

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

Rescheduled Regular Council Meeting

January 10, 2022

3:00 p.m. Red Cliff Clinic Conference Room

Chairman Christopher Boyd called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Christopher Boyd, Present

Nathan Gordon, Present

Laura J. Gordon, Present

Stephanie Defoe-Haskins, Excused

Bryan Bainbridge, Present

Nicholas DePerry, Excused

Steven Boyd, Present

Butch Bresette, Present

Chris Hicks, Present

QUORUM

Others present: Wade Williams, Assistant Attorney, Bryon Daley, TAL, Division Administrators, Amarin Mello, Land Specialist, and Community members.

OPENING CEREMONY

Opening Ceremony was performed by Chris Hicks. Chairman also asked that we have a moment of silence for passing of Jeanne Gordon.

AGENDA

Butch Bresette moved to approve the agenda with additions. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Steven Boyd moved to go into Executive Session at 3:01 p.m. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION

Steven Boyd moved to return to Regular Session at 4:40 p.m. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve the Red Cliff Health Covid Response Team's recommendation as discussed in executive session. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Discussion: This will be posted out to the community. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved for the Tribe to “opt out” of the January 31, 2022, extended deer season. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Discussion: a notice will be sent out to community. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

GAMING COMMISSION REPORT (TABLED ON 12.21.21)

Chris Livingston, Gaming Commission Chairman was not present at this time.

Steven Boyd moved to amend the agenda and place Gaming Commission report under #14. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

HOW WE ARE WELLBEING PILOT PROJECT UPDATE

Mary Schaefer introduced the How Are We? Project to the Council back in September. At that time, Council had several concerns regarding the purpose of study, how it would be conducted and how the data will be used. Mary explained it is a non-profit pilot project which intends to measure community well-being. To date, she reported that the project received a total of 21 responses from self-declared Red Cliff tribal members. She stated the project is committed providing updates to the Council when necessary and seek Council advisement along the way so that the project can be conducted in a respectful manner. The goal of the project is to provide data to assist in acquiring funding for programs as well as support policy advocacy. Mary asked for assistance in recruiting individuals for the survey. Chairman Boyd asked that she connect with Stanley Schrock.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tom Gary, Jr. voiced concerns regarding snow plowing and how buildings or sites are prioritized. He mentioned a recent closure of ECC due to snow and how closures negatively affect families.

Angie Emrich asked for an update on her concerns regarding ICW. She stated she had not received a response to any emails she has sent to ICW and Council. Chairman Boyd stated the ICW Department is currently being reviewed for compliance and improvement.

Chairman and Vice-Chairman listening sessions are postponed due to the rise in COVID-19 cases. A notice will be out soon.

MINUTES

Nathan Gordon moved to approve December 1, 2021, December 13, 2021, December 15, 2021, December 21, 2021, and December 29, 2021, with changes if needed. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. 1-Abstention (Laura J. Gordon). Motion carried.

ACCEPT TREASURER'S BALANCE SHEET FOR NOVEMBER 2021

Treasurer Defoe-Haskins was not present.

Steven Boyd moved to table this item until the January 18, 2022, meeting. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Discussion: Laura J. Gordon asked that Stephanie Defoe-Haskins be present to provide this report. Motion carried.

LEASES

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve Resolution **01/10/22A** pertaining to a Lease Renewal for Victoria K. Gordon and Angela Emrich located at 88465 Pike Road. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO NATIVE AMERICAN AGRICULTURAL FUND

The purpose of his waiver of tribal sovereign immunity is to allow NAAF to enter into the grant agreement whereby NAAF will transfer grant funds in the amount of \$199,732 to the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve Resolution **01/10/22B** pertaining to the limited waiver of sovereign immunity for the Native American Agriculture Fund (NAAF) grant agreement. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TNR BIA ANNUAL FUNDING REQUEST

The Treaty Natural Resources Division provided the FY2022 BIA annual proposals that include requests for \$26,056 for hatchery maintenance, \$36,870 for Circle of Flight for continued wild rice work, and \$116,116 for invasive species work.

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the 3 proposals: Hatchery Maintenance, Circle of Flight, and Invasive Species work. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO DESIGNATION OF USE OF SHODEEN TRIBAL TRUST LAND FOR HOUSING

Wade Williams recommended this item be tabled. It was found there may have been Council action taken on this property in the past. This will need to be looked into.

Nathan Gordon moved to table this item for further review. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

APPOINT THREE (3) MEMBERS TO THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Steven Boyd moved to appoint Misty Nordin, Edwin DePerry, and Carolyn Gouge to the Cemetery Committee. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

RATIFY COUNCIL POLL PERTAINING TO AMENDING THE BRAZELTON CONTRACT ON CHANGING THE DATES FROM AUGUST 31, 2021, TO SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

Nathan Gordon moved to ratify Council poll. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

OTHER

Chris Livingston was not present to give the Gaming Commission report.

Butch Bresette moved to table the Gaming Commission report. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Discussion: Chris Livingston will need to give two months reports at the January 19, 2022, meeting. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION ADDENDUM TO SUPPLEMENT THE RESOLUTION 8/25/21A TO ICDGB ARP FUNDS FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES

Planning is seeking an addendum to 08/25/21A. It was found that the application lacked the required community input/citizen participation requirement.

Steven Boyd moved to approve Resolution **01/10/22C** and addendum to 08/25/21A to include the community input/citizen participation requirement. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MIDWEST ENGAGEMENT PROPOSAL

Steven Boyd moved to approve Midwest Professionals Engagement Proposal. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Discussion: this will be for FY's 21, 22 and 23. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Steven Boyd moved to go into Executive Session at 5:58 p.m. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION

Butch Bresette moved to return to Regular Session at 6:34 p.m. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve the 1854 Property Tax Appeal Call & Invoices in the amount of \$11,292.19 out of the General Discretionary Funds, (1105-22-990). Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve Round #2 of the Red Cliff COVID-19 Health Pandemic General Welfare Assistance program applications and policies with corrections. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Discussion: open period will be from January 14, 2022, thru February 25, 2022. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Laura J. Gordon moved to adjourn at 6:37 p.m. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:


Alana Babineau, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:


Laura J. Gordon, Secretary
Red Cliff Tribal Council