

**MINUTES  
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
TRIBAL CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM  
THURSDAY – OCTOBER 25, 2007 – 9:00 A.M.**

- A. Date: October 25, 2007
- B. Call to Order: President LaFernier called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer  
Opening Prayer in Ojibwa
- D. Roll Call: Present: Susan J. LaFernier, President  
Toni J. Minton, Secretary  
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Assistant Secretary  
Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer  
Larry J. Denomie III, CEO  
Doreen G. Blaker (arrived at 9:30 a.m., left 9:40 a.m. – 1:44 p.m.)  
Jerry Lee Curtis  
William E. Emery  
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr. (arrived at 1:17 p.m., left at 4:00 p.m.)  
Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews (left at 5:00 p.m.)  
Elizabeth D. Mayo (arrived at 1:20 p.m.)
- Absent: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Vice-President
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President LaFernier declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: October 25, 2007

Deletion: Old Business- 1. Mike LaFernier/Jason Ayres/BIA Roads

**MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGE. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, FOUR ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), MOTION CARRIED.**

G. For your Information:

1. An invite to the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Keweenaw National Historical Park on Oct. 27, 2007
2. A copy of the Native American Report - October Issue
3. Upcoming VOIGT Task Force Meeting – November 1, 2007 at KBIC – 10:00 a.m.

H. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

1. September 14, 2007

**MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2007 MEETING MINUTES WITH THE CHANGES. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, FOUR ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), MOTION CARRIED.**

2. September 20, 2007

**MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 20, 2007 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, FOUR ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), MOTION CARRIED.**

I. Recognize Scheduled Delegation/Individuals:

1. **9:30 a.m.** Cheryl Dingeldey/Mike Hubert – Village of L’Anse  
Mike Hubert came to introduce himself to the Council. He is the new Village Manager and has been working with the Village for 4 months. He would like to work together with the Council.

Doreen Blaker arrived at 9:30 a.m. – left at 9:40 a.m.

Ron Spruce – He stated his concern regarding deer carcasses on the Pikes Peak Road. This will be referred to Todd Warner.

2. Debbie Parrish/OCC Board of Regents – Tim Shanahan, Donald Funke, Fred Dakota, Jerry Mayo and Sarah Smith, CEO Assistant  
Debbie had a list of grants that the OCC has. The College staff will have a calendar for the last semester within two weeks. Debbie will email the calendar to Susan LaFernier. Classes end on December 14<sup>th</sup>. Gary Loonsfoot stated that he would like to meet with the faculty and staff and it was decided to meet on October 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. The last report on candidacy was from October 2005. Debbie stated the College is not going to stop the accreditation process, they are going to

seek other funding and continue without Tribal support. Debbie stated the Council may not be able to utilize the facilities. The OCC received a \$400,000 HUD grant for their portion of the College. There is a five-year wait from the date of sign off. Also the USDA grant for \$112,000 for the Post Office renovations need to be reviewed. The Tribe's support was \$444,000.00 last year plus scholarships. \$2.3 million has been spent so far since the college opened.

Break: 10:33 – 10:48 a.m.

**Recess at 10:49 a.m. – AISES Multicultural Program at KBOCC Gym/Lunch**

Debi Williamson entered and presented the Council with t-shirts, decals, dictionaries, and a draft report on the language preservation plan. She requested the Council give feedback and comments on her report and she will review with the Council at the Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

Mike LaFernier arrived at 1:17 p.m.

**Back in session at 1:17 p.m.**

J. Closed Session:

1. Jason Ayres - FIA Building
2. Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer - Donations
3. Larry Denomie, CEO – Economic Development
4. Susan J. LaFernier, President
5. John Baker, Attorney

**MOTION MADE BY JERRY LEE CURTIS TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 1:18 P.M. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker, Elizabeth D. Mayo), MOTION CARRIED.**

Elizabeth Mayo arrived at 1:20 p.m.

Doreen Blaker arrived at 1:44 p.m.

Break: 3:05 – 3:23 p.m.

Mike LaFernier left at 4:00 p.m.

Elizabeth Matthews left at 5:00 p.m.

**MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 5:15 P.M. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION MADE BY LARRY J. DENOMIE III TO SET THE JAIL FEES FOR TRIBAL COURT AT THE FOLLOWING: FOR CONSECUTIVE DAYS STAYED AT THE JAIL \$35.00 FOR THE FIRST TWO DAYS AND \$10.00 FOR EVERY NIGHT THEREAFTER. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Doreen G. Blaker), THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), MOTION CARRIED.**

Jason Ayres – Resolution KB-1574-2007 – Allotted Interest Acquisition L’Anse Township

**MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-1574-2007 ALLOTTED INTEREST ACQUISITION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9382.13. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ONE ABSTAINING (Doreen G. Blaker), THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), MOTION CARRIED.**

Donations for October-

**MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS FOR OCTOBER, \$100.00 FOR THE BARAGA AREA SCHOOLS ELEMENTARY YEARBOOK, \$1000.00 FOR THE BART STUPAK RE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN, \$200.00 FOR THE BETHEL UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH FOR THEIR ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER AND \$7500.00 FOR THE HIGH FIVE MENTORING PROGRAM IN BARAGA COUNTY. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Doreen G. Blaker), THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION MADE BY LARRY J. DENOMIE III TO APPROVE THE ASSISTANCE AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT WITH THE GREAT LAKES INDIAN FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth D. Mayo), ONE OPPOSED (Jennifer Misegan), ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), MOTION CARRIED.**

K. Adjournment:

**MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO ADJOURN AT 5:18 P.M. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Minton  
Recording Secretary