Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewas

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
February 6, 2017
4:30 p.m. Legendary Waters, Buffalo Bay Grand Ballroom

ROLL CALL
Bryan Bainbridge, Present
Nathan Gordon, Present
Mercie Gordon, Present
Krystle Topping, Present
Daniel Duffy, Present
Jeanne Gordon, Present
Antone Basina, Present
Chris Boyd, Present
Steven Boyd, Present
Quorum

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

Others present: David Ujke - Tribal Attorney, Desiree Livingston – Assistant CFO, Mark Duffy – Chief Warden and community members.

AGENDA
Added January 25, 2017 minutes for approval.

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the amended agenda. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

OPENING CEREMONY
Opening prayer by Clarissa Bressette. Honor song by Buffalo Bay Singers.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS
Marvin Defoe spoke of the Bayfield School Band fundraising event intended to earn funds for a trip to New York City in April. He will be donating a birch bark art piece he created that depicts the Symbolic Petition of Chippewa Chief, presented at Washington in 1849. He encouraged the Tribal Council and community to bid on the piece and participate in the Winter Gala event. Antone Basina stated Legendary Waters has made a donation to the event. The Council will consider and discuss placing a bid on the piece.

Share the Care Conference to be hosted by Red Cliff this year at Legendary Waters on February 10-12th.

Red Cliff Annual Traditional Pow Wow is scheduled for June 30 through July 2, 2017.

Red Cliff Days is scheduled for September 1-3, 2017.

Transportation Alliance for New Solutions (TrANS) – FREE Road Construction Training Program Open House will be held at Legendary Waters on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. For additional information, contact Andy Rusk at 715-634-4790 ext. 121.

Westside Band will be at Legendary Waters on February 17th.

Laura Gordon and Katy Gorman are working to recruit potential Peer Specialists to provide peer based services throughout the Red Cliff community. Those interested may contact Laura at 779-3741 or Katy at 779-3707 ext. 2223.
MINUTES
Krystle Topping moved to approve the December 8, 2016 minutes. Seconded by Mercie Gordon. Motion carried.

Chris Boyd moved to approve the December 21, 2016 minutes. Seconded by Krystle Topping. Discussion: Chairman Bainbridge and Vice-Chairman Gordon to check if action taken regarding “probationary period” has been applied to the Tribal Employee Handbook. Motion carried.

Chris Boyd moved to approve the January 2, 2017 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Krystle Topping. Corrections to be made: Spelling of “Krystle Topping” on second page. Motion carried.

Steven Boyd moved to approve the January 17, 2017 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Corrections to be made: 1.) Change “Bremer Bank” account closure to “Chippewa Valley Bank”. 2.) Delete poll vote regarding Anton Treuer. Motion carried.

Krystle Topping moved to approve the January 19 & 20, 2017 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Mercie Gordon. Discussion: Corrections on last page to include “zero deficit” and “Path to self-governance”. Motion carried.

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the January 25, 2017 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Antone Basina. Discussion: Correction needed to date in header. Motion carried.

Antone Basina moved to approve the January 30, 2017 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

Tribal Secretary Gordon will make all corrections and resend to Council.

RED CLIFF CHIPPEWA HOUSING AUTHORITY ANNUAL REPORT
No report received.

Nathan Gordon moved to table the Red Cliff Chippewa Housing Authority Annual Report. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

GAMING COMMISSION REPORT
Desiree Livingston provided the final Commission minutes for November 21, 2016, December 19, 2016 and the draft January 9, 2017 minutes. Krystle Topping asked that Desiree provide information on the recent merit increases. Desiree stated the Commission has a removal letter ready to be sent to one member who had been absent for a number of months.


TREASURERS REPORT
Krystle Topping reminded all in attendance that the Balance Sheet only is being presented and the full report will be given on the second meeting of the month. Dan Duffy asked questions regarding past payroll advances. He asked if those were being paid back. Krystle Topping noted several account lines that represent those advances and that the balances decrease each year. She also spoke of the importance of moving forward. Desiree Livingston noted that individuals may pay their court forfeitures and water & sewer bills on the Tribal website or submit payments to Lora Bresette in the Accounting office.
Chris Boyd moved to accept the Treasurer’s Report for December 2017. Seconded by Dan Duffy. 1-Abstension (Krystle Topping) Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER FOR ROWLEY ROAD PROJECT
On September 22, 2015 the Tribal Council awarded a contract to Larson Construction for the Rowley Rd Bridge Project with the contract price of $574,494.25. An additional $17,025.50 is needed to remove material from the road bed and restocking fee for the return of unused special order piling.

Krystle Topping moved to approve change order #1 for Rowley Road Reconstruction contract with Larson Construction Co. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF WATER AND SEWER BUDGET MODIFICATION
Krystle Topping moved to approve the budget modification. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF WATER AND SEWER 10% OF LINE ITEM
Steven Boyd moved to approve the request to move funds less than 10%. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF 2017 SUMMER INTERNS
Resolution needed to authorize the submission of a grant to fund the Summer Youth Program. The goal of the program is to expose Red Cliff Tribal youth to the biological sciences, in hopes that they will pursue a future in the field.

Krystle Topping moved to RESOLUTION 2/6/17A. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF EXTENSION REQUEST FROM KEITH BRESETTE
Keith Bresette had made a time extension request for License 58 for the boat “Cassie-K”. The decision of the Fish Committee was that Tribal Council should consider his extension request directly. Krystle Topping discussed Chapter 7 eligibility requirements. The chapter also gives the Fish Committee the authority to approve an extension not to exceed six months. Krystle believed the Committee should have taken action on this request. Keith stated the boat was inoperable but is now repaired. A written statement was included in the Council packet from Warden Zachary Peterson that indicated the boat was operable.

Mercie Gordon moved to approve the extension request not to exceed six months. Seconded by Dan Duffy. 1-opposed. (Krystle Topping) Motion carried.

ACCEPT BUSINESS BOARD RESIGNATION
Chris Boyd moved to table this item until next meeting. Seconded by Antone Basina. Information was not provided in the packet. Motion carried.

APPOINT TWO (2) MEMBERS TO THE BUSINESS BOARD
Chris Boyd moved to table this item until the next meeting. Seconded by Dan Duffy. Information was not provided in the packet. Motion carried.

ACCEPT REMOVAL REQUEST FOR THE HUMAN/FAMILY SERVICES BOARD
On January 11, 2017 the Human/Family Services Board took action to remove Katherine Morrisseau due to three consecutive absences. The Board also approved the revision to the By-Laws to reduce the membership from 7 to 5 members. The By-Laws were sent to Legal for review.

Jeanne Gordon moved to approve the Board recommendation to remove Katherine Morrisseau from the Human/Family Services Board. Seconded by Antone Basina. Motion carried.
ACCEPT REMOVAL REQUEST FOR THE HEALTH BOARD
The Red Cliff Community Health Board took action to remove Katherine Morisseau from the Board due to absences. A letter was sent by the RCCHC Administrator notifying her of this action.

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the Board recommendation to remove Katherine Morisseau from the Health Board. Seconded by Mercie Gordon. Motion carried.

ACCEPT POLICE COMMISSION RESIGNATION
Mercie Gordon moved to accept Melonee Montano’s resignation from the Police Commission. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. A letter will be sent thanking her for her service. This vacancy will be posted. Motion carried.

RATIFY COUNCIL POLL VOTE – 2017 GLRI CAPACITY FUNDS
Jeanne Gordon moved to ratify the poll vote. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE

Krystle Topping moved to go into Executive Session at 5:55 p.m. Seconded by Antone Basina.

Krystle Topping moved to return to Regular Session at 7:47 p.m. Seconded by Steve Boyd. Motion carried

Nathan Gordon moved to adopt the Enrollment Department Budget using THPO third party funds as discussed in Executive Session as presented. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion Carried.

Krystle Topping moved to terminate the Education Division Administrator. Seconded by Antone Basina. Motion failed. 2 Votes for (Krystle Topping, Antone Basina), 4 Votes against (Jeanne Gordon, Chris Boyd, Steven Boyd, Danial Duffy), 2 Abstentions (Nathan Gordon, Mercie Gordon).

Krystle Topping moved to Adjourn. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Alana Babineau
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

Mercie Gordon, Secretary
Red Cliff Tribal Council