

# KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

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**MINUTES  
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM  
SATURDAY – AUGUST 5, 2017 – 9:00 A.M.**

**APPROVED**  
8-24-17

- A. Date: August 5, 2017
- B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.
- C. Invocation: 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  
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.  
Fred Dakota (left at 10:46 a.m.)  
Randall R. Haataja  
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.  
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.  
Rodney Loonsfoot  
Elizabeth D. Mayo
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Swartz declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: August 5, 2017
- Additions: Recognize Scheduled Delegation/Individuals- 2. Jerry Magnant - Free Gym Use  
New Business- 1. Additional Donation Requests

**MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE ADDITIONS. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. ALL 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., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

G. For Your Information:

1. A "Thank you" from the Family of Rudolph E. Haataja
2. A "Thank you" from Richard Bohjanen, Chocolay Township Supervisor (2% payment)
3. A "Thank you" from Pat Bray, Trillium House Executive Director (\$1,000.00 donation)
4. A "Thank you" from Scott Erbisch, Marquette County Administrator/Controller (2% payment)
5. A "Thank you" from John E. Echohawk, Native American Rights Fund Executive Director (\$500.00 donation)
6. Notification of Approved Enrollment Applications July 11, 2017 (4)
7. A Letter from the Department of the Interior Associate Deputy Secretary James E. Cason regarding the Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations
8. Request Authorization to Use KBIC Fleet Vehicle: Other than KBIC Related Business Form
9. National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) 2017-2018 Membership Opportunity
10. Doreen Blaker: Conflict of Interest Policy KBIC Housing Department (Review)

H. President's Report/June-July 2017 – Verbal Report

**MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE THE JUNE-JULY 2017 PRESIDENT'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, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

I. Vice President's Report/June-July 2017 – available for your review

**MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE THE JUNE-JULY 2017 VICE PRESIDENT'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, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.**

(Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. is out of the room)

J. Secretary's Report/June-July 2017 – available for your review

**MOTION MADE BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT TO APPROVE THE JUNE-JULY 2017 SECRETARY'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. ALL 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., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

K. CEO's Report/June-July 2017 – Verbal Report

**MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE JUNE-JULY 2017 CEO'S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. ALL 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., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

L. Department Head Reports/May-June 2017

**MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE MAY-JUNE 2017 DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS. 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, Randall R. Haataja, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), ONE OPPOSED (Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

The due date for the Department Head Reports will change to the 15<sup>th</sup> instead of the 9<sup>th</sup> of each month.

M. Recognize Scheduled Delegation/Individuals:

1. April Lindala, Director of Center for Native American Studies (CNAS) Northern Michigan University – Resolution KB-042-2017 of Support FY2017 Serving Native Survivors Circle (SNSC) Pilot Project Support 3 years \$450,000.00 (Developing Future Victim Specialists for Indian Country DOJ OVC Grant Program) to create an Associate Degree in Native American Social Work at NMU.

**MOTION MADE BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-042-2017 FY2017 SERVING NATIVE SURVIVORS CIRCLE PILOT PROJECT. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. ALL 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., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

2. Jerry Magnant - Free Gym Use (Fitness Facility) for KBIC members to improve health and diabetes issues

**MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO OFFER FREE USE OF OUR FITNESS FACILITY FOR KBIC MEMBERS. CO-SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. AND RANDALL R. HAATAJA. ALL 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., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

N. New Business:

1. Doreen Blaker, Treasurer – Donations/August 2017

**MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 2017 DONATIONS AS THE FOLLOWING: \$500.00 TO THE SALVATION ARMY TO PURCHASE BACK PACKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES, \$1,786.36 TO THE KBIC HEAD START/EARLY HEAD START TO PURCHASE TWO SMART BOARD PROJECTORS, AND HOTEL AND AIRFARE FOR UP TO FOUR FIRE FIGHTER FAMILY MEMBERS FROM THE SHELIFOE AND SWARTZ FAMILIES TO ATTEND THE FALLEN FIRE FIGHTERS MEMORIAL IN GETTYSBURG IN OCTOBER 2017. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. ALL 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., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

O. Closed Session:

1. Danielle Webb, Tribal Attorney – Short Cressman and Burgess, PLLC
2. Jennifer Misegan, Vice President - Updates

**MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 10:45 A.M. CO-SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN AND RANDALL R. HAATAJA. ALL 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., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

**Break: 10:46 – 10:58 a.m. (Fred Dakota left)**

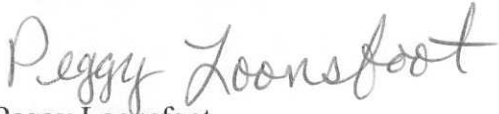
**MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 11:18 A.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.**

Jeff Loman stated he would like to assist the Tribe with developing a Spill Response Plan. [Not on the agenda]

P. Adjournment:

**MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO ADJOURN AT 11:27 A.M. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peggy Loonsfoot". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Peggy Loonsfoot  
Administrative Specialist

**AGENDA**  
**KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY**  
**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM**  
**THURSDAY – AUGUST 24, 2017 – 9:00 A.M.**

A. Date: August 24, 2017

B. Call to Order:

C. Invocation: Lord's Prayer

D. Roll Call:

- \_\_\_ Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
- \_\_\_ Jennifer Misegan, Vice President
- \_\_\_ Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary
- \_\_\_ Toni J. Minton, Assistant Secretary
- \_\_\_ Doreen G. Blaker, Treasurer
- \_\_\_ Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.
- \_\_\_ Fred Dakota
- \_\_\_ Randall R. Haataja
- \_\_\_ Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
- \_\_\_ Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.
- \_\_\_ Rodney Loonsfoot
- \_\_\_ Elizabeth D. Mayo

E. Declaration of Quorum:

F. Approval of Agenda: August 24, 2017

G. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

1. August 5, 2017

H. New Business:

1. Bobby Escobar, Assistant Tribal Attorney/Arlan Friisvall, Maintenance Director –
  - a) McGrath Roofing, Inc. Tier III Services Agreement for the Ojibwa Community Library Roof Project
  - b) Visu-Sewer, Inc. Notice to Proceed and Agreement between Owner and Contractor for Construction Contract for the Zeba Sewer Repair (I.H.S. Project BE-15-J59)
2. Lori Sherman, Natural Resources Director/Lyndon Ekdahl, NRD Systems Facility Coordinator – Isolation/Well Building Bids (3)
3. Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. – Keweenaw Mountain Lodge Proposal
4. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Weekly Update

I. Closed Session:

1. George Decota – Director of Fire Management Exit Interview
2. Doreen Blaker, Housing Director – KBIC Housing Department Issue

J. Adjournment: