

# KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

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## 2015 TRIBAL COUNCIL

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## MINUTES

### KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM THURSDAY – APRIL 23, 2015 – 9:00 A.M.

APPROVED  
6-25-15

- A. Date: April 23, 2015
- B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Lord's Prayer
- D. Roll Call: Present: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President  
Jennifer Misegan, Vice President  
Toni J. Minton, Secretary (left 10:19 a.m. – 12:31 p.m.)  
Susan J. LaFernier, Assistant Secretary (left 1:44 – 3:07 p.m.)  
Doreen G. Blaker, Treasurer  
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. (left at 4:17 p.m., left 11:20 – 11:36 a.m.)  
Randall R. Haataja (left at 2:40 p.m.)  
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.  
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.  
Don Messer, Jr. (left at 9:44 a.m.)  
Donald Shalifoe, Sr. (arrived at 9:15 a.m., left at 3:07 p.m.)  
Absent: Eddy Edwards
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Swartz declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: April 23, 2015
- Deletion: New Business- 3. Mike Jensen, Director of Clinical Services/Danielle Webb, Assistant Tribal Attorney – a) Northcare Network Contract – New Day Treatment Center  
b) Northcare Network Contract – Outpatient Services
- Addition: New Business- 5. Susan LaFernier, Assistant Secretary – Schedule Government Employee Grievance Hearing

President Swartz announced the KBIC Office of Violence Against Women Sexual Assault Awareness Walk on April 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. Ojibwa Seniors and the Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College Graduation Commencement on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

**MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH ONE DELETION AND ONE ADDITION. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Eddy Edwards, Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

G. New Business:

1. Paul Stark/Danielle Webb, Assistant Tribal Attorney – Baraga Telephone Company Business License Renewal

**MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO APPROVE PAUL STARK’S BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWAL FOR THE BARAGA TELEPHONE COMPANY. SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER, JR. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Eddy Edwards, Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

**Donald Shalifoe, Sr. arrived at 9:15 a.m.**

Paul Stark stated he will contact the Attorney General’s Office regarding Tribal Member’s State tax exemption on their telephone bills.

2. Kathy Mayo, Assistant Health Administrator/Danielle Webb, Assistant Tribal Attorney –
  - a) National Indian Health Board Memorandum of Agreement to provide for and administer funding to support Tribal Accreditation Activities \$10,000.00

**MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE NATIONAL INDIAN HEALTH BOARD AND THE KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY. CO-SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER AND DONALD SHALIFOE, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.**

- b) Dale Schmeisser, Registered Dietician Services Agreement

**MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE REGISTERED DIETICIAN SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DALE SCHMEISSER, R.D., PH.D. FOR THE COMMUNITY'S DIABETES PROGRAM. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.**

- c) Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. (GLITC) for the Bemidji Area Leaders Acting for Change (BALAC) Contract for Governmental Services to assess, plan and implement policy, systems, and environmental changes needed to address chronic disease prevention and health promotion \$80,000.00

**MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE GREAT LAKES INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL FOR THE BEMIDJI AREA LEADERS ACTING FOR CHANGE CONTRACT FOR GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES. SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER, JR. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.**

- d) Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiology Center Data Use Agreement (DUA) for the Collection of Data for the Bemidji Area Leaders Acting for Change (BALAC) Project and the sharing of these data

**MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO APPROVE THE DATA USE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY AND THE GREAT LAKES INTER-TRIBAL EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTER FOR THE COLLECTION OF DATA FOR THE BEMIDJI AREA LEADERS ACTING FOR CHANGE PROJECT. SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER, JR. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.**

3. Sarah Maki, Assistant CEO (not present)/Larry Denomie III, CEO - Resolution KB-018-2015 Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Housing Department. The Ojibwa Housing Authority Ordinance 2009-02 was repealed on March 2, 2015. This resolution adopts the Indian Housing Plan as approved by Council on July 12, 2014 and requests HUD to reissue the Indian Housing Block Grant in the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community's name.

**MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-018-2015 KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY HOUSING DEPARTMENT. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA.**

Discussion - add to the last Whereas "now known as the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Housing Department"

Toni Minton amended her motion.

**MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-018-2015 KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY HOUSING DEPARTMENT AND TO INCLUDE THE CHANGE TO THE LAST WHEREAS. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr.), TWO OPPOSED (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.**

4. Susan LaFernier, Assistant Secretary – Schedule Government Employee Grievance Hearing

The Hearing was scheduled for April 30, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. and also a Government Employee Appeal of Termination Hearing at 11:00 a.m.

**Break: 9:43 – 9:53 a.m.**

**Don Messer, Jr. left at 9:44 a.m.**

5. Jean Jokinen, Grant Writer/Lori Sherman, Director of Natural Resources Department – Resolution KB-017-2015 BIA Tribal Cooperative Landscape Conservation Program to address climate change adaptation and current impacts. The grant is up to \$250,000.00.

**MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-017-2015 BIA COOPERATIVE LANDSCAPE CONSERVATION PROGRAM. SUPPORTED BY DONALD SHALIFOE, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Eddy Edwards, Don Messer, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

H. Closed Session:

1. General Manager Applicant Interviews (6)

**MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 9:58 A.M. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Eddy Edwards, Don Messer, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.**



**Toni Minton left 10:19 a.m. – 12:31 p.m.**

**Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. left 11:20 – 11:36 a.m.**

**Lunch: 11:50 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**Susan LaFernier left 1:44 – 3:07 p.m.**

**Randall Haataja left at 2:40 p.m.**

**Break: 2:44 – 3:08 p.m. (Donald Shalifoe, Sr. left)**

**Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. left at 4:17 p.m.**

**MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 4:29 P.M. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. SIX IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Eddy Edwards, Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

**Doreen Blaker left at 4:30 p.m.**

I. Adjournment:

**MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO ADJOURN AT 4:31 P.M. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. FIVE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, SIX ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Eddy Edwards, Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted,



Peggy Loonsfoot  
Administrative Specialist

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