



Saugeen First Nation #29

Saugeen Band Chief and Council Meeting

Tuesday, February 23, 2026

Meeting Highlights

Department Updates

Fire Safety Plan

Jackson provided an update on the Fire Safety Plan project, which Saugeen Fire Emergency Services has been developing over the past two years in partnership with Guardian Fire Consulting and Engineering Group for Saugeen Band-owned buildings. The project is currently pending approval. Jackson emphasized that implementing a Fire Safety Plan is a proactive measure to protect people, property, and operations from fire risks, while ensuring compliance with fire codes and occupational health and safety regulations. The plan includes hazard assessments, fire prevention procedures, emergency response and evacuation planning, staff training, installation and maintenance of fire protection systems, and routine fire drills. Collaboration between management, staff, and emergency services would be required to successfully implement the program.

This was carried.

Health & Safety Repairs Policy

A Band Council Resolution to approve the Ontario Works (OW) Health and Safety Policy. The policy outlines how ministry-funded OW assistance can support OW, ODSP, and low-income clients with health and safety-related housing repairs and supports. Eligible repairs may include electrical, structural, septic, hot water tanks, holes in walls, arrears, and some mental health-related supports.

This was carried.

Emergency Support Fund

Chief and Council amend the Emergency Support Fund Policy to reflect the rate to \$.40 per kilometer.

This was Carried.

Committee Highlights

Finance and Audit Committee

Sonya reported that CPP attended a meeting to provide information and answer questions, with the main recommendation being that funding for Family Well-Being, Child and Youth Mental Health, and Youth Life Promotion remain with Saugeen First Nation and continue to be administered by SFN. Council approved the FAC recommendation #1. Recommendation#1 was for the funding for Family Well-Being Child and Youth Mental Health and Youth Life Promotion remain with SFN, and their programs continue to be administrated by SFN.

This was carried.

Travel Acknowledgements

- a. Lester Anoquot to travel to ALFDC in Ajax from March 10-13, 2026

