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**MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM
THURSDAY – AUGUST 13, 2015 – 9:00 A.M.**

APPROVED
9-24-15

- A. Date: August 13, 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 (left at 12:15 p.m.)
Jennifer Misegan, Vice President
Toni J. Minton, Secretary
Susan J. LaFernier, Assistant Secretary
Eddy Edwards (arrived at 10:22 a.m., left at 11:53 a.m.)
Randall R. Haataja
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
Don Messer, Jr.
- Absent: Doreen G. Blaker, Treasurer
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.
Donald Shalifoe, Sr.
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Swartz declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: August 13, 2015
- Additions: Recognized Scheduled Delegation/Individuals- 4. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Introduction of New Casino General Manager Michael Schrader
Closed Session- 2. Larry Denomie III, CEO – a) Employee Staffing Issue
b) Health Care Policy Proposal

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGES. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FOUR ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

G. Recognize Scheduled Delegation/Individuals:

1. Valoree Gagnon – *Prolonging disaster (un)recovery: "Culturally-irrelevant" fish consumption advisories in the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Manuscript*

Break: 9:23 – 9:32 a.m.

2. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Introduction of New Casino General Manager Michael Schrader - he will begin employment on August 17, 2015 and provide bi-weekly reports to the Council
3. Jessica Koski, NRD Mining Technical Assistant/Charles Brumleve, Mining Specialist - Mining Status Update PowerPoint regarding current mining activities in the Upper Peninsula

Eddy Edwards arrived at 10:22 a.m.

4. Jeff Loman/Kathleen Heideman/Alexandra Maxwell, Save the Wild U.P. - Eagle Mine/Humboldt Issues (They also passed out a C.D. on their update)

Eddy Edwards left at 11:53 a.m.

Lunch: 12:15 – 1:30 p.m. (President Swartz left)

(Vice President Misegan is chairing the meeting)

Randall Haataja returned from lunch at 1:31 p.m.

H. New Business:

1. Cherie Dakota, OVW Coordinator/Danielle Webb, Assistant Tribal Attorney – Clinical Affiliation Agreement between Simmons College and the KBIC Office of Violence Against Women for one year to cooperate in the planning, implementation, administration, and evaluation of a program of clinical education and training in social work for graduate students of the College who are enrolled with the on-line School of Social Work MSW Program

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE CLINICAL AFFILIATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN SIMMONS COLLEGE AND THE KBIC OFFICE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

I. Closed Session:

1. Danielle Webb, Assistant Tribal Attorney/Lori Sherman, Director of Natural Resources/Catherine Laux, NRD Water Resources Specialist – Treatment As State Application for Water Quality Standards
2. Larry Denomie III, CEO –
 - a) Employee Staffing Issue
 - b) Health Care Policy Proposal

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 1:41 P.M. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY DON MESSER, JR. TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 2:41 P.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Employee Staffing Issue

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO MOVE EMPLOYEES JEANNE EMERY AND DIANA CHAUDIER TO THEIR PREVIOUS POSITIONS. SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER, JR. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE HEALTH COVERAGE OF THE PART-TIME AND FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES AND INCLUDE THE CHANGES TO SECTIONS 8.0 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AND 8.2 RETIREMENT BENEFITS REGARDING THE HEALTH INSURANCE AND THE RETIREMENT PLAN. SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER, JR. FIVE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Randall R. Haataja, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr.), ONE OPPOSED (Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

The remaining agenda items will be rescheduled due to the loss of a quorum. (Randall Haataja had to leave)

[New Business]

2. Jason Ayres, CARE Committee Chair – Solar Furnace Pilot/Test Project Funding Request
3. Bruce LaPointe, Director of Public Works Department/Danielle Webb, Assistant Tribal Attorney – Project BE 15-J59 MOA between Indian Health Service and KBIC for Zeba Infiltration and Inflow Study
4. Kathy Mayo, Assistant Health Administrator/Danielle Webb, Assistant Tribal Attorney - Memorandum of Cooperative Agreement between Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan. Inc. and KBIC for Implementation of the Health Start
5. Larry Denomie III, CEO – Weekly Update [Rescheduled]

J. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

1. October 30, 2014
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5. December 19, 2014

K. Old Business:

1. President Swartz – Cecelia Chosa Donation Request for Ceremony Travel
2. Larry Denomie III, CEO - Selection Committee

L. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO ADJOURN AT 2:47 P.M. SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER, JR. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, FIVE ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Peggy Loonsfoot (for Kim Klopstein)
Administrative Specialist

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