

**MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM
SATURDAY – JANUARY 7, 2012 – 9:00 A.M.**

A. Date: January 7, 2012

B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer

D. Roll Call: Present: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
William E. Emery, Vice President
Susan J. LaFerner, Secretary
Toni J. Minton, Assistant Secretary
Elizabeth D. Mayo, Treasurer
Jerry Lee Curtis
Fred Dakota
Eddy Edwards
Michael F. LaFerner, Sr.
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews
Isabelle Helene Welsh

E. Declaration of Quorum: President Swartz declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.

F. Approval of Agenda: January 7, 2012

Move: New Business- 1. and 2. to 5. and 6.

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGE. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (William E. Emery), ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

G. For Your Information:

1. A “Thank you” from R. Brent Johnson, Tribal Dentist
2. A “Thank you” from Betty Perry
3. A “Thank you” from Lois Bedell
4. A “Thank you” from Janice Shalifoe
5. A “Thank you” from Donna Stump
6. A “Thank you” from the Robert Cadeau Family
7. A “Thank you” from Evelyn Maki
8. A “Thank you” from JoAnn Ghiardi
9. A “Thank you” from Rhea Koski
10. A “Thank you” from the Even Start Program
11. A “Thank you” from the American Cancer Society
12. A “Thank you” from the Native American Rights Fund
13. A “Thank you” from the Marquette Area Public Schools Title VII Program for 2% Funds
14. A “Thank you” from Bay Cliff Health Camp
15. A “Thank you” from Don Carlson
16. A “Thank you” from the March of Dimes Foundation
17. A “Thank you” from Chocolate Township for 2% Funds
18. A “Thank you” from Michigan State University College of Human Medicine for 2% Funds
19. A “Thank you” from the Ishpeming School District Title VII Program for 2% Funds
20. A “Thank you” from the L’Anse Area Schools for 2% Funds
21. A “Thank you” from the Village of L’Anse and L’Anse Fire Department for 2% Funds
22. A “Thank you” from the Village of L’Anse for 2% Funds
23. A “Thank you” from Sands Township Fire Department for 2% Funds
24. A “Thank you” from the Beacon House for 2% Funds
25. A “Thank you” from Heather Sibbism
26. A letter from Gerald Parish, BIA Superintendent, regarding the Termination of a Logging Contract on the Jendreau Parcel – a meeting will be held with Earl Otchingwanigan and everyone involved.
27. Membership Request from the National Congress of American Indians
28. National Indian Gaming Association Winter Legislative Summit February 7-8, 2012 Washington D.C.

H. President’s Report/December 2011 – Verbal Report

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 2011 PRESIDENT’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. ALL IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

I. Secretary's Report/December 2011 – available for your review

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 2011 SECRETARY'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. ALL IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

J. Treasurer's Report/December 2011 – Verbal Report

MOTION MADE BY JERRY LEE CURTIS TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 2011 TREASURER'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. ALL IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

K. CEO's Report/December 2011 – available for your review [also available on ojibwa.com]

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 2011 CEO'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH "CHIZ" MATTHEWS. ALL IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

L. Department Head Reports – November 2011

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 2011 DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH "CHIZ" MATTHEWS. NINE IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), TWO OPPOSED (Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr.), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

M. New Business:

1. Peggy Minton, Election Board Vice Chair – Certification of the December 17, 2011 General Election Results.

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO CERTIFY THE DECEMBER 17, 2011 GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS. SUPPORTED BY JERRY LEE CURTIS. ALL IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

2. President Swartz - Recognize William E. Emery, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Isabelle H. Welsh

Break: 10:00 – 10:20 a.m.

3. President Swartz - Swearing in of New Tribal Council Members – Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Jean Jokinen, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Carole L. LaPointe

President Swartz congratulated Chiz, Jean, R.D., and Carole and administered the Oath of Office.

4. Reorganization:

- a) President

Fred Dakota nominated Warren C. Swartz, Jr.

Hearing no other nominations, Chris Swartz closed the nominations.

Warren “Chris” Swartz, Jr. is President.

Jean Jokinen nominated Eddy Edwards after nominations were closed.

- b) Vice President

President Swartz nominated Elizabeth Mayo.

Eddy Edwards nominated Carole LaPointe.

The following were done by Ballot Vote:

Results: Elizabeth Mayo - 8
Carole LaPointe - 4

Elizabeth Mayo is Vice President.

- c) Secretary

Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews nominated Susan LaFernier.

Jean Jokinen nominated Carole LaPointe.

Results: Susan LaFernier - 8
Carole LaPointe - 4

Susan LaFernier is Secretary.

d) Assistant Secretary

Susan LaFernier nominated Jerry Lee Curtis.
Jean Jokinen nominated Carole LaPointe.

Results: Jerry Lee Curtis - 7
Carole LaPointe - 5

Jerry Lee Curtis is Assistant Secretary.

e) Treasurer

Elizabeth Mayo nominated Toni Minton.
Jerry Lee Curtis nominated Carole LaPointe.
Jean Jokinen nominated Eddy Edwards.

Results: Toni Minton - 7
Carole LaPointe - 3
Eddy Edwards - 2

Toni Minton is Treasurer.

5. Susan LaFernier, Secretary – Schedule Government Employee Appeal of Dismissal Hearing Case #001-12 - The hearing is scheduled for January 19, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.
6. Elizabeth D. Mayo, Treasurer – Donations January 2012

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO TABLE ALL REQUESTS. (Died for lack of support)

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO APPROVE A DONATION OF \$180.00 FOR A FULL PAGE YEARBOOK AD TO THE BARAGA AREA SCHOOLS AND TO DENY THE OTHER DONATION REQUESTS FOR JANUARY. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. ALL IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

7. Depository of Funds – Superior National Bank and Wells Fargo

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK AND WELLS FARGO AS THE DEPOSITORY OF FUNDS. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. TEN IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Susan J. LaFernier), ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

8. Check Signers

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE CHECK SIGNERS AS ONE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OFFICIAL AND ONE COUNCIL MEMBER (WHEN SIGNING CHECKS). SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. ALL IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

9. Tribal Court and Child Support Office Check Signers

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO ADD THE CHIEF JUDGE, THE ASSOCIATE JUDGE, AND THE CHIEF CLERK AS CHECK SIGNERS FOR THE TRIBAL COURT CHECKING AND SAVINGS ACCOUNTS AND THE DIRECTOR AND THE CHILD SUPPORT SPECIALIST TO THE OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES CHECKING ACCOUNT. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. ALL IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

N. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO ADJOURN AT 10:48 A.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. ALL IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Minton
Administrative Specialist