

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
KEWADIN CASINO AND CONVENTION CENTER
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN
MINUTES
May 2, 2017**

The meeting was opened at 6:06 p.m. by Chairperson Payment.

Present: Dennis McKelvie, DJ Hoffman, Kim Gravelle, Jennifer McLeod, Michael McKerchie, Lana Causley, Catherine Hollowell, Bridgett Sorenson, Keith Massaway, Denise Chase, Darcy Morrow, and Aaron Payment.

Absent: Anita Nelson.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director McLeod, to excuse Director Nelson from the meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director McLeod, supported by Director Massaway, to approve the agenda as read with the additions.

Motion carried unanimously.

Without objection, will take the resolution Amending Ch. 21 off the agenda. No objections.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Chase, to table the resolution regarding the JKL Middle School Loan until all information is presented/sent.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors Chase, Sorenson, Causley, Massaway, Hollowell, Morrow approving; Directors Hoffman, McLeod, Gravelle, McKerchie opposing. Director McKelvie was out of the room.

Moved by Director Hollowell, supported by Director Causley, to table the resolution regarding the JKL Middle School Construction Contract to the next available workshop.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors Hollowell, Massaway, Chase, Sorenson, Morrow, Causley approving; Directors Hoffman, Gravelle, McLeod, McKerchie, McKelvie opposing.

Moved by Director Hollowell, supported by Director Morrow, to extend the suspension of the Great Lakes Conservation Committee by 30 days.

Motion carried with Director McKelvie opposing.

Moved by Director Causley, supported by Director Hollowell, to change the May 16 meeting date to May 22, 2017.

Motion carried with Directors Morrow, Sorenson, McLeod, Chase opposing.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director McLeod, to approve Res. 2017-73, Farm to School Grant Establishment of 2017 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 2017 budget for Farm to School with Other Revenue monies \$326.15. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Moved by Director Causley, supported by Director Hollowell, to approve Res. 2017-74, Education-Youth Education & Activities FY 2017 Budget Modification.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2017 budget modification to Youth Education & Activities for a decrease in Tribal Support monies of \$787.55.

Motion carried with Director McKelvie opposing.

Moved by Director Causley, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2017-75, Inland Fish & Wildlife FY 2017 Budget Modification and Request to Establish FY 2017 Budget for Secretive Marshbirds.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2017 budget modification to Inland Fish & Wildlife for an increase in Federal BIA monies of \$42,617.80. No effect on Tribal Support.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians approves the establishment of a FY 2017 budget for Secretive Marshbirds with Other Revenue monies of \$25,350.44. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2017-76, Michigan Indian Elders Association Delegate Appointment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians reappoints Brenda Garries of St. Ignace, Michigan, for a two year period, expiring May 2019, as MIEA Delegate representing the Elders of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. She will exercise the duties as outlined in the MIEA Bylaws.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Sorenson, supported by Director Hollowell, to approve Res. 2017-77, Michigan Indian Elders Association Alternate Delegate Appointment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians reappoints Anita Nelson of Munising, Michigan, for a two year period, expiring May 2019, as MIEA Alternate Delegate representing the Elders of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. She will exercise the duties as outlined in the MIEA Bylaws.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve Res. 2017-78, Trust Land Status Lot 21, Block B, Everett and Eveland's Subdivision Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa County Michigan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors hereby requests that the Secretary of Interior accept title to the following parcel of land in trust for the benefit of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians on behalf of the Tribe:

Land situated in the City of Sault Ste. Marie, County of Chippewa, Michigan

Lot 21, Block B, Everett and Eveland's Subdivision, according to the plat recorded in

Liber 1 of Plats, page 31, Chippewa County Records.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the parcel to be acquired is to be used to accommodate school grounds expansion and is not intended for gaming purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Interior is hereby requested to declare said lands to be part of the Reservation of the "Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians" under 25 U.S.C. Section 467.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes its Chairperson and Treasurer to execute any documents and take any further action on behalf of the Tribe as maybe necessary to complete such conveyance.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve Res. 2017-79, Trust Land Status Township of Sugar Island Chippewa County Michigan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors hereby requests that the Secretary of Interior accept title to the following parcel of land in trust for the benefit of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians on behalf of the Tribe:

Land situated in the Township of Sugar Island, County of Chippewa, Michigan
the East 330 feet of the Northwest ¼ of the Northeast ¼, Section 19, Town 47North,
Range 2 East.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the parcel to be acquired is to be used to increase land base and is not intended for gaming purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Interior is hereby requested to declare said lands to be part of the Reservation of the "Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians" under 25 U.S.C. Section 467.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes its Chairperson and Treasurer to execute any documents and take any further action on behalf of the Tribe as maybe necessary to complete such conveyance.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Massaway, supported by Director Sorenson, to approve Res. 2017-80, Authorization to Apply for Eastern Upper Peninsula 2017 Community Development Mini-Grants Program.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Tribe, or his designee, is authorized to execute and or amend all documents relating to the grant application and subsequent award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Aaron A. Payment, Tribal Chairperson, or his duly authorized designees, are authorized to sign, negotiate, amend, or rescind any agreement thereto.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve Res. 2017-81, Accepting a Donation of Land from Denise Jones.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes its Chairperson and the Treasurer of the Tribe or their designated staff members to negotiate and execute any documents necessary to accept the donated parcel (lot) of land Property I.D. Number: 051-563-004-00 from Denise Jones in order to establish increased land base.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director McKelvie, to approve Res. 2017-82, Authorization to Purchase Real Estate Parcels from Chippewa County Treasurer One Lot.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes its Chairperson and the Treasurer of the Tribe, or their designated staff members, to negotiate and execute any documents necessary to purchase of the following parcels of land, adjacent to tribal trust, at a price not to exceed the amount discussed in the workshop on 4/24/17, plus any legal and closing costs for the following parcels: Property Tax ID # 051-563-010-00 (One Lot).

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve Res. 2017-83, Authorization to Purchase Real Estate Parcels Adjacent to Trust Land (Three Lots).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes its Chairperson and the Treasurer of the Tribe, or their designated staff members, to negotiate and execute any documents necessary to purchase of the following parcels of land, adjacent to tribal trust, at a price not to exceed the amount discussed in the workshop on 4/24/17, plus any legal and closing costs for the following parcels: Property Tax ID # 051-563-001-00 (Three Lots).

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve the resolution regarding amending Ch. 20-Co-Captain Regulations.

Roll Call Vote: Motion denied, with Directors Massaway, McKerchie, Gravelle, Hoffman, McLeod, McKelvie approving; Directors Causley, Morrow, Sorenson, Chase, Hollowell opposing. This vote needed to be approved by a vote of 7 to be amended.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2017-84, Two-Percent Long Term Agreement St. Ignace Fire Station Unit Three.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby allocates \$50,000.00 of Long Term Two-Percent to the City of St. Ignace in Unit Three for the St. Ignace Fire Station beginning in the Fall of 2017 and ending five years thereafter; and directs the Chairperson to effectuate the attached agreement.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors Gravelle, McLeod, McKerchie, Sorenson, Hoffman, McKelvie, Massaway approving; Directors Morrow, Hollowell, Causley, Chase opposing.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to appoint Jerry Garries to the Unit 3 Elders Subcommittee, as an alternate, for a four year term, expiring May 2021.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Causley, supported by Director Hoffman, to reappoint Lou Anne Bush to the Cultural Committee for a four year term, expiring May 2021 and to appoint Helen Wilkins to the Cultural Committee, if there is a woman's seat vacant, for a four year term, expiring May 2021.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director McKelvie, supported by Director Massaway, to accepted the recommendation of the Special Needs Enrollment Committee and relinquish Amy L. Fluette Spear from the Tribe.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director McKelvie, supported by Director McLeod, to accept the recommendation of the Special Needs Enrollment Committee and relinquish Cherie C. Leece from the Tribe.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Hoffman, to donate to the National Indian Head Start Director's 27th Annual Conference \$1,000 to come out of the Board of Directors budget.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director McKelvie, supported by Director Massaway, to refer the Organizational Chart to the Executive Director to the next workshop.

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned: 7:34 p.m.

Date: 5-22-17 Secretary: Bridgett Sorenson

Others present: John Wernet, Bill Connolly, Jess Dumback, Aaron Schlehuber, Tom Gorenflo, Bob Marchand, Latisha Willette, Russ McKerchie, Joanne Carr.