Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewas

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
December 21, 2010
4:30 p.m. Bingo Hall

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Marvin Defoe, Vice Chairman.

ROLL CALL:
Rose Soulier, Absent
Marvin Defoe, Present
Laura Gordon, Present
Dennis Soulier, Present
Mike Gurnoe, Present
Larry Deragon, Present
Jeanne Gordon, Present
Ray DePerry, Present (4:45 pm)
Jim Pete, Present
Quorum

In attendance: Jeff Gordon, General Manager, Ron Jack, Project Coordinator and community members. Rose Soulier is taking care of family business and will not be here this evening.

AGENDA
Add under #11) Interior Design Selection, #18) Other – Appoint Joe Bresette to the Richard Gurnoe Villa Board of Directors. Delete e) Evaluation under Executive Session. Dennis Soulier moved to approve amended agenda. Seconded by Larry Deragon. Motion carried. The interview for CFO will be rescheduled as it was cancelled.

OPENING CEREMONY
Opening ceremony was performed by Frank Montano. There was a moment of silence observed for Bob Chelberg Sr. sympathy was extended to the family.

COMMUNITY INPUT/ANNOUNCEMENTS
There are a lot of turkeys left. You can stop at the Tribal office for a coupon and pick them up at the Food Distribution building.

Question was asked if there is any more venison for the elders, they ran out. There is some venison at the Food Shelf and the Wardens do have some. There will be no hunting until February of 2011. This is to be followed up on.

Jim Pete moved to open up the turkeys to other Tribal Members and Tribal Employees that reside outside the reservation. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried. This will be on a first come first served basis.

Council member Jeanne Gordon commended the Elderly Program and staff for the Christmas gathering yesterday the food was excellent and everyone received presents. It was well attended and very well done.
A question was asked who pays for the street lights? The Tribe does.

A compliant was expressed regarding the bright lights coming into Red Cliff by Bresette Hill Road, it blinds people. Vice Chair stated this will be followed up on.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**


**CASINO REPORT**
General Manager Jeff Gordon stated that the casino and marketing have been working with the Elderly program on a new project. Every other Friday starting January 7th at noon there will be soup and sandwich for the Elderly participants, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm there will be quarter bingo with all proceeds going back to the elders. The program is intended for the elders to get out and socialize with one another, they do not have to stay and play bingo. Brigette thanked the casino and this will be a wonderful opportunity to offer a meal twice a month for the elders. Transportation will be available for those who need a ride by calling Bruce Topping.

Mike Gurnoe moved to go into Executive Session for Casino Financial Reports. Seconced by Ray DePerry. Motion carried. Tribal members can stay for this portion of the meeting.

Dennis Soulier moved to return to Regular Session. Seconced by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.


**COMPLIANCE REPORT**
Carol Cameron gave a oral report on what she has been working on which is the new system for the ticket in and ticket out, procedures, policies have to be drafted for this program. The final draft will be given to the Council once it is completed for approval.

Regarding the Commission level Carol is responding to the Memo dated November 17th from NIGC in reference to amending the Notice of Violation and feels this is an important issue. There have been consultation meetings held on a government to government basis but they have been held in different States making it difficult to attend due to expenses. These trainings are usually only for one day.

We are moving ahead on Chapter 17, there is one hold up, “should a Council member be allowed to serve on the Gaming Commission and vice versa, this topic is under discussion.”
NIGC has not requested a separation of powers on this and legal previously brought this before the Council. Once an Ordinance is approved it is posted for 30 days for comments.

We will be discussing with the General Manager the possibility of IT Dept. coming under the umbrella of the Gaming Commission and segregating the duties. The position would still be paid under the Tribe but be a different department. This was a finding by the auditors.

There were 63 machines tested on the floor with three different audits that occurred. The TICS, policies and procedures need to be in place and in written form. They will go to the Gaming Commission, legal and then to Tribal Council for approval. Jeff stated the Oneida machines were never scheduled for this floor, everything for the ticket in and out has to be in place before it is implemented in the system. We had hoped to have it up and running by January 1st but it will not be until all regulations are followed and completed. Council member Laura J. Gordon stated a part time compliance person needs to be hired to assist Carol especially once the new place is open.

Jim Pete moved to approve the Compliance Report. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

**GAMING COMMISSION REPORT**

Thomas Jeffords stated he would like to resign as Chairman of the Gaming Commission but stay on as a member. He is getting too busy with the Law Enforcement department. He will have this in written form and will give it to Laura.

The Commission gets reports by the Surveillance Department on incidents. The incidents are way down now that Management receives the report electronically and daily. Tom feels Carol Gordon will be an asset to the Commission.

Ray DePerry moved to approve the Gaming Commission Report. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

**CASINO/HOTEL UPDATE**

A Summary Report was given by Ron Jack, Project Coordinator. Question was asked when the concrete will be completed, Ron feels within two weeks. Discussed the over spending on the budget which is due to the attorney fee’s which should lessen soon as all the contracts are signed and in place.

Marvin Defoe stated that starting with the January 2011 Council Meeting Taylor Woodstone will be available to answer any questions the Council or community may have on the project.

Interior Design selections Twelve names were submitted to submit: Melonee Montano, Susie Bear, Julie Erickson (non-member), Britney Gokee (High School), Nora Cadotte, Julie Gordon, Carolyn Gouge’, Gretchen Morris, Mame Babineau , Frank Montano, Laura Armagost and Bob Bear. Excluded to the list was Julie Erickson due to she is a non-tribal member. Dennis Soulier
moved to appoint all eleven to the Interior Design Committee. Seconded by Jim Pete. I opposed (Jeanne Gordon). Motion carried. A schedule of meetings will be established by the first part of February.

OLD BUSINESS

AMENDMENT
Larry Deragon moved to approve the Amendment to the 2011 Joint Program Plan between Bayfield County Sheriff’s Office and Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

BUSINESS LICENSE
Larry Deragon moved to approve Business License for Jean Defoe as a Avon Rep. Seconded by Ray Deperry. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve the Business License for Duwayne Soulier Memorial Auxiliary Post 8239. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Larry Deragon moved to approve the Business License for Duwayne Soulier FW Post 8239. Seconded by Ray DePerry. A letter was received from Mary and Ken Defoe, and will be noted for the record. 1 abstention (Jim Pete). Motion carried.

RATIFY COUNCIL POLL
Mike Gurnoe moved to ratify the Council poll of 12/14/10A regarding Declaration of taking action with Tribal Court. Seconded by Larry Deragon. Motion carried.

TENANT ASSOCIATION
Jeanne Gordon moved to table. Seconded by Ray DePerry. Motion carried.

2011 BENEFIT RENEWAL RECOMMENDATION INSURANCE
Rick Wygonik explained the 12% increase to the insurance plan for single and family rates. The recommendation is to stay with the Security Health Plan, Dental and Life insurance is the same with no increase.

Larry Deragon moved to approve the new rate increase of 12% with Security Health Plan (Single at $670 and Family at $1835 for the year with the increase.) Seconded by Dennis Soulier. A suggestion was made to have the Chair and Vice Chair establish a team to look at crunching numbers and other options that are available for the coming year. Motion carried.

OTHER
Dennis Soulier moved to appoint Joe Bresette to the Richard Gurnoe Villa Board of Directors. Seconded by Larry Deragon. Motion carried.
Larry Deragon moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Ray DePerry. Motion carried.

Mike Gurnoe moved to return to Regular Session. Seconded by Larry Deragon. Motion carried.

Jeanne Gordon moved to approve Carol Basina with Ruby Basina as alternate for the Community Nutrition Educator position. Seconded by Ray DePerry. 1 abstention (Dennis Soulier). Motion carried.

Jeanne Gordon moved to approve Adam Zak with Luke Wozniak as alternate for the Law Enforcement Officer position. Seconded by Ray DePerry. Motion carried.

Dennis Soulier moved to approve recommendation of the Board for Anna Carlson with Laura Banning as the 1st alternate and Leslie Broad as the 2nd alternate for the Pediatric Nurse Practitioner position. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Mike Gurnoe moved to approve Bernadette Rock as the AODA Residential Treatment Coordinator (night). Seconded by Jim Pete. Motion carried.

Check the posting period on the EPA position.

Jim Pete moved to adjourn. Seconded by Larry Deragon. Motion carried. Adjourned: 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: ATTEST:

Kathy Hanson Laura J. Gordon, Secretary
Recording Secretary Red Cliff Tribal Council