MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
TRIBAL CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM
THURSDAY - FEBRUARY 22, 2007 – 9:00 A.M.

A. Date: February 22, 2007

B. Call to Order: President LaFernier called the meeting to order at 9:13 a.m.

C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer
Opening Prayer in Ojibwa

D. Roll Call: Present: Susan J. LaFernier, President
Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Vice-President (left at 5:42 p.m.)
Toni J. Minton, Secretary
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Assistant Secretary (left at 2:40 p.m.)
Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer
Larry J. Denomie III, CEO
Doreen G. Blaker
Jerry Lee Curtis
William E. Emery
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr. (arrived at 1:37 p.m.)
Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews
Elizabeth D. Mayo

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

F. Approval of Agenda: February 22, 2007

Additions: FYI- 4. Larry Denomie – National Labor Relations Board Meeting
New Business- 2. Larry Denomie – Zero Tolerance Policy on Theft

G. For Your Information:

1. A copy of the Grand Traverse Band Tribal Council
2. VOIGT Task Force Meeting – February 28, 2007, Madison, WI. Chris Swartz will be attending and asked the Council if there were any issues they would like him to present.
3. Notification of approved enrollment applications
4. Invite to a workshop about “San Manuel v. National Labor Relations Board” and Labor Unions in Indian Country to be held in Green Bay, WI on March 7th. Larry Denomie, Chris Swartz and Jennifer Misegan would like to attend.

Larry Denomie left the room at 9:25 a.m.

H. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

1. February 3, 2007

   MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 3, 2007 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. NINE IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Larry J. Denomie III, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

   Larry Denomie returned at 9:27 a.m.

2. February 6, 2007


I. Closed Session:

1. Mary DeLine – Even Start partnership with the Ojibwa Casino/Teaching Strategies, Inc. Contract
2. Ruth Bussey/Christoph Geiger – Dale Schmeisser/Brent Johnson Contracts
4. Jesse Luttenton – Comprehensive Plan Review
5. Susan LaFernier – Leave Sharing Policy
6. Jennifer Misegan – Donation Requests
7. Larry Denomie III
8. John Baker
MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR THE ITEMS LISTED AT 9:30 A.M. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Break: 10:05 – 10:20 a.m.

Lunch: 12:08 – 1:13 p.m.

Mike LaFernier arrived at 1:37 p.m.

Gary Loonsfoot left meeting at 2:40 p.m.

Break: 2:50 – 3:10 p.m.

Break: 5:00 – 5:07 p.m.

Chris Swartz left meeting at 5:42 p.m.

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 5:50 P.M. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM EMERY. 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.

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TEACHING STRATEGIES, INC. 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, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE DALE SCHMEISSER’S CONTRACT WITH THE WIC DEPARTMENT. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. 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.
Kathy Mayo – Women’s Retreat Contract

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE WOMEN’S RETREAT CONTRACT WITH MICHIGAN TECH IN ALBERTA, MI. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), ONE OPPOSED (Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), ONE ABSTAINING (William E. Emery), TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Leave Sharing Policy-

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE LEAVE SHARING POLICY WITH THE CHANGES. 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.

Elizabeth Mayo stated her opposition – she feels that the policy is too complex and that there aren’t that many requests and she would like to see it come before the Council on a case-by-case basis.


Jennifer Misegan and Elizabeth Mayo stated their opposition – they are opposed to the decrease in hours.

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS: THE L’ANSE SENIOR LOCK-IN PARTY, $500.00, THE BARAGA BASH, $500.00, THE LAKEVIEW ELEMENTARY 4TH GRADE FIELD TRIP, $100.00 AND THE L’ANSE DAISY GIRL SCOUT TROOP #400, $100.00. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. 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.
Zero Tolerance for Theft:

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO ADD SECTION 24.0 TO THE ENTERPRISE POLICY BOOK AND THE GOVERNMENT POLICY BOOK, WITH A ZERO TOLERANCE REGARDING THEFT. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), ONE OPPOSED (Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO HAVE ACCIDENT FUND SETTLE THE CLAIM REGARDING DENNIS KORBY FOR $50,000. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. 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.

Sander for TCC – Jason Ayers Bids

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE THE SANDER FROM FISHER IN DODGEVILLE PENDING THE BID SUBMISSION TO THE CEO. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Larry J. Denomie III), TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

J. Old Business:
   1. Jason Ayres – Westman Camp [Postponed until a future meeting]

K. New Business:
   1. Jason Ayres – Resolution KB 1531-2007, Koskinen Acquisition [Postponed until a future meeting]

L. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO ADJOURN AT 6:00 P.M. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. 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