



AAMJIWNAANG FIRST NATION Band Council

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Aamjiwnaang Membership:

By now many of you are aware that I have been selected as the Deputy Grand Council Chief for the Anishinabek Nation.

Regretfully, I have submitted my resignation to the Council effective June 21, 2024. These are two demanding positions that require full-time duties.

I was first elected to Council in June 2000, and it has been a tremendous 24 years. I sincerely wish that I was able to complete the term, however the timing was off and many in the Anishinabek Nation were asking to me to step forward. With only four months remaining in the term, I do not believe there will be much impact from my departure and with the Council appointing an Acting Chief.

Throughout this term presented by challenges, Aamjiwnaang was able to continue community development, including: upgraded recreation areas, the Hospice like space, the 5-plex currently being renovated in the City, the seniors tri-plex, upgraded street lighting, Tashmoo sidewalk, service road resurfacing, the addition of the dedicated police officer, the Clench Claim finalized, and two new potential claims being brought forward, thanks to all the hard work put forward by staff and council.

To my family and supporters, I thank you all for the trust and faith put in me over the years and I worked hard to not disappoint. I was always my own hardest critic, believing my community only deserved the best. To those who worked and served *with* me, I hope you are as proud to see the differences in the community as I do.

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the membership of Aamjiwnaang. I am looking forward to my new position, but my heart will always be with Aamjiwnaang.

G'chi Miigwetch,

Chief Christopher Plain