

# Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

January 13, 2014

2:30 p.m. at Legendary Waters Resort and Casino, Grand Ballroom

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Rose Soulier at 2:30 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Rose Soulier, Present

Nathan Gordon, Present

Laura J. Gordon, Present

Dennis Soulier, Present

Jeanne Gordon, Present

Marvin Defoe, Present

Bryan Bainbridge, Present

Mike Gurnoe, Present

Steven Boyd, Present

Quorum

In attendance: Dave Ujke, Tribal Attorney, and Community members

### AGENDA

Added "Appoint two (2) members to the Library Board".

Added "Ratify Council Poll pertaining to support of the Red Cliff Child support comprehensive plan with corrections." to Other.

Added "Red Cliff Legal representation for deer night hunting appeal" to Other.

Dennis Soulier moved to approve the agenda with changes. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

Mike Gurnoe moved to return back into Regular Session. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

### OPENING CEREMONY

Opening Ceremony was performed by Jim Pete. Condolences to Leo LaFernier, Sr. family. Rose Soulier stated that the Tribal Council will inform the community when funeral arrangements are confirmed, they will also notify other tribes.

Steven Boyd moved to hire Star Ames for the Project Assistant/Case Manager, The Mino-Ayaa Miikana (The Art of Living A Good Life Program). Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. (1 contrary: Marvin Defoe). Motion carried

Dennis Soulier moved to hire Lisa Cadotte for the Care Manager – Red and Green Teams. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

#### **TRIBAL INTERNET GAMING ALLIANCE (TIGA) PRESENTATION**

Duane Chapman, Project Manager for Shullsburg Gaming Development, gave overview of materials presented to Council. He asked if Red Cliff had an interest in being involved. The Treaty Association is still in its infancy and need three tribes involved to begin work. It was discussed that Lac Du Flambeau is currently running a free play website where no cash is involved. Questions were asked regarding safeguards to ensure players are of legal age and on-reservation. Duane stated that he was aware of various software tracking systems that are capable of this. The Tribal Council asked to have additional information specifically data from the Lac Du Flambeau free play site to see the amount of play and/or success. Duane stated there is a meeting on January 17th and more questions may be answered there. It was also explained that even if the tribe agrees to participate, they may discontinue their involvement if they choose to in the future. No action was taken. The Council would like to acquire Legal, Gaming Commission and community opinion before a decision is made. Duane stated that he is willing to come back and present the idea to the community.

#### **MINUTES**

Marvin Defoe moved to approve the November 26, 2013 meeting minutes with corrections. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

Marvin Defoe moved to approve the December 2, 2013 meeting minutes with corrections. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

Steven Boyd moved to approve the December 3, 2013 meeting minutes with corrections. Seconded by Nathan Gordon.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to table the December 17, 2013 meeting minutes for clarification. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Discussion: Jeanne Gordon asked if the hospitality tax conforming resolution and the Chapter 17 conforming resolution were completed. Dave Ujke will look into this and get back to the Council as soon as possible. Motion carried.

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the December 23, 2013 meeting minutes with corrections. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

Steven Boyd moved to approve the December 30, 2013 meeting minutes with corrections. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

#### **COMMUNITY COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A thank you card was read from Linda Barnes.

### **TREASURERS REPORT**

No report was available due to staff absences and holiday break. Dennis Soulier will bring back to the next Regular Council meeting.

Laura J. Gordon moved to table the report until the first meeting in February. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

### **INDIRECT RATE PROPOSAL**

Dennis Soulier stated that the proposal was not complete. He was awaiting additional information from Diane Peterson. He mentioned a Fringe Cost Pool option that was suggested by Midwest Professionals. He will bring put on the January 21, 2013 agenda.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **UTILITIES COMMISSION REPORT (TABLED FROM 12/3/13 AND 12/17/13)**

Bob Bear and Ed Singular gave an update on the Utilities Commission activities. There was a discussion on arrears on water and sewer. Many people do not pay in the winter since they cannot be cut off. Bob wanted a policy change from Council to prevent this from happening.

The commission does not have a minute taker at this time and has had difficulty completing the minutes. The Council instructed Ed to assign a staff member this duty. Discussion had on the importance of meeting minutes.

Jeanne Gordon moved to mandate the Utilities Commission to provide all meeting minutes from previous meetings where stipends were given. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

Marvin Defoe asked if all department vehicles were insured. Rose Soulier stated that inventory is currently being done and this issue should be resolved soon. There was a question if all tribal vehicles were to have tribal plates, no sure if action was made on this in the past.

Mike Gurnoe moved to approve the report. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

#### **APPROVAL OF THE DONATION OF PTO POLICY**

Steven Boyd moved to approve the policy. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Discussion: Dennis Soulier asked that this policy be instituted for tribal employees also. Council will instruct Rick Wygonik to have a draft by the next regular meeting. Motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **APPROVAL OF PRESS RELEASE FOR LAKE SUPERIOR BARRELS PROJECT (NALEMP)**

Some corrections to be made.

Steven Boyd moved to approve the press release. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

The NALEMP Committee will keep the Tribal Council updated and may host an event in March to celebrate the projects accomplishments.

**APPROVAL OF ECC POLICIES AND PROVEDURES**

Dennis Soulier asked that Page 9 "Emergency Closing Policy" be revised to state that ECC does not need to report to work if the Tribe is closed only, not Bayfield School.

Dennis Soulier moved to approve with corrections. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO OFFICE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT**

Marvin Defoe moved to approve Resolution 1/13/14A. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF SUPPORTIVE HOUSING MOU/RESOLUTION**

Dave Ujke stated that this had been reviewed by Wade Williams.

Steven Boyd moved to approve the Supportive Housing MOU. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Steven Boyd moved to approve Resolution 1/13/14B. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO TRIBAL MEMBER RELINQUISHMENT**

Jeanne Gordon moved to approve Resolution 1/13/14C relinquishment of Michael A. Gordon. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

Michael A. Gordon was approved for enrollment in Bad River.

**APPROVAL OF CHAPTER 7 – COMMERICAL FISHING REGULATIONS**

No comments were received. Council would like the fee amounts removed from the document.

Dennis Soulier moved to approve the revisions of Chapter 7 with the additional change of omitting 1-3 of 7.20.5(f) "docking fees". Seconded by Marvin Defoe. (1-abstention Bryan Bainbridge) Motion carried.

**OTHER**

**APPOINT (2) LIBRARY BOARD MEMBERS**

Laura J. Gordon moved to appoint Elizabeth Bodin and Jesse Bresette to the Library Board. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

**RATIFY COUNCIL POLL**

Jeanne Gordon moved to ratify poll pertaining to support of the Red Cliff Child support comprehensive plan with corrections. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

**DEER NIGHT HUNTING APPEAL**

Milt is unable to continue representing Red Cliff in the case. A recommendation from Legal to authorize Colette Routel and Dave Ujke to represent Red Cliff in the appeal.

Marvin Defoe moved to authorize Colette Routel and Dave Ujke to serve as Counsel of Record in night hunting appeal.

Nathan Gordon moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

Dennis Soulier moved to return back into Regular Session. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

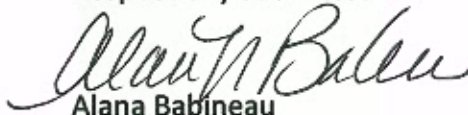
Laura J. Gordon moved to eliminate the position of the Executive Director of Gaming Commission and to have Legal Amend Chapter 17 in the Ordinance and also to have the Gaming Commission assign Supervision over Compliance and Surveillance Departments, effective February 1, 2014. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

Nathan Gordon moved to adjourn. Seconded by Marvin Defoe. Motion carried.

Adjourned: 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Alana Babineau  
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:



Laura J. Gordon, Secretary  
Red Cliff Tribal Council