

**MINUTES  
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
TRIBAL CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM  
THURSDAY – JANUARY 14, 2010 – 9:00 A.M.**

- A. Date: January 14, 2010
- 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 (left 9:46 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.)  
William E. Emery, Vice President  
Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary  
Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Assistant Secretary  
Eddy Edwards, Treasurer  
Jerry Lee Curtis (left 9:26 a.m. – 10:23 a.m., left 1:25 – 3:48 p.m.)  
Fred Dakota  
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.  
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.  
Elizabeth D. Mayo (arrived at 9:13 a.m., left 3:08 – 3:40 p.m.)  
Toni J. Minton  
Isabelle Helene Welsh
- E. Declaration of Quorum: President Swartz declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.
- F. Approval of Agenda: January 14, 2010
- Additions: Old Business- 2. Fred Dakota – Raise for Tribal Chairman  
Closed Session- 5. Eddy Edwards – Status of GM Position of Baraga Casino

**MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE ADDITIONS. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. TEN IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Toni J. Minton, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Elizabeth D. Mayo), MOTION CARRIED.**

G. For Your Information:

1. Facility Use Policy (for review/changes for the next meeting)

**Elizabeth Mayo arrived at 9:13 a.m.**

2. National Indian Gaming Commission Training on Regulating Gaming Technology from George Skibine, Acting Director
3. Michigan Gaming Control Board Site Visit Inspection of Class III Gaming Related Records February 22 – 26, 2010
4. Michigan Gaming Control Board Site Visit Compliance Testing

H. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

1. September 3, 2009

**MOTION MADE BY GARY F. LOONSFOOT, SR. TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 3, 2009 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, THREE ABSTAINING (William E. Emery, Eddy Edwards, Toni J. Minton), ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

2. September 4, 2009

**Jerry Lee Curtis left at 9:26 a.m.**

**MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 4, 2009 MEETING MINUTES WITH THE CHANGES. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. EIGHT IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, TWO ABSTAINING (Eddy Edwards, Toni J. Minton), ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.**

I. Old Business:

1. Gregg Nominelli, Economic Developer – Comprehensive Strategic Plan Review [Reschedule]
2. Fred Dakota – Raise for Tribal Chairman – The Chairman has not received a raise in the past two years nor did he receive an increase when the wage adjustments were made. His current wage is \$28.00

**MOTION MADE BY FRED DAKOTA TO PAY THE CHAIRMAN \$33.00 AN HOUR. SUPPORTED BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO. NINE IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Fred Dakota, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Toni J. Minton, Isabelle H. Welsh), ONE OPPOSED (Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.**

J. Closed Session:

1. Gregg Nominelli, Economic Developer –
  - a) ICDBG for Gas Station
  - b) Resolution KB-1728-2010 CEDS List
2. John Baker, Attorney
3. Larry Denomie III, CEO
4. Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
5. Eddy Edwards – Status of GM Position of Baraga Casino

**MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH “CHIZ” MATTHEWS TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 9:45 A.M. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. EIGHT IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Toni J. Minton, Isabelle H. Welsh), TWO OPPOSED (Fred Dakota, Elizabeth D. Mayo), ABSTAINING - 0, ONE ABSENT (Jerry Lee Curtis), MOTION CARRIED.**

**President Swartz left 9:46 – 10:50 a.m.**

**Break: 9:47 – 9:52 a.m.**

**Jerry Lee Curtis returned at 10:23 a.m.**

**Break: 11:20 – 11:34 a.m.**

**Lunch: 12:10 – 1:23 p.m.**

**Break: 2:22 – 2:37 p.m.**

**Jerry Lee Curtis left 1:25 – 3:48 p.m.**

**Break: 3:27 – 3:40 p.m.**

**Elizabeth Mayo left 3:08 – 3:40 p.m.**

**MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 4:28 P.M. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. ALL IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Toni J. Minton, Isabelle H. Welsh), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO DIRECT THE CEO AND HIS STAFF TO START THE PROCESS OF USING THE RECENTLY AWARDED INDIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FOR BUILDING A NEW GAS STATION IN HARVEY ON TRIBAL LAND IN FRONT OF THE CASINO. SUPPORTED BY WILLIAM E. EMERY. NINE IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), TWO OPPOSED (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

Susan LaFernier stated her opposition: She feels there are no updated long-term plans for the casinos or for any economic development projects.

Toni Minton stated her opposition: She would have liked to keep the project in Baraga County so that the jobs would have remained in Baraga County.

**MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE RESOLUTION KB-1728-2010, THE CEDS LIST, AND TO ADD THE GAS STATION IN HARVEY TO THE LIST. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. NINE IN FAVOR (William E. Emery, Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Isabelle H. Welsh), ONE OPPOSED (Susan J. LaFernier), ONE ABSTAINING (Toni J. Minton), ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

K. Adjournment:

**MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO ADJOURN AT 4:30 P.M. SUPPORTED BY FRED DAKOTA. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Elizabeth “Chiz” Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Toni J. Minton), FOUR OPPOSED (William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Isabelle H. Welsh), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Minton  
Administrative Specialist