KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

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MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM
SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 4, 2017 – 9:00 A.M.

A. Date: February 4, 2017

B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer

D. Roll Call: Present: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
Jennifer Misegan, Vice President
Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary
Toni J. Minton, Assistant Secretary
Doreen G. Blaker, Treasurer
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. (arrived at 9:10 a.m.)
Fred Dakota (left at 10:47 a.m.)
Randall R. Haataja
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.
Rodney Loonsfoot
Elizabeth D. Mayo

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

F. Approval of Agenda: February 4, 2017

Additions: Closed Session- 1. Susan LaFernier, Secretary – Personnel Issue
2. Jennifer Misegan, Vice President – General Welfare Support Program Issues

Deletion: K. CEO’s Report/January 2017

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGES. SUPPORTED BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

LAKE SUPERIOR BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS
"Home of the Midnight Two-Step Championship"
G. For Your Information:

1. A “Thank you” from Ralph and Jean Eckerberg  
2. A “Thank you” from the Family of Matthew Marshall  
3. A “Thank you” from the Family of Barbara “Punkin” Morin Bryan  
4. A “Thank you” from the Family of William “Gene” Emery  
5. A “Thank you” from the Family of Martha Dakota  
6. A “Thank you” from Richard Bohjainen, Chocolay Township Supervisor 2%  
7. A “Thank you” from Lawrence P. Nolan, President of the State Bar of Michigan  
8. A “Thank you” from Helen McCormick for Room at the Inn Emergency Homeless Shelter  
9. A “Thank you” from Richard Sarau, Superintendent of Baraga Area Schools  
10. A “Thank you” from Shelby Bischoff, Fund Development Office of the Great Lakes Recovery Centers  
11. A “Thank you” from Cathy Kass-Aten, Executive Director of Little Brothers Friends of the Elderly Upper Michigan Chapter  
12. An invite from Jim LaJoie, Executive Director and Jacki Skytta, Special Events Coordinator of Superior Health Foundation to the Sixth Annual Gala/Fundraiser held at Northern Michigan University on September 16, 2017 (included in Donations/February 2017)  
13. Notification of Approved Enrollment Applications January 24, 2017 (11)  
14. Voigt Intertribal Task Force Meeting Minutes December 1, 2016 Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin  
15. Bureau of Indian Affairs Operation Funds Remaining for One Time Project Need  
16. Comments to the BIA on the Proposed Trust Acquisition for Land in the Township of Chocolay Marquette County from Chocolay Township and the State of Michigan – Dave Nyberg, Deputy Legal Counsel. No comments were received from Marquette County.

Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. arrived at 9:10 a.m.

H. President’s Report/January 2017 – Verbal Report

MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 2017 PRESIDENT’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY FRED DAKOTA. ALL IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

I. Vice President’s Report/January 2017 – Verbal Report

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 2017 VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT. CO-SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA AND GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. ALL IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.
J. Secretary’s Report/January 2017 – available for your review

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 2017 SECRETARY’S REPORT. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA. ALL IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

K. Department Head Reports/December 2016

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 2016 DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, FOUR ABSTAINING (Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Rodney Loonsfoot), ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

President Swartz recognized Jeff Loman. Jeff stated it has been twenty years since KBIC sought to obtain the authority for the Clean Water Act and he felt the NRD staff needs to update the Council on the status, which they do. President Swartz will ask for a current update.

L. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

1. January 7, 2017

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 7, 2017 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. ALL IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

2. January 12, 2017

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 12, 2017 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFoot, JR. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Randall R. Haataja), ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Break: 10:22 – 10:33 a.m.
M. New Business:

1. President Swartz –
   
a) Resolution KB-005-2017 BIA 638 Contract for a one time non-reoccurring Forest Planning Stand Exam of Tribal Trust Lands and non-reoccurring Forest Development Mechanical Brushing Project January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2019

The deadline to submit the resolution is Monday, February 6, 2017.

MOTION MADE BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT TO TABLE RESOLUTION KB-005-2017 BIA 638 CONTRACT FOR A FOREST PLANNING STAND EXAM OF TRIBAL TRUST LANDS AND FOREST DEVELOPMENT MECHANICAL BRUSHING PROJECT. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR.

President Swartz declared the motion out of order.

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-005-2017 BIA 638 CONTRACT FOR A FOREST PLANNING STAND EXAM OF TRIBAL TRUST LANDS AND FOREST DEVELOPMENT MECHANICAL BRUSHING PROJECT. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA.

MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO TABLE RESOLUTION KB-005-2017 BIA 638 CONTRACT FOR A FOREST PLANNING STAND EXAM OF TRIBAL TRUST LANDS AND FOREST DEVELOPMENT MECHANICAL BRUSHING PROJECT FOR MORE INFORMATION. SUPPORTED BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT. THREE IN FAVOR (Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), EIGHT OPPOSED (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION DEFEATED.

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-005-2017 BIA 638 CONTRACT FOR A FOREST PLANNING STAND EXAM OF TRIBAL TRUST LANDS AND FOREST DEVELOPMENT MECHANICAL BRUSHING PROJECT. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), TWO OPPOSED (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

b) Resolution KB-006-2017 Expenditure Plan for Forest Management Deductions FY2017 October 1, 2016 – September 30, 2017 (2) Scholarships of $2,500.00 and $250.00 Intertribal Timber Council Annual Membership dues
MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-006-2017 EXPENDITURE PLAN FOR FY2017 FOREST MANAGEMENT DEDUCTIONS. CO-SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER AND TONI J. MINTON. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Rodney Loonsfoot), ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

c) Resolution KB-007-2017 National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA) Membership Renewal and Delegates $7,500.00

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-007-2017 NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL AND DELEGATES. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA. ALL IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

2. Doreen Blaker, Treasurer – Donations/February 2017

Fred Dakota left at 10:47 a.m.

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 2017 DONATIONS AS THE FOLLOWING: $500.00 TO THE L'ANSE SENIOR CLASS LOCK-IN, $500.00 TO THE BARAGA SENIOR CLASS LOCK-IN, $500.00 EACH TO BILLY GENSCHOW, BOBBY GENSCHOW, AND KAYLA DAKOTA FOR THEIR L'ANSE HIGH SCHOOL BAND TRIP TO NEW YORK, AND $1,500.00 TO LAURA DOWNWIND FOR MEDICAL TRAVEL RELATED EXPENSES WHILE HARLAN DOWNWIND WAS IN THE DETROIT HOSPITAL. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.

N. Closed Session:

1. Susan LaFernier, Secretary – Personnel Issue
2. Jennifer Misegan, Vice President – General Welfare Support Program Issues

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 10:56 A.M. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.
MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 11:52 A.M.
SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J.
LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja,
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo),
OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.

O. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO ADJOURN AT 11:54 A.M.
SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J.
LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja,
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo),
OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Loonsfoot
Administrative Specialist
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   2. Doreen Blaker, Treasurer – Donations/February 2017

O. Adjournment:
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
TRIBAL COUNCIL

January 2017 Report from the Secretary to the Council/Community
(for the February 4, 2017 Regular Meeting)

ANIN! We honor the greatness in you
Remember: “Indian Country Counts”
“Our People, Our Nations, Our Future”

We continue to recognize the richness of Native American contributions,
accomplishments, and sacrifices to the political, cultural, and economic life
of Michigan and the United States

Let us pray for a year of new peace and contentment and new fortune and
friends and may God bless us and our Country throughout 2017. Many
thanks to all of our employees for their dedication and work for our Tribe.

Mino-Bimaadizin “Live Well”
Respectfully, Susan J. LaFernier

The Tribal Council held the Regular Saturday Meeting on January 7,
2017 and (3) Special Council meetings were held during January. Following
are the January 7, 12, 19, 26, 2017 unapproved minutes. This report will be
published in the KBIC “Wiikwedong Dazhi-Ojibwa” newsletter and the
approved minutes can also be found on the Keweenaw Bay Indian
Community Website.

January 7, 2017 Regular Council Meeting (on 2-4-17 agenda for approval):
- Approved the Tribal Council Vice President’s Report for
  December 2016 (Jennifer Misegan)
- Approved the Tribal Council Secretary’s Report for
  December 2016 (Susan J. LaFernier)
- Approved the CEO’s Report for December 2016
  (Larry J. Denomie, III)
- Approved the November 2016 Department Head Reports
- Approved the December 3, December 9, December 19, 2016
  Tribal Council Meeting Minutes
- Approved a donation of $500.00 for Daniel Curtis to attend the L'Anse High School Band trip to New York City on March 25-31, 2017
- Approved to certify the December 17, 2016 General Election Results

Remember to register to vote: 721 members are registered to vote out of 831 eligible which is 87%

- Approved the Tribal President’s wage of $55.00 an hour based on his years of experience of being on the Council for over sixteen years and as President for over seven years
- Approved to continue with the wage analysis for the Tribal Council, top Executives, and all Employee compensation
- Approved Superior National Bank and Wells Fargo as the Tribe’s depository of funds
- Approved all Council members as check signers
- Approved check signers for the Tribal Court as the Council and to include the Tribal Judges and Court Clerk and for the Child Support Office to include the Child Support Director
- Approved to declare a vacancy on the Gaming Commission and to advertise for the position (Elizabeth D. Mayo resignation)

January 12, 2017 Special Council Meeting (on 2-4-17 agenda for approval):
- Approved the Michigan Economic Development Corporation Grant with KBIC Agreement for a 1.5 non-motorized trail from the Sand Point Lighthouse to the Baraga Municipal Marina for $377,192.50 with match from KBIC, the Village of Baraga, the Village of Baraga Downtown Development Authority and DNR land match
- Approved the National Indian Health Board M.O.A. with KBIC for $10,500.00 to continue to apply for or achieve public health accreditation
- Approved Exhibit A-LRC to the Prime Therapeutics LLC Pharmacy Participation Agreement Independent Agreement Pharmacy Credentialing and Model QHP Addendum for Indian Health Care Providers
- Approved the M.O.U. between the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi and New Day Treatment Center to maximize access to residential treatment care of their members and descendants to address substance abuse disorder
• Approved the new business license for Jody L. Pittsley as J.P. Transport for logging timber harvest
• Approved the bid from Fox Negaunee of $37,783.00 for a 2016 Dodge Ram Crew Cab for the Natural Resources Department
• Approved the U.P. Health Care Solutions Participation and Data Sharing Agreement and Modified Agreement (from December 2016) to add the service of the Active Care Relationship Services file system
• Approved the Peninsula Fiber Network, LLC Services Agreement with the Baraga Ojibwa Casino for telecommunication services for the Ojibwa Casinos
• Tabled the Tribal Police Proposed Policy for In-Car Cameras and Body-Worn Cameras until mid-February for Tribal Attorney review
• Approved to move the non-tipped positions currently making less that Michigan’s minimum wage from Grade 2 at $8.61 an hour to a Grade 3 at $9.80 an hour and adjust higher if the Tribe wide wage survey indicates it. This option will also cover the increase scheduled in Michigan’s minimum wage effective January 2018. If the Tribe wide wage survey indicates a different hourly wage when it is complete, the positions can be reviewed again at that time
• Approved a donation of $750.00 to the Tribal members traveling here to attend the Richard Francois funeral

January 19, 2017 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):
• Approved Resolution KB 003-2017 FY 2017 Litigation Support Application to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for KBIC’s tax/treaty dispute and the Swamp Land Claim
• Approved Resolution KB 001-2017 Mukkala Trust Property Acquisition for $52,000.00 for 40 acres in Chocolay Township, Marquette County
• Approved Resolution KB 002-2017 Marquette County Land Bank Authority Property Acquisition for $7,500.00 for 40 acres in Chocolay Township, Marquette County and a letter to the Authority regarding the offer
• Approved Corporate Resolution KB 004-2017 Board of Directors Authority and the Chief Financial Officer Authority Letter to Superior National Bank and Trust Company
- Approved a donation request from Adam Dakota for $1,000.00 for a benefit dinner February 4, 2017 for his mother Cari McMahon for her medical travel and living expenses
- Approved to change the organizational structure of the convenience stores to one manager and three assistant managers; and to incorporate the duties of the tobacco manufacturing into one of the job descriptions for one of the assistant managers and to hire the two KBIC candidates that applied for the assistant manager positions
- Approved to dismiss the government employee appeal of dismissal hearing case #008-16 per the employee’s request

January 26, 2017 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):
- Approved the Purchase Agreement with Greenway Health, LLC for the digital dental sensors for $14,561.42
- Approved the renewal licenses for the Ojibwa Casino I and II and the Rez Stop for the purchase and sale of tobacco products
- Approved to appoint Dawn Kemppainen and Susan Lawrence to the Election Board with three year terms ending January 2020
- Approved to appoint Michael Duscheene to the Gaming Commission to fill the remaining term (June 2018) previously held by Elizabeth D. Mayo
- Approved a donation request from Alden Connor in the amount of $600.00 to sponsor a softball team for the tournament to be held in the NMU Superior Dome in Memory of Mick Campbell benefiting Special Olympics February 9-12, 2017
- Approved to amend the Admissions and Occupancy Policy for the Housing Department to include second degree relationships and those relationships would include first cousins, aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews