MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM
SATURDAY – DECEMBER 3, 2011 – 9:00 A.M.

A. Date: December 3, 2011

B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:00 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
Fred Dakota
Eddy Edwards (arrived at 9:03 a.m.)
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews
Isabelle Helene Welsh (arrived at 9:04 a.m.)

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

F. Approval of Agenda: December 3, 2011

Addition: Closed Session- 1. President Swartz – Mining Case Appeal Decision

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE ADDITION. 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, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Eddy Edwards, Isabelle H. Welsh), MOTION CARRIED.

G. For Your Information:

1. A “Thank you” from Amy Mattson, Retired & Senior Volunteer Program of Marquette County
2. A “Thank you” from the American Cancer Society
3. A “Thank you” from the Beacon House
4. A “Thank you” from Evelyn Maki for Thanksgiving gift card
5. A “Thank you” from the Salvation Army

Eddy Edwards arrived at 9:03 a.m.

Isabelle Welsh arrived at 9:04 a.m.

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

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 2011 PRESIDENT’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, 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/November 2011 – available for your review

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 2011 SECRETARY’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. 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.

J. Treasurer’s Report/November 2011 – Verbal Report

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 2011 TREASURER’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. 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.

K. CEO’s Report (not present)/November 2011 – President Swartz read the report - available for your review [Also available on ojibwa.com]

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 2011 CEO’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. 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.
L. Department Head Reports – October 2011

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 2011 DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. 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), TWO OPPOSED (Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

M. Recognize Scheduled Delegation/Individuals:

1. Ojibwa Senior Citizens Recognition Presentation [Reschedule]

N. New Business:

1. Susan LaFernier, Secretary – Resolution KB-1863-2011 KBIC Support for Derek Bailey (current Tribal Chair of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians) for Congress – Michigan’s 1st District

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-1863-2011 KBIC SUPPORT FOR DEREK BAILEY FOR CONGRESS. 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.

2. Elizabeth Mayo, Treasurer – December 2011 Donations (see handout)

The Ojibwa Seniors have a request for their Christmas party in the amount of $7,525.00 (see budget)

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM THE SENIORS AS PRESENTED. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. 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.

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 2011 DONATIONS, $500.00 TO THE BARAGA FIRE DEPARTMENT 39TH ANNUAL KID’S CHRISTMAS PARTY AND $250.00 TO THE BARAGA AND L’ANSE ALUMNI BASKETBALL GAMES. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TEN 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), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Isabelle H. Welsh), MOTION CARRIED.

(Isabelle Welsh is out of the room)
O. Closed Session:

1. President Swartz – Mining Case Appeal Decision

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 9:45 A.M. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. SEVEN 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), THREE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Isabelle H. Welsh), MOTION CARRIED.

(Isabelle Welsh is out of the room)

Break: 9:46 – 9:50 a.m.

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 10:02 A.M. SUPPORTED BY EDDY EDWARDS. 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.

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPEAL JUDGE MANDERFIELD’S DECISION ON PART 632 (AND “PLACE OF WORSHIP” ISSUE) TO THE MICHIGAN COURT OF APPEALS. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. SIX IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Jerry Lee Curtis, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), FIVE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Isabelle H. Welsh), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

P. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO ADJOURN AT 10:04 A.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. 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.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Minton
Administrative Specialist