

KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

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**MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM
THURSDAY – JANUARY 14, 2016 – 9:00 A.M.**

APPROVED

1-21-16

- A. Date: January 14, 2016
- B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Ojibwa Prayer by Donald Shalifoe, Sr./Lord's Prayer
- D. Roll Call: Present: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
Jennifer Misegan, Vice President
Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary
Toni J. Minton, Assistant Secretary
Doreen G. Blaker, Treasurer
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. (left at 11:23 a.m.)
Fred Dakota
Eddy Edwards (arrived at 9:48 a.m.)
Randall R. Haataja
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
Donald Shalifoe, Sr.
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Swartz declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: January 14, 2016
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| Deletion: | Closed Session- | 4. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Director Reclassification |
| Addition: | Closed Session- | 4. Larry Denomie III, CEO - Update |

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGES. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, 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, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.

G. Recognize Scheduled Delegation/Individuals:

1. Emily Whittaker, Yellow Dog Watershed Preserve - Yellow Dog River Community Forest PowerPoint Presentation

The Yellow Dog Watershed Preserve has an Option to Purchase agreement for property on the Yellow Dog River for a total cost of \$1.1 million dollars. The focus is on 695 acres for the purpose of establishing a Community Forest to protect public access, recreational use, and to provide educational opportunities. They have raised \$688,000 through federal grants, private foundations, and individuals. They need to raise the remaining funds by March 31, 2016 and they are asking for \$10,000 from KBIC. The Council will take the request into consideration.

Eddy Edwards arrived at 9:48 a.m.

Break: 9:52 – 9:57 a.m.

H. For Your Information:

1. Jennifer Misegan, Vice President – Art work by Athena Atoka (daughter of Margaret Welsh)

I. New Business:

1. Danielle Webb, Tribal Attorney/Tribal Prosecutor – Memorandum of Agreement with the Western U.P. Substance Abuse Services Coordinating Agency, Inc. for Services to U.S. District Court Offenders for Outpatient Treatment and Personalized Breathalyzer Testing October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2016

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO TABLE THE MOA WITH THE WESTERN U.P. SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES COORDINATING AGENCY UNTIL FURTHER REVIEW BY THE TRIBAL ATTORNEY. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. ALL IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

J. Closed Session:

1. Carole LaPointe, Health Administrator (not present) - Dale Schmeisser, R.D., Ph.D. Professional Services Agreement for WIC 2016 Consulting Services (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program)
2. Jeffrey Loman – Oil Refinery Letter to Governor Snyder
3. Jim Nardi, Human Resources Director – Worker’s Compensation Legal Settlement
4. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Update

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 10:05 A.M. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. ALL IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 11:23 A.M. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. ALL IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Break: 11:24 – 11:29 a.m. (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. left)

[New Business]

2. Gary Loonsfoot, Jr., Cultural Resources Director - Resolution KB-001-2016 Cultural Resource Funding from the multi-cultural Intermediary for Collaborative Action (MICA) Group Phase One was for the new arbor. Phase Two for Pow-wow renovations

MOTION MADE BY DONALD SHALIFOE, SR. TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-001-2016 CULTURAL RESOURCE FUND PHASE TWO GRANT APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00 WITH NO MATCHING FUNDS REQUIRED. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Dale Schmeisser, R.D., Ph.D. Professional Services Agreement for the WIC Program 2016 Consulting Services (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program) January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO APPROVE THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DALE SCHMEISSER, R.D. Ph.D. FOR WIC 2016 CONSULTING SERVICES. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Worker's Compensation Legal Settlement

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO APPROVE THE WORKERS COMPENSATION LEGAL SETTLEMENT AS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION. CO-SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. AND DONALD SHALIFOE, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

3. President Swartz –

- a) Resolution KB-003-2016 National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA) Membership Renewal \$7,500.00 with the Tribal Council Executive Board as delegate/alternate delegates

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-003-2016 NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

- b) Resolution KB-004-2016 Authorized Officials to Conduct Business with Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians (OST) as the Tribal Council Executive Board

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-004-2016 AUTHORIZED OFFICIALS TO CONDUCT BUSINESS WITH OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL TRUSTEE FOR AMERICAN INDIANS. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

4. Larry Denomie III, CEO –

- a) Senior Tax Preparation Discussion

The Council will provide the service for elders and seniors who are 55 years and over. Larry will contact Keith Rolof to discuss tentative dates next week.

- b) Weekly Update

Larry reported the BC/BS coverage does extend to children living outside of the Michigan network by court order and also to college students.

The Baraga Village Council is asking for KBIC participants to be involved in their Master Planning work group. Gary Loonsfoot, Sr. and Jason Ayres will participate on behalf of KBIC.

Larry requested a work group for the new casino projects to work in conjunction with Cuningham and Gundlach Champion. Mike LaFernier, Sr. and Jennifer Misegan were appointed.

Larry and Sarah Maki, Assistant CEO, are currently overseeing the New Day and Outpatient Departments and working on a job description that will combine the duties of the former Director and Clinical Supervisor.

Larry has sent letters to the three tenants of the Marquette houses that are to be relocated during the expansion of the casino and is planning to meet with the other tenants as well on February 2nd.

K. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO ADJOURN AT 11:57 A.M. SUPPORTED BY EDDY EDWARDS. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Peggy Loonsfoot
Administrative Specialist

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