

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewas

SPECIAL MEETING

July 25th, 2016

4:30 p.m. Legendary Waters, Buffalo Bay Grand Ballroom

ROLL CALL

Bryan Bainbridge, Present

Nathan Gordon, Present

Mercie A. Gordon, Present

Krystle Topping, Present @ 4:38 p.m.

Daniel Duffy, Present

Steven Boyd, Present

Jeanne Gordon, Present @ 4:32 p.m.

Antone Basina, Present

Chris Boyd, Present

Quorum

Chairman Bryan Bainbridge called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Others present: Dave Ujke, Tribal Attorney; Lisa Bissell, Interim CFO; Division Administrators and community members.

AGENDA

Added: "RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE INDIAN LAND TENURE FOUNDATION, SPECIAL INITIATIVES GRANT APPLICATION"

Added: "OPENING CEREMONY" after Agenda.

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the amended agenda. Seconded by Krytle Topping. Motion carried.

OPENING CEREMONY

Opening ceremony performed by Jim Pete. Condolences were expressed for the recent passing of a community member.

QUARTERLY REPORTS

CHAIRMAN:

Chairman Bainbridge highlighted various meetings and initiatives/events he was involved with the past quarter. He expressed his appreciation to membership, Tribal Council, and all staff that contribute to the betterment of the community.

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the Chairman Quarterly report. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

VICE CHAIRMAN:

Vice-Chairman Nathan Gordon gave an overview of his written report and noted the Chairman and Vice-Chairman currently share Division Administrator Manager duties as the position remains vacant. These duties include oversight of all 290 tribal employees.

Chris Boyd moved to approve the Vice-Chairman report. Seconded by Mercie Gordon. Motion carried.

PLANNER:

Ellen Kwiatkowski reported on activities conducted by the Planning Department during May 1, 2016 through July 31, 2016.

The Bay Area Rural Transit has received a new bus through their agreement with the State of Wisconsin DOT for service in Red Cliff. The bus was expected to be in line by April of this year, but is delayed due to BART staffing. Antone Basina asked why Red Cliff did not have its own dispatch office. Ellen stated there currently is not the need or there is not enough calls to justify having our own dispatch. The current agreement with BART provides dispatch as well as bus maintenance.

The department gives ongoing grant writing assistance and review to the Health, Treaty Natural Resources, Human/Family Services and Protective Services divisions. The department will also be purchasing Abila grants management software with will track/monitor the success rate of grant submissions.

Krystle Topping moved to accept the Planner quarterly report. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER:

Interim CFO, Lisa Bissell stated the audit was completed later than anticipated due to the Auditor needing additional time. Although, there was a slight delay, the audit was completed earlier than prior years. The Indirect Cost rates for FY2016 and FY2017 are expected to be approved by the end of this fiscal year. Krystle Topping noted there will be an update on the zero deficit plan at the Tribal Council retreat.

Steven Boyd moved to accept the CFO quarterly report. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR MANAGER/DIVISION REPORTS:

Health Division: Patty Deragon-Navarro stated the clinic is diligently searching for a physician to replace Dr. Lewis whom had resigned in June. The clinic had contracted with a recruitment firm to assist in this effort.

Patty Deragon-Navarro noted numerous events held during the quarter including the ZHV Baby Welcome and Tribal Lose Yourself in Health program. She also reported on a few staff changes and upcoming events.

Education Division:

Dee Gokee-Rindal reported on the accomplishments and meetings attended by Education Division staff. In April, Dee attended the Summit on Disproportionality in Green Bay where it was discovered that Bayfield School is back on the Disproportionality list.

She also announced the ECC Summer gathering will be held this week followed by ECC graduation on Thursday, July 28th.

Family/Human Services:

Jeremy McClain was hired and began work as the Family/Human Services Division Administrator in early May. All reports from Program Directors were included in the report. A number of projects are underway to improve relationships within the division and streamline budget processes. Jeanne Gordon asked if programs have spending plans. Jeremy stated he would be regularly meeting with program directors before the next monthly Treasurer's report.

Treaty Natural Resources:

Chad Abel presented the TNR quarterly report and highlighted a few projects: The Summer Youth Interns will be giving their presentation the second week of August. The walleye ponds restoration will begin soon and Duffy's Dock restoration is complete.

Nathan Gordon suggested the Division submit an article for the Tribal newsletter.

Facilities Management:

Robert Powless listed the projects worked on in the past months. A meeting will be scheduled with Administration to discuss issues.

Protective Services:

Chief William Mertig was not present. Krystle Topping asked that this report be given at the next meeting.

Krystle Topping moved to accept the DAM/Division report. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

UTILITIES COMMISSION

No report was given. A discussion was had on whether this report is needed annually or quarterly. This agreed that report should be given before the new rates are implemented. No action taken.

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

Tribal Attorney Ujke gave an overview of activities involving County/Tribal Zoning issues, fee land and tax issues and IT policy. He also noted much of the work the Legal Department is involved in cannot be discussed in open session.

Nathan Gordon moved to accept the Legal Department quarterly report. Seconded by Mercie Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO INDIAN LAND TENURE FOUNDATION, SPECIAL INITIATIVES GRANT

The project will contribute to the overarching goal of securing important traditional hunting and gathering lands in reservation wilderness areas, as identified in the Tribe's Land Repatriation Plan.

Steven Boyd moved to approve Resolution 07/25/16A. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Nathan Gordon moved to adjourn. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Alana Babineau
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:



Mercie Gordon, Secretary
Red Cliff Tribal Council