

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

Special Council Meeting

October 20, 2020

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

Chairman Richard Peterson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Richard Peterson, Present
Nathan Gordon, Present
Laura J. Gordon, Present
Dennis Soulier, Present

Bryan Bainbridge, Present @ 3:35 p.m.
Chris Boyd, Present
Nicholas DePerry, Present
Steven Boyd, Present @ 1:48 p.m.
Marvin DeFoe, Present @ 4:30 p.m.

QUORUM

Others present: Dave Ujke – Tribal Attorney, Wade Williams – Assistant Tribal Attorney, Nicole Boyd, Planning Administrator. Margaret Friedenauer, Tribal Planner, Amarin Mello, Land and Division Administrators.

OPENING CEREMONY

Opening Ceremony was performed by Richard LaFernier.

AGENDA

Chris Boyd moved to approve agenda as amended. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dennis Soulier moved to go into Executive Session at 1:04 p.m. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION

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

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve Legendary Waters Resort & Casino cash flow budget for November 2020 in the amount of 578,850. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER 1 AND 2 IHS K57 NORTH SEWER REPAIR (TABLED ON 10/5/20)

There was nobody here to present.

Chris Boyd moved to Table until the Council Retreat meeting on Thursday October 22, 2020. Seconded by Marvin DeFoe. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

COMMUNITY COMMENTS & CONCERNS

Food Boxes will be handed out on Thursday October 22, 2020, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Boys and Girls club at 89645 Youth Center Drive. For more information you can call Food Distribution.

Halloween Pumpkin Carving Contest – the first 100 people to sign up for the contest will receive a free pumpkin to carve. Limited to Red Cliff Community Members – submit a photo of your carved pumpkin for a chance to win a prize.

Geocaching to Recovery – this event will take place the week of October 18th thru the 24th. For more information you can contact the Mishomis Wellness Center.

Halloween Decoration Drive by Event – decorate your home for a chance to win – judging will be done Thursday October 29, 2020 by the Family and Human Services Advisory Committee. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Boyd.

Trunk or Treat Halloween Locations Old Housing, New Housing, LW, Health Clinic, New Hope, Birch Bark Playground, Hillside, Admin Building, and Mishomis Wellness Center – October 30, 2020 from 1 to 4 p.m. each vehicle will get a stamp card at their 1st location, visit all 9 locations to be entered into a drawing.

Peek A Boo Drive thru on October 22, 2020 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Red Cliff ECC Parking Lot and wish all the ECC families a well and give the kiddos a chance to come see everyone and get a goodie bag. More information you can call Cindy Garrity at the ECC building.

APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2020

Division financials were discussed. It was noted that several programs within the Family/Human Services Division were underspent due to staff layoffs, cancelled community events and unused travel funds. Laura J. Gordon asked that Rebecca Benton provide a total amount that was unspent by Division programs for FY20.

Steven Boyd moved to approve the Treasurer’s Report for September 2020. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. 1-Abstention (Dennis Soulier) Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF GAMING COMMISSION REPORT

Chris Livingston was present earlier but had lost his connection to WebEx.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve the Gaming Commission report. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF COMPLIANCE REPORT

Charles Bresette gave a brief overview of his report for September. He has made weekly contacts with NIGC and the State providing updates regarding the casino operating status as the casino was closed due to COVID early in the month.

The Gaming Commission approved the Surveillance SOPs by poll vote and those are now being reviewed by Legal. The SOPs for IT will be presented to the Gaming Commission for approval soon. He also noted Midwest Professionals conducted a review of the vault.

Nicholas DePerry moved to accept the Compliance Report for September 2020. Seconded by Marvin Defoe. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO A PROCLAMATION TO OBSERVE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Chris Boyd presented the Proclamation to Council. Chris also gave Council a shirt and a mask in recognition of DV Awareness month.

Steven Boyd moved to approve Resolution **10/20/20A** pertaining to a Proclamation to Observe Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

LEASES

Chris Boyd moved to approve the special permission request to develop land before BIA approval to David J. Curran. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Discussion: there are a few typos in the language that needs to be corrected. Motion carried.

Nicholas DePerry moved to approve Resolution **10/20/20B** pertaining to Lease Site Moratorium of 37800 Bishop Loop, to help protect humans and wildlife from exposure to contamination. Seconded by Marvin DeFoe. Motion carried.

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT FY21 EPA BROWNFIELDS GRANT APPLICATION

Linda Nguyen, TNR – Environmental Department, requesting permission to submit this grant application requesting the amount of \$21,000 environmental cleanup and preservation of tribal lands. It was noted this grant would provide funds for cleanup of 4 sites.

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the grant application for submission. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried

APPOINT ONE (1) APPLICANT TO THE HEALTH BOARD AND TO REPOST FOR (1)

Nathan Gordon moved to Table the Health Board applicant and to Repost for (1). Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Discussion: Need more clarification. Motion carried.

APPOINT FOUR (4) APPLICANTS TO THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE AND TO REPOST FOR (1)

Dennis Soulier moved to appoint Edwina Buffalo-Reyes, Jonathan Gary, Julie Gordon and Melissa Topping to the Membership Committee and to repost for one (1) more. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

APPOINT FOUR (4) APPLICANTS TO THE FISHING COMMITTEE AND TO REPOST FOR (1) AND (2) ALTERNATES

Chris Boyd moved to appoint Richard Gurnoe Jr, Keith Bressette, Martin Peterson and Bryan Bainbridge to the Fishing Committee and to repost for one (1) and two (2) alternates. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. 1-Abstention (Bryan Bainbridge). Motion carried.

APPOINT A COUNCIL REP AND APPOINT A CHAIRMAN TO THE HEALTH BOARD

APPROVAL OF A. BUFFALO ALLOTMENT – 2020 PROTEST TAX PAYMENT

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve the 2020 Protest Tax Payment for A. Buffalo Allotment. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Discussion: where are the funds coming from – Treasurer Dennis Soulier stated they will come from the General Fund account. Motion carried.

OTHER

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Nicholas DePerry moved to go into Executive Session at 6:04 p.m. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION

Dennis Soulier moved to return to Regular Session at 6:39 p.m. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Bryan Bainbridge moved to adjourn at 6:39 p.m. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:


Alana Babineau, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:


Laura J. Gordon, Secretary
Red Cliff Tribal Council