MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
TRIBAL CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM/EAGLE ROCK
SATURDAY – MAY 8, 2010 – 9:00 A.M.

A. Date: May 8, 2010

B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer and prayers for all with a moment of silence for those in the military

D. Roll Call: Present: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
   William E. Emery, Vice President
   Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary
   Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Assistant Secretary
   Eddy Edwards, Treasurer
   Fred Dakota
   Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
   Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr. (arrived at 9:07 a.m.)
   Elizabeth D. Mayo
   Toni J. Minton (arrived at 9:11 a.m.)
   Isabelle Helene Welsh

   Absent: Jerry Lee Curtis

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

F. Approval of Agenda: May 8, 2010

   Gary Loonsfoot, Sr. arrived at 9:07 a.m.

   Addition: Old Business-
   1. Mike LaFernier, Sr. – Terex Fork Lift Repairs

   MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE ADDITION. SUPPORTED BY FRED DAKOTA. NINE IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton), MOTION CARRIED.
G. For Your Information:
1. A “Thank you” from NMU Center for Native American Studies – 3rd Annual Indigenous Earth Issues Summit
2. A “Thank you” from the Bogda/Crebessa Family
3. A “Thank you” from Bruce Peterson
4. A “Thank you” from the Ojibwa Senior Citizens for the Loretta Lynn Show at Hannahville
5. Notification of Approved Enrollment Applications April 2010 (6)
6. Negaunee Township Fire Department Proposed Training at Old Airport Facility

Toni Minton arrived at 9:11 a.m.

H. President’s Report/March - April 2010 – Verbal Report

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE THE MARCH AND APRIL 2010 PRESIDENT’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Toni J. Minton, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.

I. Secretary’s Report/April 2010 - available for your review

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS TO APPROVE THE APRIL 2010 SECRETARY’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Toni J. Minton, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.

J. CEO’s Report/April 2010 - (and Sarah Smith, Assistant CEO April 2010 Report) available for your review [Also available on ojibwa.com]

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE THE APRIL 2010 CEO’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Toni J. Minton, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.

Donald A. LaPointe Health Facility Center Renovation Project Manager –

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO HAVE BRUCE LAPOINTE ASSIGNED AS THE PROJECT MANAGER OF THE HEALTH CENTER RENOVATION PROJECT. SUPPORTED BY EDDY EDWARDS. NINE IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), ONE OPPOSED (Toni J. Minton), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.
K. Department Head Reports - March 2010

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE MARCH 2010 DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Toni J. Minton, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.

L. Old Business:

1. Mike LaFernier, Sr. – Terex Fork Lift Repairs

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO APPROVE THE MANAGER OF THE TRIBAL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY TO SPEND UP TO $5,500.00 TO REPAIR THE POWER STEERING PUMP AND MECHANICAL PROBLEMS ON THE FORK LIFT. SUPPORTED BY EDDY EDWARDS. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Toni J. Minton, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.

M. New Business:

1. Eddy Edwards, Treasurer – Donation Requests

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO TABLE ALL DONATION REQUESTS UNTIL A POLICY HAS BEEN DEVELOPED. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. NINE IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Toni J. Minton, Isabelle H. Welsh), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.

Elizabeth Mayo stated her opposition: She would have liked to bring forward the SADD group’s request for a donation.

There will be a work session on Thursday.

N. Closed Session:

1. Eddy Edwards, Treasurer – Marquette 2% Requests – ending March 31, 2010

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 10:06 A.M. AND TO ALLOW TRIBAL MEMBERS IN THE ROOM. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Toni J. Minton, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.
MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 10:30 A.M. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Toni J. Minton, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO RECESS AT 10:31 A.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Toni J. Minton, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.

2nd Reading of the Proposed Land Assignment Ordinance 2010-02 and Proposed Mortgage Foreclosure and Eviction Ordinance 2010-03

[See Legislative File]


President Swartz read the Legislative Process and Public Hearing Procedure and opened the floor to receive verbal and written comments.

Eddy Edwards commented that Mr. Baker may have changes. Each Ordinance needs to contain certain language to satisfy Banks.

Written comment submitted by Jennifer Misegan and Mary Kostamo.

President Swartz officially closed the 2nd Reading at 10:48 a.m.

Council will reconvene the meeting at Eagle Rock

President Swartz reconvened the meeting at 1:12 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
William E. Emery, Vice President
Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary
Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Assistant Secretary
Fred Dakota
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
Elizabeth D. Mayo
President Swartz addressed those in attendance at Eagle Rock. He discussed the Tribe’s standpoint on Eagle Rock and what the Tribe has been doing in its defense in filing lawsuits and a meeting with Kennecott to discuss permanent access for members. Protestors were given the opportunity to speak. The Council heard from Glen Bressette, Jr. and Charlotte Loonsfoot who stated their concerns for the sacred site, Eagle Rock, and their desire to protect it and also heard from other Council members.

O. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO ADJOURN AT 2:02 P.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. NINE IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Toni J. Minton, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Eddy Edwards, Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Minton
Administrative Specialist