

## ***MEMORANDUM***

**TO: Board of Directors**  
**FROM: Joanne Carr, Board Secretary**  
**DATE: July 7, 2022**  
**RE: Workshop Agenda for July 12, 2022**

**Tuesday**

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

10:00 a.m.

Consent Decree  
Aaron Payment Resignation  
Sault Tribe Inc.  
Golf Courses

5:00 pm – Regular Meeting

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING  
KEWADIN CASINOS CONVENTION CENTER  
SAULT, MICHIGAN**

**July 12, 2022**

**5:00 P.M.**

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. INVOCATION: Prayer, Smudging, Presentation of Grandfathers
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. PRESENTATION:
- V. MINUTES:
- VI. RESOLUTIONS:       Vote of No Confidence
- vii. NEW BUSINESS:
- VIII. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:
- IX. RECONVENE AND REAFFIRM
- X. ADJOURN

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

**VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE IN DJ HOFFMAN SERVING AS CHAIRPERSON OF THE SAULT STE. MARIE TRIBE OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS AND SUSPENSION OF DUTIES EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND UNTIL FUTHER NOTICE**

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

WHEREAS, elected officials on the Tribe’s Board of Directors serve at the will of the membership, and the Chairperson’s duties have historically been delegated by the Board of Directors;

WHEREAS, DJ Hoffman was defeated in his 2022 primary race for his Board seat by a sizable margin;

WHEREAS, DJ Hoffman was appointed by the outgoing Board of Directors to be the Tribe’s Chairperson on 06/27/2022, which was eight-days before six of their four-year terms expired due to also being defeated in their Board elections;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors considers this appointment to be political entrenchment, which The Yale Law Journal (November, 2015) views as illegitimate since “governments are not allowed to bind future governments, and a present majority cannot bind the hands of future decision makers (Levinson, D., & Sachs, B.I.);”

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVED THAT, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, at a duly called special meeting held on July 12, 2022, hereby issues a vote of NO CONFIDENCE in DJ Hoffman as Tribal Chairperson;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal Board of Directors hereby suspends DJ Hoffman of any and all duties assigned by resolution, ordinance, motion, or any other action of the Board of Directors in his previous role as Vice Chairperson and his current role as Chairperson including all internal and external committees and communications, not including consent decree negotiations, until further notice; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Vice Chairperson shall be temporarily assigned any and all duties previously assigned to the Chairperson position by resolution, ordinance, or motion until further notice.

**CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom \_\_\_\_\_ members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of 2022; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of \_\_\_\_\_ members for, \_\_\_\_\_ members against, \_\_\_\_\_ members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

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DJ Hoffman, Chairperson  
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of  
Chippewa Indians

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Kimberly Vincent- Hampton, Secretary  
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of  
Chippewa Indians

# **BOARD OF DIRECTOR SSPECIAL MEETING**

**July 12, 2022**  
**Sponsor's List**

## **RESOLUTIONS:**

Vote of No Confidence- Directors Lowes, Freiheit, McKechnie, McRorie, Lee, Borowicz, Hampton, LaPlaunt.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**