

# Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

September 19, 2017

2:00 p.m. at Legendary Waters Buffalo Bay Grand Ballroom

Meeting called to order by Chairman Richard Peterson at 2:06 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Richard Peterson, Present  
Nathan Gordon, Present  
Mercie Gordon, Present  
Johanna Wilson, Present  
Quorum

Daniel Duffy, Present  
Nicholas DePerry, Present  
Carolyn Gouge, Present  
Jeanne Gordon, Present  
Anthony Basina, Present

Also in attendance; Dave Ujke-Tribal Attorney, Wade Williams-Assistant Tribal Attorney, Community Members

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Carolyn Gouge approves amended Agenda. Seconded by Mercie Gordon. Motion carried.

\*Add Theron Rutyna in first Executive Session as contract discussion.

\*Add Approve of Fiscal Year 2018 General Fund to Agenda after Treasurers Report.

\*Remove Item 14-Tribal Internal Control Manual

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Nathan Gordon moved to go into Executive Session at 2:08 p.m. Seconded by Johanna Wilson. Motion carried.

Nathan Gordon moved to return to Regular Session at 5:09 p.m. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

### OPENING CEREMONY

Edward Bresette performed an opening prayer.

### COMMUNITY COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

James E. Pete would like to inform the community of a benefit for Diane Bear Defoe on October 12, 2017. If anyone is interested in the planning there is a meeting on Sunday. Jim informed the public to drop off any donations or raffles with him. 715-779-5782

Maxine Babineau introduced Matika Wilbur who she met in Washington D.C. Matika is traveling around the United States to document the different tribes in order to create a text

book of all the Nations. Matika is taking portraits of Native America in hopes to create a curriculum to show the true Native Nations. Maxine Babineau suggests contacting Matika or herself if anyone is interested in being a part of this project.

Lynne Basina congratulates the incoming Council Members and explains that the incomplete road to the dump is causing an inconvenience to the community. She suggests hiring 5-6 men and gave them a decent wage this could be completed. Chairman Peterson informed the Public that the road will be open on September 30, 2017. There has been a slight delay but things are moving toward completing the road.

Lynne Basina mentioned that the lease renewal of \$50 caused a hardship on members who live a simpler life and people shouldn't have to change to fit the rules. She also states we can help our community to fight drug abuse by offering employment and giving them hope.

Councilwoman Carolyn Gouge suggested "Soft Winds" training which addresses substance abuse with a spiritual component. Lynn said she would love to be a part of this planning process.

Patricia DePerry congratulated the new Council Members. Patricia DePerry remarked that the Red Cliff Police Department isn't staffed properly in order to address the drug use in the community. She would like to know what steps are being taken to make sure things is being addressed and to make sure we are connected.

Patricia also explains the inconvenience of Legendary Waters Resort & Casino only having one phone line.

Ron DePerry addressed the Council by welcoming the new Council members. Ron would like to be included in any future meetings with the Chippewa Federation Meetings. He also stated they had a food stand set up in July which his employees received counterfeit money and would like to know about the follow up to the investigation.

Adopt a Beach Day at Frog Bay on Friday, September 22, 2017 at 9 a.m.

Frog Creek Re-seeding Event on September 24, 2017 at 10 a.m.

Red Cliff Watershed Symposium 2017 at Legendary Waters on September 26 and 27, 2017 at 9 a.m.

Free Bayfield Recreational passes available at the Boys and Girls Club of Gitchigami at 715-779-3722

Vendors are needed and welcome for the Red Cliff Farmers Market. Contact Nathaniel Secor at 715-779-3782

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Jeanne Gordon motions to approve the Minutes of August 7, 2017. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. Motion carried.

### **TREASURERS REPORT AUGUST 2017**

Jeanne Gordon motions to Approve/Accept the Treasurers Report for August 2017. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion Carried.

### **GENERAL FUND BUDGET FY18**

Johanna Wilson will provide additional revisions and will present at a later date in order for the Council to review.

### **LEGENDARY WATERS CASH FLOW BUDGET SEPTEMBER 2017**

Jeanne Gordon motions to Approve the Legendary Waters Cash Flow Budget for September 2017. Seconded by Mercie Gordon.

### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TIGER GRANT APPLICATION**

Jeff Benton presents and informs the Council that this Grant is for three years and Red Cliff has never received this but continues to submit and pursue.

Carolyn Gouge motions to Approve the Submittal of the DOT TIGER Grant Application.

In discussion the amount of the grant is \$3,944,886 and this is for road maintenance. Seconded by Antone Basina. Motion carried.

### **RESOLUTION 091917A**

### **DNR RECYCLING GRANT FY18**

Lind Nguyen presents and explains that she is exploring a reuse center. The funding amount is \$69,565 for the 2018 DNR Recycling Grant.

Carolyn Gouge asked if the transfer station could be open more than two days a week, Linda states the budget can't sustain more than the current two days.

Nathan Gordon motions to Approve the DNR Recycling Grant for FY18. Seconded by Johanna Wilson. Motion carried.

### **MOU COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Nicole Gurnoe informs the Council that this MOU will allow Red Cliff Behavioral Health Clients access to the Bayfield County Crisis Line Services, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week starting May 1, 2017 to July 1, 2018.

Jeanne Gordon motions to accept the MOU and to grant signatory authority to Chairman Peterson. Nathan Gordon also notes to include the Community Health Center Administrator to have signatory authority. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Motion carried.

## **LEASE REQUESTS**

Carolyn Gouge motions to approve the Lease Renewal of Martin Duffy. Seconded by Daniel Duffy. Motion carried. **RESOLUTION 091917B**

Carolyn Gouge motions to approve the Lease Renewal of Frank J. Gordon and Myrtle J. Gordon. Seconded by Danial Duffy. Motion carried. **RESOLUTION 091917C**

Carolyn Gouge motions to approve the Lease Cancellation of Leanne V. Charette, Scott L. Charette and Marlene A. Charette. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried. **RESOLUTION 091917D**

Nathan Gordon motions to approve the New Lease of Leanne V. Charette. Seconded by Johanna Wilson. Motion Carried. **RESOLUTION 091917E**

Jeanne Gordon motions to approve the New Lease of Scott L. Charette and Marlene A. Charette. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Motion carried. **RESOLUTION 091917F**

Johanna Wilson motions to approve the New Lease of Richard C. Peacock. Seconded by Antone Basina. Motion carried. **RESOLUTION 091917G**

Johanna Wilson motions to approve the New Lease of Daniel Joseph Defoe. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried. **RESOLUTION 091917H**

Carolyn Gouge asks is a short term lease individual wants to start working on clearing the leased land can they? Amorin Mello states Council approval/waiver is needed to do so.

Carolyn Gouge motions to approve the Lease Transfer of Harold and Victoria Leask (Both Deceased) to Shania M. and Kevin J. Leask. Seconded by Johanna Wilson. Motion carried. **RESOLUTION 091917I**

Johanna Wilson motions to approve the Lease Modification of Joe E. LaGrew Jr., removing Yvonne LaGrew (Deceased) and Adding Sophie LaGrew. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried. **RESOLUTION 091917J**

## **GAMING COMMISSION REPORT**

Nathan Gordon moved to table the Gaming Commission Report. Seconded by Danial Duffy. Motion Carried.

## **COMPLIANCE REPORT AUGUST 2017**

Charlie Bresette summarizes his report to the Council. Jeanne Gordon states the SOPs aren't being prioritized. Charlie reports that all the departments are aware of getting the information together for presentation to Council.

Johanna Wilson motions to Accept the Compliance Report for August 2017. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

## **WATER AND SEWER BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2018**

Johanna Wilson motions to approve the Water Budget at \$265,996.49 and Sewer Budget at 294,994.47 for FY18. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Shelly Gordon requests to remove Chapter 34 Changes at this time.

## **APPROVE CHANGES TO APPENDIX A**

Jeanne Gordon asked if these changes have been to the Utilities Commission. Robert Powless stated yes.

Mercie Gordon motions to Approve Changes to Appendix A as presented. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. One Abstention-Johanna Wilson. Motion carried.

Carolyn Gouge motions to ratify Poll Vote to Submit Behavioral Health Initiative Grant. The purpose of the IHS Behavioral Health Integration Initiative (BH2I) grant opportunity is to improve the physical and mental health status of people with behavioral health issues **by developing an integrative, coordinated system of care between behavioral health and primary care providers.**

Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

Mercie Gordon motions to ratify Poll Vote to Oppose the Polymet Mining Water Appropriations Permit. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Carolyn Gouge motions to ratify Poll Vote to Authorize Chairman Peterson to submit any documents regarding the Polymet Mining Opposition. Seconded by Johnna Wilson. Motion carried.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Nathan Gordon motions to go into Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Motion carried.

## **REGULAR SESSION**

Antone Basina motions to return to Regular Session at 8:40 p.m. Seconded by Danial Duffy. Motion carried.

Johanna Wilson motions to authorize administration to follow through with actions regarding Employee Evaluation during Executive Session. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. One Abstention-Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

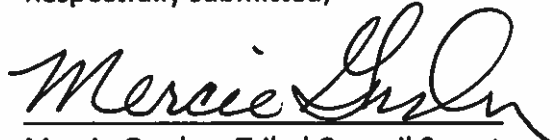
Carolyn Gouge moved to approve the Resolution of Rehabilitation for Susan Andrews. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. One Abstention-Nicholas DePerry. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 091917K**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mercie Gordon moved to Adjourn at 8:42 p.m. Seconded by Johanna Wilson. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mercie Gordon". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "M".

Mercie Gordon, Tribal Council Secretary  
Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa