

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

Regular Council Meeting

May 4, 2020

2:00 p.m. Red Cliff Health Center

Chairman Richard Peterson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

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

Bryan Bainbridge, Present
Chris Boyd, Present
Nicholas DePerry, Excused
Steven Boyd, Present
Marvin DeFoe, Present

QUORUM

Others present: Dave Ujke - Tribal Attorney, Wade William – Assistant Tribal Attorney.

AGENDA

Nathan Gordon moved to approve agenda with additions. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Bryan Bainbridge moved to go into Executive Session at 2:01 p.m. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION

Dennis Soulier moved to return to Regular Session at 4:25 p.m. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve the Legal Department to pursue an offer to purchase the property that was discussed in executive session and to authorize the Tribal Chair or Vice Chair to sign off on all documents. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve Resolution **5/4/20A** pertaining to the Settlement Agreement in the Red Cliff Zoning Case and to have the Tribal Attorney sign off on all documents. Seconded by Marvin DeFoe. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve to cancel all gathering in the months of May, June and July 2020, in order to preserve the safety of the Red Cliff community. Membership. Seconded by

Steven Boyd. Discussion: to have Stan Schrock get this out to the community & employees and get an article in the newspaper. Motion carried.

OPENING CEREMONY

Opening Ceremony was performed by Mark Gokee.

OLD BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT FOR MARCH 2020 (TABLED ON 4.21.20)

A few points were discussed.

Chris Boyd moved to approve the Treasurers report for the month of March 2020. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. 1-Abstention (Dennis Soulier). Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

COMMUNITY COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

Walter Newago had a concern about his water and sewer services, he stated that he had asked the W&S department to shut off his main water line and he feels that it did not happen. There was a water line break under his home and was some damage. Chairman will forward the complaint to the Utilities Commission and recommended to Walter to keep track of his time and money he had to put into this.

Primary Elections will be held on Friday May 8, 2020 at the Boys and Girls Club, located at 89645 Youth Center Drive. Polls will be open from 8 a.m.to 8 p.m. a question was asked about curb side voting, we will not be offering it, but if someone wants a ballot brought out to them, we can do that (we never turn anybody away).

Candidate for this year's Primary Election are as follows: Vice Chairman position: Nathan W. Gordon, Mercie A. Gordon, Steven L. Boyd, Christopher Hicks and Joseph D. Montano. Secretary: Laura J Gordon and Troy D. Gordon.

Chi-Miigwetch for holding the forum this past weekend – it really was a great and good idea.

Get out to vote next Tuesday May 12, 2020 for the Special Election's 7th Congressional District. The vacant seat would be Sean Duffy's.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the April 6, 2020 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve the April 28, 2020 minutes with corrections if needed. Seconded by Marvin DeFoe. Motion carried.

Steven Boyd moved to Table the April 21, 2020 meeting minutes. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

ACCEPT TREASURERS MARCH 2020 BALANCE SHEET

Bryan Bainbridge moved to Table the Treasurers Balance Sheet for March 2020. Seconded by Chris Boyd. 1-Abstention (Dennis Soulier). Motion carried.

LEASES

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve Resolution **5/4/20B** pertaining to new short-term lease renewal for Marion Claremboux and Randall Claremboux, located at 94355 Raspberry Road. The lease site was reduced in size from 1.97 acres to 1.25 acres in accordance with Section 18.14.1, RCCL. This lease site will be retroactive to May 22, 2018. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF 5-YEAR COMPREHENSIVE OJIBWE LANGUAGE PLAN

Marvin DeFoe and Sandy Gokee were present to give the presentation to Council.

This plan is a living document.

There was a total of 9 meetings with 7 to 8 participants at each meeting. They reached out to the elders, did a Survey to the community, touched a bit at the Bayfield School and had a questionnaire.

Current efforts toward culture and language acquisition:

- Develop a 5-year comprehensive plan to lead our community towards fluency
- Utilize language in our multi-media: newsletters, videos, printed materials, e-flyers, paper flyers.
- Create a full-time tribal employee position dedicated to language and culture planning and implementation.
- Ojibwe Language Advisory Group: a grassroots group of concerned individuals who are acting as a resource gathering and advice-giving capacity for plan development and implementation.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve the 5-year Comprehensive Ojibwe Language Plan. Seconded by Steven Boyd. 1-Abstention (Marvin Defoe). Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO AMERICAN INDIAN FOODS TRADEMARK APPLICATION

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve Resolution **5/4/20C** pertaining to the American Indian Foods Trademark Application. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FISH PLANT MARKETING DIRECTION

Chris Boyd moved to go along with Logo #2, with the tagline stating, "The Pride of Superior". Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Discussion: to make sure that it states Owned and Operated by the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF COLA AND QUALITY IMPROVEMENT FUNDING APPLICATION FOR RED CLIFF ECC PROGRAM

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve the COLA and Quality Improvement Funding submission for the Red Cliff Tribal Head Start/Early Head Start program. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE FIREHOUSE SUBS PUBLIC SAFETY FOUNDATION GRANT APPLICATION

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation grant submission application in the amount of 19,180.00. seconded by Marvin DeFoe. Motion carried.

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE HRSA RURAL TRIBAL COVID-RESPONSE PROGRAM APPLICATION

Dennis Soulier moved to approve the HRSA (Health Resources & Services Administration) Rural Tribal COVID-Response program application in the amount of 300,000 for 2 years. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RCPD BREMER BANK DEBIT CARD POLICY

Kyle Cadotte and Diane Erickson gave a brief update to Council on the RCPD Bremer Bank Debit card policy and that this is not very different from the cash card policies. Diane is ok with this policy and will train the staff when the policy is approved.

Steven Boyd moved to approve the Bremer Bank Debit Card Policy for Red Cliff Police Department. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO BIA BROADBAND GRANT SUBMISSION

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve Resolution 5/4/20D pertaining to submission of a Bureau of Indian Affairs, National Tribal Broadband Grant to support hiring consultants to perform a feasibility study for implementation and expansion of broadband service for the Red Cliff reservation. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO A NEW PL 93-638 CONTRACT

Dennis Soulier moved to approve Resolution 5/4/20E pertaining to a new P.L. 93-638 Contract. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE BUILD APPLICATION

Jeff Benton gave a brief update on this BUILD grant. Council would like to see an updated version of what Jeff will be submitting. This grant is due May 18, 2020. Jeff will send an updated version and will then be requesting a Council poll vote.

Steven Boyd moved to Table the Resolution pertaining to the BUILD grant application. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE 2020 PRIMARY BALLOT

Dennis moved to approve the Official Ballot for the 2020 Primary Elections. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. 3-Abstentions (Nathan W. Gordon, Laura J. Gordon and Steven L. Boyd). Motion carried.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION FROM CATHY ELMER FROM THE POLICE COMMISSION

Marvin DeFoe moved to accept the resignation from Cathy Elmer as the alternate from the Police Commission. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Discussion: a letter to be sent thanking her for her services and to repost for the alternate police commission position. Motion carried.

RATIFY COUNCIL POLL PERTAINING TO APPROVING THE NON-COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT OF HOSTING SERVICES FROM VERTICAL COMPUTERS INC.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to ratify poll vote. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

RATIFY COUNCIL POLL PERTAINING TO APPROVING TO EXTEND THE LTE STATUS OF THE TAL POSITION FOR AN ADDITIONAL 90 DAYS

Dennis Soulier moves to ratify poll vote. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

OTHER

ADJOURN

Steven Boyd moved to adjourn at 6:30 p.m. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:



Laura J. Gordon, Secretary
Red Cliff Tribal Council