

KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

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**MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
FINANCE/SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM
THURSDAY – OCTOBER 3, 2013 – 9:00 A.M.**

APPROVED
3-12-15

- A. Date: October 3, 2013
- 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 (left at 10:34 a.m.)
Elizabeth D. Mayo, Vice President
Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary
Toni J. Minton, Assistant Secretary
Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer (left 1:01 – 1:24 p.m., left 2:33 – 3:12 p.m.)
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.
Fred Dakota (left at 3:36 p.m.)
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Carole L. LaPointe (arrived at 9:26 a.m.)
Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews
Don Messer, Jr.
- Absent: Jean Jokinen
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Swartz declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: October 3, 2013

Deletion: Closed Session- 1. Heather Chapman, Tribal Attorney
Addition: Old Business- 3. President Swartz – b) Schedule Meeting

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGES. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Jean Jokinen, Carole L. LaPointe), MOTION CARRIED.

G. For Your Information:

1. SNB KBIC Guaranteed Loan Program Account Summary September 27, 2013
2. SNB KBIC Vocational Tech Student Loan Program September 27, 2013
3. 5th Annual Chelsey LaFernier Memorial Walk October 5, 2013
4. Chocoday Township Fire Hall Dedication Ceremony on October 10, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.
5. Harvest Market October 11-12 at the Pines Convenience Center
6. Letter from the Department of Interior, Kevin Washburn, Assistant Secretary Indian Affairs dated September 26, 2013: On June 18, 2013 Governor Snyder declined to concur in Determination of the Marquette County Airport Parcel and does not authorize gaming. The request was submitted on March 29, 2006 to the B.I.A. to acquire approximately 80 acres of land in trust to establish a class III gaming facility pursuant to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act's (IGRA) Secretarial Determination exception.

H. Old Business:

1. Gary Loonsfoot, Jr., Director of Cultural Resources –

- a) Zeba Hall Site Location: The EPA suggested we do not dig at the lagoons for a two story building. The next suggestion was at the ballfield but it has many memories, the buffalo field or at the old community hall site.

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS TO BUILD THE ZEBAL HALL COMMUNITY CENTER AT THE ZEBAL BASEBALL FIELD SITE. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), THREE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Fred Dakota), ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Jean Jokinen, Carole L. LaPointe), MOTION CARRIED.

- b) Cultural Building Plan Addition

Gary stated the language class will be available for high school students to enroll and the need to expand the classroom. He asked the Council to consider this request during the budget reviews to build an addition onto the existing Cultural Center for \$243,000.00.

Carole LaPointe arrived at 9:26 a.m.

2. President Swartz –

- a) OHA Board

President Swartz informed the Council the Ojibwa Housing Authority Board declined to meet with them today. RD Curtis stated they will meet with the Council after they meet with their attorney.

b) Schedule Meeting

The Council will meet next Wednesday, October 9th with Innovative Gaming Solutions to review their evaluation of the Casinos.

3. David Haataja, Casinos General Manager/Dale Shalifoe, Baraga Casino Assistant General Manager – Ojibwa Building Supply Carpeting Services Agreement

David informed the Council the Ojibwa Building Supply declined the services agreement with the timeframe and charges if not completed. The next lowest bid was from Kirkish Furniture in the amount of \$98,570.00.

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE BID FROM KIRKISH FURNITURE. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. NINE IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), ONE OPPOSED (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jean Jokinen), MOTION CARRIED.

I. New Business:

1. Jim Nardi, Human Resources – Health Insurance Update

Due to the amount of claims and the Affordable Care Act there will be a significant increase in the BC/BS premiums this year. Vince Rose, Employee Benefits Agency will meet with Council next week with alternatives.

2. Gregg Nominelli, Economic Developer –

- a) Aanikoosing Inc. Grant Issues (to purchase the gas tanks)
- b) Sub-recipient Agreement

MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO APPROVE THE SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY AND AANIKOOSING INC. FOR THE HUD INDIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. NINE IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), ONE OPPOSED (Jennifer Misegan), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jean Jokinen), MOTION CARRIED.

3. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Weekly Update

Break: 10:01 – 10:15 a.m.

4. Bruce LaPointe, Projects Manager – OHM Nuclear Density Testing Services for Fish Passages

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ORCHARD, HILTZ, AND McCLIMENT, INC. FOR THE NUCLEAR DENSITY TESTING SERVICES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW FISH LADDERS CULVERTS NORTH OF L'ANSE. SUPPORTED BY CAROLE L LAPOINTE. TEN IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jean Jokinen), MOTION CARRIED.

J. Closed Session:

1. Budget Reviews – [Open to KBIC Members]

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 10:20 A.M. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. TEN IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jean Jokinen), MOTION CARRIED.

President Swartz left at 10:34 a.m.

Vice President Mayo is chairing.

Lunch: 11:54 a.m. – 1:01 p.m.

Jennifer Misegan returned from lunch at 1:24 p.m.

Break: 1:56 – 2:11 p.m.

Jennifer Misegan left 2:33 – 3:12 p.m.

Fred Dakota left at 3:36 p.m.

MOTION MADE BY CAROLE L. LAPOINTE TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 3:42 P.M. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen), MOTION CARRIED.

Travel/Training Funds -

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE \$100,000.00 FOR TRAVEL AND TRAINING TO BE PLACED IN THE GENERAL FUND FOR NECESSARY TRAVEL AND TO BE ADMINISTERED THROUGH THE CEO OFFICE. SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER, JR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen), MOTION CARRIED.

New Day/Health Center Billing -

MOTION MADE BY CAROLE L. LAPOINTE TO BEGIN COLLABORATION BETWEEN PRIMARY AND BEHAVIOR HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE TO PROVIDE INTEGRATED SERVICES AND SET UP NEW DAY BILLING IN THE HEALTH CENTER. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.), THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen), MOTION CARRIED.

K. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO ADJOURN AT 3:49 P.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH "CHIZ" MATTHEWS. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Peggy Loonsfoot
Administrative Specialist

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