

**MINUTES  
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY  
SPECIAL COUNCIL/FINANCE MEETING  
TRIBAL CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM  
THURSDAY – SEPTEMBER 20, 2007 – 9:00 A.M.**

- A. Date: September 20, 2007
- B. Call to Order: President LaFernier called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer  
Opening Prayer in Ojibwa
- D. Roll Call: Present: Susan J. LaFernier, President  
Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Vice-President (arrived at 9:28 a.m.)  
Toni J. Minton, Secretary (left 1:55 – 3:35 p.m.)  
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Assistant Secretary (left at 2:43 p.m.)  
Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer (left at 4:44 p.m.)  
Larry J. Denomie III, CEO (left 12:20 – 1:37 p.m.)  
Doreen G. Blaker  
Jerry Lee Curtis (left at 12:20 p.m.)  
William E. Emery  
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr. (arrived at 9:44 a.m., left 12:20 – 1:58 p.m.)  
Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews  
Elizabeth D. Mayo (left 10:30 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.)
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President LaFernier declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: September 20, 2007
- Additions: New Business- 5. Larry Denomie: a) Carole LaPointe Service Agreement  
b) BIA Higher Education Grant Appeals  
Closed Session- Move Grievance Hearing to 3:30 p.m.

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

G. For your Information:

1. A copy of the Baraga County Chamber of Commerce Newsletter – August 2007
2. A copy of the VOIGT Task Force Meeting Minutes from August 2, 2007
3. A copy of a letter from Heather Maki regarding a petition

H. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

1. August 9, 2007

**MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 9, 2007. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Jennifer Misegan), TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

I. New Business:

1. Jason Ayres – Resolution KB1572-2007 Residential Lease for Dan and Beth Connor

**MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-1572-2007 RESIDENTIAL LEASE FOR DAN AND BETH CONNOR. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

Jason informed the Council that the Old 41 Watermain Extension Project is behind schedule and will not be finished this year.

Warren C. Swartz arrived at 9:28 a.m.

2. Toni Minton – Employee Attendance during Cultural Preservation Activities Week

**MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO ALLOW ALL KBIC EMPLOYEES TO ATTEND THE CULTURAL CENTER ACTIVITIES WEEK ON SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup> TO 28<sup>TH</sup> WITH SUPERVISOR’S APPROVAL. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. TEN IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

Mike LaFernier arrived at 9:44 a.m.

3. Bev Lussier/Summer Cohen – Cultural Preservation Activities Request - Donation for Ava Hamilton and Leahn Cox for an Oral History Documentary

**MOTION MADE BY WARREN C. SWARTZ, JR. TO APPROVE THE ORAL HISTORY WORKSHOP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5000.00 FROM THE TRIBAL COUNCIL DONATION LINE. SUPPORTED BY LARRY J. DENOMIE III. ALL IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., 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, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

4. John Baker – a) Business License Renewal Bayshore BP – Larry Denomie  
b) Business License Renewal Bayshore Carwash & Laundromat – Larry Denomie  
c) Liquor License Renewal – Larry Denomie

**MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWALS FOR BAYSHORE BP, BAYSHORE CARWASH AND LAUNDROMAT AND THE LIQUOR LICENSE FOR LARRY DENOMIE. SUPPORTED BY WARREN C. SWARTZ, JR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), TWO ABSTAINING (Larry J. Denomie III, William E. Emery), ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

Elizabeth Mayo stated her opposition: She is opposed because Larry has a Michigan Lotto in his store and has a state license, so why is he coming in for a Tribal license? She would also like the Gaming Commission to look into this.

- d) Business License Application – Rick C. Geroux - Keweenaw Bay Kollision & Kustoms

**MOTION MADE BY WARREN C. SWARTZ, JR. TO APPROVE THE BUSINESS LICENSE FOR RICHARD C. GEROUX FOR KEWEENAW BAY KOLLISION & KUSTOMS. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. ALL IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., 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, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

5. Larry Denomie – a) Service Agreement with Carole LaPointe - Youth Entrepreneur Program

**MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH CAROLE LAPOINTE TO IMPLEMENT THE KBIC YOUTH ENTREPRENEUR CLASSES. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. ALL IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., 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, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

b) BIA Higher Education Grant Appeals - Request from Amy St. Arnold

**MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO HAVE THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE HANDLE THE BIA EDUCATION GRANT APPEALS. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. TEN IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., 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), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

J. Closed Session:

1. Terri Denomie, Head Start Director
2. Budget Reviews: Francis LaPointe, Dawn Richards, Sarah Smith

Pow Wow Committee/Colleen DeRoche/Marty Curtis  
Radio Station/Ed Janisse  
Jim Stingle, Grant Specialist  
Accounting – Francis LaPointe, CFO

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.                      Grievance Hearing #004-07

3. Robin Chosa, TERO – Contract
4. Larry Denomie, CEO

**MOTION MADE BY WARREN C. SWARTZ, JR. TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 10:00 A.M. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. TEN IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., 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), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

Break: 10:01 – 10:13 a.m.

Elizabeth Mayo left at 10:30 a.m.

Lunch: 12:20 – 1:17 p.m.

Jerry Lee Curtis left at 12:20 p.m.

Larry Denomie returned from lunch at 1:37 p.m.

Toni Minton left 1:55 – 3:35 p.m.

Mike LaFernier returned from lunch at 1:58 p.m.

Elizabeth Mayo returned from lunch at 2:15 p.m.

Break: 2:43 – 3:15 p.m.

Gary Loonsfoot left at 2:43 p.m.

Jennifer Misegan left at 4:44 p.m.

**MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 4:45 P.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE SAFETY SAVES CLASSES AND TO HAVE THE ATTORNEY REVIEW THE AGREEMENT BEFORE BEING SIGNED AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TERO DIRECTOR FOR \$1750.00. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. SIX IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, TWO ABSTAINING (Toni J. Minton, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), THREE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION MADE BY WARREN C. SWARTZ, JR. TO REMOVE THE SUSPENSION IN THE EMPLOYEE RECORD FOR CASE #004-07. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. FIVE IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), TWO OPPOSED (Doreen G. Blaker, Elizabeth D. Mayo), ONE ABSTAINING (Larry J. Denomie III), THREE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION MADE BY WARREN C. SWARTZ, JR. TO EXPLORE THE POTENTIAL TO USE THE L’ANSE TOWER SITE TO PROVIDE CELLULAR SERVICE TO THE KBIC. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.**

K. Adjournment:

**MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO ADJOURN AT 4:52 P.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Minton  
Recording Secretary