

ROLL CALL MATRIX

Meeting Date: April 23, 2024

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P		MICHAEL MCKERCHIE												

P		BETTY FREIHEIT	2		1		1	2			2	1	2	
P		ISAAC MCKECHNIE	1	1			2	1		1	1	2	1	
P		ROBERT MCRORIE												
P		LANA CAUSLEY-SMITH												1
P		KIMBERLY LEE												
P		BRIDGETT SORENSON							2	2				
P		SHAWN BOROWICZ												
P		DARCY MORROW			2				1					2
P		KIMBERLY HAMPTON				2								
P		TYLER LAPLAUNT		2		1								
P		AUSTIN LOWES												

1- Made Motion
 Y-Voted Yes
 A-Abstained
 UA- Unanimous Acclamation

2-Second/Support Motion
 N-Voted No
 U-Unanimous



RESOLUTION NO: 2024-107

**HEALTH DIVISION – NIHB STRONGER SYSTEMS
STRONGER COMMUNITIES
ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2024 BUDGET**

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2024 budget for Health Division – NIHB Stronger Systems Stronger Community with Other Revenue monies of \$17,000.00. The Health Division received a no cost extension on these funds.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, as Chairman 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 12 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 23 day of April 2024; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 11 members for, 0 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

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RESOLUTION NO: 2024-108

**HEALTH DIVISION – SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND
MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
FY 2024 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2024 budget modification to Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration for an increase in Federal HHS Revenue monies \$553,507.00. The Health Division received additional grant funding. No effect on Tribal Support.

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RESOLUTION NO: 2024-109

**HEALTH DIVISION – ST. IGNACE MEDICAL OFFICE BUILDING
ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2024 BUDGET
AND THIRD-PARTY REVENUE FY 2024 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2024 budget for Health Division – St. Ignace Medical Office Building with Third-Party Revenue monies of \$1,620,341.15.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2024 budget modification to Third Party Revenue increasing the transfer out of \$1,620,341.15 to Health Division – St. Ignace Medical Office Building.

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RESOLUTION NO: 2024-110

**HEALTH DIVISION – SAULT STE. MARIE MEDICAL/NURSING
ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2024 BUDGET
AND THIRD-PARTY REVENUE FY 2024 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2024 budget for Health Division – Sault Ste. Marie Medical/Nursing with IHS Revenue monies of \$4,431,336.75 and Third-Party Revenue monies of \$2,489,804.79.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2024 budget modification to Third Party Revenue increasing the transfer out of \$2,489,804.79 to Health Division – Sault Ste. Marie Medical/Nursing.

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RESOLUTION NO: 2024-111

**AUTHORIZATION TO USE FUNDS FOR THE
FOOD SOVEREIGNTY COMMITTEE**

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WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has established an Indigenous Food Sovereignty Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Indigenous Food Sovereignty Committee is provided full support from the Board of Directors and is authorized to serve in an advisory role; and

WHEREAS, the Food Sovereignty Committee seeks tribal member input to strengthen the recommendations provided to the Board of Directors; and


WHEREAS, the Food Sovereignty Committee wishes to distribute native/regional perennial plants and leverage the distribution to collect member input (voluntary responses) on how the committee can best serve the membership needs regarding Indigenous Food Sovereignty.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes up to \$10,000 for the plant distribution in FY 2024 from the Tribe's General Fund (Cost Center 1202) and authorizes an internal budget modification.


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

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RESOLUTION NO: 2024-112

**SMART FY 2024 SUPPORT FOR ADAM WALSH ACT
IMPLEMENTATION GRANT PROGRAM - APPLICATION**

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

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office of Sex Offender sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering (SMART) has funding available to assist states, the District of Columbia, territories and certain federally recognized Indian tribes with implementation and enhancement of requirements, programs, and projects under the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006, specifically Subtitle A of Title I, the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA); and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians has a compelling interest in promoting public safety and in the protection of Tribal sovereignty and Tribal jurisdiction over Tribal lands, Tribal enterprises, Tribal housing; and keep safe our tribal members, tribal employees and the general public visiting tribal lands; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is eligible to apply for the Implementation Grant in an amount of up to \$600,000, with no match required, for a grant period of 36 months to assist in the continuing compliance with SORNA; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians has elected, through passage of Tribal Resolution Number 2007-108, to participate, as a registration jurisdiction, in the National Sex Offender Registry system, as outlined in Section 127 of United States Public Law 109-248 (P.L. 109-248).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes Sault Tribe Law Enforcement to apply to the SMART Office for the SMART FY 2024 Adam Walsh Act Implementation Grant Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Austin Lowes, Tribal Chairman, or his 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.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, as Chairman and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13

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members, of whom 12 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 23 day of April 2024; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 11 members for, 0 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.



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RESOLUTION NO: 2024-113

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE BID FOR
DESIGN OF MAKE UP AIR UNITS FOR TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER**

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WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe Health Division wishes to pursue updating the existing Sault Tribe Health Centers Make Up Air Units to modernize the system and continue provide a safe, healthy, and controlled environment for patients and staff; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe Health Division, has identified a qualified contractor to perform design of the new makeup Air Units for the Sault Tribal Health Center and wish to engage in a contractual agreement for these services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby approves recommended contractor; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Board of Directors authorizes the Chairman of the Tribe or his designee to negotiate, amend and execute the agreement with selected contractor on behalf of the Tribe.

CERTIFICATION

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RESOLUTION NO: 2024-114

**AWARD CONTRACT TO BONACCI CONTRACTING
FOR
ODENAANG STORM SEWER CATCH BASIN PROJECT**

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WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended; and

WHEREAS, bids were solicited for this work, and it has been determined that Bonacci Contracting is the lowest and most qualified bidder.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors hereby approves the award of Odenaang Catch Basin Project to Bonacci Contracting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves \$53,889.14 for construction.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorize Austin Lowes, Tribal Chairman or his designee, to negotiate, execute and amend any documents resulting therefrom on the Tribe's behalf on a contract between the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and Bonacci Contracting, for General Contracting Services for Odenaang Catch Basin Project, and authorizes expenditures from BIA Tribal Transportation Program funds, Cost Center # 2932.

CERTIFICATION

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RESOLUTION NO: 2024-115

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE 2023 KEWADIN CASINOS GAMING
AUTHORITY AUDIT**

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors hereby accepts and approves the 2023 Kewadin Casinos Audit, which includes the Downstate Developments, as accepted by the Audit Committee, on April 11, 2024.

CERTIFICATION

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RESOLUTION NO: 2024-116

ACCEPTANCE OF THE 2023 KEWADIN CASINOS AUDIT

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors hereby accepts and approves the 2023 Northern Kewadin Casinos Audit as accepted by the Audit Committee, on April 11, 2024.

CERTIFICATION

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**AWARD A CONTRACT TO BAKER TILLY US, LLP
FOR ARPA RELATED COMPLIANCE SERVICES**

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WHEREAS, the Tribe presents yearly audited financial statements in compliance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"), and Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statements and Interpretations for governmental entities; and

WHEREAS, as of December 31, 2023 the tribe has been awarded \$235,427,629 in ARPA funding which have specific guidelines that are constantly being amended per the US Department of Treasury.

BE IT RESOLVED, the tribe wishes to enter into a Master Services Agreement, with a term of up to three years with Baker Tilly US, LLP for ARPA, Accounting and Compliance Services, fees not to exceed \$100,000.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Chairman to execute all documents needed to engage the accounting services of Baker Tilly US, LLP, and authorizes the CFO and/or the Executive Director to utilize the current ARPA funding budgeted in Governmental Admin. (Cost Center #12291) to pay for this service.

CERTIFICATION

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**ESTABLISHING PROTECTION OF OUR FIRST
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WHEREAS, Anishinaabe izhitwaawin, ways of thinking and being, includes a de-centralized view of human beings who are not on top of an evolutionary hierarchy, but rather dependent upon the older wiser More Than Human Relatives that our first ancestral family created before the human beings; and

WHEREAS, the rest of Creation precedes Anishinaabeg and have stood up for Anishinaabeg ensuring our survival through their gifts as the youngest siblings in a large family of relational existence, Anishinaabe izhitwaawin; and

WHEREAS, Rights of More Than Human Relatives are based upon their own inherent value beyond function of their ecological services and responsibilities to human beings; and

WHEREAS, the 7th generations of More Than Human Relatives need be taken into consideration when decisions are made that affect their habitat, populations, and wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, all More Than Human Relatives are considered by the Anishinaabe people to be gifts from the Creator or Great Spirit and continue to provide ecological services and responsibilities to sustain according to Natural Law; and

WHEREAS, we engage reciprocity as a foundational tenet of Anishinaabe izhitwaawin and give back through our inherent role of stewardship for our More Than Human Relatives as the Indigenous peoples; and

WHEREAS, More Than Human Relatives continue to provide important staple nutrition in the diets of Native peoples. More Than Human Relative's food relationships are a central element of the culture, heritage, and history of the Anishinaabe people, and are an integral part of the ecosystems and natural communities of our inherent lands; and

WHEREAS, we have a treaty responsibility of stewardship to ensure More Than Human Relatives can continue the ecological services and responsibilities they provide to their More Than Human community relations as well as those ecological services they gift to the human beings; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians holds inherent stewardship over our inherent lands, waters, and air; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has no federal trust responsibility or legal authority to regulate tribal citizens' harvest rights under federal treaties or the Congressional act granting limited civil or criminal jurisdiction under Public Law 83-280 (18 U.S.C. § 1162, 28 U.S.C. § 1360); and


WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians regulates harvest of our territories and retains jurisdictional sovereignty as steward to our inherent lands, minerals, waters, and air; and

WHEREAS, More Than Human Relatives and the habitats within which they thrive are threatened by various practices, and we recognize that to protect our more than human relatives and our people, we must secure highest protection through the recognition of legal rights, and call upon the bands of the Anishinaabeg Nation, and other relevant federations, commissions, and government entities, to secure and protect the legal rights of More Than Human Relatives and our peoples; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians now establishes the Rights of More than Human Relatives and operate in a manner not to threaten and endanger the clean, freshwater and land resources and necessary habitats for More than Human Relatives, and take the steps to conduct business in a way necessary to protect More than Human Relatives including winged, swimmers, insects, plants, 4-legged, fresh water, air, mineral and land as part of our treaty foods and foundational relationships for future generations of Anishinaabeg.

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