

# Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

## Regular Council Meeting

March 4, 2019

1:00 p.m. Legendary Waters, Buffalo Bay Grand Ballroom

Vice-Chairman Nathan Gordon called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

### ROLL CALL:

Richard Peterson, Present at 4:10 p.m.  
Nathan Gordon, Present  
Laura J. Gordon, Present  
Johanna Wilson, Excused

Carolyn Gouge, Present at 1:13 p.m.  
Dan Duffy, Absent  
Nicholas DePerry, Excused at 5:15 p.m.  
Bryan Bainbridge, Present  
Chris Boyd, Present

### QUORUM

Others present: Wade Williams – Assistant Tribal Attorney, and Community Members.

### OPENING CEREMONY

Opening Ceremony was performed by Buffalo Bay Drum.

### AGENDA

Bryan Bainbridge moved approve agenda with changes. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Nicholas DePerry moved to go into Executive Session at 1:10 p.m. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

### REGULAR SESSION

Bryan Bainbridge moved to return to Regular Session at 4:30 p.m. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

### ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Laura J. Gordon moved to go along with Mary A. Johnson as the Tribal Planning Administrator as discussed in Executive Session and to authorize HR and Administration to negotiate terms of employment. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

### OLD BUSINESS

### NEW BUSINESS

## **COMMUNITY COMMENTS AND CONCERNS**

Travis Barningham asked the status of the MOU with the Park Service. Chairman Peterson stated the MOU is currently under review at GLIFWC and he asked that Travis contact him on Monday.

Laura J. Gordon announced upcoming and current community events.

## **MINUTES**

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the January 28, 2019 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. Motion carried.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve the February 4, 2019 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

Carolyn Gouge moved to approve the February 7, 2019 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve the February 8, 2019 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. motion carried.

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the February 19, 2019 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. motion carried.

Chris Boyd moved to approve the February 22, 2019 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. motion carried.

## **TREASURERS REPORT- BALANCE SHEET FOR FEBRUARY 2019**

Johanna Wilson was not present.

Laura J. Gordon moved to table the Treasurers Balance Sheet for February 2019 until the next meeting on Tuesday February 19, 2019. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. Motion carried.

## **FINAL REPORT OF 2018 FROG BAY ARCHAEOLOGY PROJECT / 2019 FROG BAY ARCHAEOLOGY FIELD SCHOOL**

Dr. Heather Walden and Dr. John Creese along with THPO presented the results of the project. Artifacts found were presented to Council, some which were believed to be up to 5000 years old. They were able to locate an old dig site that was used during the 1979 Beloit College study. During the project, outreach events were held including a youth summer camp, elder day and open lab hours. The team received funding to continue the project and requested Council permission to conduct another study this summer. Bryan Bainbridge asked that safeguards be in place to ensure sites are preserved and not accessed by the public. The Council was assured this has and will continue to be done. The team will look at posting signs or other precautions to ensure location or artifacts are not disturbed or removed from the area by unauthorized individuals. The tentative date to begin the next study is June 8th, the team will come to the

Council prior to that date. Chairman Peterson asked that an agreement be in place prior to the start date.

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the request to continue the project, authorize THPO to decide/approve information to be disseminated publicly and to the funding agency. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

#### **APPROVAL OF REMOTE ACCESS POLICY**

Theron Rutyna presented the revisions to the Tribal Employee Handbook that were reviewed and approved by the Legal Department. The revision covers use of tribe's network and equipment outside of the office or off tribal property. He stated this is not a change to current policy but a clarification.

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve the Remote Access Policy. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. Discussion: the comments will be removed in the final version. Motion carried.

#### **APPROVAL TO POST FISH DEALER CODE CHANGE**

The presented document is a total re-draft of the current code. Bryan Bainbridge suggested changing Sec. 24.2.1 to allow Vice-Chairman to sign in the absence of the Tribal Chairman.

Nathan Gordon moved to authorize the posting of the draft code "Fish Dealing" formerly titled "Fish Marketing". Seconded by Chris Boyd. Discussion: Carolyn Gouge asked that all license holders be mailed a full copy. Motion carried.

#### **APPOINT CHAD ABEL TO THE GREAT LAKES ADVISORY BOARD**

Chad Abel requested the Tribal Council officially nominate him to serve on the Great Lakes Advisory Board. He believes Red Cliff may have a good chance at becoming a part of this Board with the several GLRI projects the Tribe conducted. If approved, Chad will provide the Chairman a draft nomination letter to sign.

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the request. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

#### **LEASES**

David Charette requested a new short-term lease, which was formerly a long-term residential lease, expired June 21, 2017. The lease site is located at 89440 Blueberry Road. The expired lease was at 2.5 acres and cannot be renewed at the same acreage, the new legal description is for 1.25 acres per Sec. 18.14.1, RCCL.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve Resolution **3/4/19A** and asks the Land Specialist to ensure this lessee complies with all requirements per their lease agreement. Seconded by Laura Gordon. 1-Absention (Nathan Gordon) Motion carried.

Keith E. Newago requested a new short-term residential lease located at 33090 Little Sand Bay Road. This was previously a recreational lease and expired on October 28, 2015. If approved, the effective date will be retroactive to the expiration date of the previous lease.

Chris Boyd moved to approve Resolution **3/4/19B**. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PL 93-638 WITH BIA**

Nathan Gordon moved to approve Resolution **3/4/19C** pertaining to entering into a PL 93-638 contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) for various eligible activities, sub activities and programs contained in the operation of Indian Programs for fiscal Years 2020, 2021, and 2022. Seconded by Dan Duffy. Discussion: is there any adjustment to the funding that was allocated? Vice Chair stated no it is the same. Motion carried.

**RESIGNATION OF GAMING COMMISSION**

Resignation letter received from Peggy Bazant. She has accepted the Background Investigator position at Legendary Waters and is no longer eligible to serve on the Gaming Commission.

Nathan Gordon moved to accept Ms. Bazant's resignation. A letter of appreciation will be mailed to her. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. Motion carried.

**APPOINTMENT TO THE GAMING COMMISSION**

Email from Jeanne Gordon indicated the individual appointed at this meeting will be filling the seat formerly held by Lisa Bissell. An additional vacancy will need to be posted to fill the seat formerly held by Peggy Bazant. It was also discussed that the Gaming Commission will need to select a Chair/Chairperson.

Chris Boyd moved to appoint Chris Livingston to the Gaming Commission. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. Motion carried.

**APPOINTMENT TO FAMILY/HUMAN ADVISORY BOARD**

One applicant was received.

Nathan Gordon moved to appoint Laurie A. Butterfield to the Family/Human Services Advisory Committee. Seconded by Carolyn Gouge. Motion carried.

**RENEWAL OF SCENIC BYWAY MEMBERSHIP DUES / APPOINT NEW MEMBER**

Total due for membership is \$200 for the year. Betty Kerr is the current member but no longer works for the Tribe.

Carolyn Gouge moved to appoint Nicole Boyd, if she is willing, to the WI Scenic Byway Council and authorize the payment of the annual dues. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

**OTHER**

Nothing in other.

**ADJOURN**

Nathan Gordon moved to adjourn at 6:02 p.m. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

ATTEST:

  
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Alana Babineau, Recording Secretary

  
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Laura J. Gordon, Secretary  
Red Cliff Tribal Council