

KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

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2022 TRIBAL COUNCIL

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ELIZABETH "LIZ" JULIO
GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR.
RODNEY LOONSFOOT

APPROVED

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MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
NIIWIN AKEAA CENTER/COUNCIL CHAMBERS ROOM 112
111 BEARTOWN ROAD, BARAGA, MI 49908
WEDNESDAY – SEPTEMBER 7, 2022 – 9:00 A.M.

KBIC PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

SIGNATURE: RR

- A. Date: September 7, 2022
- B. Call to Order: President Klopstein called the meeting to order at 9:11 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Ojibwa Prayer by Elizabeth "Liz" Julio
- D. Roll Call: Present: Kim Klopstein, President
Susan J. LaFernier, Vice President
Toni J. Minton, Secretary
Don Messer, Assistant Secretary
Randall R. Haataja, Treasurer
Doreen G. Blaker
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.
Eddy Edwards (Via Teams)
Sue Ellen Elmblad
Elizabeth "Liz" Julio
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.
Rodney Loonsfoot
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Klopstein declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: September 7, 2022
- Additions: New Business: 8. Rodney Loonsfoot – a. Pilgrim Point b. Harvest Feast Discussion
Closed Session: 2. Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Cannabis Developer – Economic Opportunity
- Deletions: New Business: 4. Doreen G. Blaker, Housing Director – Flooring Bids

MOTION MADE BY DON MESSER TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGES. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. ALL IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmlad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 0, MOTION CARRIED.

G. For Your Information:

1. September 14, 2022 – The Tribal Council Meeting will be held in the Tribal Center Conference Room due to the floors being stripped and waxed.
2. Thank You from Lori Mayo (flowers)
3. Thank You from Forsyth Township Police Department – 2% Distribution

H. Department Head Reports – May 2022 and June 2022

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE MAY 2022 AND JUNE 2022 DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS AS PRESENTED. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmlad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 1 (Rodney Loonsfoot), ABSENT – 0, MOTION CARRIED.

I. Old Business:

1. Doreen G. Blaker, Housing Director – Homeowner Assistance Fund (HAF) Budget Modification Amendment – Treasury needed more clarification on the budget modification from August 17, 2022

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH "LIZ" JULIO TO AMEND THE MOTION FROM AUGUST 17, 2022: MOVE \$200,00.00 MORTGAGE PAYMENT ASSISTANCE, \$50,000.00 MORTGAGE REINSTATEMENT, AND \$50,000.00 DOWN PAYMENT LOAN ASSISTANCE TO THE HOME OWNER DISPLACEMENT PROGRAM. SUPPORTED BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Sue Ellen Elmlad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 2 (Doreen G. Blaker, Eddy Edwards), ABSENT – 0, MOTION CARRIED.

J. New Business:

1. David Seppanen, Hatchery Foreman – Sole Bid for (8 units) Incubator Upgrade from Legends Brands, Inc. for \$20,130.16 (grant funded)

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 9:52 A.M. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA. ALL IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 0, MOTION CARRIED.

K. Closed Business:

1. Kevin Carlisle, Tribal Attorney – Weekly Update
2. Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Cannabis Developer – Economic Opportunity Discussion

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 10:17 A.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH "LIZ" JULIO. ALL IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 0, MOTION CARRIED.

L. Adjournment

MOTION MADE BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT TO ADJOURN AT 10:18 A.M. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. ALL IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Robin Roe
CEO/President's Administrative Specialist

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2. Jason A. Ayres, Real Estate/Transportation Officer –
 - a. Resolution KB-050-2022 Danika R. Strong Residential Lease
 - b. Resolution KB-051-2022 Jerry L. Duschaine Residential Lease
 - c. Resolution KB-052-2022 Cynthia I. Pieri Recreational Lease
 - d. Resolution KB-053-2022 Fred J. Cote III Commercial Lease
3. Bruce LaPointe, DPW Assistant Director – Transit Van Bids
4. Doreen G. Blaker, Housing Director – Flooring Bids
5. Cynthia “CJ” Thierry, Business Director – Weekly Update
6. Don Messer, Ojibwa Casinos General Manager – Weekly Update
7. Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Cannabis Developer – Weekly Update
8. Brigitte LaPointe-Dunham, CEO – Weekly Update

K. Closed Business:

1. Kevin Carlisle, Tribal Attorney – Weekly Update

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