

# KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

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

APPROVED  
6-16-16

- A. Date: June 9, 2016
- B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:07 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 (left 10:06 – 10:23 a.m.)  
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. (left at 10:06 a.m.)  
Fred Dakota (left at 11:32 a.m.)  
Eddy Edwards (arrived at 9:15 a.m., left at 11:42 a.m.)  
Randall R. Haataja  
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.  
Donald Shalifoe, Sr.  
Absent: Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Swartz declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: June 9, 2016
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| Additions: | New Business-   | 8. Jennifer Misegan, Vice President – 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading Proposed Ordinance 2016-04 Amend Sections 4.2 and 4.3 of the Traffic Code   |
|            | Closed Session- | 3. Larry Denomie III - CEO Update<br>4. Michael Schrader – Ojibwa Casinos General Manager Exit Interview                                  |
| Deletions: | New Business-   | 4. Gary Loonsfoot, Jr., Director of Cultural Resources – Employee Volunteer Hours for Powwow<br>7. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Weekly Update |

**MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGES. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA. NINE 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., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Eddy Edwards, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

G. For Your Information:

1. Little Brothers Friends of the Elderly Upper Michigan Chapter Final Report for 2% Funding 2015-2016

H. CEO's Report/April-May 2016 – available for your review

**Eddy Edwards arrived at 9:15 a.m.**

**MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE APRIL AND MAY 2016 CEO'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. TEN 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., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

I. Old Business:

1. Bruce LaPointe, Director of Public Works/Sarah Maki, Assistant CEO – Resolution KB-024-2016 HUD ICDBG Halfway House Project Application (need operational costs)

The goal is to provide long term residential treatment to those in recovery that have completed short term residential treatment. To sustain the project the current staff will be utilized through the Substance Abuse Programs and they will bill third party sources such as Medicaid and ATR. Additional funding will be sought from the Indian Health Service and the residents can be required to pay a fee.

A Task Force comprised of the Substance Abuse Programs staff will be formed to create the policies and procedures.

**MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-024-2016 HUD ICDBG HALFWAY HOUSE PROJECT APPLICATION. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), TWO OPPOSED (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja), ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Fred Dakota, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

(Fred Dakota is out of the room)

Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. stated his opposition: He doesn't feel the staff is ready for this project.

**Break: 10:06 – 10:12 a.m. (Doreen Blaker and Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. left)**

J. New Business:

1. Danielle Webb, Tribal Attorney/Tribal Prosecutor –

- a) Pete Morin (not present) – Morin Fireworks Business License Renewal for a Fireworks Permit

June 23, 2016 – June 22, 2017

**MOTION MADE BY DONALD SHALIFOE, SR. TO APPROVE THE MORIN FIREWORKS ANNUAL BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWAL FOR PETE MORIN. CO-SUPPORTED BY FRED DAKOTA AND MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

- b) Richard A. Geroux (not present) – Jimaganish Wadokaged Business License Renewal (non-profit bar)

June 23, 2016 – June 22, 2017

**MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO TABLE THE JIMAGANISH WADOKAGED ANNUAL BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWAL FOR RICHARD GEROUX UNTIL THE REQUIRED 2015 REPORT HAS BEEN RECEIVED. SUPPORTED BY DONALD SHALIFOE, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

- c) Jeffery Loman – Keweenaw Konsulting Business License Renewal (Environmental Consulting)

June 12, 2016 – June 11, 2017

**MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE KEWEENAW KONSULTING ANNUAL BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWAL FOR JEFFERY LOMAN. CO-SUPPORTED BY EDDY EDWARDS AND RANDALL R. HAATAJA. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

Jeff Loman stated that he has received nothing but support of the Tribe's 45 mph speed limit in Baraga from anyone he has encountered.

**Doreen Blaker returned from break at 10:23 a.m.**

2. Angela Badke, Librarian - Ojibwa Community Library Summer Reading Program Budget for Arts and Crafts, foods, and presenters

**MOTION MADE BY DONALD SHALIFOE, SR. TO APPROVE THE FUNDING REQUEST FROM ANGELA BADKE FOR THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,250.00. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

Toni Minton suggested coordinating with the Summer Youth Program to involve those children as well.

3. David Osmak, BIA Michigan Agency Forester - Resolution KB-025-2016 Petawwegezhick Hardwood FY2016 Timber Stand Improvement (TSI) Project for 80 acres in Baraga

**MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-025-2016 PETAWWEGEZHICK FY2016 TSI PROJECT. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

4. Wabanungoquay Alakayak, Youth Program Director - Resolution KB-027-2016 ANA Native Youth Initiative for Leadership, Empowerment, and Development (I-LEAD) Grant Application 5-years/\$300,000 each year

**MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-027-2016 ANA NATIVE YOUTH INITIATIVE I-LEAD GRANT APPLICATION. CO-SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER AND DONALD SHALIFOE, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

Waba gave a brief summary of the Youth Program trip to Isle Royal on May 31<sup>st</sup> through June 4<sup>th</sup>.

5. Bruce LaPointe, Director of Public Works/Robert Mayo – Air Conditioner Bids (3) for Weight Room at the OCC/Youth Center

**MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE AIR CONDITIONER BID FROM ALK CONTRACTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,300.00 FOR THE WEIGHT ROOM. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

6. Jennifer Misegan, Vice President – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Proposed Ordinance 2016-04 Amend Sections 4.2 Manual and Specifications for Traffic Control Devices and 4.3 Limit to Authority (delete language) of the Traffic Code

[See Legislative File]

President Swartz read the Legislative Process.

Vice President Misegan introduced and read the Proposed Ordinance 2016-04 to amend Sections 4.2 and 4.3 of the Traffic Code, which is to remove language for the purpose of clarifying that the Tribal Council is authorized to establish, increase, or decrease speed regulations and to erect signs which give notice thereof within the exterior boundaries of the L'Anse Reservation, including on trunkline highways or county roads.

President Swartz concluded the 1st Reading.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading (Public Hearing) was scheduled for June 16, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. The Council will receive verbal and written comments from Tribal members.

K. Closed Session:

1. Danielle Webb, Tribal Attorney/Tribal Prosecutor/David Green, Dorsey & Whitney Attorney/Lori Sherman, Director of Natural Resources/Evelyn Ravindran – Culvert Issue
2. Tribal Attorney Update
3. Larry Denomie III – CEO Update
4. Michael Schrader – Ojibwa Casinos General Manager Exit Interview

**MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 11:03 A.M. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

**Fred Dakota left at 11:32 a.m.**

**Eddy Edwards left at 11:42 a.m.**

**Lunch: 12:11 – 12:45 p.m.**

**MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 1:29 P.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FOUR ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

L. Adjournment:

**MOTION MADE BY DONALD SHALIFOE, SR. TO ADJOURN AT 1:32 P.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FOUR ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted,



Peggy Loonsfoot  
Administrative Specialist

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