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2015 TRIBAL COUNCIL

WARREN C. SWARTZ, JR., President
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DOREEN G. BLAKER, Treasurer

MINUTES

KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING BIG BUCKS BINGO HALL/TRIBAL CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM THURSDAY – MAY 21, 2015 – 9:00 A.M.

APPROVED
6-25-15

- A. Date: May 21, 2015
- B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Lord's Prayer
- D. Roll Call: Present: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
Jennifer Misegan, Vice President (left at 12:08 p.m.)
Toni J. Minton, Secretary
Susan J. LaFernier, Assistant Secretary (left at 3:06 p.m.)
Doreen G. Blaker, Treasurer (left 9:54 – 10:44 a.m.)
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.
Eddy Edwards
Randall R. Haataja (left at 2:32 p.m.)
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
Don Messer, Jr. (left at 12:08 p.m.)
Absent: Donald Shalifoe, Sr.
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Swartz declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: May 21, 2015
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| Deletion: | New Business- | 2. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Police Commission Budget |
| Addition: | Closed Session- | 3. Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. – Tribal Member Donation Request |

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGES. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

G. Closed Session:

1. Ojibwa Casinos General Manager Interviews (2)

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 9:13 A.M. AND OPEN TO KBIC MEMBERS AND ENTERPRISE EMPLOYEES FOR THE GENERAL MANAGER INTERVIEWS. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Break: 9:53 – 10:09 a.m.

Doreen Blaker left 9:54 – 10:44 a.m.

Break: 11:23 – 11:34 a.m.

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 11:35 A.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

(Doreen Blaker not in session)

Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. returned from break at 11:38 a.m.

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO HIRE JOSEPH OLUJIC AS GENERAL MANAGER AND NEGOTIATE THE SALARY IN THE RANGE OF \$85,000 TO \$120,000. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, TWO ABSTAINING (Doreen G. Blaker, Don Messer, Jr.), ONE ABSENT (Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

II. Old Business:

1. Doreen Blaker, Treasurer –

- a) Baraga/Marquette 2% Worksheets
- b) Resolution KB-021-2015 Baraga 2% - \$124,254.77

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-021-2015 BARAGA 2% AS THE FOLLOWING: BARAGA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY \$5,000.00, BARAGA COUNTY FAIR \$5,000.00, LITTLE BROTHERS FRIENDS OF THE ELDERLY \$2,778.00, L'ANSE HOCKEY AND FIGURE SKATING CLUBS \$5,000.00, L'ANSE FIRE DEPARTMENT \$20,000.00, BARAGA COUNTY \$23,792.79, BARAGA SCHOOL DISTRICT \$28,644.06, BARAGA TOWNSHIP \$9,584.43, BARAGA VILLAGE \$7,368.08, L'ANSE SCHOOL DISTRICT \$14,296.28, L'ANSE TOWNSHIP \$1,611.46, L'ANSE VILLAGE \$1,179.67. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Lunch: 12:07 – 1:12 p.m. (Jennifer Misegan and Don Messer, Jr. left)

[Closed Session]

2. Gary Loonsfoot, Jr., Director of Cultural Resources – Language Instructor Interviews (3)
Linda and Rose Trudeau, Bay Mills Community College Language Teachers – Fluency Assessment
3. Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. – Tribal Member Donation Request (rescheduled)

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 1:13 P.M. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FOUR ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan, Eddy Edwards, Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Eddy Edwards returned from lunch at 1:17 p.m.

Break: 2:31 – 2:40 p.m. (Randall Haataja left)

Susan LaFernier left at 3:06 p.m.

Break: 3:24 – 3:30 p.m.

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 3:45 P.M. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Randall R. Haataja, Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO HIRE DARRELL KINGBIRD AS THE LANGUAGE INSTRUCTOR EFFECTIVE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Randall R. Haataja, Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO CREDENTIAL DARRELL KINGBIRD AS A FLUENT SPEAKER IN ANISHNAABEMOWIN. CO-SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON AND ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Randall R. Haataja, Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

I. New Business:

1. Jason Ayres, Real Estate Officer –

- a) Resolution KB-023-2015 Cancels Lease No. K-125 (85) LeRoy and Joan Gauthier and grants George L. Gauthier Residential Lease

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-023-2015 GEORGE L. GAUTHIER RESIDENTIAL LEASE. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Randall R. Haataja, Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

- b) Resolution KB-024-2015 Committee for Alternative & Renewable Energy (CARE) By-Laws Amendment

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO TABLE RESOLUTION KB-024-2015 COMMITTEE FOR ALTERNATIVE AND RENEWABLE ENERGY BY-LAWS AMENDMENT UNTIL NEXT WEEK. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Randall R. Haataja, Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

- 2. Susan LaFernier, Assistant Secretary (not present) – Schedule Government Employee Appeal of Dismissal Hearing Case #010-15

The hearing was scheduled for June 4, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

[Old Business]

c) Resolution KB-022-2015 Marquette 2% - \$158,442.64

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO TABLE RESOLUTION KB-022-2015 MARQUETTE 2% UNTIL NEXT WEEK. SUPPORTED BY EDDY EDWARDS. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFerner, Randall R. Haataja, Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Language instructor mastery credentials for the Anishnaabe language. This will issue credentials for mastery of the Anishnaabe language and the requirements for continuing approval of mastery of a non-certified teacher.

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO APPROVE THE KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY ANISHNAABE LANGUAGE CREDENTIAL PROCEDURE. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFerner, Randall R. Haataja, Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

J. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO ADJOURN AT 3:54 P.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFerner, Randall R. Haataja, Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Peggy Loonsfoot
Administrative Specialist

AGENDA
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E. Declaration of Quorum:

F. Approval of Agenda: May 21, 2015

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 - c) Resolution KB-022-2015 Marquette 2%

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 - a) Resolution KB-023-2015 George L. Gauthier Residential Lease
 - b) Resolution KB-024-2015 Committee for Alternative & Renewable Energy (CARE) By-Laws Amendment
2. Larry Denomie III, CEO - Police Commissioner Budget
3. Susan LaFermier, Assistant Secretary – Schedule Government Employee Appeal of Termination Hearing Case #010-15

I. Closed Session:

1. Ojibwa Casinos General Manager Interviews (3) – **9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**
2. Gary Loonsfoot, Jr., Director of Cultural Resources – Language Instructor Interviews (3) – **1:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

J. Adjournment: