

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

Special Council Meeting

August 21, 2018

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

Vice Chairman Nathan Gordon called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Richard Peterson, Present @ 4:30 p.m.
Nathan Gordon, Present
Laura J. Gordon, Present
Johanna Wilson, Present

Carolyn Gouge, Present
Dan Duffy, Absent @ 3:45 p.m.
Nicholas DePerry, Absent @ 4:25
Bryan Bainbridge, Present
Chris Boyd, Excused Absent

QUORUM

Others present: Dave Ujke – Tribal Attorney, Wade Williams – Assistant Attorney, Pam Calhoun – Planning Department, Betty Kerr – Planning Department, Amorin Mello – Lands Department, Lisa Bissell – Gaming Commission, Division Administrators and Community members.

OPENING CEREMONY

Opening Ceremony was performed by Frank Montano.

AGENDA

Carolyn Gouge moved to approve the agenda with additions. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Nicholas DePerry moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Dan Duffy. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION @ 4:30 p.m.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to return to Regular Session. Seconded by Johanna Wilson. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to rescind the previous motion from December 4, 2017 restricting the transfer of leases with outstanding water and sewer debt. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to add a second Executive Session after Other to include “Legendary Waters Financial Discussion” and “two (2) items regarding Tribal Operations, as requested by Chairman Peterson”. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS
NEW BUSINESS

TNR SUMMER INTERNS PRESENTATION

Chase Meierotto along with three youth interns, Talon Defoe, Giovanni Garramone and Chloe Peacock gave a presentation on the student's summer internship with Treaty Natural Resources department. Each intern created a presentation on a topic of their choice. All had a great time and learned a lot of natural resources and treaty rights.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS/CONCERNS

Steven Boyd asked for Tribal Council support in a fundraising initiative directed by a Board comprised of various community members. He would like to place can bids throughout the community and use the funds generated from the sale of aluminum can to create an emergency fund for community members in need. It was the consensus of the Council to support this effort. Chairman Peterson added that the Tribe does have an emergency fund, but the funds are very limited.

A Chili & Frybread fundraiser will be held on Thursday, August 23rd to benefit Mercie Gordon and family. It will be held at the Family/Human Services building from 11-2:00 p.m.

A thank you card was read from Sue DePerry.

Red Cliff Wellness Curriculum training will be held on August 22nd and 23rd. The training is free and open to all programs.

The Nooji Center and Mishomis House will be closed on August 29th and 30th. Staff will be out of the office on training these days.

Business Planning Basics training will be held on August 29th from 12-2:30 at the Red Cliff Community Health Center.

Free Haircuts (provided by Liza Armagost and Naomi Bressler) for students will be offered on August 30th from 12:30 to 4:30 on August 30th. This event is made possible by the Tribal Youth Advocacy Program.

Tribal member hearing, organized by the THPO Department will be held on August 28th.

TREASURERS REPORT, JULY 2018

A few points were highlighted in the report Laura J. Gordon as that Rebecca Benton provide her information on the DOJ and the Tribal Youth grants.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to accept the Treasurer's Report for July 2018. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. 1 Abstention (Johanna Wilson). Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF LEGENDARY WATERS CASH FLOW BUDGET FOR SEPTEMBER 2018

Johanna Wilson moved to approve the Cash Flow Budget for September 2018 in the amount of \$545,150.00. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF GAMING COMMISSION REPORT FOR JULY 2018

Minutes from the August 2, 2018 Gaming Commission meeting were provided. Lisa Bissell noted a few points from the report and stated findings have been decreasing each month.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to accept the Gaming Commission report for July 2018. Seconded by Johanna Wilson. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF COMPLAINT REPORT FOR JULY 2018

Charlie Bresette was not present but provided his written report. No questions were asked.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to accept the Compliance report for July 2018. Seconded by Johanna Wilson. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH MIDWEST PROFESSIONALS FOR AUDIT SERVICES FOR LEGENDARY WATERS CASINO

Midwest Professionals will conduct an external (financial audit) of Legendary Waters and Casino for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018. Audit services for this contract should not exceed \$26,500.00, travel costs to be billed separately.

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve the contract with Midwest Professionals for Legendary Waters external audit services. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF NIGC MOU REGARDING ELECTRONIC FINGERPRINTING

Legendary Waters will be purchasing equipment to acquire fingerprint federal background checks for employees through NIGC. Tribes are permitted to submit fingerprints to the FBI through NIGC only if they have presented MOU in place.

LEASES

Lucas DePerry requested a new short-term lease located along the corner of North Bradum Road and Acorn Road, Lot 41 in the Bradum Subdivision. Public notice of the proposed lease transaction was posted on August 1, 2018 and no comments were received.

Carolyn Gouge moved to approve **Resolution 08/21/18A**. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

Jerome Basina and Sumiko Basina jointly requested to add Sherry Basina-Rodriguez to their short term residential lease No. 4354200099710 located along the corner of Acorn Road and Moccasin Road, Lot 9 in the Bradum Subdivision. Public notice of the proposed lease action was posted on August 9, 2018 and no comments were received.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve **Resolution 08/21/18B**. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A TRIBAL OPIOID RESPONSE GRANT APPLICATION

This grant application is a direct response to the Tribal Council Declaration of a State of Emergency. These non-competitive funds will pay for the development of a Tribal Action Plan and supportive recovery services between the Nooji Center and the Red Cliff Farm. The funding amount is \$99,696.00 per year.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve the grant application for submission. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF KINSHIP CARE POLICIES

Policies were reviewed by the Legal Department on August 6, 2018. Laura J. Gordon asked that reference page be added so readers may better understand the Wisconsin Statutes cited throughout the document.

Johanna Wilson moved to approve the Kinship Policies with the addition of the appendix providing the cited Wisconsin Statutes. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. Motion carried.

APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN ON THE HERRERA CASE AMICUS BRIEF

Dave Ujke recommended the Tribe sign off on an amicus brief being developed by Mark Slonim at Mille Lacs and others concerning the Herrera v. Wyoming case. They are seeking Tribes with reserved usufructuary rights to sign off on the brief when it is complete.

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the recommendation by Attorney Ujke. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

RATIFY COUNCIL POLL PERTAINING TO THE SUBMISSION OF A LANGUAGE REVITALIZATION GRANT APPLICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (DPI)

The grant will address the need for professional development in Ojibwemowin for ECC staff, increased quality of instruction to children in classrooms and community engagement to increase Ojibwemowin acquisition. Total funding requested is \$35,000.00.

Carolyn Gouge moved to ratify the poll. Seconded by Johanna Wilson. Motion carried.

OTHER

Bryan Bainbridge moved to appoint Rebecca Benton to the Law Enforcement Commission. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

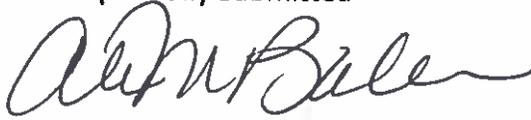
Nathan Gordon moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. Motion carried.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to return to Regular Session. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Bryan Bainbridge moved to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted



Alana Babineau
Recording Secretary

ATTEST



Laura J. Gordon, Secretary
Red Cliff Tribal Council