

To Whom It May Concern:

Since Ottawa's departure from the Algonquin Negotiation Table, I have been on the receiving end of correspondence and phone calls from members of various communities. Their concerns range from a lack of information to the issues such as the motion below:

Motion to implement a chief's salary for \$500.00 per week, retroactive to April 2003 excluding expenses in accordance to ANTC's expenditure guideline standards. Also \$500.00 per month for an membership processing assistant.

First by: Cliff Whittington

Second by: Orville Jones

Motion Passed.

This was taken from: http://www.bafn.ca/Minute%20Book_files/frame.htm

Please note that there is a similar motion on the website of Greater Golden Lake Algonquins at <http://www.greatergoldenlake.com/sept7.html> -

Motion to firstly, raise money to run an office by asking each household for a \$25.00 donation and secondly, that the proceeds (\$107.00) from to-days 50/50 draw be the first donation to the Chair.

Motion by Reid Godin

Seconded by Richard Turcotte

In Favour-All.

50/50 Draw

There was \$214.00 taken in by the draw.

Ray Proulx won the 50/50 draw of \$107.00 and immediately donated it to the Chair.

An additional \$20.00 was received in donations to the Chair.

Total donations to the Chair \$234.00.

The concern for this type of issue is not only relevant to those who have been calling me but is a concern for all Algonquins. Are all of the ANRs doing this, i.e. fleecing their membership on top of their ANR salary. Are they reporting this income to Revenue Canada? Does this need investigation? These are questions that need to be answered by those who are implicated. I believe the Algonquin people need to be aware of any and all funding their leadership is receiving. This does not just mean a closed council meeting.

Let's look into these issues!