

# Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

## Regular Council Meeting

December 13, 2021

2:00 p.m. Red Cliff Clinic Conference Room

Chairman Christopher Boyd called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

### ROLL CALL:

Christopher Boyd, Present

Nathan Gordon, Present

Laura J. Gordon, Present

Stephanie Defoe-Haskins, Present

Bryan Bainbridge, Excused

Nicholas DePerry, Present

Steven Boyd, Present

Butch Bresette, Present

Chris Hicks, Present

### QUORUM

Others present: Dave Ujke, Tribal Attorney, Wade Williams, Assistant Attorney, Bryon Daley, TAL, Division Administrators and Community members.

### OPENING CEREMONY

Opening Ceremony was performed by Chris Hicks. Chairman also asked that we have a moment of silence for all the recently passed within our community.

### AGENDA

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the agenda with additions. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Motion carried.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Nicholas DePerry moved to go into Executive Session at 2:01 p.m. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. Motion carried.

### REGULAR SESSION

Butch Bresette moved to return to Regular Session at 5:00 p.m. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Motion carried.

### ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Laura J Gordon moved to approve the FY22 Budget Revision #1 for IDC Budget. Seconded by Nathan Gordon

Laura J Gordon moved to approved to proceed with the land purchase as discussed in Executive Session not to exceed \$249,000 from the CARES ACT Funds. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. Motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **COMMUNITY COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

James Pete spoke of the importance of Native American Heritage month and honoring revolutionary native women past and present. He asked to recognize Stephanie Defoe-Haskins for earning her bachelor's degree recently. Council took a brief recess to congratulate Treasurer Defoe-Haskins, James Pete presented her with an eagle feather and honor song.

James Pete also asked that the Tribe recognize or gift a bundle to the Immanuel Church of Cornucopia. He stated this church have been active in providing donations to Red Cliff and shares tribal history and land acknowledgement with their congregation.

Gretchen Morris shared her frustrations and stressful experiences while employed with the Tribe.

Angie Emrich spoke of a complaint she filed with the ICW department, and she asked that the Council provide her a response by Friday.

Kurt Basina asked that the Tribe reevaluate the location of the Cultural Center planned for construction. He is familiar with the site and identified several problems and doesn't believe the location is large enough to accommodate the new construction.

### **MINUTES**

Steven Boyd moved to approve November 1, 2021, November 10, 2021, November 15, 2021, November 18, 2021, and November 23, 2021, with changes if needed. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. 1-Abstention (Laura J. Gordon). Motion carried.

### **ACCEPT TREASURER'S BALANCE SHEET FOR OCTOBER 2021**

Steven Boyd moved to accept the Treasurers Balance Sheet for month of October 2021. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. 1-Abstention (Stephanie Defoe-Haskins). Motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR FY22**

Treasurer Defoe-Haskins and Dennis Soulier stated the presented budget stated they are still working this budget in a few areas. Dennis recommended the Council approve this budget using FY21 figures with the understanding that they will be presenting revision in the near futures. He also added that the Tribe's external audit is still ongoing and the amount of carry over funds is still not known at this time.

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve the FY22 General Fund Budget based on the FY21 figures. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Discussion: Nathan Gordon asked that a reminder be entered on the calendar so that the revision be enter by the end of the fiscal year. Dennis Soulier also asked that Council provide information on the Elderly sack lunches fund so this may be added



to this budget. 3-Abstentions (Stephanie Defoe-Haskins, Steven Boyd, and Nicholas DePerry) Chairman Boyd votes to approve. Motion carried.

#### **LEASES**

Nathan Gordon moved to approve Resolution **12/13/21A** pertaining to Lease Modification for Wendy Fletcher has requested that Carol "Tuffy" Gardner be removed as the co-lessee from their Long-Term Residential Lease, located at 37900 Bishop Lane. Seconded by Chris Hicks. Motion carried.

Chris Hicks moved to approve Resolution **12/13/21B** pertaining to Rescind Resolution NO. 5/7/12E and Authorize New Residential Lease for Mariah J Bettinger, located at 37415 North Bradum Road. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Discussion: Mariah will be the only applicant for this lease. Motion carried.

#### **APPROVAL TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION WITH WI DHS (ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS)**

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the submission of the WI DHS grant application (addressing homelessness). Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

#### **APPROVAL OF PAC APPLICATION FOR CHARLES CHARETTE FOR CONDITIONAL LAND USE PERMIT**

Steven Boyd moved to approve the PAC Application for Charles Gordon for Utility connections for Conditional Land Use Permit. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. 1-Abstention (Nathan Gordon). Motion carried.

#### **APPROVAL TO POST CHAPTER 10 – GENERAL FISHING AND HUNTING REGULATIONS**

Nathan Gordon moved to approve to post Chapter 10 General Fishing and Hunting Regulations. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Discussion: Tribal Attorney stated it has been reviewed by Legal and good to be posted. Motion carried.

#### **APPOINT ONE (1) MEMBER TO BUSINESS BOARD**

Nicholas DePerry moved to appoint Max Paap to the Red Cliff Business Board. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. 1-Abstention (Nicholas DePerry). Discussion: Tribal Attorney will look to see if motion maker can abstain from his own motion. Motion carried.

#### **APPOINT ONE (1) MEMBER TO CCS COMMITTEE**

Butch Bresette moved to appoint Martin Scott Babineau to the CCS Committee. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. Motion carried.

#### **APPOINT TWO (2) MEMBERS TO GAMING COMMISSION**

Steven Boyd moved to re-appoint Carol Cameron and Jessie Bresette to the Red Cliff Gaming Commission. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

**RATIFY COUNCIL POLL PERTAINING TO APPROVING SLA FOR NATURAL GAS WITH XCEL FOR TRIBAL COURTHOUSE PROJECT**

Nicholas DePerry moved to ratify council poll. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

**OTHER**

**APPROVAL TO SOLE SOURCE FOR EQUINE THERAPY CONTRACT WITH UNBRIDLE HOPE**

Steven Boyd moved to approve the Sole Source Waiver for Equine Therapy with Unbridle Hope. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

Nathan Gordon moved to adjourn at 6:00 p.m. Seconded by Chris Hicks. Motion carried.

***Respectfully Submitted:***

  
Alana Babineau, Recording Secretary

***ATTEST:***

  
Laura J. Gordon, Secretary  
Red Cliff Tribal Council