

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewas

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

April 3rd, 2017

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

ROLL CALL

Bryan Bainbridge, Present

Nathan Gordon, Absent (Excused)

Mercie Gordon, Absent (Excused)

Krystle Topping, Present

Daniel Duffy, Absent (Excused)

Jeanne Gordon, Present

Antone Basina, Absent (Excused)

Chris Boyd, Present

Steven Boyd, Present

Quorum

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

Others present: Wade Williams – Assistant Tribal Attorney, Dave Ujke – Tribal Attorney, Desiree Livingston – Assistant CFO, Dennis Soulier – Interim CFO and community members.

AGENDA

Additions: "Approval of March 8, 2017 minutes."

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

OPENING CEREMONY

Opening prayer by Leo LaFerner, Jr.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Carolyn Gouge asked the Tribal Council to become involved in "Tribes for HOPE Partnership". She noted that she was asked to be head dancer at the Pow-Wow for Hope on May 6th in the Twin Cities. "Tribes for Hope" is a shared commitment of tribal leadership to partner with the American Indian Cancer Foundation to end cancer in Indian Country. The American Indian Cancer Foundation (AICAF) is a national non-profit established by American Indians to address the tremendous cancer inequities faced by American Indian and Alaska Natives. The AICAF mission is to eliminate cancer burdens on American Indians through education, prevention, early detection, treatment and survivor support.

Krystle Topping moved to support the Red Cliff Tribe and "Tribes for Hope" Partnership. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Carolyn also provided information on "For the Earth & Water: Water Walk 2017" The walk will be coming through Red Cliff on April 22nd. She asked if the organization could use the Legendary Waters convention center for the ceremony and feast. She also asked if rooms can be available at a reduced rate. Channel 6 may be present to interview participants. Chairman Bainbridge stated the Tribal Council will work with Legendary Waters on arrangements.

Sandy Gokee-Nevala spoke of the Special Council meeting and Community Forum held on January 25, 2017 discussing Michigan Fishing. She believed some community members were treated with disrespect. The Council stated the meeting was adjourned and they had made a great effort to answer all questions asked.

Sobriety Gathering scheduled for April 7-9th, 2017.

A Spring Round dance will be held at the Ashland Middle School on April 4th.

Deadline for Chair & Treasurer candidates is April 5th at 6pm.

Chairman Bainbridge notified the community that a response was sent in regards to the elder petition. The letter was read to those in attendance. Grace Livingston stated the letter was also read during lunch at the Elderly Center.

MINUTES

Krystle Topping moved to table March 6, 2017 minutes until corrections are made. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

Krystle Topping moved to approve March 8, 2017 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

Chris Boyd moved to approve March 28, 2017 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

Krystle Topping moved to approve March 30, 2017 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion rescinded.

Krystle Topping moved to table March 30, 2017, more time is needed to examine the minutes. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT – BALANCE SHEET FOR MARCH 2017

Balance sheet presented. Krystle Topping noted that FY2016 is the fifth consecutive year the Tribe has been in low risk status. Brief discussion regarding the March 31, 2017 audit meeting which had minimal attendance.

Steven Boyd moved to accept the Treasurer's Report (Balance Sheet) for March 2017. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. 1-Abstension (Krystle Topping) Motion carried.

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT FOREST SERVICE GLRI GRANT PROPOSAL

Chris Boyd moved to approve and submit the proposal. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

MOU WITH BAYFIELD COUNTY REGARDING LAND REPATRIATION

Krystle Topping moved to approve the MOU. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

BUSINESS PERMIT TROY GORDON

Troy Gordon had submitted a business permit application in order develop a kayaking guide and training business.

Jeanne Gordon moved to grant the business permit. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

APPOINT ELECTION BOARD

Only four applications were received by the deadline. Seven total members are needed.

Chris Boyd moved to table the appointment of the Election Board. Seconded by Krystle Topping. Motion carried.

Jeanne Gordon moved to extend the deadline for Election Board applications to April 6th, 2017. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

Chris Hicks suggested that the election count be televised with ballots shown for community to see. Tribal Council will look into this and make the suggestion to the Election Board when appointed.

ADJOURN

Jeanne Gordon moved to adjourn at adjourn at 6:00 p.m. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:



Alana Babineau
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:



Mercie Gordon, Secretary
Red Cliff Tribal Council