

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
KEWADIN CASINO AND CONVENTION CENTER
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN
MINUTES
October 19, 2021**

The meeting was opened at 5:02 p.m. by Chairperson Payment.

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

Absent: Lana Causley.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to excuse Director Causley from the meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Freiheit, supported by Director Lowes, to approve the agenda as read.

Motion carried with Director Hoffman opposing.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to approve the Minutes of 9-21-2021, as read.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2021-251, Deployment of Funds from Opioid Claims.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors does hereby authorize and approve that all funds awarded to the Tribe as a result of the Tribe's claims against opioid manufacturers and distributors, whether through settlement, bankruptcy proceedings, Court-awarded damages, or otherwise, shall be deployed towards the Tribe's substance abuse programs or other substance abuse related treatment and prevention actions.

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 unanimously.

Moved by Director Hollowell, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2021-252, Permanent Salary Increase Allocation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors does hereby authorize and approve that the temporary \$3/hr salary increases for the Tribe's governmental employees and the Tribe's Economic Development Corporation employees authorized under Resolution Nos. 2021-197 and 2021-198 shall be made permanent.

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.

Motion carried by Unanimously Acclamation.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve Res. 2021-253, Approving Revisions to Tribal-State Gaming Compact's Memorandum of Agreement and Understanding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors does hereby approve the changes to the "Memorandum of Agreement and Understanding Regarding the Construction and Interpretation of Section 4(D)(2) and (3) of Tribal-State Class III Gaming Compact for Purposes of Compliance and Enforcement" set forth in the revised Tribal-State Compact MOU, incorporated herein by reference.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors does hereby authorize the Tribal Chairperson to transmit the proposed Tribal-State Compact MOU to the State of Michigan and to proceed in negotiating the terms of a final Tribal-State Compact MOU subject to final review and approval by the Board of Directors.

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.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Hollowell, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2021-254, Establish FY 2022 Budget for Michigan Tribal Food Access Collaborative.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2022 budget for Michigan Tribal Food Access Collaborative with Other Revenue – Intertribal Council monies \$8,216.66. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2021-255, Natural Resources – Inland Fish & Wildlife FY 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 Inland Fish & Wildlife for an increase in Federal BIA monies of \$29,888.82. No effect on Tribal Support. This modification will reallocate expenses and change the personnel sheet.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Massaway, supported by Director Morrow, to approve Res. 2021-256, Natural Resources – TRP Fire Ecology Establishment of FY 2022 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 2022 budget for TRP Fire Ecology with Federal BIA Revenue monies of \$27,086.38. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Freiheit, to approve Res. 2021-257, Establishment of FY 2022 Budget GLRI Adaptive Management of Ma'iingan (Wolf) in Remnant Boreal Forest Ecosystems.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of FY 2022 budget for GLRI Adaptive Management of Ma'iingan (Wolf) in Remnant Boreal Forest Ecosystems with Federal BIA monies of \$60,426.50. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried by Unanimous Acclamation.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Morrow, to approve Res. 2021-258, Establish FY 2022 Budget for After School Ojibwe Language Recreation.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2022 budget for After School Ojibwe Language Recreation with Federal Department of Health and Human Services monies \$82,609.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried by Unanimously Acclamation.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2021-259, ACFS – Community Service Block Grant FY 2022 Budget Modification and Establishment of FY 2022 Budget.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2022 budget modification to ACFS - Community Service Block Grant for a decrease in Federal HHS monies of \$107,500.00. No effect on Tribal Support. This modification reflects carry over funds.

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 2022 budget for ACFS – Community Service Block Grant with Federal HHS monies of \$150,000.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried by Unanimously Acclamation.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Freiheit, to approve Res. 2021-260, ACFS – Child Care Development Fund (2801) FY 2022 Budget Modification.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2022 budget modification to Child Care Development Fund (2801) to decrease Federal HHS monies \$554,101.08. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried by Unanimously Acclamation.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Sorenson, to approve Res. 2021-261, ACFS – Child Care Development Funds (2800 & 2803) FY 2022 Budget Modification and Establishment of FY 2022 Budget.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2022 budget modification to Child Care Development Fund (2800) for an increase in Federal HHS monies of \$743,914.92 and to change the personnel sheet and reallocate expenses. No effect on Tribal Support.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2022 budget for Child Care Development Fund (2803) with Federal HHS monies of \$154,218.27. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried by Unanimously Acclamation.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2021-262, Sault Tribe Thrive Acceptance of Grant and Establishment of FY 2022 Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorize the acceptance of the FY21 American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian Board Agency Announcement Project; and authorize Aaron Payment, Tribal Chairperson, or his designee, to sign, negotiate, execute, and amend any document resulting therefrom on the Tribe's behalf for this project.

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 2022 budget for Sault Tribe Thrive with the Federal Department of Commerce monies of \$299,681.24, for the first year spending. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried by Unanimously Acclamation.

Moved by Director Hollowell, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve Res. 2021-263, DeMawating Development FY 2021 Enterprise Capital Outlays Budget Modification.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the modification to the FY 2021 Enterprise Capital Outlay budget to increase the expenses for DeMawating Development of \$85,000.00 from fund balance. No Tribal Support.

Motion carried by Unanimously Acclamation.

Moved by Director Hollowell, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2021-264, Authorization to Negotiate – Detour Medical Detour Mi Property Acquisition.

RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors, authorizes the Sault Tribe EDC Executive Director or his designee, to negotiate the purchase of the DeTour Medical Property – TIN 041-925-045-00 at a price not to exceed the agreed upon terms approved by the Board of Directors and using funds identified during the workshop the acquisition was discussed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon successful negotiations, the Board of Director authorizes the Tribal Chairperson, or his designee to sign any and all documentation to complete the purchase.

Motion carried by Unanimously Acclamation.

Moved by Director Freiheit, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve Res. 2021-265, Authorization to Negotiate – Gardenville Road Sault Ste. Marie Property Acquisition.

RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Board of Directors authorizes the Sault Tribe EDC Executive Director or his designee, to negotiate the purchase of the Gardenville Road Property – TIN 051-046-005-00 at a price not to exceed the agreed upon terms, approved by the Board of Directors and using funds identified during the workshop the acquisition was discussed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon successful negotiations, the Board of Director authorizes the Tribal Chairperson, or his designee to sign any and all documentation to complete the purchase.

Motion carried by Unanimously Acclamation.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2021-266, Trust Land Lease Cancellation – Lindsay & Cook Lot 692 and 691 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 Lots 872 and 871, Cedar Grove Estates III (0.25 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 Lease No. BIA: 469-23-00237-05, along with any Modifications or Assignments, pursuant to applicable law and regulations.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2021-267, Trust Land Lease Lindsay, Justin Lots 892 and 871 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 Justin Lindsay and land being described as: Township of Kinross, County of Chippewa, State of Michigan Sec. 29, T 45 N, R 1 W (0.25 acres), Lots 872 and 871, Cedar Grove Estates III

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 Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2021-268, Trust Land Lease Cancellation – Suggitt Lot 692 and 691 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 Lots 692 and 691, Cedar Grove Estates III (0.38 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 Lease No. DD-0071(06) BIA: 469-23-00111-06, along with any Modifications or Assignments, pursuant to applicable law and regulations.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2021-269, Trust Land Lease Lindsay, John & Darlene Lots 692 and 691 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 John Lindsay and Darlene Lindsay, and land being described as: Township of Kinross, County of Chippewa, State of Michigan Sec. 29, T 45 N, R 1 W (0.38 acres), Lots 692 and 691, Cedar Grove Estates III
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 Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2021-270, Trust Land Lease – Cancellation Bosley, Lot 642 and 643 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 Lots 642 and 643, Cedar Grove Estates III
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-0024(01), along with any Modifications or Assignments, pursuant to applicable law and regulations.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2021-271, Trust Land Lease – Parr Lots 642 and 643 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 Kayla L. Parr and land being described as: Township of Kinross, County of Chippewa, State of Michigan Sec. 29, T 45 N, R 1 W (0.31 acres), Lots 642 and 643, Cedar Grove Estates III
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.

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Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Morrow, to refer the resolution regarding Indigenous Day to next week's workshop.

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

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to refer the resolution regarding Re-Opening the Rolls to next week's workshop.

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

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Sorenson to adjourn the meeting.

Director Massaway noted that the motion to adjourn took precedence.

Chairperson Payment ruled that he had already requested the Board Concerns before the motion was made, and Board Concerns would be on the agenda before the meeting was adjourned.

Meeting adjourned: 5:49 p.m.

Date: 11-2-2021

Secretary: Bridgett Sorenson

Others present: Christine McPherson, Robert Schulte, JR Loera, Joel Schutz, Susan Soltys, Leo Chugunov, Linda Grossett, Sheila Berger, Joanne Carr.