

**MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM
SATURDAY – JUNE 6, 2009 – 9:00 A.M.**

- A. Date: June 6, 2009
- B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer
- D. Roll Call: Present: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
Susan J. LaFernier, Vice-President
Toni J. Minton, Secretary
William E. Emery, Assistant Secretary
Jerry Lee Curtis
Fred Dakota
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews (arrived at 9:15 a.m.)
Elizabeth D. Mayo
Isabelle Helene Welsh

Absent: Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer

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

- F. Approval of Agenda: June 6, 2009

Addition: Closed Session- 4. Isabelle Welsh – Tribal Member Request

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

G. For Your Information:

1. A "Thank you" from the Center for Native American Studies NMU
2. A "Thank you" from Beth Michael, Superior AmeriCorps Member
3. A "Thank you" from Jessica Koski for Letter of Support
4. A "Thank you" from Lisa Bressette and Family
5. A "Thank you" from the Great Lakes Center for Youth Development
6. A "Thank you" from Erica Wozniak
7. Tribal Archives, Libraries, and Museums 2009 National Conference in Portland, Oregon
8. Notification of Approved Enrollment Applications (4)

H. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

1. March 7, 2009

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE MARCH 7, 2009 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jerry Lee Curtis, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Fred Dakota), TWO ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews), MOTION CARRIED.

I. President's Report/May 2009 - available for your review

Elizabeth Matthews arrived at 9:15 a.m.

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE MAY 2009 PRESIDENT'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY FRED DAKOTA. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

J. Vice-President's Report/April - May 2009 - available for your review

MOTION MADE BY JERRY LEE CURTIS TO APPROVE THE APRIL - MAY 2009 VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

K. Secretary's Report/May 2009 - available for your review

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE THE MAY 2009 SECRETARY'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

L. CEO's Report/May 2009 (and Sarah Smith, Assistant CEO May 2009 Report) - available for your review [Also available on ojibwa.com]

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE MAY 2009 CEO'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

M. Department Head Reports – April 2009

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE APRIL 2009 DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

N. Recognize Scheduled Delegation/Individuals:

1. Paul Stark/Father Augustine/Polly Kahkonen/Ann Schwartz – Sacred Heart Catholic School Presentation/Request – the school is facing a \$35,000.00 budget shortfall and they requested tuition assistance and/or an annual contribution. The Council will research if they are eligible for 2% distributions and will discuss at a future meeting.

O. New Business:

1. Larry Denomie III, CEO –
 - a) Even Start Building Renovation – Fire Exit in Basement for additional space

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE THE BID OF \$5,502.08 FROM THE TRIBAL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A FIRE EXIT AT THE EVEN START BUILDING. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jerry Lee Curtis, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), TWO OPPOSED (Fred Dakota, Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

Elizabeth Mayo stated her opposition: She feels there needed to be more than just one bid because it is required from everyone else.

b) Schedule Enterprise Employee Grievance Hearing Date for Case #012-09

Larry had an additional grievance hearing to schedule for a government employee. (Case #013-09). The Council decided that Larry and Peggy Minton will coordinate dates for all grievance hearings.

2. President Swartz – Digital Audio/Video Recording Equipment Bids (2) for the Tribal Council meetings/Other

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE THE BIS DIGITAL RECORDER BID OF \$5,763.00. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

The Council scheduled the next special meeting for Friday, June 12th.

P. Closed Session:

1. Larry Denomie, CEO
2. Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President – Tribal Member Request KB-16-09 Barbara Mantila
3. Isabelle Welsh - Tribal Member Request KB-17-09 Carole Koski

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 10:20 A.M. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jerry Lee Curtis, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), TWO OPPOSED (Fred Dakota, Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

Break: 10:21 – 10:28 a.m.

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 10:44 A.M. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

President Swartz informed the Council of an invite to the Democrat Congressional Fundraising Campaign in Niagara Falls, New York on June 14th.

Q. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO ADJOURN AT 10:46 A.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Minton
Administrative Specialist