Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewas

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
February 21, 2017
2:00 p.m. Legendary Waters, Buffalo Bay Grand Ballroom

ROLL CALL
Bryan Bainbridge, Present
Nathan Gordon, Present
Mercie Gordon, Present
Krysle Topping, Present
Daniel Duffy, Absent (Excused)
Jeanne Gordon, Present
Antone Basina, Present
Chris Boyd, Present
Steven Boyd, Present
Quorum

Chairman Bainbridge called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Others present: David Ujke - Tribal Attorney, Dennis Soulier – Interim CFO, Desiree Livingston – Assistant CFO, and community members.

AGENDA
Removed Bayfield County Court – Red Cliff Tribal Court Discussion with Judge Anderson.
Added “Amendment of July 19th, 2016 approved minutes” after NATOW presentation.

Chris Boyd moved to approve the amended agenda. Seconded by Antone Basina. Motion carried.

Steven Boyd moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Antone Basina. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION
Krysle Topping moved to approve the Red Cliff Community Health Center revised organizational structure, subject to legal review. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

OPENING CEREMONY
Opening prayer and song by Aandeg Schlender.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS
Election for Wisconsin State Superintendent is today, community members may vote at the Town of Russell Garage.

9th Annual Bayfield School Pow-Wow “Nibi Bimaadiziwin” (Water is life) will be held on Friday, March 10th.

Red Cliff Community Health Center’s Car Seat Program available to Red Cliff Tribal Members and Red Cliff Community Members. Those interested may set up an appointment with Derek Gordon at 779-3707 ext. 2319.

Ziigwaan Festival “Spring into Fitness” will be held on April 14th, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Youth Center.

Wisconsin State Fair Pow-Wow on Saturday, March 11: 11am-10pm & Sunday, March 12: 9am-6pm (Doors close for Prayer Service from 10AM to 11AM).
Brighter Futures Initiative in collaboration with the Red Cliff Community Health Center will be offering sugar bush activities for youth. Those interested may contact Peter Newago, Vince Bresette, James Belanger or Scott Babineau.

Annual All-You-Can-Eat Red Cliff Volunteer Fire Department Pancake Breakfast to be held on March 5th from 7:00 a.m. to noon.

ECC Winter Gathering to be held on Friday, February 24th at the Youth Center.

On Thursday, February 23rd the Bayfield Carnegie Library will be holding a Red Cliff documentary screening and panel. Panelists include Marvin Defoe, Marlene Paap, and Frank Montano.

NATOW-APACHE DANFORTH
Apache Danforth introduced herself as the new Director of Native American Tourism of Wisconsin (NATOW). She spoke of the history of the organization and all the tribes involved. New marketing materials were given to Council. She asked that Red Cliff designate a representative to participate, the current representative has been unavailable. This year’s conference is scheduled for June 5-7th at the North Star Mohican Casino & Resort. She encouraged those interested to make their reservations soon. The next Board meeting will be held in conjunction with the State of the Tribes address. Annual funding is available to tribes in the amount of $5,000; Red Cliff has yet to apply this year. Last year, the tribe was granted this funding for Red Cliff Days.

AMENDMENT OF JULY 19, 2016 APPROVED MINUTES
Motion omitted in approved minutes regarding Resolution of Rehabilitation for Kelly Peterson. Motion: “Krystle Topping moved to deny Mr. Peterson’s Resolution of Rehabilitation due to non-appearance. Seconded by Dan Duffy. Motion carried.” It was discussed that an individual is not eligible to reapply for gaming license for six months after denial, when they are present for appeal. If they are not present, they are ineligible for one year.

Nathan Gordon moved to amend the July 19, 2016 minutes to include the “discussed motion made by Krystle Topping, seconded by Dan Duffy.” Seconded by Mercie Gordon. Motion carried.

RED CLIFF CHIPPEWA HOUSING AUTHORITY ANNUAL REPORT-TABLED FROM 02.06.2017
Jean Defoe gave a summary of the year’s activities. The New Hope Project has been completed and vacancies have been filled. A case manager and Resident Manager were hired. Rehab I is complete and Rehab II is scheduled to begin which includes rehab to a number of units as well as the Housing office and Elderly Center. All Housing units are fully occupied except those reserved for the Rehab II transition. A total of 1,053 work orders were completed by the end of the year. A gazebo was built for tenant in Old Housing. Our audit for 2015 was great with older finding resolved. Audits for tax credits are now up to date.

Steven Boyd moved to accept the Red Cliff Chippewa Housing Annual Report for 2016. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION FROM THE BUSINESS BOARD-TABLED FROM 02.06.2017
Krystle Topping moved to accept the Tom J. Gordon’s resignation from the Business Board as accepted by the Business Board on 12/02/2016. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

APPOINT TWO (2) MEMBERS TO THE BUSINESS BOARD-TABLED FROM 02.06.2017
Jeanne Gordon moved to appoint Brett Gerber and Scott Sandstrom to the Business Board. Discussion: Recommendation made by the Business Board on 12/02/2016. Seconded by Mercie Gordon. Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT-KRYSTLE TOPPING-TRIBAL COUNCIL TREASURER
Chairman Bainbridge announced that Rebecca Benton is now the acting Administrator for the Family/Human Services Division; Lorna Gamble has accepted another position with the Tribe.

A few points were discussed in the report. To avoid confusion “Zero Deficit” will now be known as the “Path to Self-Governance”.

Antone Basina moved to accept the Treasurer’s report for January 2017. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

APPROVE MARCH 2017 LEGENDARY WATERS CASH FLOW BUDGET-JIM RIDER
Jeanne Gordon moved to the LW Cash Flow Budget for March 2017 in the amount of $481,950. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

APPROVE WAIVER OF SOLE SOURCE FOR FIBER PROJECT-HERON RUTYNA
Theron Rutyna, IT Coordinator requested a waiver of the procurement bidding process for the project titled “2017 Fiber Optic Project, CCI System. He stated CCI Systems is a premium vendor preferred by other tribes, notably Forest County Potawatomi.

Krystle Topping moved to approve the waiver. Seconded by Antone Basina. Discussion: Project is not to exceed $325,000. Motion carried.

COMPLIANCE REPORT-CHARLIE BRESSETTE
Charles highlighted a few points in his written report. Jeanne Gordon asked if poll votes were being done by the Commission, she did not believe they should be allowed. Charles stated a poll vote was only discussed and will not be done.

Chris Boyd moved to accept the Compliance Report. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

GAMING COMMISSION REPORT
Jeanne Gordon moved to table the report until the March 2, 2017 meeting. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

APPROVE AMENDMENT 2- TRIOVICH ERFO CONTRACT-JEFF BENTON
Jeff Benton requested the amendment of the ERFO contract due to an oversight on additional invoices not included in amendment #1 of the same contract. This amendment includes a $17,393.25 increase for a total of $118,774.75.

Jeanne Gordon moved to approve amendment #2 to the contract. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #7-ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS-JEFF BENTON
Various corrections and additions were made to when finalizing the project. This change order includes an increase of $16,825.00 for a total of $811,771.00 in order to finalize and close out this project.

Chris Boyd moved to approve change order #7. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVE TIMBER CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS-CHAD ABEL
Chad Abel requested approval to modify Timber Contract No. F5435C0230 to extend the “cut and pay” and final expiration dates by twelve months to November 30, 2018 and December 31, 2018.

Jeanne Gordon moved to approve the modification to extend these dates. Seconded by Antone Basina. Motion carried.
APPROVE CTAS GRANT PROPOSAL-PAMELA CALHOUN
The Planning Department along with ICW, Katy Gorman and Red Cliff Law Enforcement has finalized the grant application which will address three purpose areas: PA #1.) Public Safety and Community Policing, PA #3.) Justice Systems and Alcohol and Substance Abuse and PA #6.) Office for Victims of Crime; Children’s Justice Act partnerships for Indian Communities. The Council acknowledged the hard work of the group in developing the application. There is no match requirement for the grant. Chairman Bainbridge asked that cultural competence training be included for staff hired. Katy Gorman stated other existing grants may be used to provide this.

Krystle Topping moved to approve RESOLUTION 02/21/17A. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVE AUTOMATIC ENROLLMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2017
Jeanne Gordon moved to approve the automatic enrollment of:

1. Adrian Stephen Cedar Langreck, parent Mary R. Charette-O’Brien
2. Jade Lisa McCarthy, parent Monica L. Franchi
3. Violet Clara Renfro, parent Meghan E. Voorhees
4. Solomon Felix Grenier, parent Timothy A. Grenier
5. Rilynn Marie Welck, parent Brian J. Welck
6. Max Francis Phillips, parent Katrina M. Wilber
7. Niya Tesla Schloemer, parent Aaron M. Schloemer
8. Grayson Scott Wegner, parent Seth R. Wegner
9. Brysen Eric Veasy, parent Chelsea C. Brown
10. Rylee Marie Basina, parents Nissa M. Dietrich and Shane T. Basina
11. Zaiden Gary Cunningham, parent Danielle M. Topping
12. Ezra Harding Johnson, parent Amanda C. Radosевич
13. Jamison C. Wilcox, parent Heather L. Hipsher
14. Ja’Ja’ Jarie Buffalo-Patterson, parent Lena R. Buffalo
15. Danielle Josephine Thompson, parent Veronica J. Newago
16. Thorin Leander Christiansen, parent Sierra J. Christiansen
17. Markee Lou Gokee, parent Alex V. Gokee
18. Avery Kenneth-James Bressette, parent Sabrina J. Bressette
19. Penelope Elise Christiansen, parents Linda R. Defoe and Michael T. Christiansen
20. Mason Nishilme Gokee, parent Brittany M. Gordon
21. Makenna Elisa Rogerson, parent Amanda P. Washburn
22. Ava Marie Vestuto, parent Kristina M. Somers
23. Marvin Thomas Cadotte, Leah M. Cadotte
24. Ayla Jayden Koszalinski, parent Elizabeth J. Gurnoe
25. Waawaatesi Skye Aubid, parent Shana M. Peacock
26. Laraena Theresa Molla, parent Alyssa L. Bresette
27. Michael Evan Gurnoe, parents Kelly J. Gurnoe and Leonard E. LaPointe III
28. Benjamin Michael Topping, parent Zachary B. Topping
29. Wyatte Layne Hanson, parent Shawn F. Hanson, Jr.
30. Havah Marissa Hilzheimer, parent David J. Hilzheimer
31. Sezar Reyes Salgado, parent Nina R. Basina
32. Wendall Bernard Meierotto, parent Chase M. Meierotto
33. Shailene Nezbane Zhaawanong Noodinens DePerry, parents Amaris N. Andrews and Nicholas R. DePerry
34. Shawnee Mae LaPointe, parent Marcella M. LaPointe

Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.
RATIFY POLL VOTE-REQUEST FOR APPELLATE PANEL
Jeanne Gordon moved to ratify the poll vote. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Jeanne Gordon moved to go into Executive Session at 6:20 p.m. Seconded by Antone Basina. Motion carried.

Jeanne Gordon moved to return to Regular Session at 6:50 p.m. Seconded by Antone Basina. Motion carried.

Krystle Topping moved to approve Kelly Peterson’s Resolution of Rehabilitation. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion Carried.

ADJOURN

Krystle Topping moved to adjourn at 6:51 p.m. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Alana Babineau
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

Mercie Gordon, Secretary
Red Cliff Tribal Council