

**MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL/FINANCE MEETING
TRIBAL CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM
THURSDAY – OCTOBER 11, 2007 – 9:00 A.M.**

- A. Date: October 11, 2007
- B. Call to Order: President LaFerner called the meeting to order at 9:13 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer
Opening Prayer in Ojibwa
- D. Roll Call: Present: Susan J. LaFerner, President
Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Vice-President (arrived at 1:15 p.m.)
Toni J. Minton, Secretary
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Assistant Secretary (left at 2:54 p.m.)
Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer
Larry J. Denomie III, CEO
Doreen G. Blaker
Jerry Lee Curtis
William E. Emery
Michael F. LaFerner, Sr. (arrived at 1:15 p.m.)
Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews
Elizabeth D. Mayo
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President LaFerner declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: October 11, 2007

Deletion: Closed Session- 1. Cherie Dakota

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGE. SUPPORTED BY JERRY LEE CURTIS. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFerner, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

G. For your Information:

1. M.A.S.T. Meeting on December 6th and 7th in Petoskey, MI

H. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

1. September 7, 2007

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2007 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

2. August 29, 2005

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 29, 2005 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, William E. Emery, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, TWO ABSTAINING (Jerry Lee Curtis, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

3. August 30, 2005

MOTION MADE BY LARRY J. DENOMIE III TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 30, 2005 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, William E. Emery, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, TWO ABSTAINING (Jerry Lee Curtis, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

I. New Business:

1. Tribal Court Office of Child Support Services Checking Account

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO OPEN AN ACCOUNT WITH SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK FOR THE CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES AND TO INCLUDE BRAD DAKOTA, VIOLET AYRES, STACEY KOSKI AND LAURI DENOMIE AS CHECK SIGNERS WITH THE COUNCIL SIGNERS. SUPPORTED BY JERRY LEE CURTIS. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

2. Mary DeLine – a) Update on Even Start Program. KBIC’s Even Start was granted funding for the upcoming year. This will be the third year. The Tribe’s in-kind match was over 20%. The program currently has 12 participants and Mary would like to see an award program for the participants at the end of the year.

b) Independent Evaluator Service Agreement for Even Start

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN DONALD HEIKKILA AND THE KBIC FOR THE EVEN START FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAM. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFerner, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

3. Doreen Blaker – a) Two Firefighters classes will be held on Oct. 22-26, 2007 for Portable Pumps and Water Use and Wildland Fire Chain Saws.

MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH JEFF NOBLE AND PETE GLOVER. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFerner, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

b) Resolution KB-1570-2007 – Fire Programs Cooperative Agreement with the BIA PL 93-638

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-1570-2007 TO MOVE TOWARD A 638 CONTRACT FOR THE WILDLAND FIREFIGHTERS. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFerner, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Break: 9:50 – 10:10 a.m.

4. Jason Ayres – a) Road names for Beartown Housing Roads Project (4 Roads, 1 Trail)

Jason requested the Council to name the roads for the Beartown Housing Development Project. He needs the names, soon, in order for the Village to assign the fire numbers.

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO HAVE ONE OF THE BEARTOWN ROADS NAMED “S. LAFERNIER ROAD.”

Motion died for lack of support.

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO NAME THE CAMPGROUND ROAD IN ZEBA “S. LAFERNIER DRIVE.” SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO NAME THE ROADS OFF OF THE BEARTOWN HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AS MAKWA ROAD, MIGIZI ROAD, MAANG ROAD, MAINGAN ROAD AND BIMOSE TRAIL, WITH ROAD AND TRAIL ADDED IN OJIBWA. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, William E. Emery), THREE OPPOSED (Jerry Lee Curtis, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Gary Loonsfoot suggested putting a picture of the Clan Animals named on the road sign with the correct Ojibwa spelling.

5. Todd Warner – Fish Hatchery Well: a) Bid Review – The low bid was Larson Well Drilling at \$82,010.00 with 10% Contingency of \$8,201.00. There is \$50,000.00 available in grant dollars.
 - b) Contractor Selection
 - c) Contract Review
 - d) Well Installation Assistance Bittner Engineering

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE LARSON WELL DRILLING FOR THE NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT’S NEW WELL AND TO ALLOCATE \$45,839.00 FROM TRIBAL FUNDS TO HELP SUPPORT THIS. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM E. EMERY TO APPROVE THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH BITTNER ENGINEERING, INC. AS A CONSULTANT PER TODD WARNER’S REQUEST FOR \$5628.00 AND APPROVE THE LARSON WELL DRILLING CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR \$82,010.00. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFERNIER, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

J. Closed Session:

1. Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer – Donation Request
2. Budget Review/Francis LaPointe, CFO
3. Larry Denomie, CEO
4. Susan J. LaFernier, President
5. John Baker, Attorney

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 10:36 A.M. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING – 0, TWO ABSENT (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Lunch: 12:07 – 1:15 p.m.

Chris Swartz arrived 1:15 p.m.

Mike LaFernier arrived 1:15 p.m.

Break: 2:25 – 2:38 p.m.

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 2:42 P.M. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. ALL IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Annual Raises-

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE 3% RAISES FOR THE REGULAR STATUS EMPLOYEES, TO EXCLUDE TEMPORARY, ON-CALL AND CONSULTANTS, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1ST, 2007. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), ONE OPPOSED (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.), ONE ABSTAINING (Larry J. Denomie III), ABSENT – 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Christmas Gift Checks-

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO GIVE A CHRISTMAS GIFT CHECK OF \$599.00 FOR EACH TRIBAL MEMBER 18 YEARS AND OLDER AS OF DECEMBER 25, 2007 RESIDING IN BARAGA AND MARQUETTE COUNTIES AS OF OCTOBER 1ST, 2007 AND STILL RESIDING THERE WHEN THE CHECKS ARE DISTRIBUTED AND TO UTILIZE THE ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES AS PRESENTED. SUPPORTED BY WARREN C. SWARTZ, JR. ALL IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

KBIC Probation Officer to full-time-

MOTION MADE BY LARRY J. DENOMIE III TO PROMOTE STEVE CADEAU FROM PART-TIME TO FULL-TIME PROBATION OFFICER FOR THE WEED & SEED GRANT. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH "CHIZ" MATTHEWS. ALL IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

FY-2008 Budgets-

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE FY-2008 BUDGET AS MODIFIED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE TIRE SHOP, THE RADIO STATIONS AND THE COLLEGE. SUPPORTED BY WARREN C. SWARTZ, JR. NINE IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ONE ABSTAINING (Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY LARRY J. DENOMIE III TO DISCONTINUE OPERATION OF THE KBIC TIRE SHOP, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2008, GIVING TIME TO SELL OFF REMAINING INVENTORY AND FIND PLACEMENT FOR THE TWO TRIBAL EMPLOYEES WORKING THERE. SUPPORTED BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews), TWO OPPOSED (Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO TERMINATE ED JANISSE PER HIS CONTRACT AND MOVE TOWARDS SELLING BOTH RADIO STATIONS. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), THREE OPPOSED (Doreen G. Blaker, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 0, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY WARREN C. SWARTZ, JR. TO CLOSE THE OJIBWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE AFTER THIS SEMESTER AND NOT SEEK ACCREDITATION AND FIND PLACEMENT FOR TRIBAL EMPLOYEES. SUPPORTED BY LARRY J. DENOMIE III. SIX IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Jerry Lee Curtis), FIVE OPPOSED (Doreen G. Blaker, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 0, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO CONTACT ACCREDITED COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES TO SEE IF THEY ARE WILLING TO OFFER SATELLITE COURSES AT THE FOUR DIRECTIONS CENTER. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. TEN IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Gary Loonsfoot left at 2:54 p.m.

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR THE REMAINING ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA AT 2:55 P.M. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS. NINE IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews), ONE OPPOSED (Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING – 0, ONE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 3:15 P.M. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. TEN IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ONE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

K. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO ADJOURN AT 3:16 P.M. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. TEN IN FAVOR (Warren C. Swartz, Jr., Toni J. Minton, Jennifer Misegan, Larry J. Denomie III, Doreen G. Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ONE ABSENT (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.), MOTION CARRIED.

The Council will tour the FIA Building today at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Minton
Recording Secretary