NEW CREDIT COUNCIL MEETING - MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1973

From the minutes of a Special meeting of Sept. 24th, 1973, Council discussed the purchase of two chain saws which they had decided to purchase for the winter works (L.I.P.) program. Total amount of \$500.00 to be taken from Band Revenue funds. However, Chief Frank Laforme told Council that the saws could be purchased for a total of \$392.00. Council had also proposed the rental of a pick-up truck at \$50.00 per week for the winter works program; gas and oil to be supplied by the owner of the truck.

Council also approved a budget of \$4,500 to pay for legal fees, travel and lost time (from personal job) of Chief and Councillors, and monthly & special meetings providing he attends regular meetings. If unable to attend, Chief or Councillor would lose 50% of regular monthlymeetings unless in case of death in the immediate family or obtain doctor's certificate for illness.

From the minutes of a special meeting of October 4, 1973, Council decided that the Road Foreman, Robert C. Brant would hire equipment to ditch and replace culverts where necessary on road no. 271. Total cost not to exceed \$25, 00.00. Also that the Road Foreman will attend all Road Needs Study Meetings.

Minutes of the meetings of Sept. 17, Sept. 24 and Oct. 4th, 1973 were adopted.

Mr. Ted Snyder, Auditor from the Department of Indian Affairs attended Council to enlighten Councillors and Chief on his report for 1972-73.

Mr. Lloyd King reminded Council that they had been requested to attend a meeting at the Six Nations Council House with Six Nations Council, School Teachers, Mr. Harvey Longboat, Ron Thomas and Mrs. Rebecca Jamieson on Thursday, October 25, 1973 at 7:00 P.M. He suggested that New Credit Council should not commit themselves to anything but should only sit and observe views, etc. Council decided that the entire Council will attend and that Lloyd King will act as the Spokesman for New Credit Council.

Council received a letter from the Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians advising them that due to Mr. Harry LaForme's resignation as Co-ordinator of the Association, all correspondence will be directed to Mr. Carl Brant, President or to Mrs. Janice Garlow, Acting Co-ordinator of the Association.

Council approved the installation of a pump and pressure system at Mohawk College-New Credit Campus. Chief LaForme told Council that he had the go-ahead from Mr. Borton, Indian Superintendent, but he needed a band council resolution.

Council decided to forward a letter to those people who have not taken advantage of the sanitation program and they be requested to attend the Council Meeting on Monday, November 19, 1973. Failure to appear at Council will mean forfeiture of funds allotted to them.

Council received a letter from Mr. Carl D. Brant, President of the Association of Iroquois & Allied Indians (AIAI), informing them that the Association would no longer provide office space or equipment for the researchers for each reserve. Councillor Graham King told Council that he was under the impression that the Board of Directors of the AIAI did not instruct Mr. Brant to distribute the directives. Council was also informed that the Research Division had budgeted mone this year for such purposes. Council passed a resolution that they do not concur with the content of the letter sent out to the bands by Mr. Brant concerning purchases of office equipment for researchers

Councillor Ward LaForme who has missed three meetings, according to the Indian Act is no longer a member of New Credit Council. Section 78 (2)(b)(ii) states that an office becomes vacant if the person has been absent for 3 consecutive meetings without being authorized to do so. Since there are only two months to elections, Band Council will not need a by-election, but a band council resolution in compliance with the Indian Act is required.