

# Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

## Regular Council Meeting

May 3, 2021

2:30 p.m. Legendary Waters Buffalo Bay Ballroom

Chairman Richard Peterson called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

### ROLL CALL:

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

Bryan Bainbridge, Excused  
Chris Boyd, Present  
Nicholas DePerry, Present (WebEx)  
Steven Boyd, Present @ 4:20 p.m.  
Marvin DeFoe, Present

### QUORUM

Others present: Dave Ujke - Tribal Attorney, Wade Williams - Assistant Attorney, and Community Members.

### OPENING CEREMONY

Opening Ceremony was performed by Jim Pete.

### AGENDA

Nathan Gordon moved to approve agenda as amended. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Motion carried.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dennis Soulier moved to go into Executive Session at 3:42 p.m. Seconded by Marvin DeFoe. Motion carried.

### REGULAR SESSION

Nathan Gordon moved to return to Regular Session at 4:30 p.m. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

### ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action was taken from Executive Session.

### OLD BUSINESS

### NEW BUSINESS

## **COMMUNITY COMMENTS & CONCERNS**

A Thank You Card from Father Kevin's Family for the floral arrangement and the kind words.

Thank You Card from Barb DePerry for the thoughtfulness for the kindness and your generous hearts for honoring for my volunteer work with the Tribe. The Red Cliff Community will be forever in my heart and memories.

Larry Gordon Memorial Camping Week, May 3-10, 2021, Free Camping for Tribal Members.

Primary Election is Friday, May 7, 2021, Polls open 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Boys and Girls Club. The Election Board will accommodate Covid -19 individuals and individuals that are quarantined.

## **MINUTES**

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the meeting minutes for April 5, 2021, April 20, 2021, April 26, 2021, and April 27, 2021 with corrections if needed. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. 1-Abstention (Laura J. Gordon). Motion carried.

## **ACCEPT TREASURERS BALANCE SHEET FOR MARCH 2021**

Dennis Soulier was present.

A question came up on if the Operating account will ever match the Bank Balance? Dennis will follow up on this and get back to Council.

Chris Boyd moved to accept the Treasurers Balance Sheet for the month of March 2021. Seconded by Marvin DeFoe. 1-Abstention (Dennis Soulier). Motion carried.

## **APPROVAL OF CHAPTER 29 RED CLIFF TRIBAL ORDINANCE PRESENTATION FOR POSTING**

Edwina Buffalo-Reyes, Carolyn Gouge' and Edwin DePerry were present to give a presentation (power point) on Chapter 29, Burial Ordinance for posting. A recommendation was presented to have the power point or video and post on the website for the community and elders review and make community to the committee. The Council thanks the Committee for their hard work, commitment, and dedication for the development of the ordinance which has taken approximately 2 1/2 years. Committee members are Edwina Buffalo-Reyes, Carolyn Gouge', Edwin DePerry, Jessie Bresette, Marvin Defoe, Richard LaFernier and Dennis Spinner.

Nick DePerry moved to post Chapter 29, Burial Ordinance for review and comments. Seconded by Laura Gordon. In discussion, make sure community is aware of the ordinance and please get it on the website. 1-Abstention (Marvin Defoe) Motion carried.

Edwina is asking the community to assist with a Community Memorial Day Cemetery Cleanup, on Sunday, May 23, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., will meet at St. Francis Cemetery.

**APPROVAL OF NEW LEASE APPLICATION FOR MATTHEW L. GORDON**

Nicholas DePerry moved to approve Resolution **5/3/21A** pertaining to short-term Lease Renewal for Matthew L. Gordon, located at 37650 Bishop Lane. Short-term residential lease will begin retroactively effective May 26, 2020. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO LAND LEASE REGULATIONS 18.4.2 © (ii) CODE CHANGE**

Chris Boyd moved to approve Resolution **5/3/21B** pertaining to Enact the Red Cliff code change to Section 18.4.2©(ii). Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO RCCHA LIMITED ACCESS WITHOUT BIA APPROVAL FOR CLEAR AREA 3 IN BRADUM SUBDIVISION**

Dennis Soulier moved to approve Resolution **5/3/21C** pertaining to application from Red Cliff Chippewa Housing Authority for limited access without BIA approval to clear area 3 in the Bradum Subdivision. Seconded by Marvin DeFoe. 1-Abstention (Steven Boyd). Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO MEMBERSHIP DUES TO NIGA**

Dennis Soulier moved to approve Resolution **5/3/21D** pertaining to yearly dues for the membership to the NIGA (National Indian Gaming Association) and the appointment of a tribal delegate and alternates. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL TO SUBMIT WI DCF FAMILY FOUNDATION HOME VISITING GRANT/RESOLUTION**

Nicole and Johanna gave an overview of the Grant, The Grant is through WI DC that will sustain the Zaagichigaazowin Home Visiting Program that is currently funded under the LAUNCH SAMSHA GRANT.

Chris Boyd moved to approve Resolution **5/3/21E** pertaining to the submission of an application to the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families Division of Safety and Permanence Bureau of Safety and Well-being: Family Foundations Home Visiting Program Extension grant. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE IMLS GRANT APPLICATION**

Dennis Soulier moved to approve the submission of the IMLS (Institute of Museum and Library Services). Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF CHAPTER 16 BUSINESS LICENSE AND TAX LAW (16.10.8)**

Dennis Soulier moved to approve Chapter 16 Business License and Tax Law 16.10.8 and to have Legal draft up a conforming Resolution. Resolution No. **5/3/21F**. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF 2021 PRIMARY OFFICIAL BALLOT**

Secretary Laura J. Gordon read the Candidates for the Chairperson and Treasurer for the 2021 Primary Elections:

**CHAIRPERSON CANDIDATES:**

Patricia R. (Ruth) DePerry  
Michael D. Soulier  
Christopher D. Boyd  
Troy D. Gordon  
Ray DePerry  
Mercie A. Gordon  
Marvin DeFoe

**TREASURER CANDIDATES:**

Dennis J. Soulier  
Christopher Hicks  
Stephanie A. Defoe-Haskins  
Johanna Wilson  
Christopher M. Livingston

Steven Boyd moved to approve the 2021 Primary Official Ballot. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. 4-Abstentions (Dennis Soulier, Marvin DeFoe, Chris Boyd, and Nicholas DePerry). Motion carried.

**OTHER**

Chris Boyd moved to approve an Employee COVID Wellness Day for all employees to choose either Friday May 28, 2021, or Tuesday June 1, 2021. This will allow Tribal Operations to remain open for business. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Discussion: Tribal Administration will have HR draft up a memo. 1-Abstention (Marvin DeFoe). Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

Laura J. Gordon moved to adjourn at 5:25 p.m. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

***Respectfully Submitted:***

  
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Jeanne Gordon, Recording Secretary

**ATTEST:**

  
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Laura J. Gordon, Secretary  
Red Cliff Tribal Council