MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARQUETTE COMMUNITY CENTER
SATURDAY – NOVEMBER 12, 2011 – 10:00 A.M.

A. Date: November 12, 2011

B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:58 a.m.

C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer

D. Roll Call: Present:
   Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
   William E. Emery, Vice President
   Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary
   Toni J. Minton, Assistant Secretary
   Elizabeth D. Mayo, Treasurer
   Jerry Lee Curtis (arrived at 10:11 a.m.)
   Fred Dakota
   Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
   Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
   Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews
   Isabelle Helene Welsh

   Absent: Eddy Edwards

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

F. Approval of Agenda: November 12, 2011

   Deletions:
   H. President’s Report/September/October 2011
   I. Secretary’s Report/October 2011 (will present next week)

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGES. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis, Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.
G. For Your Information:

1. A “Thank you” from Loretta Hugo
2. A “Thank you” from Phil Raffaelli, Auto-Pro Glass & Tire
3. A “Thank you” from Jake Misegan for the laptop
4. A “Thank you” from James Dennis, Special Olympics Michigan Law Enforcement Torch Run
5. A “Thank you” from the L’Anse Varsity Football Team
6. A “Thank you” from the Family of Jerry Swartz
7. A “Thank you” from the Bay Cliff Health Camp Children’s Therapy and Wellness Center
8. A “Thank you” from the U.P. Children’s Museum
9. A “Thank you” from the National Indian Education Association
10. A “Thank you” from Debbie Stabenow United States Senator
11. A “Thank you” from Marquette and Alger Counties Great Start Collaborative
14. OHA Financials March/April/May 2011

H. Secretary’s Report/September 2011 – available for your review

Jerry Lee Curtis arrived at 10:11 a.m.

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 2011 SECRETARY’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. NINE IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Jerry Lee Curtis), ONE ABSENT (Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.

I. Treasurer’s Report/September/October 2011 – Verbal Report

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

J. CEO’s Report/September/October 2011 – available for your review [Also available on ojibwa.com]

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2011 CEO’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.
K. Department Head Reports – August/September 2011

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2011 DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), ONE OPPOSED (Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.

Mike LaFernier, Sr. stated his opposition: Not all of the reports were turned in.

L. Recognize Scheduled Delegation/Individuals:

1. Pat Brown – Marquette Seniors Christmas Party – December 4th at Walstrom’s ($2,500.00 in budget). Pat will send a list of attendees to the Tribal Center.

2. April Lindala, NMU – Presentation on Use of 2% Funds/Dr. Martin Reinhardt is heading the De-Colonized Diet Project along with 25 research subjects and they will only consume Indigenous foods from the area for one year. He will report to the Council next year on the results.

3. Tom Verboczki – Marquette Concerns regarding the kids’ Halloween party. April Lindala offered her services and stated that her NMU students like to get involved with the youth.

   Tom thanked the Council for the KBOCC Beading class offered at the Harvey Community Center.

M. New Business:

1. Elizabeth Mayo, Treasurer – Donations October/November 2011 (See handout) $8,730.00

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER/NOVEMBER DONATIONS AS DISCUSSED. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.

N. Closed Session:

1. Tom Verboczki – Personal Issue
MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 11:02 A.M.  
SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR.  EIGHT IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Jerry Lee Curtis, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), TWO OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Fred Dakota), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.  

Break: 11:03 – 11:12 a.m.  

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 11:40 A.M.  
SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR.  TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.  

Sandy Bressette addressed the Council (not on agenda) regarding per-capita payments to the members.  President Swartz replied that the gaming revenue provides governmental services to the members.  We are a rural community located at the end of US 41 and we do not have the same revenue coming in as other Tribes.  We would also need a revenue sharing plan to give to all Tribal members.  

President Swartz did an introduction with the students from Violet Friisvall-Ayres Government class at NMU.  

O. Adjournment:  

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO ADJOURN AT 11:53 A.M.  SUPPORTED BY FRED DAKOTA.  TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Elizabeth D. Mayo, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.  

Respectfully submitted,  

Peggy Minton  
Administrative Specialist