

MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM
SATURDAY – AUGUST 4, 2007 – 9:00 A.M.

- A. Date: August 4, 2007
- B. Call to Order: President LaFernier called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer
Opening Prayer in Ojibwa
- D. Roll Call: Present: Susan J. LaFernier, President
Toni J. Minton, Secretary
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Assistant Secretary
Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer
Larry J. Denomie III, CEO
Doreen G. Blaker (left at 10:00 a.m.)
Jerry Lee Curtis
William E. Emery
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews
Elizabeth D. Mayo
- Absent: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Vice-President
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President LaFernier declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: August 4, 2007
- Additions: J. CEO’s Report- Attach Sarah Smith, Asst. CEO’s Report for July 2007
G. FYI- 5. Picnic Announcements for Government Employees
Baraga and Marquette Casinos

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE ADDITIONS. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. TEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

G. For Your Information:

1. A Response Letter from Carl Levin regarding the Circle of Flight Program Funding
2. A “Thank you” from the American Cancer Society – Relay for Life
3. A “Thank you” from the Charter Township of Chocoday for 2% distribution funds
4. A copy of the Gaming Commission Meeting Minutes from July 10th, 17th, and 24th, 2007
5. The Government Employee Picnic is on August 17th and the Marquette Casino Employee Picnic is on August 14th and the Baraga Casino Employee Picnic is on August 22nd.

H. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

1. August 11, 2005

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 11, 2005 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, TWO ABSTAINING (Jerry Lee Curtis, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

2. July 12, 2007

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE JULY 12, 2007 MEETING MINUTES WITH THE CORRECTIONS. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, TWO ABSTAINING (Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker), ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

I. President’s Report/July 2007 – available for your review.

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE JULY 2007 PRESIDENT’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY LARRY J. DENOMIE III. TEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

J. CEO's Report/July 2007 [Asst. CEO's Report Attached] - available for your review. [Also available on ojibwa.com]

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE THE JULY 2007 CEO'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. TEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

K. Secretary's Report /July 2007 - available for your review.

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE THE JULY 2007 SECRETARY'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. TEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

L. Treasurer's Report/July 2007 - available for your review.

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE JULY 2007 TREASURER'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. TEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY LARRY J. DENOMIE III TO POST THE FY 2006 AUDIT. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. TEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

M. Department Head Reports- June 2007

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE JUNE 2007 DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. TEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

N. Old Business:

1. Pauline Spruce – The Picnic Planning Committee requested the use of six canoes for races to be held at the Employee Picnic on August 17th. Pauline had approached the Cultural Committee and was denied use of the canoes as they were intended for Wild Ricing only. Larry Denomie will donate life jackets. There was a concern on liability.

MOTION MADE BY JERRY LEE CURTIS TO ALLOW USE OF THE CANOES FOR THE PICNIC. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. SIX IN FAVOR (Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), FOUR OPPOSED (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ABSTAINING – 0, ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

O. New Business:

1. Jerry Lee Curtis – Deer Tags Request for New Day Feast (2) & New Day Pow Wow (2)

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE FOUR DEER TAGS FOR NEW DAY’S POW WOW AND ALSO FOR THEIR CEREMONIAL FEAST. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Jerry Lee Curtis), ONE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Break: 10:00 – 10:10 a.m.

Doreen Blaker left at 10:00 a.m.

P. Closed Session:

1. Pauline Spruce/John Baker
2. Tracy Emery/Elvera Lantz/Monica Kohn/Colleen DeRoche – Pow Wow Committee Concerns
3. Jennifer Misegan
4. Susan LaFernier
5. John Baker
6. Larry Denomie

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR THE ITEMS LISTED AT 10:11 A.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 12:18 P.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker), MOTION CARRIED.

Letter of Credit Dissolved-

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO DISSOLVE THE LETTER OF CREDIT FOR \$250,000.00 WITH THE FOUR DIRECTIONS PETROLEUM. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker), MOTION CARRIED.

Assistant Tribal Attorney Job Description-

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE AMENDED ASSISTANT TRIBAL ATTORNEY JOB DESCRIPTION. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker), MOTION CARRIED.

Pow Wow Budget Request-

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE \$10,000.00 TO BE PUT INTO THE POW WOW BUDGET TO PAY FOR HONORARIUMS FOR THE POW WOW COMMITTEE MEMBERS. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker), MOTION CARRIED.

Beth Connor Softball Donation Request-

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE A \$500.00 DONATION FOR THE TRIBAL MEMBERS ATTENDING THE ALL-NATIVE SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT IN BLACKRIVER FALLS AND A TANK OF GAS FOR THREE VEHICLES. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker), MOTION CARRIED.

Q. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO ADJOURN AT 12:22 P.M. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Minton
Recording Secretary