

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
KEWADIN CASINO AND CONVENTION CENTER
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN
MINUTES
MARCH 2, 2021**

The meeting was opened at 5:01 p.m. by Chairperson Payment.

Present: Kim Gravelle, Austin Lowes, DJ Hoffman, Betty Freiheit, Michael McKerchie, Lana Causley, Catherine Hollowell, Bridgett Sorenson, Keith Massaway, Denise Chase, Darcy Morrow, Charles Matson, and Aaron Payment.

Absent:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve the Minutes of 10-6-2020; 10-20-2020; 2-2-2021; and 2-16-2021, with corrections if necessary.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Morrow, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2021-48, Natural Resources – GLRI Whitefish Recruitment Establishment FY 2021 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 2021 budget for GLRI Whitefish Recruitment with Federal BIA Revenue monies of \$7,088.42. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Sorenson, to approve Res. 2021-49, Gitchi Auto, Home and RV, 2021 Budget Modification.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2021 budget modification to Gitchi Auto, Home and RV to change the personnel sheet and increase expenses \$96,426.35.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve Res. 2021-50, Stonegarden Acceptance of Grant and Establish FY 2021 Budget.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby accepts the Homeland Security Grant Program Operation Stonegarden for year one in the amount of \$80,000, with \$2,000 with held by the State of Michigan for M&A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2021 budget for Stonegarden with Other Revenue \$78,000.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Massaway, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve Res. 2021-51, FY 2021 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes application to the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation for FY 2021.

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

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Chase, to table the resolution on the NADP Site.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors McKerchie, Matson, Hoffman, Chase, Freiheit, Sorenson, Lowes approving; Directors Causley, Morrow, Massaway, Hollowell, Gravelle opposing.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Sorenson, to approve Res. 2021-52, Trust Land Lease Cancellation – Carpentiers Lot 131 Kincheloe, Michigan.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorized its Tribal Chairperson, and Treasurer to execute this lease cancellation, and land being described as: Township of Kinross, County of Chippewa, State of Michigan, Sec. 29, T 45 N, R 1 W, Lot 131, Cedar Grove Estates I.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal staff is directed to prepare the appropriate lease cancellation documents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to cancel Lease No. DD-0047(02) along with any Modifications or Assignments pursuant to applicable law and regulations.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Sorenson, to approve Res. 2021-53, Trust Land Lease – Cancellation Carpentier Lot 165, Kincheloe, Michigan.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorized its Tribal Chairperson, and Treasurer to execute this lease cancellation, and land being described as: Township of Kinross, County of Chippewa, State of Michigan, Sec. 29, T 45 N, R 1 W, Lot 165, Cedar Grove Estates I, (0.16 acres).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal staff is directed to prepare the appropriate lease cancellation documents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to cancel BIA Lease No. 469-23-00007-12 (DD-0078(12)) along with any Modifications or Assignments pursuant to applicable law and regulations.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Sorenson, to approve Res. 2021-54, Trust Land Lease – Carpentier/McLean, Lots 131 and 165, Kinross, Michigan.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorized its Tribal Chairperson, and Treasurer to execute a lease to the land located at Kinross, Michigan to, Paul F. Carpentier and Mary A. McLean and land being described as: Township of Kinross, County of Chippewa, State of Michigan, Sec. 29, T 45 N, R 1 W (0.27 acres), Lots 131 and 165, Cedar Grove Estates I.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the lease is in furtherance of a Housing program operated in the promotion of the public purpose and the negotiated rental amount has been determined to be in the best interest of the Tribe and its people, and valuation in accordance with 25 CFR 162.320 is hereby waived.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve Res. 2021-55, Establishment of Tribal Charter for Sault Tribe Business Alliance Nonprofit Corporation.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the Tribal Charter establishing the Sault Tribe Business Alliance as a nonprofit business entity, separate and distinct from the Sault Ste. Marie, Tribe of Chippewa Indians, authorized to engage in business on behalf of its sole owner, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Hollowell, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2021-56, Approving 2021 Subcontract for Administrative and Biological Services with CORA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes and approves the 2021 Subcontract for Administrative and Biological Services between the Tribe and the Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the expenditure of funds totaling \$117,112.00, to be remitted to CORA in biannual payments of \$58,556.00 in calendar year 2021, pursuant to the terms of the 2021 Subcontract for Administrative and Biological Services.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the Tribal Chairperson, or his designee, to execute any and all documents as may be necessary and appropriate to carry out the terms, conditions and intent of this Resolution.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors Sorenson, Freiheit, Causley, Gravelle, Matson, Lowes, Hoffman, Massaway, McKerchie, Hollowell approving; Directors Morrow, Chase opposing.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2021-57, Amending Tribal Code Chapter 21: Hunting and Inland Fishing Section 21.522 Dogs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby amends Tribal Code Chapter 21: Hunting and Inland Fishing; Section 21.522 Dogs as follows:

21.522 Dogs.

- (1) No tribal member permit holder shall hunt deer, elk, moose, or wild turkey with dogs, except that it shall be legal to hunt wild turkey with dogs during the fall season.
- (2) It shall be legal to use leashed dogs to track wounded game.
- (3) All other uses are permitted.
- (4) Tribal member permit holders may hunt bear with dogs pursuant to Section 21.705.
- (5) No tribal member permit holder may run dogs on any wild animal from April 16 to July 14.
- (6) Licensed hunters must be present at all times during pursuit of game.

Motion carried unanimously.

Without Objections, the meeting is adjourned. No objections.

Meeting adjourned: 5:28 p.m.

Date: 3-16-2021

Secretary: Bridgett Sorenson

Others present: Tasha Caldwell, Robert Schulte, Jared Lucas, Jeremy Patterson/JR Loera, Linda Grossett, Joanne Carr.