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MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM
SATURDAY – APRIL 6, 2013 – 9:00 A.M.

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APPROVED

10-30-14

- A. Date: April 6, 2013
- B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Lord's Prayer
- D. Roll Call: Present: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary
Toni J. Minton, Assistant Secretary
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.
Fred Dakota
Jean Jokinen
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Carole L. LaPointe
Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews
Don Messer, Jr.
Absent: Elizabeth D. Mayo, Vice President
Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Swartz declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: April 6, 2013

Addition: Closed Session- 1. Jean Jokinen – Employee Reprimand

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE ADDITION. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH "CHIZ" MATTHEWS. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

G. For Your Information:

1. A "Thank you" from DHS Native American Affairs
2. A "Thank you" from the (Isadore "Bluc") Misegan Family
3. A "Thank you" from North Star Academy to Fred Dakota on Indian Gaming Presentation
4. A "Thank you" from the Native American Ministries of the Grand Rapids District
5. A "Thank you" from the Iron Ore Heritage Trail Administrator
6. A "Thank you" from the Great Lakes Recovery Centers Executive Director
7. SNB KBIC Guaranteed Loan Program Account Summary March 20, 2013
8. VOIGT Intertribal Task Force Meeting Minutes February 7, 2013 Red Cliff, WI
9. Notification of Approved Enrollment Applications February 12, 2013 (10) and April 1, 2013 (8)
10. Healing to Wellness Court Graduation (2) - April 9, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. Ojibwa Senior Citizens Center
11. Baraga County Community Foundation – Request Permission to use Tribal Roads Saturday, June 29th for the Denise Marth Memorial Fun Run
12. L’Anse Area Schools Nominate KBIC for Copper Country Education Leadership Award
13. L’Anse Sentinel Articles - "Survey Says: Green Tech, Fish Farming and Indoor Farms" March 27, 2013 and "Survey to Include Business Planning for Three Projects" April 3, 2013
14. Draft Reservation Entry Road Signs for review

Carole LaPointe suggested adding birch bark to the Reservation road sign picture.

Jean Jokinen questioned the wording and stated she will check with Earl Otchingwanigan on the Ojibwa wording for "welcome."

H. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

1. April 19, 2012

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO APPROVE THE APRIL 19, 2012 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH "CHIZ" MATTHEWS. FIVE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, FOUR ABSTAINING (Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Carole L. LaPointe, Don Messer, Jr.), TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

2. April 26, 2012

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE APRIL 26, 2012 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY FRED DAKOTA. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Don Messer, Jr.), TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

3. May 3, 2012

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE MAY 3, 2012 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH "CHIZ" MATTHEWS. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Don Messer, Jr.), TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

4. May 5, 2012

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE MAY 5, 2012 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY CAROLE L. LAPOINTE. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Don Messer, Jr.), TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

I. President's Report/March 2013 – Verbal Report

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO APPROVE THE MARCH 2013 PRESIDENT'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

J. Secretary's Report/March 2013 – available for your review

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE MARCH 2013 SECRETARY'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY CAROLE L. LAPOINTE. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

K. CEO's Report/February 2013-March 2013 – available for your review [also available on ojibwa.com]

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2013 CEO'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

L. Department Head Reports – February 2013

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 2013 DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), ONE OPPOSED (Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr.), ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

Carole LaPointe stated she would like to see monthly Committee Reports/Minutes.

Break: 9:58 – 10:09 a.m.

M. Recognize Scheduled Delegation/Individuals:

1. Gayle Isaacson-President, JoAnne Danielson, Tracy Larson/Baraga County Lumberjack Days Committee – Annual Fireworks Request Diamond Sponsor

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO APPROVE A DONATION OF \$8,000.00 TO THE BARAGA LUMBERJACK COMMITTEE FOR THE ANNUAL FIREWORKS. SUPPORTED BY CAROLE L. LAPOINTE. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), ONE OPPOSED (Jean Jokinen), ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

2. Evelyn Ravindran, Parks and Recreation Committee Chair –

- a) Amendments to By-Laws – Article III and Article V

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE KBIC PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE BY-LAWS REVISIONS. SUPPORTED BY CAROLE L. LAPOINTE. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

- b) KBIC Five Year Recreation Plan 2013-2017 – The Council will review the plan and consider on May 4, 2013

N. New Business:

1. President Swartz – Donations April 2013

MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO APPROVE A DONATION REQUEST FROM JIM WELSH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$401.94 FOR AUTO REPAIRS. SUPPORTED BY FRED DAKOTA. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), TWO OPPOSED (Susan J. LaFernier, Jean Jokinen), ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO APPROVE THE APRIL 2013 DONATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,360.00: CAMP NEW DAY, \$500.00 AND THE L’ANSE JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL TEAM, \$1,860.00. SUPPORTED BY FRED DAKOTA. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), TWO OPPOSED (Susan J. LaFernier, Jean Jokinen), ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

2. Susie Crawford (not present) – Request Increase of Tribal Funding for Grave Markers

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM SUSIE CRAWFORD TO INCREASE THE GRAVE MARKER FUNDS TO \$585.00 AND VETERAN GRAVE MARKERS TO \$665.00. SUPPORTED BY CAROLE L. LAPOINTE. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

3. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Mabel Lewis-Hill Services Agreement-Language Immersion Services with Bay Mills Community College, April-August 2013

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR MABEL LEWIS-HILL. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

O. Closed Session:

1. Jean Jokinen – Employee Reprimand

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 10:55 A.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), TWO OPPOSED (Fred Dakota, Don Messer, Jr.), ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

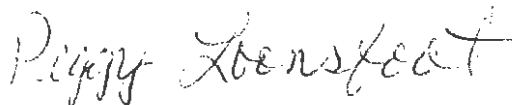
MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 11:12 A.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY JEAN JOKINEN DUE TO THE RECLASSIFICATION ISSUE ON THE LAST AGENDA AND ADMISSION OF THE EMPLOYEE, THE CEO, THAT THEY DID NOT FOLLOW PROCEDURES, SHE IS RECOMMENDING A FIVE-DAY SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY EFFECTIVE MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2013. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TWO IN FAVOR (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Jean Jokinen), SEVEN OPPOSED (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION DEFEATED.

P. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO ADJOURN AT 11:18 A.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH "CHIZ" MATTHEWS. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Peggy Loonsfoot
Administrative Specialist