

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING  
KEWADIN CASINO AND CONVENTION CENTER  
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN  
December 20, 2022  
5:00 P.M.**

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. INVOCATION: Prayer, Smudging, Presentation of Grandfathers
- IV. MEMBERSHIP PARTICIPATION
- V. PRESENTATION:
- VI. MINUTES:
- VII. RESOLUTIONS: Buildings: Displaced Housing  
Patterson, Earnhart, Real Bird, & Wilson Contract  
Morisset, Schlosser, Jozwiak, & Somerville Contract  
Lambros Contract  
Jacobson Law Group Contract  
Steward & Sheridan Contract  
WilmerHale Contract  
Market Based Housing Project Action Plan
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS Referendum  
Enrollment  
Food Sovereignty  
Committee Appointments  
Director Resignation  
Certification of Special Advisory Election  
Oath of Office  
Nomination of Officers  
Board Concerns
- IX. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION
- X. RECONVENE AND REAFFIRM
- XI. ADJOURN Chairperson Reception in the Grand Island Rooms

# ***MEMORANDUM***

**TO: Board of Directors**  
**FROM: Katelynn Griffin, Executive Assistant**  
**DATE: December 15, 2022**  
**RE: Workshop Agenda for December 20, 2022**

## **AGENDA** **Closed Session**

### **Tuesday December 5**

10:00

Litigation

11:00

Health Report

**12:00**

**Christmas Luncheon**

1:00

Executive Reports

3:00

Fisherman's Fund

4:00

Agenda Review

5:00

Membership Participation

**RESOLUTION NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**BUILDINGS – DISPLACED HOUSING  
ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2022 AND FY 2023 BUDGET**

NOW, THEREFORE 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 Displaced Housing with Other Revenue monies of \$8,246.58.

BE FINALLY IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2023 budget for Displaced Housing with Other Revenue monies of \$70,407.08 and Fund Balance of \$41,809.56

**C E R T I F I C A T I O N**

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Kimberly Hampton, Secretary  
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**RESOLUTION NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVING GENERAL COUNSEL CONTRACT – PATTERSON,  
EARNHART, REAL BIRD, & WILSON L.L.P.**

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the General Counsel contract between the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and Patterson, Earnhart, Real Bird & Wilson L.L.P., for calendar year 2023, to serve as General Counsel to the Tribe.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the Tribal Vice-Chairman, or designee, to execute any and all documents, including ancillary or supplemental documents or forms that do not change the substantive terms of the General Counsel contract, as may be necessary and appropriate to carry out the terms, conditions, and intent of this Resolution.

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**APPROVING SPECIAL COUNSEL CONTRACT – MORISSET,  
SCHLOSSER, JOZWIAK, & SOMERVILLE, P.C.**

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the special counsel contract between the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and Morisset, Schlosser, Jozwiak, & Somerville, P.C., for calendar year 2023, for the purpose of providing legal services on the Tribe’s treaty fishing matters.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the Tribal Vice-Chairman, or designee, to execute any and all documents, including ancillary or supplemental documents or forms that do not change the substantive terms of the special counsel contract as may be necessary and appropriate to carry out the terms, conditions, and intent of this Resolution.

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**APPROVING SPECIAL COUNSEL CONTRACT – ALEXIS LAMBROS**

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the special counsel contract between the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and Alexis Lambros, for calendar year 2023, for the purpose of providing legal services on the Tribe’s human resource matters, JKL Fiduciary Committee matters, and any other matters as directed by the Tribe’s Board of Directors.

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**APPROVING SPECIAL COUNSEL CONTRACT – JACOBSON  
LAW GROUP**

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the special counsel contract between the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and Jacobson, Magnuson, Anderson & Halloran P.C., also referred to as Jacobson Law Group, for calendar year 2023, for the purpose of providing legal services to the Tribe on election matters and any other matters as directed by the Tribe’s Board of Directors.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the Tribal Vice-Chairman, or designee, to execute any and all documents, including ancillary or supplemental documents or forms that do not change the substantive terms of the license as may be necessary and appropriate to carry out the terms, conditions, and intent of this Resolution.

**CERTIFICATION**

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**RESOLUTION NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVING SPECIAL COUNSEL CONTRACT – STEWARD &  
SHERIDAN P.L.C.**

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the special counsel contract between the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and Steward & Sheridan P.L.C., for calendar year 2023, for the purpose of providing legal services on Sawyer Village eviction and collection matters.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the Tribal Vice-Chairman, or designee, to execute any and all documents, including ancillary or supplemental documents or forms that do not change the substantive terms of the special counsel contract as may be necessary and appropriate to carry out the terms, conditions, and intent of this Resolution.

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**APPROVING SPECIAL COUNSEL CONTRACT – WILMERHALE**

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the special counsel contract between the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and WilmerHale, for calendar year 2023, for the purpose of providing legal services on the Tribe’s mandatory trust litigation.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the Tribal Vice-Chairman, or designee, to execute any and all documents, including ancillary or supplemental documents or forms that do not change the substantive terms of the special counsel contract, as may be necessary and appropriate to carry out the terms, conditions, and intent of this Resolution.

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**RESOLUTION NO.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVING MARKET BASED HOUSING PROJECT ACTION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians (“Tribe”) is organized pursuant to the Constitution of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe’s Board of Directors adopted Resolution 2021-280 and Resolution 2022-84 to address the critical housing shortage within Unit 1 of the Tribe’s Service Units to meet the emergency housing needs of Tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds that it is in the best interest of the Tribe and its members to adopt the attached Market Based Housing Project Action Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes and approves the attached Market Based Housing Project Action Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the Tribe’s Chief Financial Officer, its Executive Director, its Covid-19 Executive Taskforce, and the Tribe’s Accounting Department to take any and all necessary actions to implement the attached Market Based Housing Project Action Plan.

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## ***MEMORANDUM***

**TO: Board of Directors**  
**FROM: Katelynn Griffin, Executive Assistant**  
**DATE: December 20, 2022**  
**RE: Committee Request**

**Elections**  
**Resignations:**

Accept the resignation of James McKerchie, Chairperson, and declare the seat vacant

Accept the resignation of Jeremiah Shields and declare the seat vacant

Accept the resignation of Kelly Hatinger and declare the seat vacant

Accept the resignation of Maureen Pavlat and declare the seat vacant

Appoint Rose Allard – Regular Member, 4-year term, expiring December 2026

Appoint Robert Captain – Regular Member, 4-year term, expiring December 2026

Appoint Traci Kangas – Regular Member, 4-year term, expiring December 2026

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING**

**December 20, 2022**  
**Sponsor's List**

## **RESOLUTIONS:**

Buildings: Displaced Housing – Andrew Lane  
Patterson, Earnhart, Real Bird, & Wilson Contract – Legal  
Morisset, Schlosser, Jozwiak, & Somerville Contract – Legal  
Lambros Contract – Legal  
Jacobson Law Group Contract – Legal  
Steward & Sheridan Contract – Legal  
WilmerHale Contract – Legal  
Market Based Housing Project Action Plan – Legal

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Committee Appointments – Various Committees  
Referendum – Director Morrow  
Enrollment – Director McRorie  
Food Sovereignty – Director McRorie  
Director Resignation  
Certification of Special Advisory Election  
Oath of Office  
Nomination of Officers  
Board Concerns