

**MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
TRIBAL CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM
FRIDAY – SEPTEMBER 4, 2009 – 9:00 A.M.**

- A. Date: September 4, 2009
- B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer
- D. Roll Call: Present: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
Susan J. LaFerner, Vice-President
William E. Emery, Assistant Secretary
Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer
Jerry Lee Curtis (left at 11:35 a.m.)
Fred Dakota
Michael F. LaFerner, Sr. (arrived at 10:32 p.m.)
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews (left 1:15 – 1:40 p.m.)
Elizabeth D. Mayo (arrived at 9:12 a.m., left at 10:32 a.m.)
Isabelle Helene Welsh
- Absent: Toni J. Minton, Secretary
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Swartz declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.

F. Approval of Agenda: September 4, 2009

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Toni J. Minton, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), MOTION CARRIED.

G. Closed Session:

1. John Baker, Attorney – Mining Issue

2. Larry Denomie III, CEO - Funny Business Agency Agreement / Terri Denomie - Peggy Minton - Head Start
3. Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President

Elizabeth Mayo arrived at 9:12 a.m.

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 9:12 A.M. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), TWO OPPOSED (Fred Dakota, Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Toni J. Minton, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Break: 10:05 – 10:20 a.m.

Mike LaFerner, Sr. arrived at 10:32 a.m.

Elizabeth Mayo left at 10:32 a.m.

Jerry Lee Curtis left at 11:35 a.m.

Lunch: 12:00 – 1:15 p.m.

Mike LaFerner, Sr. returned from lunch at 1:25 p.m.

Elizabeth Matthews returned from lunch at 1:40 p.m.

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 2:15 P.M. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Toni J. Minton, Jerry Lee Curtis, Elizabeth D. Mayo), MOTION CARRIED.

Break: 2:16 – 2:25 p.m.

Funny Business Agency Contract – 3 Comedy Show Dates (October, January, March) at the Best Western Franklin, Houghton, MI per Eagle Radio

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO APPROVE THE FUNNY BUSINESS AGENCY CONTRACT. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. FIVE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, William E. Emery, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), THREE OPPOSED (Jennifer Misegan, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Toni J. Minton, Jerry Lee Curtis, Elizabeth D. Mayo), MOTION CARRIED.

Head Start Criteria – for next school year and for pre-primary when the new building is built – not withstanding Federal Guidelines

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO ESTABLISH THE CRITERIA FOR CHILDREN TO BE SERVED BY THE PRE-PRIMARY PROGRAM AND THE HEAD START AS THE FOLLOWING: 1) ENROLLED KBIC CHILDREN OR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF ONE WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO BE ENROLLED, 2) DIRECT DESCENDENTS FOR CHILDREN OF KBIC MEMBERS, 3) NEXT DESCENDENTS, 4) OTHER NATIVE AMERICANS OF OTHER TRIBES, AND TO DIRECT THE CEO’S OFFICE TO NOTIFY THE HEAD START POLICY COUNCIL AND ITC BOARD OF OUR CRITERIA AND TO DIRECT THE GRANTS DEPARTMENT, THE PRESIDENT AND THE CEO TO WORK TO APPLY FOR THE FUNDING FOR THE HEAD START PROGRAM DIRECTLY TO THE TRIBE. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Toni J. Minton, Jerry Lee Curtis, Elizabeth D. Mayo), MOTION CARRIED.

Negaunee Township Waterline Easement – Request from Mr. William Carlson, Negaunee Township Supervisor – from 2% money set aside and held by Negaunee Township for infrastructure improvements

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO ALLOW NEGAUNEE TOWNSHIP TO USE \$4,000.00 OF THE 2% MONEY FOR AN EASEMENT FOR A WATERLINE. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. SEVEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), ONE OPPOSED (Susan J. LaFerner), ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Toni J. Minton, Jerry Lee Curtis, Elizabeth D. Mayo), MOTION CARRIED.

Susan LaFerner stated her opposition: She doesn't believe there is an updated plan in place.

Mission Road Water Project –

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE THE MISSION ROAD WATER PROJECT EXCESS CONTINGENCY FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00 FOR THE ELEVEN ITEMS PRESENTED. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Toni J. Minton, Jerry Lee Curtis, Elizabeth D. Mayo), MOTION CARRIED.

H. Old Business:

1. Ethics Ordinance Review [Postponed]

I. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO ADJOURN AT 2:31 P.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Toni J. Minton, Jerry Lee Curtis, Elizabeth D. Mayo), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Minton
Administrative Specialist