

# Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

July 27, 2015

4:30 p.m. at Legendary Waters Grand Ballroom

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bryan Bainbridge at 4:30 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Bryan Bainbridge, Present  
Nathan Gordon, Present  
Laura J. Gordon, Present  
Krystle Topping, Present  
Quorum

Marvin Defoe, Present  
Jeanne Gordon, Present  
Steven Boyd, Present  
Chris Boyd, Present  
Daniel Duffy, Present

Also in attendance: Rick Peterson, Tribal CFO, Rob Goslin, Division Administrator Manager (DAM), Division Administrators, and Community members.

### AGENDA

Marvin Defoe moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

### QUARTERLY REPORTS

#### Tribal Chairperson

Rose Soulier is no longer the Tribal Chairperson, so there was no report given.

#### Vice Chairman

Chairperson Bryan Bainbridge read his report as he was still Vice-Chair at this time. He spoke of numerous meeting and the day to day meetings with staff and the community.

Chairperson Bainbridge met with Bob Davidson in regards to land issues. Looking to acquire more land for a possible assisted living facility for the elders. He would like to see the elders stay here on the reservation instead of going elsewhere.

Attended the Environmental Summit held at UW-Madison in March. Looking to get more of our youth interested in attending the UW-Madison school. He mentioned that this was the first time in 100 years that all the Tribes were represented.

Marvin Defoe moved to approve the Vice Chairman's third quarter report. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

## **Planner**

Ellen Kwiatkowski read her report and highlighted a few issues.

The Planning Department is still looking for the Tribal Planner. They will be doing interviews in August for this position.

Assisted 42 elders with various needs including but not limited to: transportation, air conditioners, rent, roofing, vehicle repairs and various items that they needed. This came out of the FCPC budget.

Chris Boyd moved to approve the Planner's third quarter report. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

## **Chief Financial Officer (CFO)**

Rick Petersen mentioned that the Financial Policy is outdated and needs to be fixed.

Hired a new IT Computer/System Analyst and he will be starting August 3, 2015.

The position of Compliance/Internal Auditor has been filled. She will be looking at ways to help the programs with the financials. She will also make sure that all the compliance issues are handled and settled correctly. She will also be monitoring the expenditures.

Jeanne Gordon moved to approve the Chief Financials third quarter report. Seconded by Krystle Topping. Motion carried.

## **Division Administrator Manager**

Rob Goslin started out by thanking the following people for all their dedication to this year's pow wow: Jeanne Gordon, Bob Powless, Lorna Gamble, Karen Wszalek, Bill Mertig, Steven Boyd, Chris Boyd, Nathan Gordon and Marvin Defoe. The pow wow was a big success this year!

Rob mentioned in this quarter that he had daily meetings with Rick Petersen, CFO, and meeting with the Chairperson. He also sat in on numerous interviews.

Rob also mentioned that in the past years the ECC has administered a Shares Program through the State of Wisconsin which allowed ECC to bill for Child Care services and received reimbursement. However, in 2014 the State of Wisconsin regulations had changed where by an administrating agency was no longer allowed to provide direct child care services, so that program has been transferred to the Family/Human Services Division.

Patty Deragon-Navarro mentioned that the clinic is in need of more trained staff. The clinic is always looking for individuals and hoping to get more members from our community with an interest.

Patty said that the Physical Therapy and the Optometry has started seeing patients.

Bill Mertig mentioned that the RCPD has had 2 ½ time more arrests/referrals to Bayfield County in a 3 year span than the neighboring cities.

The Police Department is continuing to look for more funding for the department.

Dee Gokee-Rindal started off by congratulating Krystle Topping on becoming the new Education Director. Krystle started this position on June 15, 2015.

Dee mentioned the many event accomplishments that have occurred within the past three months: Opening Ceremony of the Library, Honor Banquet, Kindergarten Screening and many others.

Bob Powless began by speaking about the meter project. Bob stated that there are still meters that need to be installed before they can start. Need to finish installing the billing software.

Bob also mentioned that the Clinic had an 11 month inspection and they found a hole in the pavement next to the guard rail. They have contacted Taylor Woodstone and are waiting to hear back from them.

Chad Abel spoke of the numerous meetings that he has attended with his staff. Chad is also working on and going through the data that was collected on the fish.

Nathan Gordon mentioned the Walleye video that was created. Chad explained that the video was done by Chase Meierotto. The video has become a great success.

Lorna Gamble mentioned that the domestic Violence program is still under staffed and that the job is posted.

She mentioned that the Child Support Agency is currently working on revising the child support code. Also, 7 more cases transferred over from Bayfield County.

The Youth Center is doing more activities and this includes: movie night, soccer skills camp, Fire Department tour, and weekly Mother Nature touring.

Steven Boyd moved to approve the Division Administrator Manager's third quarter report. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

#### **Utilities Commission**

Bob Bear said the water & sewer increase will be in effect on August 1, 2015. Each household received a letter in the mail stating this increase and also it was highlighted on the monthly bill.

The collections have been getting better with the collection attempts. Still need more revenue to come in monthly to cover the waste water treatment plant.

Marvin Defoe moved to approve the Utilities Commission third quarter report. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF LEGENDARY WATERS 2015 BUDGET**

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve Legendary Waters 2015 Budget. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

**OTHER**

Krystle Topping made a motion to have the Legal Department be included in the Quarterly reports. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

Laura J. Gordon moved to adjourn. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

Adjourned 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

  
Cheri Defoe  
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

  
Laura J. Gordon, Secretary  
Red Cliff Tribal Council