

**MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
BIG BUCKS BINGO HALL
SATURDAY – SEPTEMBER 12, 2009 – 9:00 A.M.**

- A. Date: September 12, 2009
- B. Call to Order: Vice President LaFernier called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer
- D. Roll Call: Present: Susan J. LaFernier, Vice President
Toni J. Minton, Secretary
William E. Emery, Assistant Secretary
Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer
Jerry Lee Curtis
Fred Dakota
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr. (arrived at 9:35 a.m.)
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews
Elizabeth D. Mayo
Isabelle Helene Welsh
- Absent: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
- E. Declaration of Quorum: Vice President LaFernier declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: September 12, 2009
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| Addition: | Old Business- | 1. Elizabeth Mayo – add “for Motorcycles” for clarification |
| | Recognized Scheduled Delegation- | 1. Toni Minton – for Rosemary Haataja –
b) Speed Signs on Haataja Road |
| Deletion: | Closed Session- | 1. John Baker, Attorney
2. Larry Denomie III, CEO |

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

G. For Your Information:

1. A “Thank you” from Rich, Jim, Heather Wood and Family
2. A “Thank you” from the Madosh Family
3. A “Thank you” from Reverend John Henry and Family
4. A “Thank you” from Superior Alliance for Independent Living
5. A “Thank you” from the Special Olympics
6. Notification of Approved Enrollment Applications August 2009 (9)
7. Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council
8. Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians Tribal Council

H. Vice President’s Report/August 2009

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE VICE-PRESIDENT’S REPORT FOR AUGUST 2009. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

I. Secretary’s Report/August 2009

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE SECRETARY’S REPORT FOR AUGUST 2009. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

J. Treasurer’s Report/August 2009

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE TREASURER’S REPORT FOR AUGUST 2009. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

K. CEO's Report/August 2009

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH "CHIZ" MATTHEWS TO APPROVE THE CEO'S REPORT FOR AUGUST 2009. SUPPORTED BY JERRY LEE CURTIS. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFerner, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

L. Department Head Reports – July 2009

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH "CHIZ" MATTHEWS TO APPROVE THE DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS FOR JULY 2009. SUPPORTED BY JERRY LEE CURTIS. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFerner, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Mike LaFerner, Sr. arrived at 9:35 a.m.

M. Recognize Scheduled Delegation/Individuals:

1. Rosemary Haataja – [Not present]

- a) Water/Sewer Meters in Zeba – Toni Minton stated that Rosemary is asking why meters aren't being used. A single person, using less water, pays the same as a family unit using more.

If the Tribe were to go to a Meter system, there would be additional costs such as the cost for the meters, the cost for the person to read them, the upgrading, the software, etc.

Larry Denomie, CEO will research this and work on a recommendation.

- b) Speed Signs on Haataja Road – Susan stated that Rosemary is concerned about people speeding and would like to have speed signs placed. Susan will work with Larry on this issue. She will contact Doug Mills regarding speed bumps on the road when the blacktop is done.

2. Don Carlson – Travel Request for Mining Conference in Butte, Montana

Don would like to attend the 4th Annual National Summit of Mining Communities on October 13-15, 2009, but does not have the money in his Baraga County Mine Inspector's budget.

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE \$1,100.00 FOR THE BARAGA COUNTY MINE INSPECTOR TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL SUMMIT OF MINING COMMUNITIES IN BUTTE, MONTANA, TO BE PAID OUT OF KBIC'S MINING BUDGET. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. TEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Don agreed to give a report to the Council and the public at the November meeting.

N. Old Business:

1. Elizabeth Mayo – Tax Reimbursement for State Sales Taxes for Motorcycles

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE MOTORCYCLES THAT CAN LEGALLY GO DOWN THE HIGHWAY AND REIMBURSE THE 20 THAT ARE REGISTERED. SUPPORTED BY FRED DAKOTA. FIVE IN FAVOR (Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), FOUR OPPOSED (Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), ONE ABSTAINING (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Gary Loonsfoot, Sr. stated his opposition: He feels the Tribe shouldn't have to make any payments to the State.

O. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO ADJOURN AT 10:08 A.M. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. TEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Minton
Administrative Specialist