

SIX NATIONS COUNCIL MEETING-TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 1974

Minutes of Council meetings January 8th and 16th, 1974 were adopted as read.

The Water-Sewer Committee recommended to Council that since it is quite apparent that the present lift station is not functioning properly, the Six Nations Water-Sewer Committee recommends that the Department of Indian Affairs make available an expenditure of approximately \$7,500.00 to repair the westerly portion of the sewage disposal system by installing the following, as suggested by the representatives of the Ministry of the Environment - install one new manhole on the south side of the road opposite the existing lift station, purchase two submersible pumps and the pipe to connect to the force main.

Councillor Ross Powless told Council he wondered where they were making their mistakes, was it with their consultants or somewhere else? He asked why there were so many problems and malfunctions. He told Council that they are going to have the people on their backs.

Councillor Leonard Staats told Council that it had been pointed out, the lift station was not the right kind for the plant. Hugh Smith told Council that through neglect of not having someone on the job to inspect it, there has been a backup. The Department of Indian Affairs recommended a 10" line across the road hoping to alleviate the backup but there was a possibility of moving the problem from one side of the road to the other.

Councillor Bill White asked why the contractor was paid for inferior work. Mr. Smith told Council that when the engineers say the plant is functioning satisfactorily, the Department of Indian Affairs is obligated to pay the contractor. The decision is not made locally. Council approved the original recommendation.

Council was informed that Hugh Smith, by telex, confirmed that R. Holden would be available for a meeting with Council on Thursday, February 7th and also that Totten, Sims, Hubicki would be sending their engineers, but only in relation to the Village streets, not for Roads 241 and 242.

Council had received a letter per-

taining to the Education Policy, from Jean Chretien, Minister of Indian Affairs, forwarded from the Brantford Education District Office. Chief Councillor Richard Isaac told Council that it seemed the Department of Indian Affairs was listening to the National Indian Brotherhood and that Six Nations Council does not have to go along with their policies. Council decided to send a letter to Jean Chretien objecting strongly. Also that as a member of the Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians, they were not consulted. They do not go along with some of the proposals and though the Association of Iroquois and Allied at present have not stated their policy on Education, they are working on it.

Council decided to make application to the Department of Indian Affairs for Work Opportunities Project to cut dead elms, underbrush and clean off-take ditches, in the amount of \$10,000.

Hugh Smith told Council that the Work Opportunities and L.I.P. are two distinct programs. L.I.P. is operated through Manpower and Work Opportunities is through the Department of Indian Affairs and hopefully the books will be kept separately. James Powless, Co-ordinator of the L.I.P. Project told Council that the work opportunities should be a savings of \$7,000 for the welfare; that they shouldn't see any employable males or females on the welfare books. He also told Council that he had received a letter from Ontario Hydro requesting co-operation in cutting dead elms. If the Hydro cuts them down; the L.I.P. workers will cut them up.

Councillor Mitch Sandy drew Council's attention to the fact that the L.I.P. project quoted an hourly rate of \$1.90; that the rate had been changed to \$2.00 per hour. Mr. Powless told Council that that was last year's rate and that everything will be changed as well as priorities being set. However he told Council they should get the application in now for the Work Opportunities and in the meantime they can draft a program. Chief Councillor Isaac told Council that the details would be worked out at their Thursday night meeting.