KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

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MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM
THURSDAY – AUGUST 24, 2017 – 9:00 A.M.

A. Date: August 24, 2017

B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:10 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.
Fred Dakota (left at 10:38 a.m.)
Randall R. Haataja
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.
Elizabeth D. Mayo

Absent: Rodney Loonsfoot

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

F. Approval of Agenda: August 24, 2017

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. 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., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Rodney Loonsfoot), MOTION CARRIED.

G. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

1. August 5, 2017
MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 5, 2017 MEETING MINUTES. CO-SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON AND 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., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Rodney Loonsfoot), MOTION CARRIED.

H. New Business:

1. Bobby Escobar, Assistant Tribal Attorney/Arlan Friisvall, Maintenance Director –
   a) McGrath (Roofing) Inc. Tier III Services Agreement for the Ojibwa Community Library Roof Project $25,400.00 (60 day term)

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE TIER III SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH McGrath (Roofing) INC. FOR THE OJIBWA COMMUNITY LIBRARY ROOF PROJECT. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. 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, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Rodney Loonsfoot), MOTION CARRIED.

   b) Visu-Sewer, Inc. Notice to Proceed and Agreement between Owner and Contractor for Construction Contract for Partial Award of Zeba Sewer Repair (manholes) Project (I.H.S. Project BE-15-J59) $129,830.50 completion date June 1, 2018 and final payment June 15, 2018

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH VISU-SEWER, INC. SUPPORTED BY 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, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Rodney Loonsfoot), MOTION CARRIED.

2. Lori Sherman, Natural Resources Director (not present)/Lyndon Ekdahl, NRD Systems Facility Coordinator – Isolation Building/Well Building Bids (3) at the Hatchery

MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO APPROVE THE BID FROM STEVE LLOYD CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF $13,400.00 FOR THE ISOLATION-WELL BUILDING AT THE HATCHERY. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. NINE 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., Elizabeth D. Mayo), ONE OPPOSED (Fred Dakota), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Rodney Loonsfoot), MOTION CARRIED.
3. Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. – Keweenaw Mountain Lodge Proposal

The Keweenaw Mountain Lodge, Resort, and Golf Course are located in Michigan’s Upper Peninsula, near Copper Harbor. The lodge offers grand dining, event hosting, lodging, and a variety of activities (golf, bike & hiking trails, tennis) that will make you appreciate the natural beauty of this mountainside resort. The lodge was designated a Michigan State Historic Site in 1976 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1970.

Sale Price: $1,500,000.00 (178 Acres with 24 Cabins/8 Motel Units)

The Council consensus was no interest at this time due to other financial obligations.

4. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Weekly Update

Service Culture training took place this week and last. A make-up session will take place tentatively in October for both Government and Casino employees.

Larry and Jennifer Misegan had a conference call with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation to discuss the potential of acquiring funds to assist with the Marquette casino project.

Work continues on the tree removal at the Marquette property for the Semco upgrade. Complaints from the residents are being addressed.

The Tobacco Board met this week and a draft budget for the KBIC Tobacco Company and the wholesale company will be submitted in September. The Council consensus was to name the wholesale company “Asemaa Wholesale and Distribution.”

I. Closed Session:

   1. George Decota – Director of Fire Management Exit Interview (Retiring as of August 26th)
   2. Doreen Blaker, Housing Director – KBIC Housing Department Issue

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 9:48 A.M. 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, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Rodney Loonsfoot), MOTION CARRIED.

Break: 9:49 – 10:06 a.m.

Fred Dakota left at 10:38 a.m.
MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 10:41 A.M. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. NINE 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., Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Fred Dakota, Rodney Loonsfoot), MOTION CARRIED.

KBIC Housing Department Request #002-17

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO COMPLY WITH KBIC HOUSING DEPARTMENT REQUEST #002-17 REGARDING THE CONDITIONAL BAN AT HIS REQUEST. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. THREE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), TWO OPPOSED (Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth D. Mayo), FOUR ABSTAINING (Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), TWO ABSENT (Fred Dakota, Rodney Loonsfoot), MOTION CARRIED.

J. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO ADJOURN AT 10:45 A.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. NINE 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., Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Fred Dakota, Rodney Loonsfoot), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Loonsfoot
Administrative Specialist
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