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2017 TRIBAL COUNCIL

WARREN C. SWARTZ, JR., President
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MINUTES KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING BIG BUCKS BINGO HALL THURSDAY – OCTOBER 5, 2017 – 9:00 A.M.

APPROVED

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KBIC PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

SIGNATURE: 

- A. Date: October 5, 2017
- B. Call to Order: Vice President Misegan called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Prayer by Jennifer Misegan, Vice President
- D. Roll Call: Present: Jennifer Misegan, Vice President
Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary
Toni J. Minton, Assistant Secretary (left at 12:03 p.m.)
Doreen G. Blaker, Treasurer
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.
Fred Dakota (left at 10:54 a.m.)
Randall R. Haataja
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.
Rodney Loonsfoot
Elizabeth D. Mayo (left 12:03 – 1:52 p.m.)
- Absent: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
- E. Declaration of Quorum: Vice President Misegan declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: October 5, 2017

Change Old Business to follow New Business.

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGE. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

G. For Your Information:

1. Council Poll September 29, 2017 to approve the Grant Agreements for the VOCA Resources for Victim Assistance Program 2018 and the DOJ Office for Victims of Crime Cooperative Agreement (7 For)

H. New Business:

1. Bobby Escobar, Assistant Tribal Attorney –
 - a) Tashina Emery, BALAC Coordinator - Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc.'s (GLITC) Tribal Sub-Award Contract Agreement for the Bemidji Area Leaders Acting for Change (BALAC) Program September 30, 2017 – March 29, 2018
\$110,000.00

MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO APPROVE THE SUB-AWARD CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH GREAT LAKES INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL FOR THE BEMIDJI AREA LEADERS ACTING FOR CHANGE PROGRAM. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

- b) Charles Miller, SORNA Coordinator – “Support For Department of Justice (DOJ) Grant Award for the SORNA Program Adam Walsh Act Implementation”
October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2019 \$200,023.00

MOTION MADE BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT TO APPROVE THE SORNA PROGRAM DOJ GRANT AWARD FOR THE ADAM WALSH ACT IMPLEMENTATION. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

- c) Liana Loonsfoot, OVW Coordinator – Department of Justice (DOJ) Grant Award for the OVW Program Dancing in the Rain Project
October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2020 \$889,448.00

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE OVW PROGRAM DOJ GRANT AGREEMENT FOR THE DANCING IN THE RAIN PROJECT. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

- d) Jeanne Hirzel, Substance Abuse Programs Director – Department of Justice (DOJ)
Grant Award for the KBIC Halfway House (Program) Project
October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2020 \$619,141.00

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE KBIC HALFWAY HOUSE PROGRAM DOJ GRANT AGREEMENT. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

2. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Weekly Update

Michael Duschene has been placed as Interim Elderly Nutrition Program Director at the Ojibwa Seniors Center during Beth Koski's absence.

Larry and the Board continue to work on the tobacco manufacturing agreements and he will have a PowerPoint presentation for the community meeting on Saturday which will include an update on the tobacco company, FY2018 Budgets and the Casino Projects

Break: 9:37 – 9:56 a.m.

I. Old Business:

- 1. Larry Denomie III, CEO/Hannah Beesley, Personnel Director – Review Policy Amendments regarding Employee Conduct and Corrective Action – Expectation Violation Examples
 - a) Personnel - Government
 - b) Casinos
 - c) Enterprises
 - d) Youth and Law Enforcement [Rescheduled] no copies provided

Fred Dakota left at 10:54 a.m.

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE GOVERNMENT, CASINOS, AND ENTERPRISE POLICIES WITH THE CHANGES AS DISCUSSED. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. SIX IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), TWO OPPOSED (Randall R. Haataja, Elizabeth D. Mayo), ONE ABSTAINING (Rodney Loonsfoot), TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.

Elizabeth Mayo stated her opposition: She does not like the wording (expectation), it is unclear.

J. Closed Session:

- 1. Doreen Blaker, Housing Director – KBIC Housing Department Issue Case #004-17
- 2. Budget Review [Open to KBIC Members]

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 11:47 A.M. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.

Lunch: 12:03 - 1:08 p.m. (Toni Minton left)

Elizabeth Mayo returned from lunch at 1:52 p.m.

Break: 3:09 - 3:23 p.m.

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 4:53 P.M. SUPPORTED BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FOUR ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota, Elizabeth D. Mayo), MOTION CARRIED.

(Elizabeth Mayo is out of the room)

General Welfare Support Program (GWSP) Checks for 2017

MOTION MADE BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT TO APPROVE THE GENERAL WELFARE SUPPORT PROGRAM CHECKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,800.00. CO-SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. AND MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.

KBIC Housing Department Issue Case #004-17 (Emery Home located at 15660 Pequaming Road, L'Anse, Michigan)

MOTION MADE BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE EMERY HOME BY AIMEE EMERY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000.00 PENDING THE BANK APPROVAL. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Doreen G. Blaker), THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.

FY2018 Employee Raises

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE A 2% ANNUAL RAISE FOR FY2018 FOR ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND ENTERPRISE EMPLOYEES EFFECTIVE ON EACH EMPLOYEES ANNIVERSARY DATE RETROACTIVE TO OCTOBER 1, 2017 EXCEPT: A) EMPLOYEES WHOSE INCREASES ARE IDENTIFIED IN THEIR EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT; B) EMPLOYEES WHO WORK AS A CONSULTANT OR UNDER A SERVICE AGREEMENT AND PERFORM OUTSIDE SALES AND RECEIVE COMMISSIONS; C) EMPLOYEES SERVING IN INTERIM, TEMPORARY, OR ON-CALL POSITIONS. SUPPORTED BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.

Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. stated his abstention: He believes that because it affects his income he should not vote.

K. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO ADJOURN AT 4:59 P.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Peggy Loonsfoot
Administrative Specialist

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- ___ Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary
- ___ Toni J. Minton, Assistant Secretary
- ___ Doreen G. Blaker, Treasurer
- ___ Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.
- ___ Fred Dakota
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