KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

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MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
BIG BUCKS BINGO HALL
THURSDAY – DECEMBER 7, 2017 – 9:00 A.M.

A. Date: December 7, 2017

B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer

D. Roll Call: Present: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
Jennifer Misegan, Vice President
Susan J. LaFerrier, Secretary
Toni J. Minton, Assistant Secretary (left at 10:52 a.m.)
Doreen G. Blaker, Treasurer
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.
Fred Dakota (left at 10:54 a.m.)
Randall R. Haataja
Michael F. LaFerrier, Sr.
Rodney Loonsfoot
Elizabeth D. Mayo

Absent: Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.

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

F. Approval of Agenda: December 7, 2017

Deletion: Closed Session- 1. Gundlach Champion, Inc. – GMP for the Casino Renovation/Expansion

Additions: FYI- 1. Foster Kids Sponsorship Christmas List
2. Wounded Warriors Family Support Network Update
Closed Session- 1. Doreen Blaker, Housing Director – b) Medical Issue
3. Danielle Webb, Tribal Attorney – Update

Approved
Jan 12, 2018
KBIC President’s Office
Signature: [signature]

LAKE SUPERIOR BAND OF CHIEPEWA INDIANS
"Home of the Midnight Two-Step Championship"
MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGES. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. 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., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

G. For Your Information:

1. Foster Kids Sponsorship Christmas Gift List – gifts need to be delivered to Social Services by Monday, there are still ages available.
2. Wounded Warriors Family Support Network Update – they have awarded a 2018 Ford Explorer from Copper Country Ford for $34,237.00 for the Veterans and medical travel

H. Recognize Scheduled Delegation/Individuals:

1. Terry Lerma, Behavioral Health Research Project Director – Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College (KBOCC) AIHEC NARCH Behavioral Health Research Project Update and Request

They have finished the survey and now need to determine what services are available, then ask for funding.

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE KBOCC TO DO FOCUS GROUPS FOR THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH RESEARCH PROJECT. 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., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

I. Closed Session:

1. Doreen Blaker, Housing Director –
   a) Housing Issue
   b) Medical Travel Issue
2. Larry Denomie III, CEO – KBIC Health System Employment Agreement Nurse Practitioner Review
3. Danielle Webb, Tribal Attorney - Update

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 9:27 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., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.
MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 10:13 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., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

J. New Business:

1. Bobby Escobar, Assistant Tribal Attorney –

   a) Accurate Benefits, Inc. Service Agreement - December 1, 2017 – December 31, 2018

Annual Services fees shall be waived for the setup and transitions from EMJAY (Defined Benefit Plan), $40,000.00 for plan year 2017, $60,000.00 for plan year 2018, and benefit distribution services $300 per individual.

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ACCURATE BENEFITS, INC. 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., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

   b) Chris Miller - Merchant Solutions International Credit Card Processing and TeleCheck Contracts

      i. Pines Convenience Center & Smoke Shop
      ii. The Rez Stop
      iii. Tribal Center

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE MERCHANT SOLUTIONS CREDIT CARD PROCESSING AND TELECHECK CONTRACTS AND TO INCLUDE THE CLOVER DATA PROTECTION AND TRANSARMOR SOLUTION SERVICES PARTICIPATION ADDENDUM FOR THE PINES CONVENIENCE CENTER & SMOKE SHOP, THE REZ STOP, AND TRIBAL CENTER. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. 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., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

2. Doreen Blaker, Housing Director – KBIC Housing Department Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Policy
MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE HOUSING QUALITY STANDARDS AND INCLUDE THEM IN THE ADMISSIONS AND OCCUPANCY POLICY AND THE MAINTENANCE AND MODERNIZATION. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), ONE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Emergency Medical Travel Request (if needed) – to return to KBIC

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE ADDITIONAL MEDICAL TRAVEL ASSISTANCE REQUEST. 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., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Housing Issue Request #004-2017

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE HOUSING EMERGENCY RENOVATION PROGRAM REQUEST FOR #004-2017 AND GRANT THE WAIVER. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Doreen G. Blaker), ONE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

3. Rodney Loonsfoot –

   a) Moose Request for Ceremonial Purposes

   An MOA is being drafted with the State to allow the Tribe to claim moose killed on highways. He would like the Council’s approval for a special permit but Tribal Code of Law Title Ten Chapter 1 10.101#23 considers a moose a protected animal.

   Toni Minton left at 10:52 a.m.

   Fred Dakota left at 10:54 a.m.

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO TABLE THE MOOSE REQUEST UNTIL INFORMATION FROM THE NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT IS RECEIVED AND AN AMENDMENT IS MADE TO TITLE 10. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.
b) Youth Christmas Party Update

The Youth Committee decided to have a party and gift cards will be provided. Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. is the Council Representative for the Youth Committee and will take full responsibility for the party.

Tashina Emery is suggesting a dance for the youth and curfews will need to be followed.

c) General Welfare Exclusion Act Check/Tribal Veterans

A Veteran was denied his check because of an address change that was outside of Baraga County before he left for duty. Jennifer Misegan stated that Rodney misunderstood the information.

MOTION MADE BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT TO ALLOW ANYONE IN THE MILITARY TO RECEIVE A CHECK THAT IS ON ACTIVE DUTY. MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF SUPPORT.

4. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Weekly Update

Currently there are interviews taking place for the Human Resources Director for the Casinos and the Youth Director.

K. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO ADJOURN AT 11:09 A.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFFERNIER, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Loonsfoot
Administrative Specialist
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