

KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

2022 TRIBAL COUNCIL

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MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
NIIWIN AKEAA CENTER/COUNCIL CHAMBERS ROOM 112
111 BEARTOWN ROAD, BARAGA, MI 49908
THURSDAY – FEBRUARY 24, 2022 – 9:00 A.M.

APPROVED

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KBIC PRESIDENT'S OFFICE
SIGNATURE: RL

- A. Date: February 24, 2022
- B. Call to Order: President Klopstein called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Ojibwa Prayer by Elizabeth "Liz" Julio
- D. Roll Call: Present: Kim Klopstein, President
Susan J. LaFernier, Vice President
Don Messer, Assistant Secretary
Randall R. Haataja, Treasurer (Arrived at 9:08 a.m.)
Doreen G. Blaker
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.
Eddy Edwards
Sue Ellen Elmblad
Elizabeth "Liz" Julio
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.
Rodney Loonsfoot

Absent: Toni J. Minton, Secretary

- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Klopstein declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.

- F. Approval of Agenda: February 24, 2022

- Deletions: New Business: 2. John Hebert, Youth Director – Bids for SUV/Van for Youth Department
6. Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Cannabis Developer – Weekly Update
7. Brigitte LaPointe-Dunham, CEO – Weekly Update

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGES. SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Don Messer, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmsblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 2 (Toni J. Minton, Randall R. Haataja), MOTION CARRIED.

G. Department Head Reports – November/December 2021

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2021 MONTHLY DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS AS PRESENTED. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Don Messer, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmsblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 2 (Toni J. Minton, Randall R. Haataja), MOTION CARRIED.

Randall R. Haataja arrived at 9:08 a.m.

H. Old Business:

1. Thomas Chosa, Jr., FEM Director – Fire and Emergency Management/Administrative Policy Manual (Revised)

MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO APPROVE THE FIRE AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REVISED POLICY AS PRESENTED. SUPPORTED BY SUE ELLEN ELMSBLAD. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Don Messer, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmsblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 1 (Randall R. Haataja), ABSENT – 1 (Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION BUT OPEN TO KBIC TRIBAL MEMBERS (#1 HOME TERRITORY AND QUOTA LAKES) AT 9:14 A.M. SUPPORTED BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Sue Ellen Elmsblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 1 (Eddy Edwards), ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 1 (Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.

I. Closed Session:

1. Kim Klopstein, President, Evelyn Ravindran, NRD Director, Gene Mensch, Fisheries/Wildlife Biologist (not present) – Home Territory, Declaration of Lakes and Quota Lakes [Open to KBIC Tribal Members] (9:30 a.m.)

Break: 10:19 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

2. William Jondreau, Sr., Chief Judge –
 - a. Personnel Issue (Court Staffing)

b. Jurisdiction (Tribal/State) Discussion

MOTION MADE BY DON MESSER TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 11:04 A.M. CO-SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER AND GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 1 (Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.

Four Options regarding the considerations for the 2022 Walleye Spear Harvest Efforts

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO GO WITH OPTION III FOR THE CONSIDERATIONS FOR WALLEYE SPEAR HARVEST EFFORTS 2022. CO-SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER AND SUE ELLEN ELMBLAD. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Sue Ellen Elmblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), OPPOSED – 2 (Eddy Edwards, Rodney Loonsfoot), ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 1 (Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.

Rodney Loonsfoot stated his opposition: "We are limiting our tribal fishermen and potential fishermen by being able to go up there, as a community exercising that up there. Our focus here on Council needs to be able to encourage that if we are not meeting this and the guys know what I am talking about."

J. New Business:

1. Evelyn Ravindran, NRD Director – 2022-23 Commercial Fishing Licenses Approval for 12 applicants small boat on-off

MOTION MADE BY DON MESSER TO APPROVE THE 2022 COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSES AS PRESENTED. CO-SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER AND ELIZABETH "LIZ" JULIO. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Sue Ellen Elmblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 1 (Eddy Edwards), ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 1 (Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.

2. Randall R. Haataja, Treasurer – Donation Request from Baraga Educational Support Team BEST Winter Wellness Night to be held on March 15, 2022

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. TO APPROVE THE GOLD SPONSORSHIP OF \$150.00 TO THE BARAGA EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT TEAM (BEST). CO-SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER AND RODNEY LOONSFOOT. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 1 (Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.

3. Larry Denomie III, Ojibwa Casinos General Manager (not present) - Weekly Update: COVID-19, Financial Update, Other
4. Robert "RD" Curtis, Jr., KBICSAP CADC-MI – Keystone Treatment Center (Canton, SD) Agreement to refer qualifying patients for residential substance use and dual diagnosis treatment to commence on February 1, 2022 - December 31, 2022

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO APPROVE THE KEYSTONE TREATMENT CENTER AGREEMENT WITH KBIC AS PRESENTED. SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmsblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 1 (Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.

5. Jeanne Hirzel, KBICSAP Director – Network Provider Agreement with Northcare Network (Marquette, Michigan) and KBIC for Substance Use Disorder Treatment Services October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2022

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE NETWORK PROVIDER AGREEMENT BETWEEN NORTHCARE NETWORK AND KBIC AS PRESENTED. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmsblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 1 (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.), ABSENT – 1 (Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.

6. Jennifer Misegan, Asst. CEO –
 - a. Public Works Department Proposed Organizational Chart to include a Director of Engineering & Project Manager

MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO APPROVE THE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING AND PROJECT MANAGER ORGANIZATIONAL CHART AS PRESENTED. CO-SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER AND GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 2 (Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmsblad), ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 1 (Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.

Eddy Edwards stated his opposition: "We are just leaving the Director of Public Works there and just adding another layer of management that is not needed."

- b. Master Subscription Agreement with StreamLink Software Inc.-AmpliFund (a software-as-a-service grant management platform) effective February 25, 2022 for 3 years and allows users to obtain and manage federal and other sources of grant funding. \$85,875.00

MOTION MADE BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT TO APPROVE THE AMPLIFUND GRANT SEEKER ADVANCED AGREEMENT AS PRESENTED. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmlad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 1 (Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.

- c. Services Agreement (Tier II-B) Falmouth Institute – Tribal Grants Management Certification Program on-site for up to 40 participants April 4-7, 2022 \$20,950.00 plus travel expenses

MOTION MADE BY DON MESSER TO APPROVE THE FALMOUTH INSTITUTE SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE ON-SITE TRAINING PROGRAM FOR TRIBAL GRANTS MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATION AS PRESENTED. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmlad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 1 (Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 11:30 A.M. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmlad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 1 (Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.

K. Closed Session:

- 1. Kevin Carlisle, Tribal Attorney – Weekly Update

Susan J. LaFernier left at 11:46 a.m.

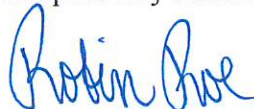
MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 12:08 P.M. CO-SUPPORTED BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT AND EDDY EDWARDS. NINE IN FAVOR (Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmlad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 2 (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.

Re-scheduled a Work Session from February 22, 2022 (snow storm) - Criminal Code Amendments to March 1, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

L. Adjournment:

**MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. TO ADJOURN AT 12:10 P.M.
SUPPORTED BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT. NINE IN FAVOR (Don Messer, Randall R.
Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmblad, Elizabeth
“Liz” Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING - 0,
ABSENT – 2 (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted,



Robin Roe
CEO/President's Administrative Specialist