

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

Regular Council Meeting

March 7, 2022

12:00 p.m. Legendary Waters Buffalo Bay Ballroom

Chairman Christopher Boyd called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Christopher Boyd, Present

Nathan Gordon, Present

Laura J. Gordon, Present

Stephanie Defoe-Haskins, Present

Bryan Bainbridge, Present

Nicholas DePerry, Present

Steven Boyd, Present

Butch Bresette, Present

Chris Hicks, Present

QUORUM

Others present: Dave Ujke, Tribal Attorney, Amarin Mello, Land Specialist, and Community Members.

OPENING CEREMONY

Opening Ceremony was performed by Butch Bresette.

AGENDA

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve agenda as amended. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Nicholas DePerry moved to go into Executive Session at 12:00 p.m. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION

Bryan Bainbridge moved to return to Regular Session at 4:59 p.m. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Laura J. Gordon moved to authorize Fraser, PLC and Onder Law to proceed on the PFAS lawsuit and to file the suit. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Discussion: Dave, Tribal Attorney will bring back to Council an agreement at a later date. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to have HR negotiate with the applicant that was selected in executive session for the IT Director position. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to have HR negotiate with the applicant that was selected in executive session for the HR Director position. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. 2-Abstentions (Butch Brette and Chris Hicks). Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF GAMING COMMISSION REPORT (TABLED ON 2.24.22)

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve the Gaming Commission report for month of February 2022. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

MS VOLLEYBALL TEAM PRESENTATION

Clarissa Brette was present as a representative of the parents of middle school volleyball players. These parents are fundraising to send the student to a 3-day All Skills Volleyball Camp hosted by UMD Bulldogs in June 2022. The cost per player is \$380. They have numerous fundraising event planned but have requesting a donation from the Tribal Council to assist in reaching their goal. Council members expressed that they would like to see the Bayfield School contribute to this also.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve a \$1000 donation to the middle school volleyball team. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. Discussion: Bryan Bainbridge asked that the lead organizer contact the Tribe regarding details of the donation. Chris Hicks added that the Legendary Waters could donate the space for a future fundraiser. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS & CONCERNS

Charles Babineau shared a few concerns and ideas regarding tribal employment and protecting the environment.

The Tribal Historic Preservation Office is hosting a community feast on Tuesday March 8 to acknowledge and give thanks to the new season approaching - Ziigwan (spring). The feast is scheduled to start at noon. Bring a dish to pass! THPO is located at 36750 Hwy 13 in Gaa-Miskwaabikaang. Please contact THPO with any questions at 715-779-3761.

Iskigamizigan Equipment Loan Program for community members interested in tapping this sugarbush season. Supplies are available on a first come, first serve basis for people to tap up to 15 trees. Reserve supplies and pick them up from 12 - 4pm at the Mino Bimaadiziwin Tribal Farm on Friday, March 4th or Friday, March 11th. Or, if those dates don't work for you contact the THPO Office to make other arrangements.

Storytelling event to be held on March 12, 2022, at Legendary Waters featuring the Red Cliff Wellness with Ron DePerry, crafts with Steven Perry and storytelling with James Pete.

After Hour Listening Sessions with Chairman Boyd and Vice Chairman Gordon resume this week on Wednesday March 9 from 5-7 PM at the Tribal Administration Building. Community members are invited to share issues and ideas in a private setting. Community Members can schedule 15-minute sessions, and walk-ins will also be accommodated. Please sign up by calling 715-779-3707 ext. 4227 or email melissa.topping@redcliff-nsn.gov. These sessions are scheduled for every other Wednesday through June.

MINUTES

Steven Boyd moved to approve the meeting minutes for February 7, 2022, and February 24, 2022, with corrections if needed. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. 1-Abstention (Laura J. Gordon). Motion carried.

ACCEPT TREASURERS BALANCE SHEET FOR JANUARY 2022

Bryan Bainbridge moved to accept the Treasurers Balance Sheet for the month of January 2022. Seconded by Butch Bresette. 1-Abstention (Stephanie Defoe-Haskins). Motion carried.

LEASES

Steven Boyd moved to approve Resolution **3/7/22A** pertaining to a short-term residential lease renewal for Anthony C. Bresette, located at 37515 New Housing Road. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. Motion carried.

Stephanie Defoe-Haskins moved to approve Resolution **3/7/22B** pertaining to a short-term residential lease renewal for David F. Andrews and Janice Cadotte, located at 36900 West Bresette Hill Road. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

Steven Boyd moved to approve Resolution **3/7/22C** pertaining to new short-term residential lease for Ashley Peltonen, located along Allen Road. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins.

Butch Bresette moved to approve Resolution **3/7/22D** pertaining to new short-term residential lease for Liberty Loveless, located at 37475 Pike Road. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. Motion carried.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve Resolution **3/7/22E** pertaining to voluntary cancellation of long-term residential lease for Barbara L. Johnson and William H. Johnson, located at 94265 Raspberry Road. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Nathan Gordon moved to approve Resolution **3/7/22F** pertaining to new long-term residential lease for Barbara L. Johnson, located at 94265 Raspberry Road. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CDC TRIBAL PRACTICES FOR WELLNESS IN INDIAN COUNTRY GRANT SUBMISSION

The THPO Department requested approval to submit an application for funding opportunity CDC-RFA-DP22-2201 CDC Tribal Practices for Wellness in Indian Country. This is a five-year

grant funded at \$150,000 per year and will support community cultural events including Anishinaabemowin Camp, Winter Camp, Sugar Bush, Fishing, and seasonal feasts.

Laura J. Gordon moved to approval the grant submission. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CTAS PURPOSE AREA 3 AND 4 GRANT APPLICATION/RESOLUTION

The Planning Department requested approval to apply for two purpose areas of the CTAS grant on behalf of the Police Department and Health Services. Purpose Area 3 will be for the Mishomis House under the Health Services Division. These funds will support staff, training, and supplies. Purpose Area 4 will be for the Police Department to support a new police station.

Stephanie Defoe-Haskin moved to approve Resolution **3/7/22G** pertaining to the submission of a CTAS grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice for Purpose Area 3 and 4. Seconded by Butch Bresette. 1-Abstention (Bryan Bainbridge). Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PTO ACCRUAL POLICY FOR LW

Steven Boyd moved to approve the PTO Accrual Policy for Legendary Waters. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF IHS PROJECT BE-19-K57 BID RECOMMENDATION

Three bids were received. The Utilities Commission recommended moving forward with the bid submitted by Tribovich Construction, LLC.

Steven Boyd moved to approve the recommendation from the Utilities Commission on the IHS project BE-19-K57 to go along with Tribovich Construction LLC bid, not to exceed \$281,217.00. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF IHS PROJECT BE-17-K19 BID RECOMMENDATION

The Utilities Commission recommended moving forward with the bid submitted by Tribovich Construction, LLC.

Nathan Gordon moved to award the Project BE-17-K19 to Tribovich Construction, LLC., in the amount of \$105,033.65. Seconded by Christopher Hicks. Motion carried.

APPOINT ONE (1) INDIVIDUAL TO THE RED CLIFF HOUSING BOARD

Nathan Gordon moved to appoint Tamara Deragon to the Red Cliff Housing Board. Seconded by Chris Hicks. Discussion: this individual will fill the spot until the term ends in October of 2022. 1-Abstention (Steven Boyd). Motion carried.

RATIFY COUNCIL POLL PERTAINING TO A 60-DAY EXTENSION FOR RANDY SOULIER AS THE ACTING GM FOR LW

Laura J. Gordon moved to ratify council poll. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

RATIFY COUNCIL POLL PERTAINING TO APPROVING SIX (6) AUTOMATIC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Bryan Bainbridge moved to ratify the council poll pertaining to the automatic membership applications for the following children:

Child(ren):

Everett Kenneth Defoe

August Edsel Burland
Connor James Effertz
Adam Daniel Westlund
Ayla Marie Morrin
Maverick Vincent Gregg

Parent(s):

Tiffanie J. Hanson
Joseph C. Defoe
Bryan A. Burland
Brittany N. Effertz
Arvid D. Westlund
William L. Morrin, Jr.
Ashley M. Gregg (Cieluch)

Seconded by Christopher Hicks. Motion carried.

OTHER

Christopher Hicks asked if adults could access or utilize the Boys and Girls club for basketball or volleyball during the evenings or days when the club is closed for the youth. Nathan stated Rebecca Benton will be looking into this after the warming shelter is moved to the Mishomis House.

ADJOURN

Steven Boyd moved to adjourn at 6:00 p.m. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:


Alana Babineau, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:


Laura J. Gordon, Secretary
Red Cliff Tribal Council