A. Date: November 8, 2007

B. Call to Order: President LaFernier called the meeting to order at 9:20 a.m.

C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer

D. Roll Call: Present: Susan J. LaFernier, President
Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Vice-Pres (arrived at 9:57 a.m., left at 4:30 p.m.)
Toni J. Minton, Secretary
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Assistant Secretary (left at 2:42 p.m.)
Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer (arrived at 9:54 a.m., left 1:55 – 3:28 p.m.)
Larry J. Denomie III, CEO
Doreen G. Blaker (arrived at 1:14 p.m.)
Jerry Lee Curtis
William E. Emery
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr. (arrived at 9:29 a.m., left 1:13 – 1:34 p.m.)
Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews
Elizabeth D. Mayo (arrived at 9:31 a.m.)

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

F. Approval of Agenda: November 8, 2007

Additions: FYI-

New Business-
4. David Osmak – TSI Selections

Closed Session-
8. Jason Ayres – FIA Building

Jason Ayres, under New Business, will be moved to after Closed Session.

G. For Your Information:

1. Gidakiiminaan (Our Earth) – Jim St.Arnold’s An Anishinaabe Atlas of the 1836, 1837, and 1842 Treaty Ceded Territories, a language CD, (were given to each Council member) and two maps were presented. Susan invited him to do a presentation at the December 1st Council meeting.

Mike LaFernier arrived at 9:29 a.m.

H. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

1. October 1, 2007


Elizabeth Mayo arrived at 9:31 a.m.

I. New Business:


2. Gerry Cadeau/John Mantila – Participation Game Slot Removal and Install (to remove 4 Atronic and 7 IGT slot machines and replace with 11 IGT slot machines), which was approved by the Gaming Commission on October 23, 2007.

MOTION MADE BY LARRY J. DENOMIE III TO APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION GAME REMOVAL AND INSTALLS FOR THE BARAGA CASINO TO REMOVE ELEVEN GAMES AND TO INSTALL ELEVEN IGT GAMES AS PRESENTED. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Jennifer Misegan, Doreen G. Blaker), MOTION CARRIED.

[Move #3. – to after the Closed Session]

   b) Resolution KB-1582-2007 – Donald Messer Residential Lease
   c) Resolution KB-1583-2007 – Jennifer Heath Residential Lease
   d) Resolution KB-1587-2007 – Sally B. Michaelson Recreational Lease

4. David Osmak, BIA Forestry – a) TSI Selections


Jennifer Misegan arrived at 9:54 a.m.

Chris Swartz arrived at 9:57 a.m.

   b) Request for transfer of $10,000.00 additional money from BIA (638 Contract) from non-recurring funds

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE THE LETTER TO GERALD PARISH TO ALLOCATE $10,000.00 ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE TSI CONTRACT. SUPPORTED BY LARRY J. DENOMIE III. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, TWO ABSTAINING (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Jennifer Misegan), ONE ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker), MOTION CARRIED.
c) Timber Marking Workshop – This training would be on the Herman Road for the forestry staffs in our region. The staff will do the marking.

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE TIMBER MARKING WORKSHOP. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker), MOTION CARRIED.

J. Old Business:


MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE THE 3RD READING AS PRESENTED. MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF SUPPORT.

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO ADOPT THE CHILD SUPPORT/PATERNITY ORDINANCE 2007-003. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. (Vote was taken after the amendment motion)

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT SUBSTITUTE FOR PROPOSED CHILD SUPPORT/PATERNITY ORDINANCE 2007-003. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON.

MOTION MADE BY WARREN C. SWARTZ, JR. TO TABLE. MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF SUPPORT.


Chris Swartz stated his opposition: He hasn’t had adequate time to review the substitute proposed by Council member Jennifer Misegan in a timely fashion.

Break: 10:35 – 10:55 a.m.

K. Closed Session:

1. OCC Staff Meeting
2. 1:00 p.m. Hearing - Case # 005-07
3. John Mantila/Maria Zelinski/Michelle Schjoth – OPUS Web Technologies Contract
4. Todd Warner, NRD/John Baker, Attorney – Contracts/Service Agreements
5. Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer – Budget Items
6. Susan LaFernier, President
7. Larry Denomie, CEO
8. Jason Ayres/Francis LaPointe – FIA Building

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 10:56 A.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker), MOTION CARRIED.

Lunch: 11:53 a.m. – 1:13 p.m.

Doreen Blaker arrived at 1:14 p.m.

Mike LaFernier returned from lunch at 1:34 p.m.

Jennifer Misegan left 1:55 – 3:28 p.m.

Gary Loonsfoot left at 2:42 p.m.

Break: 4:00 – 4:05 p.m.

Chris Swartz left at 4:30 p.m.

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 5:19 P.M. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.


United Tribes of MI – Contribution of $5,000.00 over a period of five years which is October 1 of each year-

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-1590-2007 UNITED TRIBES OF MICHIGAN MEMBERSHIP. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE A DONATION OF $1,300.00 TO BRIAN RANTANEN FOR RELOCATION EXPENSES FOR IRONWORKING APPRENTICESHIP. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Elizabeth D. Mayo), TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY LARRY J. DENOMIE III TO SUSPEND THE COMMISSIONER IN CASE #005-07 FOR TWO WEEKS, NOVEMBER 11TH – 24TH. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. FIVE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, William E. Emery, Elizabeth D. Mayo), THREE OPPOSED (Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ONE ABSTAINING (Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Jerry Lee Curtis stated his opposition: He feels it’s too severe. His inclination would be to give a letter of reprimand.

L. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO ADJOURN AT 5:28 P.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Minton
Recording Secretary