### **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Board of Directors

FROM: Joanne Carr, Board Secretary

**DATE:** June 10, 2021

**RE:** Workshop Agenda for June 15, 2021

### **AGENDA**

9:00 A.M.

Rescue Plan Session

Negotiations

**Working Lunch** 

Gaming Authority Meeting

**Executive Reports** 

3:30 p.m. - Agenda Review

4:00 p.m.

Membership /Board Concerns

5:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING KEWADIN CASINO AND CONVENTION CENTER SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN

June 15, 2021 5:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION: Prayer, Smudging, Presentation of Grandfathers

III. ROLL CALL

IV. PRESENTATION:

V. MINUTES: 6-1-2021

VI. RESOLUTIONS: Bud Mod:

Enrollment

Youth Ed & Activities St. Ignace Medical Nursing

Healthy Start Grant

Mental Health / Third Party Revenue Family Violence Prevention and Services

Naming of New Facilities Garage

Approving Contract Amendment Sonosky Chambers

Contract Approval Meritain/Delta Dental

IHS Sanitation Facilities MOA

Auth to Apply for Funding from MBDA

Auth to Purchase Property

Distribution to Membership American Rescue Act COVID American Recovery Relief Program

VII. NEW BUSINESS: Committee Request

Land Acquisition Board Concerns

VIII. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

IX. RECONVENE AND REAFFIRM

X. ADJOURN

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING June 15, 2021 Sponsor's List

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

Bud Mod:

Enrollment – Julie Salo

Youth Ed & Activities – Kaylynn Cairns

St. Ignace Medical Nursing - Leo Chugunov/Cheryl LaPlaunt

Healthy Start Grant- - Leo Chugunov

Mental Health / Third Party Revenue – Leo Chugunov

Family Violence Prevention and Services – Jami Moran

Naming of New Facilities Garage – Andrew Lane

Approving Contract Amendment Sonosky Chambers – Mike McCoy

Contract Approval Meritain/Delta Dental – Doug Goudreau

IHS Sanitation Facilities MOA – Joni Talentino

Auth to Apply for Funding from MBDA – Joel Schultz

Auth to Purchase Property – Joel Schulte

Distribution to Membership American Rescue Act – Chairperson Payment, Directors Freiheit, Lowes

COVID American Recovery Relief Program- Directors McKerchie, Gravelle, Matson, Chase, Hollowell, Morrow, Hoffman.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Committee Request – Various Committees. Land Acquisition – Director Hoffman Board Concerns – Director Causley

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#### ENROLLMENT 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 Enrollment for a decrease in Tribal Support Revenue monies of \$624.23. This modification is for changes to the personnel sheet and reallocation of expenses.

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the members, of whom members con meeting thereof duly called, noticed, con 2021; that the foregoin	ne Board of Directors is composed of 13 instituting a quorum were present at a
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# YOUTH EDUCATION & ACTIVITIES 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 Youth Education & Activities to change the personnel sheet, increase expenses and increase BIA monies \$63,415.98.

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# ST. IGNACE MEDICAL NURSING 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 St. Ignace Medical Nursing to change the personnel sheet and reallocate expenses. No effect on Tribal Support.

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#### HEALTHY START GRANT ESTABLISH 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 Healthy Start Grant with Other Revenue – Inter Tribal Council monies \$68,000.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

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#### MENTAL HEALTH AND THIRD PARTY REVENUE FY 2021 BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

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 the Health Division Mental Health budget, to change the personnel sheet and reduce expense, resulting in a savings to Third Party Revenue monies \$49,285.37. No effect on Tribal Support.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2021 budget modification for a decrease to Third Party Revenue transfer of \$49,285.41.

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the members, of whom members commeeting thereof duly called, noticed, con 2021; that the foregoin	he Board of Directors is composed of 13 nstituting a quorum were present at a	
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#### FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND SERVICES PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Family Violence Prevention and Services Program administered by the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Family and Youth Services Bureau has funding to assist tribes in efforts to provide immediate shelter and supportive services for victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe eligible to apply for funding; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians proposes to continue to provide immediate shelter and related supportive services to all eligible survivors of Intimate Partner Violence who reside in the Tribe's seven county service area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes application to the Family and Youth Services Bureau for funding of a Family Violence Prevention and Services Program for FY 2020-21, FY 2021-22 and FY 2022-23.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Aaron A. Payment, Tribal Chairperson, is hereby authorized to submit said proposal to the Family and Youth Services Bureau, to negotiate, execute, and amend any documents resulting therefrom on the Tribe's behalf.

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson a	and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe
of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that	at the Board of Directors is composed of 13
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#### NAMING OF THE NEW FACILITES GARAGE

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Tribe under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 U.S. C. 467 et.seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians has built a Facilities Storage Garage operating at 2280 Shunk Road; and

WHEREAS, Charles 'Chip' MacArthur dedicated most of his working life to the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians and the Facilities Management Department; and

WHEREAS, Chip MacArthur always went above and beyond what was expected from him when it came to helping people.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in honor of his dedication, the new Facilities Storage Garage is hereby designated the MacArthur Facilities Garage.

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# APPROVING CONTRACT AMENDMENT SONOSKY CHAMBERS

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby approves an amendment to the contract between the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and Sonosky Chambers, ending December 31, 2021, approved by Resolution 2021-69, increasing monthly fees by \$2,500, for the purpose of providing consulting services to the Tribe.

We the undersigned as Chairnerson an	d Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
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# CONTRACT APPROVAL MERITAIN HEALTH (AN AETNA COMPANY) AND DELTA DENTAL

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians currently provides health, vision, dental, and pharmacy insurance to its employees; which insurance is administered by Meritain; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that it is in the Tribe's best interests to maintain the current employee health plan with the addition of the tiered options presented by the Insurance Department, being administered by Meritain Health, to continue being administered by Meritain Health, for the health benefit and Delta Dental for dental.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes the Chairperson of the Tribe, or authorized designee, to execute contracts with Meritain Health and Delta Dental, with an effective date of January 1, 2021, for a period of three years, and to further take such actions as may be required to extend the current contracts.

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## AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR FUNDING FROM THE MINORITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (MBDA)

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Tribe of more than 40,000 tribal citizens worldwide; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe Economic Development strategy includes promoting a strong economic environment that is conducive to creating and sustaining profitable tribal businesses; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Commerce's Minority Business Development Agency, through its American Indian Alaska Native / Native Hawaiian Project (AIAANH), is soliciting proposals from Tribes for technical business services funding, including, but not limited to: entrepreneurial assistance, training, capital access, Federal procurement assistance, networking and relationship management, deal sourcing, joint ventures and partnerships, strategic infrastructure and economic planning assistance, and education for tribal entities; and

WHEREAS, this MBDA grant funding opportunity would provide funding to continue to help our Tribal business owners overcome the unique challenges faced by Tribes, facilitating job creation and retention, business start-up, relocations to tribal lands, sales growth, government contracting, and capital formation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Sault Tribe EDC Executive Director, to apply to the Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA), for a grant of up to \$600,000.00 for the purpose of continuing the Sault Tribe Thrive program, for the grant years beginning September 1, 2021, and ending August 31, 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairperson, or his designee, to submit, sign, negotiate, amend, execute and accept any agreement and grant funding of up to \$600,000.00, if awarded, from the MBDA, for the purpose of the continuation of the Sault Tribe Thrive program's economic development efforts.

#### CERTIFICATION

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# INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES PROJECT SUMMARY SANITATION FACILITIES MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT PROJECT BE 21-M18

WHEREAS the Indian Health Service ("IHS"), acting through the Director, Bemidji Area IHS, Department of Health and Human Services, acting on behalf of the United States of America, under and pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 86-121 (42 U.S.C. 2004a; 73 Stat. 267); and the Sault Sainte Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is desirous of obtaining satisfactory water supply and waste disposal facilities for tribal member homes located in the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians service area; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has submitted a Project Proposal Letter, dated March 3, 2021, requesting IHS assistance under Public Law 86-121, to construct water supply and waste disposal facilities to serve approximately 20 Other Category homes; and

WHEREAS, the IHS is desirous of assisting in the construction of water supply and waste disposal facilities for Other Category homes to protect the health of the Tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has reviewed and concurs with the provisions of the attached Project Summary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors, hereby authorizes the Chairperson of the Tribe, to execute the attached Memorandum of Agreement entitled "Construction of Sanitation Facilities to Serve Other Category Homes", and such other documents as may be necessary to further this purpose.

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#### AUTHORIZATON TO PURCHASE – CEDARVILLE, MI AND PROPERTY AQUISITION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, authorizes the Sault Tribe EDC Executive Director or his designee, to negotiate and enter into an agreement to purchase the Hillcrest Property, using funds approved by the Board of Director's Resolution 2021-129:

Property located in the Township of Clark, Mackinac County, Michigan, Tax parcel ID 49003-229-002-25

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon successful completion of those negotiations, the Board of Director of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes its Chairperson, Aaron A. Payment and its Treasurer, Keith Massaway or their designee, to negotiate and execute any documents necessary to effectuate the purchase of the parcels of land using funds from DeMawating Development.

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and So Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the members, of whom members constituted thereof duly called, noticed, convened 2021; that the foregoing	Board of Directors is composed of 13 ting a quorum were present at a meeting
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#### DISTRIBUTION TO MEMBERSHIP AMERICAN RESCUE ACT

WHEREAS, over \$211 million of the Sault Tribe's distribution of the funds in the American Rescue Act funds were based on All Sault Tribe Members without regard to geography; and

WHEREAS, an estimated \$65 million more is estimated to be deposited to the Sault Tribe within the next three weeks, based on the total number of tribal team members.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following is approved:

Rescue Act Distribution \$77.5MM for distribution as follows:

\$1K to all Service Area Members (brings the pandemic total to \$2K).

\$2K to members outside of service area.

\$1K all Kewadin, Governmental, Enterprise & JKL Team Members.

\$600 Recruitment & Retention (Remaining Team Members who didn't qualify for Kewadin plan for the same).

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#### COVID AMERICAN RECOVERY RELIEF PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the spread of COVID-19 has been declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization, a public health emergency by the United States Secretary of the Health and Human Services, a national emergency by the President of the United States, and a Tribally declared emergency by the Sault Tribe Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that the COVID-19 global pandemic and corresponding impacts to the national and local economy has and will continue to strain the financial resources of the Tribal Membership and Employees, necessitating the invocation of assistance programs to help protect their respective health and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians has currently received \$211,000,000 from the American Recovery Act based upon the entire Tribal Population regardless of residency; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians seeks to provide equitable relief to each Tribal Member with regards to these specific funds in regards to assisting Tribal Members.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that all impacted (currently) enrolled Tribal Members, regardless of residence (or age), shall be eligible for a \$1,000 check from the existing American Recovery Funds, to assist in regards to the impact of COVID-19, authorized to be implemented under existing Tribal Disaster processes and procedures by Executive Staff (ETF).

BE IT FURTHER RESOVLED, it is the intent of the Board of Directors, that all assistance provided under these programs is done so under exigent circumstances as the sovereign act of a legislative body under the General Welfare Doctrine and thus eligible for non-taxable treatment to the fullest extent allowable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sault Tribe Board of Directors has also identified the impact of COVID-19 has had upon its Recruitment and Retention of current and potential employee's that are a key contributor to the successes of the Tribe and hereby budgets \$10 million dollars from the American Recovery Act funds (currently received) to address these issues future Board Actions.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors directs that any additional commitments regarding the American Recovery Act Funds (excluding Revenue Replacement) shall require extensive input of Staff, the Membership, and the Board of Directors. This shall include Sault Tribe Facilitated Public input sessions with any/all Membership that wish to attend in person or virtually.

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