals in [Ontario's effort to capitalize on the growing demand for minerals crucial to new technologies](#),

*‘We do this together or we don’t do it’*

according to Ontario's critical minerals strategy that was released last year.

This case comes as Ontario and Canada have announced several major developments in its critical minerals strategy and electric vehicle (EV) industry, including a plant in southern Ontario that will receive up to \$13 billion in subsidies.

[First Nations leaders in Treaty 9 say their message is clear — no development without us as partners | CBC News](#)

In April, Missanabie Cree First Nation (MCFN) filed comments with The Ontario Environmental Registry, contesting legislative and regulatory changes prompted by Bill 71 “The Building More Mines Act”.

A careful review of the proposed changes to the Mining Act, coupled with information sessions provided by the Ministry of Mines have raised troubling concerns for the future relationships between Mining Industry and Indigenous Communities.

MCFN has submitted a letter directly to the Minister of Mines, George Pirie which states the following:

*“Missanabie Cree First Nation is deeply concerned about the proposed legislative changes in Bill 71 - Building More Mines Act. The proposed changes signal less consultation and less regulatory oversight on proposed resource extraction activities of mining proponents, making it*

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*likely that future activities will adversely affect Aboriginal treaty rights of all in Ontario.”*

Despite these concerns, which may hinder Indigenous participation and oversight, I can assure the community that our current relationship with both operating mines and the exploration companies are healthy and well managed. Our continued monitoring of mining activity is on-going and aims to protect our lands against environmental impacts and prevent the encroachment of mining activity on our sacred spaces. The Lands and Resource Department is steadily working on these protection measures using the 7 Generation model to guide us.

I will be coordinating a series of monthly Virtual Information Sessions focused on mining topics. These sessions will provide appropriate context and updates. Information for each monthly session will be provided in advance, available at each HUB, Facebook and on our Monthly Bear Fax.

If you have any questions or recommendations, please contact

me through my email.

Respectfully



### SUMMER WATER GUARDIAN

#### Ryan Wesley

Hello, my name is Ryan Wesley and have been recently hired as the summer Water Guardian for this summer season. My family is part of the bear clan and in recent years I've been learning my ancestry and culture through my employment with Wahkohtowin as a guardian lead and now for Missanabie Cree. I have a western science education as a fish and wildlife technician that I have been obtaining through Sault College, graduating in December of 2023. I love the outdoors and spend a lot of my personal time

photographing wildlife and landscapes. I also enjoy hiking and being on the water whether I am fishing or paddling. One goal of mine this summer season is to learn more traditional knowledge of the land. I want to blend my western knowledge with traditional ecological knowledge to have a two-eyed seeing approach to how I see the land and Mother Earth. I am looking forward to this summer field season, being able to work on the land and with the band. I also look forward to meeting and working with everyone.

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### MCBC GENERAL MANAGER

Joe Tom Sayers, BA(Hons), MPA

### Emergency Management Project

The site clearing for the emergency shelter in Missanabie

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is nearing completion. Final negotiations with ISC on the service agreement is underway, and the financing package with CMHC is also near closing. Testing of the emergency app is also near completion, with the final MVP build forecasted to be completed by the end of June 2023. ISN Maskwa is hosting a training this week of 36 First Nation people including MCFN members, and have been deployed to support Fort Albany, Kashechewan and possibly Attawapiskat First Nations in their evacuations this spring.

### Long Term Care

The MCFN team is steaming ahead with final design and site plans for the facility, which will be placed off of 3rd Line in the Sault. Our target date is August 2023 to begin construction.

### Sponsorship Requests

We are tabling draft criteria to the MCBC board's consideration for sponsorship requests from MCFN members. We will share with Chief and Council once the draft is finalized.

### 140 Merton St. Toronto Project

We confirmed with the City of Toronto that the project will add

another 100 units, bringing the total units for Elders to 284. These will be a mix of affordable units, market units, and possible condominium units and 'life lease' options for affordable ownership. Because of the increased density, new design elements are required and our partner Ellis Don is working closely with our architect and the City's planning division to finalize the site plan and building design.

### April 17-21 Vacation

I was off for a week's vacation to teach a course for Toronto Metropolitan University with the Inuit people in Iqaluit Nunavut. Surprisingly, it wasn't as cold as I expected and they had more daylight now than we have 'down south'. I had a great time and look forward to teaching another cohort in the fall.

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### MCBC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

#### **Brittany MacLean**

Greetings MCFN Community members!

We have set up regular S.W.O.T (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats) meetings with our board to review and

assess current and proposed projects. The meetings have been very productive and help streamline processes.

Our Bookkeeper Austin Kells has moved on to get his Chartered Professional Accountant designation with a different employer. We appreciate the work Austin did to get our books up to date and wish him best of luck on his next journey. We have a job posting for the position on the MCBC Facebook page.

I continue to work on the MCBC Audit with BDO. We will review the completed audit with the board as soon as we are able.

I look forward to the MCFN Annual Gathering planning meetings to start! Last year our Business partner day was the highest attended to date. We plan to enhance and grow the MCBC and partner presence this year.

### BEAR TRAIN MANAGER INTERN

#### **Johnathan Lalonde**

Howdy! The Bear Train Manager Intern continues to work with MTA Inc. and CAPT on different aspects of the Bear Train. We are

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waiting on some companies to respond to the RFQ we sent out to move ahead with updating the financial information for the Bear Train Business Plan. We continue to get people involved to grow the capacity of the Board and discuss the various options for a passenger train service. We are hoping for a solid commitment from the Federal Government to support the funding of passenger trains. We will have more information after the Federal Caucus meeting on the direction the government wants to go. Enjoy the Spring weather!

### CBA COORDINATOR

**Hannah Caicco**

“Hello Missanabie Members, I hope everyone is doing well and hopefully soon we will be enjoying some sunshine and spring weather!

I have been working on updating and bringing on new joint venture partners to continue to diversify our repository. And Joe, our General Manager, and I have been working on the onboarding of new Joint Venture partners to

continue to grow our Joint Venture Repository. As well Brittany and I have been working on improving the Joint Venture Repository by going through all of the agreements, updating information, and ensuring the repository is as clear and accurate as possible.

I have been keeping up with each of the mine sites on a monthly basis creating follow-up CBA reports and keeping up-to-date on all future opportunities. This gives us an opportunity to discuss employment opportunities, upcoming RFPs, community events, and joint venture partnerships. As well we have been introduced to some new team members at each of the mine sites and we are working to continue to grow our collaboration and communication with them.

Finally, I have been working closely with the team on community engagement projects and collaborating with our partners to increase opportunities! We are working to start the pre-planning stages of our annual RUSH event and look at ways to make it different and exciting this coming year!

Thank you & stay safe

### THUNDER BAY HUB COORDINATOR

**Ded Ewing**

In Thunder Bay we are quite busy with Cree Classes every Tuesday and Thursday evening, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Matthew Wesley is the facilitator of this class. We have learned a lot and hope to continue to do so. You will find the Zoom link for these Cree Classes in on the MCFN On-Line Programming.

Also, in May we will be starting our Medicine Wheel Teachings Workshop. This will run every 2nd Monday starting May 3, until the end of May with the last class we will spend time making our own Medicine Wheels. This workshop will be facilitated by Chuck Wesley and is open to Thunder Bay Hub residents only. Refreshments will be served so please register. Refer to the Poster on our Thunder Bay Webpage. There will be a door prize.

I have planned a Mother's Day luncheon of Soup and Bannock. This will be held on May 14 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. Come on down for some food, fun, and

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conversation. There will be a door prize. Refer to the Poster on our Thunder Bay Webpage.

We will be having a Family Swim Day at Volunteer Pool on May 13 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

Refreshments will be served.

Come join us for some food, fun and conversation. You will need to register for this event. There will be a poster on our Thunder Bay Webpage.

We will be continuing with the Elder's Tea. It will be held May

17 from 1:30 to 3:30 pm.

Refreshments will be served.

\$20.00 gift card will be the door prize.

Our Youth Drop-in will be held on May 24 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm.

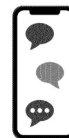
Pizza and munchies will be served.

\$20.00 gift card will be the door prize.

I am hoping to purchase seeds (flower/vegetables), potting soil etc. for our Thunder Bay Hub members for May. If you would like to receive some seeds, please call the office, and leave a message.

# NAN HOPE

Nishnawbe Aski Mental Health and Addictions Support Access Program



**We're here for you 24/7**  
1-844-NAN-HOPE  
(1-844-626-4673)

The Nishnawbe Aski Mental Health Wellness Support Access Program (NAN Hope) provides community-driven, culturally appropriate and timely mental health and addictions support to members of the 49 First Nations communities in Nishnawbe Aski region.

This First Nation-led program is in response to the specific mental health needs of community members in northern Ontario, offering a central access point to mental health and addictions support.

### Program Services:



Navigation to mental health and addictions support services



Rapid access to clinical and mental health counselling



24/7 toll-free rapid access to confidential crisis services

Phone | Text\* | Chat\*

[www.nanhope.ca](http://www.nanhope.ca)

\*Text and Live Chat support are available Monday through Friday: 8:00am - 12:00am ET and Saturday and Sunday: 10:00am - 1:00pm ET.

# Need a Helpline?

Toll Free Helplines for Northern Ontario

- Children
- Youth
- Adults



## Support & Information Lines

- Kids Help Phone  
1.800.668.6868  
24 Hours
- Operation Come Home  
1.800.668.4663  
8am - 4pm EST (Mon-Fri)
- MissingKids.ca  
1.800.KID.TIPS  
1.800.543.8477
- Assaulted Women's Helpline  
1.866.863.7868  
TTY: 1.866.863.7868
- Victim Support Line  
1.888.579.2888  
24 Hours
- Senior Safety Line  
1.866.299.1011
- Good2Talk (Post Secondary Helpline)  
1.866.925.5454
- LGBT Youth Line  
1.800.268.9688

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When you don't know where to turn

Connects you to health, community, government & social services.  
24 Hours

## Mental Health & Addictions

- First Nations & Inuit Hope for Wellness Line  
1.855.242.3310  
24 Hours
- Mental Health Service Information Ontario  
1.866.531.2600  
24 Hours
- Drug & Alcohol Information Line  
1.800.565.8603  
24 Hours
- Ontario Problem Gambling Helpline  
1.888.230.3505  
24 Hours
- Al-Anon - Alateen  
1.888.425.2666  
8am - 6pm EST (Mon-Fri)
- Talk4Healing  
1.855.554.HEAL (4325)

## Health

- AIDS & Sexual Health Information Line  
1.800.668.2437  
10am - 10:30am EST (Mon-Fri)  
11am - 3pm EST (Sat & Sun)
- Telehealth Ontario (Health Information Line)  
1.866.797.0000  
24 Hours

# Call Out

## Dog Lake Camp Advisory Board Members

Deadline: May 31, 2023

We are seeking passionate, knowledgeable, and educated advisory board members who can strengthen and build Dog Lake Camp.

Dog Lake Camp Board Members are required to have the following skills and requirements or equivalent:

- Post secondary education or a related experience in business management, financial management, tourism, camp management.
- Knowledge of economics, labour issues, and human rights issues would be an asset.
- The ability to work well with others respectfully and thoughtfully.
- Ability to meet regularly either in person, video conference, or by teleconference.
- Knowledgeable with electronics and office programs such as Microsoft Excel and Word.
- Must be 18 years or older and obtain a CPIC post acceptance.

Please send your *resume and letter of interest* to:

June Markie Missanabie Cree First Nation

By Fax: 705-254-3292

By Email: [jmarkie@missanabiecree.com](mailto:jmarkie@missanabiecree.com)



CREE CULTURE CAMP 2023 NEW BEGINNINGS – JOURNEYING TOGETHER

Monday, July 17 to Friday July 21, 2023



Elder(s)

1st Member \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Member \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ check one

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult(s)

1st Member \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Member \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ check one

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Child(ren)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Childcare on site cannot be guaranteed.

Accommodations: Do you need an accessible cabin? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Travel: Own vehicle Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Air Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Do you or any family have any dietary restriction? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

If yes, please describe \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you or any family member have any medical restrictions?

If yes, please describe \_\_\_\_\_

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**CREE CULTURE CAMP 2023 NEW BEGINNINGS – JOURNEYING TOGETHER**

**Monday, July 17 to Friday July 21, 2023**

Use this space for any additional information:

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In the space below, please provide your name(s) on this form t-shirt size(s):

Please indicate if Adult – Youth - Child

NAME	Adult-Youth-Child	T-SHIRT SIZE

Must be in attendance to receive a t-shirt.

**1. Please return completed registration ASAP to JoAnn Pezzo:**

**Email: [jpezzo@missanabiecree.com](mailto:jpezzo@missanabiecree.com)**

**OR**

**2. You can also complete this form over the phone by calling:**

**JoAnn at: [416-463-0172](tel:416-463-0172) or [647-989-0172](tel:647-989-0172)**



## MISSANABIE CREE COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELLNESS SERVICES



### INTAKE FORM

DATE:		FILE #	
NAME:			
ADDRESS:			
CITY:			
PROVINCE		POSTAL CODE	
EMAIL		PHONE #	

Services provide a direct or secondary benefit to:      Member       Spouse       Child

Member Status Card # 2 2 3 \_\_\_\_\_ Member Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
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Request: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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Estimated cost for requested services: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# of previous requests \_\_\_\_\_      Is this a request that can be provided through other services?    Y     N

Has the recipient been declined by other services for this request?    Y     N

Quotes Attached \_\_\_\_\_      Quotes Requested \_\_\_\_\_

*DOCTOR'S NOTE MAY BE REQUIRED PRIOR TO APPROVAL OF SERVICES IF REQUEST IS DUE TO MEDICAL ISSUE*

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Release of Information

I \_\_\_\_\_ hereby authorize \_\_\_\_\_  
 to speak to \_\_\_\_\_ on my behalf in regards to  
 \_\_\_\_\_ on the application submitted to Missanabie Cree First Nation.

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_      Signature \_\_\_\_\_ )  
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## ELDER'S CARE FUNDING

### **Purpose:**

Missanabie Cree First Nation's Family Services Team has set out the following guidelines based on funding available from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care. Requests that fall outside of this scope of funding are to be submitted as a RAMA request which is subject to Chief and Council approval.

Due to the amount of funding provided, Missanabie Cree has set limits on amounts that can be applied to this funding specifically to ensure we are able to make services available for all elders.

Elders of Missanabie Cree First Nation are able to apply for services and reimbursements of eligible costs by completing the Family Services Intake form.

If the request does not meet the funding criteria, or are over and above the limits set below, the remainder of the request is then submitted to Chief and Council to be considered under the RAMA Health category.

The Ministry of Long Term Care (MOHLTC) provides funding to First Nation communities to cover expenses in the following categories (A, B, and C). Under these categories we are providing the services listed below by way of direct pay to providers or reimbursement to the individual making the request:

#### **A) Community Support Services**

- a. Meal Services
- b. Transportation
- c. Caregiver Support Services
- d. Adult Day Programs **(1-2 days per week)**
- e. Home maintenance and repair
  - i. Maintenance includes: snow removal, mowing
  - ii. Repairs include: leaking roof/water damage, and any damage or repair required that significantly affects the state of being able to remain living in the home safely
  - iii. Accessibility modifications (renting vs home ownership may have different eligibility)
- f. Emergency Response Services
- g. Foot Care

#### **B) Homemaking/Personal Support Services **(4 hours per week)****

- a. Housecleaning
- b. Laundry
- c. Shopping
- d. Preparing Meals
- e. Assisting a person with personal hygiene or routine activities of living

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- C) Professional Services **(Must provide receipts for reimbursement)**
- a. Occupational therapy and assistive devices
  - b. Physiotherapy
  - c. Speech-language pathology Services
  - d. Dietetic services
  - e. Diagnostic and laboratory services
  - f. Medical Supplies and treatment equipment
  - g. Pharmacy Services
  - h. Respiratory Therapy Services

Missanabie Cree First Nation under the funder's requirements are expected to:

- Assess the person's requirement for community services
- Determine the eligibility for community services
- Develop a plan of service for each eligible person
- Set out the amount of each service provided to the person
- Review the person's requirement regularly and revise plan of services as necessary when changes are required

Additional Emergency Services provided not under MOHLTC related:

1. Rental Assistance for arrears (1 month paid, once per elder)
2. Last month's Rental assistance (Once per elder)
3. Dental care and denture (costs over and above NIHB coverage/other insurances may be eligible)
4. Prescription glasses (costs over and above NIHB coverage/other insurances may be eligible)
5. Diabetic needs (special circumstance) (costs over and above NIHB coverage/other insurances may be eligible)

## **ELDER'S CARE FUNDING**

### **Steps for processing and approval**

#### **Step 1 - application**

Contact the Family Well-Being Worker via phone 705-254-2702 ext. 206 or email at [jharris@missanabiecree.com](mailto:jharris@missanabiecree.com).

Request to complete the Family Services Intake form. You will be asked to provide information and documentation for back up.

Information needed to complete the form:

- Personal Information (Contact, mailing address, status number, date of birth)
- Details for the request (situational details)
- Quotes/Service Fees/detailed bill
- Doctors note (nature of the need, duration, frequency)
- Letter of support from organizations (if applicable)
- Letter of denial (if applicable from NIHB, insurance, other entities)

All applicants must sign the release of Information section which enables staff from Missanabie Cree First Nation to contact medical professionals (i.e. Doctor's, PSW's, Organizations involved in the request) when it pertains to health.

Collection of this information allows staff to ensure information is available if needed to confirm the request. All information collected remains confidential.

#### **Step 2 - Review**

The Family Well-Being worker may ask that any missing information is obtained by the individual prior to file review and approval process.

Once documentation is received by the Family Well Being Worker, the file will be reviewed and possibly reviewed by other Family Services Staff, if required to access all available resources.

#### **STEP 3 – Approval Process**

The Family Well-Being Worker will within 7 days inform the applicant that the information has been reviewed and will be able to identify if it has been approved under MOHLTC funding or if the file required Council review under the RAMA process.

If the file requires Council review, the Family Well-Being Worker will advise the applicant of the next Chief and Council meeting date.

Within 3 days of the next Council meeting an update will be provided to the applicant on the status or review/approval.





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## JOB POSTING

### COMMUNITY HUB WORKER

**Deadline: Until Filled**

REPORTS TO: FAMILY SERVICES SUPERVISOR  
PART-TIME/CONTRACT

#### SUMMARY:

Missanabie Cree First Nation is looking for a **Community Hub Worker** in Timmins, Ontario. The Community Hub Worker will be providing support services to the Missanabie Cree living in the Timmins area. The Hub Worker will also be responsible for working in conjunction with the Family Services team to develop and implement programs and activities and will be responsible for a variety of administrative tasks.

#### QUALIFICATIONS:

Preferred diploma in Social Services or equivalent, or experience in community outreach, program delivery and coordination of events and activities.

The successful candidate should possess the following skills and criteria:

- Knowledge and understanding of the unique demographics of Missanabie Cree community
- Able to work remotely
- Able to create monthly workplans
- Able to manage budgets and submit receipts
- Flexibility to work occasional evenings and weekends
- Be knowledgeable of Microsoft programs such as outlook, excel, Microsoft word, Publisher and Microsoft Teams
- Be willing to provide a CPIC with VSC
- Class "G" Drivers' License

#### DUTIES/REQUIREMENTS:

- Manage monthly/annual program funding budgets
- Keep demographic lists of community members, with updated contact information
- Advocate, connect, guide and refer families and individuals to community-based internal and external support services
- Create digital event posters
- Answer phone calls, respond to emails, scan documents, and provide regular updates to the Family Services Supervisor
- Organize, facilitate, and deliver programming, such as:
  - healthy living education
  - cultural programming
  - land-based activities
  - prevention programs
  - anti-violence prevention program
  - program that promote family unity
  - healthy snack program
- Develop a list of local resources for support services in hub areas
- Other duties as required

**To apply for this position, please drop off your cover letter, resume and three (3) references:**

**By email to: [jmarkie@missanabiecree.com](mailto:jmarkie@missanabiecree.com)**

**By Fax: 705-254-3292 (Attention: June Markie)**



Algoma Power Inc. is an electric distribution company that serves approximately 12,000 customers in the district of Algoma with over more than 1,800 kilometers of distribution lines in an area that covers approximately 14,200 square kilometers. Algoma Power Inc. is a subsidiary of Fortis Ontario Inc. ("FortisOntario") which is headquartered in Fort Erie and has operations in electricity transmission and distribution primarily located in Fort Erie, Port Colborne, Cornwall, Gananoque and the district of Algoma. FortisOntario is the only investor-owned electric distribution utility in Ontario and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Fortis Inc. ("Fortis"). Fortis is the largest investor-owned distribution utility in Canada. Algoma Power Inc. currently has an exciting and challenging opportunity working out of our Wawa Work Centre location for the position of:

## LINE TRADE TECHNICIAN (JOURNEYPerson POWERLINE TECHNICIAN)

Under the general direction of the Supervisor, or delegate, the Line Trade Technician will be responsible to perform work required to construct, repair and/or maintain the distribution system as well as patrols and inspections as required, emergency repairs, response to customer needs and attending unplanned outages.

The Line Trade Technician will ensure all work assigned is performed efficiently and will have a high regard for health, safety and the environment; ensuring compliance with applicable regulations, policies, procedures and standards. The candidate must be capable of identifying workplace hazards and be able to utilize all reasonable barriers to ensure safe work performance.

The ideal candidate will have following qualifications:

- Certified as a Journeyperson Powerline Technician (certified to work in Ontario) under an industry standard Powerline Training Program
- Must possess and maintain a valid Class "A" or "D" Ontario Driver's Licence with a Class "Z" endorsement and a clean driver's abstract
- Must be able to fulfill 'on-call' responsibilities if requested
- Must be able to perform the essential duties in all weather conditions
- Excellent working knowledge of all applicable Provincial Safety Regulations, Provincial Environmental Regulations, ILSA Electrical and Utility Safety Rules and Safe Practice Guides
- Demonstrate safe work practices
- Current certification in First Aid, CPR and WHMIS
- Ability to read and interpret documentation pertinent to the work (i.e. instructions, prints, drawings, sketches, operating diagrams, work protection documents, etc.)
- Excellent communication and report writing skills
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with co-workers, customers and industry partners
- Working knowledge of Microsoft Office Suite is an asset

Interested and qualified candidates are invited to submit their cover letter and resume outlining their education, experience and related qualifications through the **Career Opportunities Page** on [www.algomapower.com](http://www.algomapower.com)

by May 17, 2023

We thank all respondents but we will only contact those selected for an interview.

**Algoma Power Inc.** is committed to accommodating applicants with disabilities and will provide accommodation when requested

**Algoma Power Inc. is an inclusive employer and committed to Accessibility**

# Community News, Notes, & Stories

Happy Birthday to Paula  
Fletcher love the Fletcher  
Family



Happy Birthday to my husband  
Jay, I love you now and always,  
Deb



Happy Birthday to all who are  
celebrating their Birthday's in May.

Spring is such a lovely year.

From the desk of

June Markie.



## Share Your Stories & Accomplishments

Let's be proud of our  
accomplishments and stories. Send  
your stories, announcements  
accomplishments, greetings, or  
pictures for the Community News,  
Notes, & Stories to:

[bearfax@missanabiecree.com](mailto:bearfax@missanabiecree.com)

Deadline: 25th day of each month.



Happy Birthday  
to my niece Jutta Horn  
Love Auntie June.



Happy Mother's Day to all  
the mother's from the  
desk of June  
Markie



Happy Birthday to Jason  
Ewing love the Fletcher  
Family



Happy Birthday  
to my nephew  
Mark W. Fletcher  
Love  
Auntie June





## Fletcher Helped Advance Land-Claim Process

*North Shore Bureau, Carl Clutchey, July 9, 2021*

Thunder Bay's John Fletcher is being remembered as a trail blazer in the area of indigenous land claims as well as for passion for fiddle music.

The former Missanabie Cree First Nation Chief, who died recently at 92, was among those who advanced Missanabie Land Claim Process in early 1990's setting up an office for that purpose in Thunder Bay.

"He had deep connections to the land and helped advance the historic Missanabie Cree Land Claim to secure the land promised under Treaty 9", the Nishnawbe Aski Nation (NAN) news release said this week.

Last year the Missanabie Cree and the Federal Government reached a \$150,000,000 settlement that also permitted the community to expand its land base in the Chapleau area.

John was the first indigenous postal carrier in the former City of Fort William.

"He was an accomplished musician who brought joy to many with his fiddle", the NAN News Release said. "John's remarkable life will be celebrated by his loving family and those who knew him".

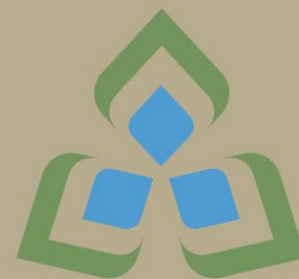
Neil Golden is attending first year Sault College in the General Arts and Science program.

He was recently recognized by the college with an award.

The award is gifted to a student who shows equity, respect and strives for academic excellence.

Neil is well deserving of the recognition for his dedication to his studies.

A huge congratulations to Neil from the education office of Missanabie Cree.



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## Missanabie Cree's Maverick Fletcher Drafted by the Erie Otters

On behalf of Chief and Council, we are delighted to congratulate one of our members, Maverick Fletcher of the Soo Junior Greyhounds, for being second pick of the 2nd round of the OHL U18 Priority Section draft. 16-year-old Maverick, is a goaltender who posted great numbers with the Soo Junior Greyhounds U18 AAA program. Chief and Council are very proud of Maverick's accomplishments, and all he has achieved in his hockey career.

Chief Jason Gauthier



Maverick Fletcher of the Soo Junior Greyhounds. PHOTO BY BILLY WHALING



© Photo: Samuel Gravel





# **INFO SESSION:** **MISSIANBIE FIRST NATION**

**LOCATION:** Programming space next door to Band Office (559 Queen Street East)

**DATE:** MAY 11, 2023

**TIME:** 1-5PM & 6-8PM

- Information on our current programs
- Provide assistance and information related to business planning, applying for loans/grants
  - Loan application packages available
- We will be available to answer any questions you may have!

## **Wakenagun Community Futures Development Corporation**

Joyce Small, Business Support Manager

705-288-8750

businesssupport@wakenagun.ca

www.wakenagun.ca

# MINE EXPANSION UPDATE



ALAMOS GOLD INC.



**Where? Zoom**

**When? Wednesday May 24**

**6:30pm - 8:00pm**

**To request a Zoom Link, please contact**

**Ty Hourtovenko**

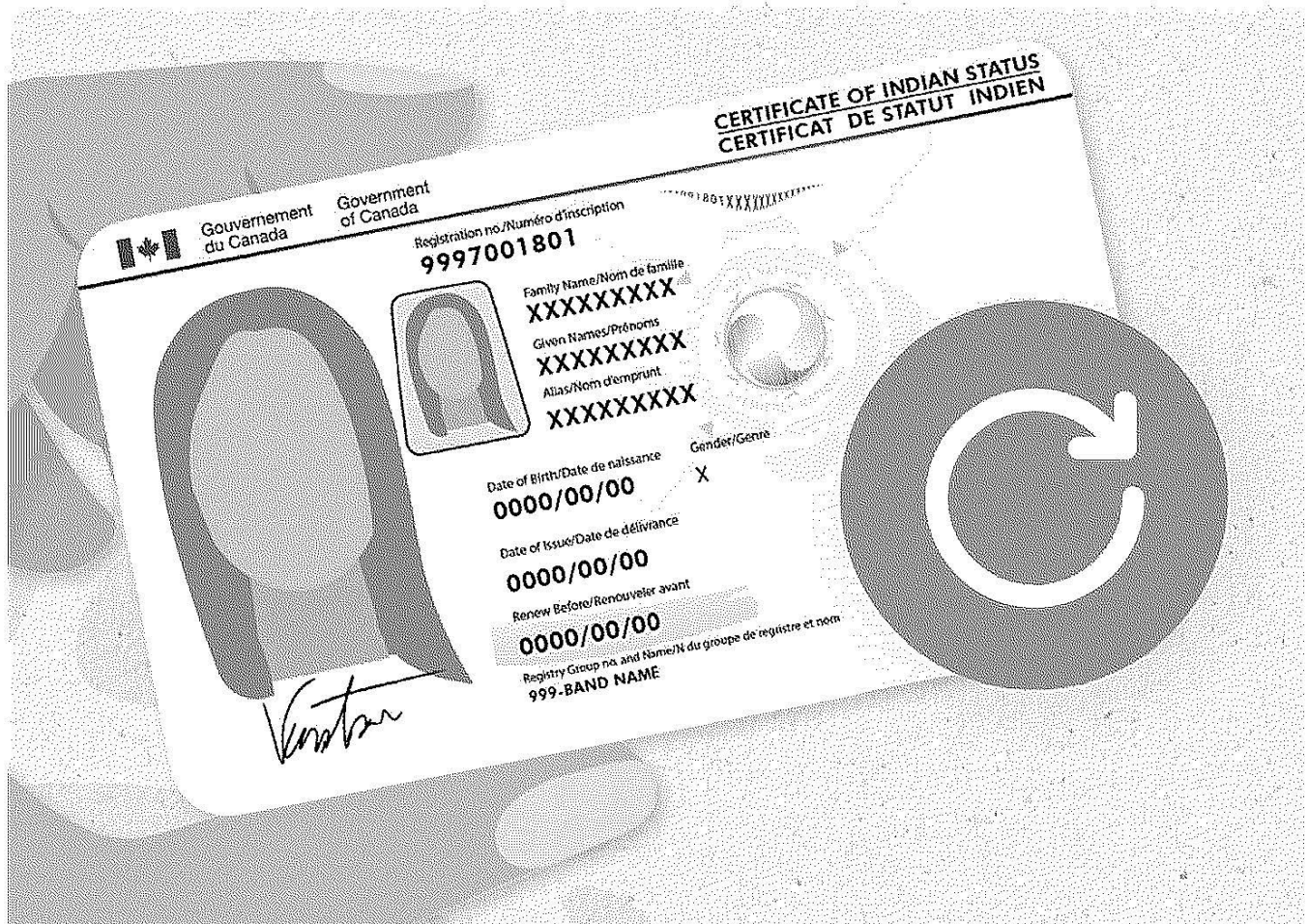
**Mineral Development Advisor**

**[thourtovenko@missanabiecree.com](mailto:thourtovenko@missanabiecree.com)**





# Status Card Renewal



Has your status card expired? Looking to renew?

Renewing your status card makes it easier to access programs and services.

Take your own photo when applying for a status card and submit it straight from your smart phone free of charge using the SCIS Photo App. Submit your application through the mail, or by visiting any regional or First Nation office.

Renewal processing take 8-12 weeks, so don't delay, renew today!

Learn how.

For more information, we invite you to visit:

**[GotoInfo.ca/Status-Card](https://GotoInfo.ca/Status-Card)**





## Renouveler de la carte de statut



Votre carte de statut a expiré ? Vous cherchez à la renouveler ?

Le renouvellement de votre carte de statut vous permet d'accéder plus facilement aux programmes et services.

Prenez votre propre photo lorsque vous demandez une carte de statut et soumettez-la directement à partir de votre téléphone intelligent, gratuitement, en utilisant l'application photo du CSSI. Soumettez votre demande par la poste ou en vous rendant dans n'importe quel bureau régional ou des Premières nations.

Le traitement du renouvellement prend 8 à 12 semaines, alors ne tardez pas, renouvelez dès aujourd'hui !

Apprenez comment.

Pour plus d'informations, nous vous invitons à visiter le site :  
[obtenezinfo-enligne.ca/carte-statut](https://obtenezinfo-enligne.ca/carte-statut)



## MCFN Membership - Card Renewals

**In Office Card Renewals:** *For Members only and will be by appointment only. Please call ahead and book through June - In house photos are available for laminated cards only.*

If your card is expired and you need a temporary confirmation of status, you can call (1) 844-280-5011 to make this request. INAC offices have posted the following :

**Secure Certificate of Indian Status Application Centre:**

**COVID-19-related office closure:** All Indigenous Services Canada offices for Indian status and secure status card applications will be closed until further notice due to circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic.

To support national efforts to contain the COVID-19 pandemic, the Public Enquiries Contact Centre is temporarily providing services via e-mail only. An agent will respond to your request as soon as possible. We are prioritizing requests based on their urgency. Updates on the status of an application for Indian Status cannot be provided at this time.

**Email:** [InfoPubs@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca](mailto:InfoPubs@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca)

Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

**Updating Addresses.:** Members, please keep your address up-to-date so you don't miss out on pertinent information regarding band business. Please use the form below and mail or fax it to Missanabie Cree First Nation. You may also call the Band Office or email June Markie at [jmarkie@missanabiecree.com](mailto:jmarkie@missanabiecree.com).

**Please Note:** A Change of address Can Only be processed with information provided by the individual involved, not from anyone else.

**Deceased Members:** Names of deceased members are not removed from the band voter's list unless the information is provided to Aboriginal Affairs. Anyone with funeral information (i.e. name of funeral home/location), date of death, a death certificate, or anyone who can be contacted for this information, please call or leave a message with Shereena or Louise at the MCFN Band Office.





# May Birthday's




Happy Birthday!

Crystal

Happy Birthday!



Happy Birthday!

Marta



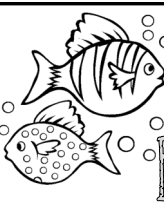
Happy Birthday!

Angie

Happy Birthday!



Basilio



Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday!


Scott  
Bradley

Happy Birthday!




Jana  
Michael

Happy Birthday!



Mark  
Judy Lynn  
Jutta  
Thresa



Happy Birthday!


Nicole

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Michael

Happy Birthday!



Sadie



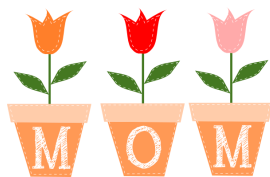

Happy Birthday!

Victoria

Happy Birthday!



Jason  
Paula Lynn  
Scott  
Drew

Happy Birthday!

Leonidas  
Frederick

Happy Birthday!




Constance  
Shirley

Happy Birthday!




Crystal  
Karen

Happy Birthday!



Louis

Happy Birthday!



Heather-Ann

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### **Missanabie Cree First Nation Chief & Council**

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### **Missanabie Cree First Nation Staff**

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### Missanabie Cree Family Services (MCFS)

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Choose Life Coordinator	April Wesley	Ext. 201	<a href="mailto:awesley@missanabiecree.com">awesley@missanabiecree.com</a>
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Family Support Worker	Vacant	Ext. 240	

### Missanabie Cree Business Corporation (MCBC)

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CBA Coordinator - Hannah Caicco	705-255-6198	<a href="mailto:cba_mcbc@missanabiecree.com">cba_mcbc@missanabiecree.com</a>	
NOHFC Bear Train Manager Intern - Johnathon Lalonde		<a href="mailto:beartrain@missanabiecree.com">beartrain@missanabiecree.com</a>	
MCBC Bookkeeper - Vacant			

### Island View Camp

Camp Manager - Rod Duhaime	1-800-816-8702	<a href="mailto:hello@islandviewcamp.com">hello@islandviewcamp.com</a>
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### Dog Lake Camp Ground

Contact - Rod Duhaime	1-705-234-2918
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### Elders Council

	<b>Elders Liaison:</b>	<b>Lori Rainville</b>	<b>Alternate Elders Liaison: Glad Hawkins</b>	
Bill Yerex	Bonnie Weibe	Carol Nolan	Cathy Clement	Cheryl Macumber
D'Arcy Fletcher	Debbie Ewing	Diane Astle	Isabell Souliere	Jackie Fletcher
Kathy Beaudry	Kim Young	Laura-Lee Rawlyk	Pam Rew	Marlon McDonald
Shirley Bain	Shelly Fletcher	Shirley Horn	Terri Lou Fletcher	

## VISION STATEMENT OF THE MISSANABIE CREE

We are the Omushkego of the Missanabie Cree Iliiwak;  
whose vision is to have a united and self-governing body  
that will determine our destiny guided by the Seven Grandfather Teachings.

We have a vision of a leadership that is open, honest, trustworthy;  
a leadership with conviction, accessible to the people;  
a leadership that is progressive yet respectful of our traditions, values, and beliefs;  
a leadership with confidence, always watchful and assertive  
in protecting and preserving the treaty and aboriginal rights of our people;  
a leadership that is directed by our people  
and with exclusive accountability to our people and our people alone.

We have a vision of our community re-established on the traditional lands  
that were once the homeland of our ancestors  
where institutions of our government, economy and education can once again thrive.

We have a vision of a people where individuals and families can stand strong  
and find healing through tradition and spirituality;  
individuals and families who are loving and compassionate.

We have a vision of a people who are bi-cultural and bi-lingual;  
a people who can walk in both worlds contributing to our well-being,  
the well-being of other Indigenous Peoples; contributing and competing globally.

We have a vision of a Nation of people who respect the dignity of all;  
a people who find balance through equality.

We have a vision of people who respect the environment,  
harvesting and reaping the resources of the land in a sustainable manner  
as responsible stewards for the use of future generations.

We are the Omushkego of the Missanabie Cree Iliiwak;  
whose vision it is to regain and restore our rightful place  
and through the strength of our people, never again be denied our place in society.