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MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
FINANCE/SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
NIIWIN AKEAA CENTER/COUNCIL CHAMBERS ROOM 112
111 BEARTOWN ROAD, BARAGA, MI 49908
MONDAY – OCTOBER 3, 2022 – 9:00 A.M.

APPROVED

- A. Date: October 3, 2022 NOV 16 2022
- B. Call to Order: President Klopstein called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. KBIC PRESIDENT'S OFFICE
- C. Invocation: Ojibwa Prayer by Elizabeth "Liz" Julio SIGNATURE: RJ
- D. Roll Call: Present: Kim Klopstein, President
Susan J. LaFernier, Vice President
Toni J. Minton, Secretary
Don Messer, Assistant Secretary
Randall R. Haataja, Treasurer (arrived at 9:10 a.m.)
Doreen G. Blaker (arrived at 9:20 a.m.)
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.
Eddy Edwards
Sue Ellen Elmsblad
Elizabeth "Liz" Julio
Rodney Loonsfoot
- Absent: Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Klopstein declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: October 3, 2022

MOTION MADE BY DON MESSER TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH "LIZ" JULIO. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmsblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 3 (Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.) MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION, OPEN TO KBIC TRIBAL MEMBERS, AT 9:10 A.M. SUPPORTED BY SUE ELLEN ELMBLAD. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmlblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 3 (Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.) MOTION CARRIED.

Randall R. Haataja arrived at 9:10 a.m.

G. Closed Session:

1. FY 2023 Budget Summary Review/Pension Settlement Options (Defined Benefit Plan) --
[Open to KBIC Members]
 - a. Francis LaPointe, Jr., CFO

Doreen G. Blaker arrived at 9:20 a.m.

Break: 10:08 a.m. – 10:21 a.m.

- b. Brigitte LaPointe-Dunham, CEO/Jennifer Misegan, Assistant CEO
- c. Don Messer, Ojibwa Casinos General Manager –
 - i. Ojibwa Casino I (Baraga)
 - ii. Ojibwa Casino II (Marquette)
- d. Cynthia "CJ" Thierry, Business Director -
 - i. C-Stores/Carwash/Laundromat/Campgrounds/Transfer Station/Radio

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 11:53 A.M. SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER. 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 Elmlblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 1 (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.) MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO FULLY FUND THE DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN AND TO ENGAGE PLANTE MORAN TO INITIATE THE TERMINATION PROCESS. CO-SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. AND RODNEY LOONSFOOT. NINE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Sue Ellen Elmlblad, Elizabeth "Liz" Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 1 (Randall R. Haataja), ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 1 (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.) MOTION CARRIED.

Randall R. Haataja stated: "For all that is going on, I think this might hurt our retirees some more and I am not for it."

H. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO ADJOURN AT 11:54 A.M. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. 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, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 1 (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.) MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,



Robin Roe
CEO/President's Administrative Specialist

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