

Chippewas of Nawash Newsletter



Updates are also posted on:
www.nawash.ca | www.facebook.com/CONUFN

July 29, 2022



Neyaashiinigiing

Photo: Jenny Abell

Important phone numbers:

Health Centre main line: 519-534-0373
Health Centre cell phone: 519-375-0288
SpringDawn (RPN) cell: 519-378-6028
Medical Transportation: 519-375-0288 call
during business hours: Mon-Fri 8:30-4:30.

COVID-19 Updates

In Neyaashiinigiing:

July 27, 2022

New confirmed cases:	5
Active cases:	9
Resolved cases since Jan 1, 2022:	166

REMINDER: MONDAY, AUGUST 1 CIVIC HOLIDAY

Band Programs & Buildings will be
CLOSED



REMINDER: GARBAGE PICK UP

There will be **no garbage pick up** on
Monday Aug 1st due to the
holiday, it will resume on Tuesday.
Recyclables will be picked up on
Wednesday.



To all Neyaashiinigiing Community Members,

Please **report to the Health Centre** if you feel sick. Rapid COVID-19 Tests are available and the Health Centre can provide you with the guidance, planning, treatment and follow-up care necessary. Reporting to the Health Centre helps us monitor and respond to the prevalence of COVID-19 in our community.

WE ARE HIRING



CHIPPEWAS OF NAWASH UNCEDED FIRST NATION
BAND MEMBER PREFERRED

CASUAL CALL OUT



PROGRAM/DEPT:	ALL PROGRAMS AND DEPARTMENTS
TYPE OF EMPLOYMENT:	CASUAL CONTRACT
WAGE:	VARIOUS DEPENDING ON POSITION
HOURS OF WORK:	VARIOUS DEPENDING ON POSITION
CLOSING DATE:	OPEN

We are looking for additional resumes to add to our Casual Database. Casual Contracts are used to fill temporary vacancies with Programs/Departments. When Program Supervisors/Managers identify a need, they contact Human Resources for a list of those interested who have the requirements they are looking for. Resumes are kept on file for a period of six (6) months.

Casual Contracts are a great opportunity to obtain employment experience. In addition:

- Positions start at a minimum of \$16.65 per hour
- In lieu of vacation, 4% Vacation Pay is provided
- Access to Employee and Family Assistance Program during time of contract(s)

If you are interested, please submit your resume and Casual Employment Request Form in-person to the Band Office or submit by e-mail to cnadminassistant@nawash.ca.

Please visit our website to find the Casual Employment Request Form or pick it up from the Band Office.
<https://www.nawash.ca/employment-opportunities/>

JOIN OUR TEAM

MESSAGE FROM GIMAA KWE

Greetings Everyone:



The summer days are passing by quickly as we enjoy the sunshine and visits with relatives and friends. It is good that our community has lifted the State of Emergency so we can move on with business as we all know there is much work to do. We are still working through the impacts of Covid, and because Covid is a virus that can mutate, we are living in a new world and we don't know when sickness will hit us and compromise our health and well-being. Please practice Covid safety measures by washing your hands and wearing a mask when around large numbers of people.

The Council has been very busy so far this summer – a delegation attended the Assembly of First Nations in Vancouver B.C. during the first week of July – Councillors Nick Saunders and Kathy Jones attended the Assembly with me. It was good networking with other First Nations but because of the internal conflict that has been going on at the National Office, the Chiefs across Canada did not work on any other issues. The Chiefs supported that the AFN conduct an internal investigation and will work on revising the governance documents.

The Council and I had hoped to have a Leadership Meeting with the community in July but we have been patiently waiting for our audit from last year to be completed. We are targeting a date in September (no date set yet) which will be held on a Saturday so membership off the reserve can come home and participate:

We have a number of pressing issues:

1. Hope Bay Settlement
2. Nawash Election Code
3. Cannabis By-Law
4. Lands Management & Matrimonial Real Property
5. Policing Model (Policing modernization)
6. Fibre Optic Line

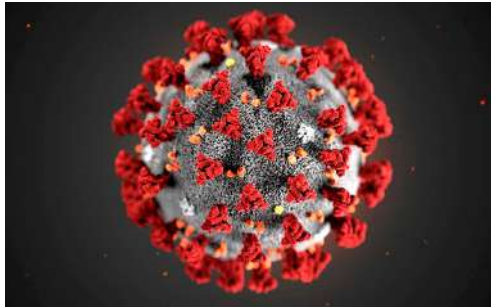
7. Housing Department Review
8. New Administration Complex
9. Child Welfare Jurisdiction
10. Ontario Pumped Storage Project
11. DGR (low, intermediate & high-level waste)

These are just a few of the matters the Council & Administrative staff are working together on and we'd like to hear your priorities and any new ideas. We will capture your input also during our review of the Comprehensive Community Plan. Until we are able to have a community meeting, we continue to keep the membership updated through our community newsletter and on the Nawash website.

Lastly, the Council took time out of our busy Day 4 Council meeting, to hear and watch the Papal apology, and while we know the apology was meaningful to many of the Residential School Survivors, we also know that this was a very emotional time, as we think of the words that the Pope could have said, or should have said with his apology. We ask that K'Zhemnidoo comfort and watch over us all.

Respectfully,
Gimaa Veronica Smith

COVID-19 REMINDERS



Please Follow Protective Protocols & Keep Everyone Safe:

- Get a COVID-19 vaccination.
- Stay home when you are sick, even if symptoms are mild.
- Keep a two-metre distance from those you don't live with.
- Wash your hands often, and avoid touching your face with unwashed hands.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow.
- Wear a face mask or covering when in indoor public spaces, and outdoors when physical distancing is difficult.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

UPDATE: ACTIVE COVID CASES

We have seen a surge of COVID-19 cases in Neyaashiinigiing recently. We continue to have what is considered a **major COVID-19 outbreak** in our community.

Minor Outbreak vs Major Outbreak:

- It is considered a **minor** COVID-19 Outbreak in Neyaashiinigiing when a COVID-19 case(s) have been confirmed in a single household in the Neyaashiinigiing Community. Or, when a single COVID-19 has been confirmed to be present in a Nawash staff member who works within the Neyaashiinigiing Community.
- It is considered a **major** COVID-19 Outbreak in Neyaashiinigiing when COVID-19 cases are confirmed to be present in more than one household or workplace in the Neyaashiinigiing Community.

When is an Active Outbreak Considered Ended?

- An active outbreak will be considered ended when a period of 14 days has elapsed where there are no new or active cases confirmed among Neyaashiinigiing residents or staff.

COVID-19 Isolation Measures for Neyaashiinigiing Residents & Staff

- Fully vaccinated residents & staff in Neyaashiinigiing are required to isolate for 5 days and be symptom free for at least 48 hours (regardless of symptoms, i.e., cold, flu, COVID-19, etc.) before going to venues or places such as school, food shopping, work etc.
- Unvaccinated or not fully vaccinated residents & staff are required to isolate for 10 days and be symptom free for at least 48 hours (regardless of symptoms, i.e., cold, flu, COVID-19, etc.) before going to venues or places such as school, food shopping, work etc.

AFN

ASSEMBLY OF FIRST NATIONS



ATTENDED BY

Gimaa Kwe, Councillor Nick Saunders, Councillor Kathy Jones

Photos: Nick Saunders

The Assembly of First Nations (AFN) hosted their 43rd Annual General Assembly (AGA) this past July 5 -7, 2022. Chiefs from across the country came together at this venue to set strategic direction based on First Nations' needs and priorities. The Chiefs Assemblies provided a venue for First Nations leaders to direct the work of the AFN, the National Chief and Executive Committee through resolutions.

THOUGHTS ON EVENT

It was a well attended assembly and first in person one in 3 years. We have some amazing leaders across this nation and it was inspiring to hear their words. They spoke of how good it was to be together after 2 years of the pandemic. They spoke of the Indian brotherhood and how it should be changed to be more inclusive of the strong female leaders. There were many other strong statements regarding the nationhood, advocacy and process. Unfortunately the majority of the assembly focus was on the suspension of the National Chief. She was reinstated to her position and although there was opposition to the reinstatement, it was sanctioned by the majority of chiefs. All chiefs that spoke expressed the need for change and accountability in the AFN. There is so much more that could be said about the week and if any one has questions, please contact me. It was an honour to be an observer at this annual event and a huge testament to the strength and resilience of the First Nations across Turtle Island.



Councillor Kathy Jones

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES



WHY GET A

PRECONSTRUCTION INSPECTION?

This is to ensure that in the unlikely event there is **any damage to the structure** of your home during the construction of this project that there will be documented evidence of the site prior to the work being completed.

PRECONSTRUCTION SURVEY NOTICE APPOINTMENTS:



If you received a notice, **please book an appointment** with

- Maira Castro of Englobe: 1-519-741-1313 ext. 171104
- or email Booking.SWO@englobecorp.com
- Quote Chippewas of Nawash – 2201441.

PORT ELGIN ROAD

Construction is currently taking place on Port Elgin Rd at Boundary Rd. (heading towards Sandy Beach).

REDUCE SPEED DUE TO GRAVEL

Reminder: Please continue to reduce speed at the curve at Park Rd due to the road changing from asphalt to gravel.

LIGHTHOUSE ROAD

Water service install construction is currently happening on Lighthouse Rd and will continue for several weeks.

WHERE HELENA (JO) WILL BE:

Helena (Jo) who is working for Englobe is performing preconstruction inspections on the following roads:



- Port Elgin is being prioritized at this time
- Park, School, Prairie, Sylvia's, Harbour Community Centre, Buns, Dockside, Sydney Bay (411, 434) Chicks, Maadookii Sub & Cres, Point and Boundary

QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS PROJECT?

Please call Alper Ozer at 437-247-9870 or Marcel Sanchez at 365-228-3365. They are working on behalf of Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation.



REDUCE SPEEDS IN CONSTRUCTION ZONES