

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING  
KEWADIN CASINO AND CONVENTION CENTER  
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN  
MINUTES  
January 16, 2018**

The meeting was opened at 5:16 p.m. by Chairperson Payment.

Present: Dennis McKelvie, Kim Gravelle, DJ Hoffman, Jennifer McLeod, Michael McKerchie, Lana Causley, Catherine Hollowell, Bridgett Sorenson, Keith Massaway, Denise Chase, Darcy Morrow, Anita Nelson, and Aaron Payment.

Absent.

**Moved by Director McLeod, supported by Director Massaway, to approve the agenda as read.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director McLeod, to approve the Minutes of January 2, 2018, with corrections.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Causley, to recess, to finish membership issues.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director McLeod, supported by Causley, to approve Res. 2018-06, Road to Wellness Grant Establishment of FY 2018 Budget.**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2018 budget for the Road to Wellness Grant with Other Revenue Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan monies of \$204,730.72. No effect on Tribal Support

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director McLeod, to approve Res. 2018-07, Health Center Traditional Practitioner 2018 Budget Modification.**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2018 budget modification to Health Center Traditional Medicine to change the personnel sheet. No effect on Tribal Support.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Hollowell, to approve Res. 2018-08, Northern Hospitality 2018 Budget Modification.**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2018 budget modification to Northern Hospitality to change the personnel sheet and reduce net income \$2,431.40. No effect on Tribal Support.

**Motion carried with Director Hoffman opposing.**

**Moved by Director Causley, supported by Director McLeod, to approve Res. 2018-09, Application for the OVW Fiscal Year 2018 Rural Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, and Stalking Program.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes application to the Office on Violence Against Women for funding of a Fiscal Year 2018 Rural Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, and Stalking Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Aaron Payment, Tribal Chairperson, is hereby authorized to submit said proposal to the Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women, to negotiate, execute, and amend any documents resulting therefrom on the Tribe's behalf.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director McLeod, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve Res. 2018-10, Application for the OVW Fiscal Year 2018 Legal Assistance for Victims (LAV) Grant Program.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes application to the Office on Violence Against Women for funding of a Fiscal Year 2018 Legal Assistance for Victims (LAV) Grant Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Aaron Payment, Tribal Chairperson, is hereby authorized to submit said proposal to the Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women, to negotiate, execute, and amend any documents resulting therefrom on the Tribe's behalf.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve Res. 2018-11, Tribal Transportation Federal Highway Administration Safety Grant Proposal.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes the application for Federal Highway Administration, Tribal Transportation Program Safety Funding FY (2017-2018).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson, or a duly assigned individual is authorized to execute or amend all documents relating to the grant application and award.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Massaway, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2018-12, Tribal Transportation DOT Federal Highway Administration Accelerated Innovation Deployment (AID) Demonstration Grant Proposal.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes the application for Federal Highway Administration, Accelerated Innovation Deployment (AID) Demonstration Grant FY 2017-2018.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute or amend all documents relating to the grant application and award.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Morrow, to approve Res. 2018-13, Tribal Transportation 2018-2022 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) & Inventory Update.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors supports and adopts the 2018-2022 TIP and Inventory update.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver such agreements, documents, or instruments to the Bureau of Indian Affairs as may be required or to take such action which may be necessary to implement the foregoing.

**Motion carried with Director McKelvie opposing.**

**Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Morrow, to approve Res. 2018-14, Approval of Long Range Transportation and Capital Improvement Plan.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby adopts the 2018-2038 Long Range Transportation and Capital Improvement Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal Transportation Program is hereby directed to administer and implement the LRTCIP as approved, to review and monitor the LRTP and shall, on an annual basis, report to the Board of Directors and shall recommend to the Board any revisions of the LRTCIP that may be necessary or desirable for the Board to consider and adopt.

**Motion carried with Director Causley abstaining.**

**Moved by Director Chase, supported by Director Morrow, to approve the resolution regarding the Purchase of Property – Escanaba.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion denied, with Directors Hoffman, Chase, Gravelle, Nelson, Morrow approving; Directors McLeod, McKelvie, Causley, Massaway, McKerchie, Hollowell opposing; Director Sorenson abstaining.**

**Moved by Director Causley, supported by Director McLeod, to accept the recommendations of the Special Needs Enrollment Committee and relinquish George M. Suggitt from the Tribe.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Hoffman, to accept the resignation of Marlene Crisp from the Health Committee and declare the seat vacant.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to appoint Sheri O’Crotty to the Child Welfare Committee, for a four year term, expiring January 2022. (Sheri first must pass a background check)**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Moved by Director Morrow, supported by Director Chase, to appoint Boyd Snyder to the Enrollment Committee, for a two year term, expiring January 2020.**

**Motion carried with Director Nelson opposing.**

**Moved by Director Chase, supported by Director Morrow, to appoint Boyd Snyder to the Unit Five Marquette Area Elders Advisory Committee, until his term expires on the Marquette Area Elders Committee.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Causley, supported by Director McKelvie, to appoint Antoinette Biron to the Unit Five Marquette Area Elders Committee, to fill a position that expires September 2020.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Board Concerns:**

Director McLeod: Clarify change in employee's paycheck; Prioritize for BOD.

Director Sorenson: St. Ignace Clinic – Housekeeper position; Have Editor explain Land Claims fund in newspaper/website; Insurance – write article on employer contribution; Employees with cancer-FMLA extensions- assistance with this issue; Billing – are we outsourcing our medical billings dept.?; Education and/or experience preference – promotion of tribal members.

Director Causley: Schedule C/Casino Budgets; prioritizing base funding; Employee specialist report.

Director Morrow: Co-captain procedure/policy; Catch Report; Telecom ticket report for one year.

Director Chase: American Legion Veteran Representative.

Director Hoffman: Indigenous People Day.

**Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director McKelvie, to cancel the February 20, 2018 meeting.**

**Motion carried with Directors McLeod, Sorenson, Causley opposing.**

Meeting adjourned: 7:01 p.m.

Date: 2-6-18

Secretary: Bridget Sorenson

Others present: John Wernet, Christine McPherson, Jessica Dumback, Aaron Schlehuber, Sheila Berger, Bob Marchand, Leo Chugunov, Russ McKerchie, Joanne Carr.