

KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

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**MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM
THURSDAY – OCTOBER 29, 2015 – 9:00 A.M.**

APPROVED
11-9-15

- A. Date: October 29, 2015
- B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Ojibwa Prayer by Donald Shalifoe, Sr., Lord's Prayer and prayers for Philomena Ekdahl, Nikki Gauthier, and Marcia Wentland
- D. Roll Call: Present: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
Jennifer Misegan, Vice President
Toni J. Minton, Secretary
Susan J. LaFernier, Assistant Secretary
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.
Randall R. Haataja
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
Don Messer, Jr. (arrived at 9:13 a.m.)
Donald Shalifoe, Sr.
Absent: Doreen G. Blaker, Treasurer
Eddy Edwards
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Swartz declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: October 29, 2015

Addition: New Business- 4. Larry Denomie III, CEO – b) Cell Phone Policy

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

G. For Your Information:

1. DEQ Postpones Public Hearing on October 29, 2015 for L'Anse Warden Electric Company Permit (because it may not be able to comply with air quality regulations)
2. Council Poll October 27, 2015 regarding Justice of the Appellate Division Appointment of Heather Chapman (7 For/2 Opposed)

H. New Business:

1. Sarah Maki, Assistant CEO – U.P. Engineers and Architects, Inc. Amendment to Owner-Engineer Agreement for Time Extension on Non-Motorized Trail Feasibility Study Project (Zeba to Sand Point)

This is a time extension from August 31, 2015 to December 31, 2015.

MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT TO OWNER ENGINEER AGREEMENT AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE WITH U.P. ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS, INC. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFERNIER, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Donald Sbalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, THREE ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker, Eddy Edwards, Don Messer, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Don Messer, Jr. arrived at 9:13 a.m.

2. Larry Denomie III, CEO –
 - a) Weekly Updates

Forestry Scholarship money is available and no scholarship was given last year.

Casino project water line, sewer, drain field issues discussed.

Annual raises that were approved are moving forward, the Housing Department has theirs processed and the Government and Enterprise employees will possibly get them this payroll or next.

- b) 25.0 Cell Phone Policy (Revisions)

The revised cell phone policy adds an allowance of different levels of service for each employee over the basic service package that will need to be approved or paid for by the employee.

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE AMENDED 25.0 CELL PHONE POLICY. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFERNIER, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker, Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.

3. Bruce LaPointe, Department of Public Works Director – 4WD Pickup Truck with Snow Plow Bids (3) for Public Works

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE BID FROM KEWEENAW CHEVROLET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35,470.00 FOR THE 2016 CHEVY SILVERADO 3500 WITH THE V-PLOW. SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker, Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.

4. President Swartz –

- a) Heather Chapman Appellate Justice Contract October 28, 2015 to October 1, 2017

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE THE APPELLATE JUSTICE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY AND HEATHER CHAPMAN. 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.), TWO OPPOSED (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker, Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.

- b) Forestry Issues - Gerald Jondreau and Bruce Geroux present.

President Swartz directed the Forester priorities as: Identify areas of Tribal Land, where stands need to be cut in 40-acre areas and mark them for cutting, amendments to the Timber Contracts, utilizing staff for administrative duties, establish specific office hours for issuance of permits, finish current sales, and the Forest Management Plan Update. Gerald will provide an update to the Council by mid-December.

A Forestry Technician position has been posted that could have been posted last year.

David Osmak, Michigan Agency Forester (not present) - Contracts F0475C0015, Rosa Burns, and F0475C0016 Daniel Sky, Timber Sale Modifications –

An extension (for John Vuk and Sons, Inc.) is requested due to the early road weight restrictions with logging allowed until April 30, 2018 and contracts expiring and quota reductions at the local wood yards. (September 30, 2018)

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE MODIFICATION NUMBER ONE FOR THE ROSA BURNS AND DANIEL SKY ALLOTMENTS REGARDING EXTENDING THE LOGGING TIME PERIOD THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2018. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker, Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.

I. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO ADJOURN AT 10:00 A.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Toni J. Minton, Susan J. LaFernier, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Don Messer, Jr., Donald Shalifoe, Sr.), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Doreen G. Blaker, Eddy Edwards), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Peggy Loonsfoot
Administrative Specialist

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