Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
February 24, 2015
Legendary Waters Grand Ballroom

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Bryan Bainbridge, Vice-Chairperson.

ROLL CALL
Rose Soulier, absent (sick)
Bryan Bainbridge, Present
Laura J. Gordon, Present
Dennis Soulier, Present, (Excused at 7:05 p.m.)
Quorum

Mike Gurnoe, Present
Steven Boyd, Present
Chris Boyd, Present
Jeanne Gordon, Present
Marvin Defoe, Present

In Attendance: Dave Ujke, Red Cliff Tribal Attorney, Wade Williams, Red Cliff Assistant Attorney, Rick Petersen, Tribal CFO, Legendary Waters Staff and Community members.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Dennis Soulier moved to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO APOSTLE ISLAND AREA COMMUNITY FUND FOR MINO BIMAADIZIIWIN GITIGAANING FARM
Dennis Soulier moved to approve the Resolution 2/24/15A pertaining to the Apostle Island Area Community Fund for the Mino Bimaadiziwin Gitigaaning Farm with corrections. Seconded by Marvin Defoe. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO APOSTLE ISLAND AREA COMMUNITY FUND FOR THE GOOD PATH YOUTH CULTURE PROJECT
Chris Boyd moved to approve the Resolution 2/24/15B pertaining to the Apostle Island Area Community Fund for the Good Path Youth Culture Project with corrections. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE LIBRARY APPLICATION TO THE APOSTLE ISLAND COMMUNITY FUND FOR CULTURE EDUCATION PROJECT
Dennis Soulier moved to approve the Resolution 2/24/15C pertaining to the Library application to the Apostle Island Community Fund for Culture Education Project. Seconded by Marvin Defoe. Motion carried.
APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE ECC APPLICATION TO APOSTLE ISLAND COMMUNITY FUND FOR PLATFORM TENT
Marvin Defoe moved to approve the Resolution 2/24/15D pertaining to the ECC Application to the Apostle Island Community Fund for the Platform Tent. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.


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

Steven Boyd moved to approve the Legendary Waters Resort and Casino Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2014 with corrections. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

REFERENDUM DISCUSSION
Dave Ujke explained to Council and Community members his legal review of the Referendum Petition. He explained that the Council is not obligated to put this particular referendum out.

Chris Hicks was there from the Community and stated that he does not agree with the Tribal Attorney. He had read to the Council some of the Ordinance about the referendum, he had also read to Council on PL 280. He also stated that Obama made it known that Tribes have the right to grow Marijuana.

The referendum will be an advisory referendum not a mandatory one. The referendum does not bind the Tribal Council to take any action.

Council brought up to Chris, that the Council is not against the Referendum, all they are looking for is for Chris to clear up the language so it will be clear to the Membership. Chris will work with Dave Ujke on wording the language on the advisory referendum.

1837 MN FISHING TREATY
Dave Ujke had brought two questions for Tribal Council:
1. Is the Council in favor of removing language within the MN 37 Interim Fishery Management Plan that specifically sets out individual allocations amongst the Wisconsin Bands? The Tribal Council is in agreement with this.

2. Is the Council in favor of proposing that the experimental gillnet fishery on lakes over 1,000 acres (other than Mille Lacs) include provisions for commercial sale within the draft MN 37 Interim Fishery Management Plan? The Tribal Council response is No they are not in favor of this.
Jeanne Gordon moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Mike Gurnoe moved to return to Regular Session. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Steven Boyd moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

Adjourned: 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Laura J. Gordon
Red Cliff Tribal Council Secretary