MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM
SATURDAY – JULY 7, 2012 – 9:00 A.M.

A. Date:    July 7, 2012

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
                       Elizabeth D. Mayo, Vice President
                       Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary
                       Jerry Lee Curtis, Assistant Secretary (arrived at 9:13 a.m.)
                       Toni J. Minton, Treasurer
                       Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. (arrived at 9:08 a.m.)
                       Fred Dakota
                       Eddy Edwards
                       Jean Jokinen
                       Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
                       Carole L. LaPointe
                       Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews

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

F. Approval of Agenda:    July 7, 2012

          Deletions:    President’s Report/June 2012
                                   CEO’s Report/June 2012

                                   Grievance Issue
MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGES. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAHERNIE, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

G. For Your Information:

1. A “Thank you” from the Baraga County Girls Softball Coaches and Players
2. A “Thank you” from Sydni Voakes
3. A “Thank you” from the Kondro Family

Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. arrived at 9:08 a.m.

4. A “Thank you” from the Baraga High School Physics Class
5. A “Thank you” from Alisha Tilson
6. A “Thank you” from the Baraga Area Schools
7. A “Thank you” from the L’Anse Area Schools
8. A “Thank you” from the Village of L’Anse
9. A “Thank you” from the Ishpeming School District
10. A “Thank you” from the Charter Township of Chocolay
11. A copy of Hannahville Indian Community Resolution Supporting KBIC Two-Part Determination

Jerry Lee Curtis arrived at 9:13 a.m.

12. A Letter in Opposition to a Petition Circulating Michigan for Commercial Casinos
13. New Federal Communications Commission Rules to ensure Tribes have first opportunity to obtain Commercial FM Radio Stations
14. A Letter of Request from the National Ocean Council for Tribal Representation on Regional Planning Bodies – President Swartz will be the point of contact.
15. Notification of Approved Enrollment Applications June 25, 2012 (4)
16. An Invite to Waswagoning Ojibwe Village Tour from the Even Start Program in Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin on July 19 – Chiz Matthews will attend.
17. An Invite to Lake Superior Day from WHIPP Task Force at Sand Point Light House on July 13

H. Secretary’s Report/June 2012 – available for your review

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE JUNE 2012 SECRETARY’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY EDDY EDWARDS. ALL IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.
I. Treasurer’s Report/May-June 2012 – available for your review

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE MAY-JUNE 2012 SECRETARY’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ONE OPPOSED (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

J. Department Head Reports – May 2012

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE MAY 2012 DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. TEN IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

K. Recognize Scheduled Delegation/Individuals:

1. Kyle Bianco, Dick’s Pump and Munch – Mining Journal Comments (Not present)

L. New Business:

1. Bruce LaPointe, Project Manager (not present) – I.H.S. MOA for Construction of Onsite Waste Water Treatment System Jerry LaFernier

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE I.H.S. MOA FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SEPTIC SYSTEM FOR JERRY LAFERNIER. SUPPORTED BY CAROLE L. LAPOINTE. TEN IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ONE OPPOSED (Eddy Edwards), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Eddy Edwards stated his opposition: He feels it is too high a price.

2. Eddy Edwards, Ojibwa Housing Authority Director - 2013 Indian Housing Plan/Annual Performance Report – Due July 17, 2012

MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO APPROVE THE 2013 INDIAN HOUSING PLAN/ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT. SUPPORTED BY JEAN JOKINEN. ALL IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.
3. President Swartz –

a) Ojibwa Seniors Request for License Plate Fee Discount

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO DENY THE REQUEST FROM OJIBWA SENIOR CITIZENS FOR A LICENSE PLATE FEE DISCOUNT. SUPPORTED BY CAROLE L. LAPOINTE. FIVE IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe), SIX OPPOSED (Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION DEFEATED.

MOTION MADE BY JEAN JOKINEN TO ALLOW FREE LICENSE PLATES FOR THE OJIBWA SENIOR CITIZENS WITH A LIMIT OF TWO PER HOUSEHOLD. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. SIX IN FAVOR (Jerry Lee Curtis, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), FIVE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Susan LaFernier stated her opposition: She agreed with the Senior’s request for a $5.00 discount.

b) Schedule Gaming Commissioner Interviews - July 26th at 10:00 a.m.

c) Committee Selections – Health Board (3) Seats, Natural Resources Committee (1) Seat, Substance Abuse Advisory Board (2) Seats, Economic Development Committee (2) Seats, Constitution Committee (1) Seat

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO APPOINT MICHELLE ST. GEORGE AND LOIS BDELL TO THE HEALTH BOARD. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. ALL IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPOINT EVERETT EKDAHL, SR. TO THE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. ALL IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY JERRY LEE CURTIS TO APPOINT EVERETT EKDAHL, SR. TO THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADVISORY BOARD. SUPPORTED BY JEAN JOKINEN. TEN IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.), ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.
d) Schedule Aanikoosing, Inc. Board of Directors Interviews - July 26th at 11:00 a.m.

The deadline for Council Members to submit a letter of intent for Aanikoosing, Inc. Board of Directors is July 23rd by 4:30 p.m.

e) Diana Chaudier Business License Renewal for Rayne Storm Media

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO APPROVE DIANA CHAUDIER’S BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWAL FOR RAYNE STORM MEDIA. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. ALL IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

4. Toni Minton, Treasurer – July 2012 Donations

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE JULY 2012 DONATIONS: $2,500.00 TO THE NATIVE AMERICAN RIGHTS FUND, $1,000.00 TO THE MARQUETTE-ALGER COUNTIES GREAT START COLLABORATIVE, $250.00 TO THE GREAT LAKES CENTER FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, AND $500.00 TO THE OMEGA HOUSE. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. ALL IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Susan LaFernier will inquire with Christine Cardinal on her request for a donation to purchase a new computer. Mile LaFernier will be able to donate his used laptop.

The Council consensus is to allow President Swartz authorize additional medical travel funds to Mary Geroux as she has exceeded the $10,000.00 maximum from the Community Needs Assistance Program until denials and other applications are reviewed.

M. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO ADJOURN AT 10:04 A.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. ALL IN FAVOR (Elizabeth D. Mayo, Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Minton  
Administrative Specialist