

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

Special Council Meeting

April 18, 2023

2:00 p.m. Legendary Waters Buffalo Bay Grand Ballroom

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

ROLL CALL:

Christopher Boyd, Present

Richard Peterson, Present

Nora Cadotte, Present

Stephanie Defoe-Haskins, Present

Nicholas DePerry, Present

Steven Boyd, Present

Butch Bresette, Present

Scott Babineau, Excused

Ernie Grooms, Present

QUORUM

Others present: Wade Williams – Assistant Attorney, Bryon Daley - TAL, Chris Livingston – Gaming Commission, and community members.

OPENING CEREMONY

Opening Ceremony was performed by Chris Boyd.

AGENDA

Butch Bresette moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Stephanie Defoe-Haskins moved to go into Executive Session at 2:04 p.m. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry.

REGULAR SESSION

Butch Bresette moved to return to Regular Session at 4:30 p.m. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Steven Boyd moved to approve the Cash Flow Budget for Legendary Waters Resort and Casino in the amount of 546,300. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

ACCEPT BALANCE SHEET FOR MARCH 2023

Steven Boyd moved to accept the Treasurers Balance Sheet for the month of March 2023. Seconded by Rick Peterson. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

COMMUNITY COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bryan Bainbridge was there to talk about the proposed changes to the Red Cliff Code of Laws that pertains to the Fisherman. This is an important process to change the codes but make the changes slowly and be transparent about them. Bryan was glad that the fishing committee was there today.

Chairman stated that this is a process these codes could go back and forth for quite a while before they are approved.

Vice Chairman stated this all stemmed back in November 2022 when there were only 2 individuals that applied for this committee and then it was reposted. They do have a full committee now. Rick stated that the code itself needs to be updated. Rick also stated that there was him, Dave Ujke and a couple of others that were tasked with this, they made their changes and sent them back to the fishing committee, and then they were sent back to the council.

Bryan stated that he knows these codes need to be changed but let's be transparent about it.

These codes were last updated back in 1998, but they have been updated throughout the years. The Fishing Committee represents the Fisherman.

Talked about posting the Fishing meeting to the public so anyone can attend, maybe need to set a firm date on when this meeting happens.

In the memo it stated that these changes were going to be approved at the Council meeting on the 18th. It was stated that no these changes will not be approved at today's meeting due to they are being worked on between the Fishing Committee/Fisherman and the Council and then they need to be posted out to the community for 30 days before they come back for approval.

APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT FOR MARCH 2023

There were no questions.

Steven Boyd moved to approve the Treasurers Report for March 2023. Seconded by Butch Bresette. 1-Abstention (Stephanie Defoe-Haskins) Motion carried.

GAMING COMMISSION

Chris Livingston was present to give the report. Chris met with Demetri Morris and talked about the different levels of play and how it is determined on how and when reports are run. Chris also mentioned that he wants to make sure we can make the changes to the different levels and also to be able to keep track of where the players are at.

Rick Peterson moved to approve the March 2023 Gaming Commission report. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. Motion carried.

COMPLIANCE REPORT

Nora Cadotte moved to Table the Compliance report for March 2023. Seconded by Nicholas DePerry. Motion carried.

TRANSPORTATION FOR LCO SCHOOL CHILDREN

Clarissa Bresette was present to talk about the transportation for the kids to get to LCO School.

Clarissa is looking for a reliable and consistent travel to and from Waadookodaading Ojibwe Language Institute and LCO School. She is looking to see if Red Cliff, Bad River and LCO could meet to discuss how it can all work out to make this happen for our kids. The bottom line is they are looking for a bus, insurance, bus driver, fuel, and maintenance for a route to and from Red Cliff.

The council is willing to sit with Bad River, and LCO to talk about the transportation of the kids to get to school in LCO. The council will want to look at some kind of numbers.

Nicholas DePerry moved to direct planning to look into funding or grant for transportation and bus for the children that are attending Waadookodaading school in LCO. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR USDA LOCAL FOOD PURCHASE ASSISTANCE PLUS PROGRAM

Ernie Grooms moved to approve to apply for USDA Local Food Purchase Assistance PLUS program in the amount of \$173,627. Seconded by Rick Peterson. Motion carried.

RCCHA LEASE TRANSFER TO ALLISON BASINA

Nicholas DePerry moved to approve Resolution **4/18/23A** pertaining to Transfer of long-term Residential Lease from the Red Cliff Chippewa Housing Authority to Allison Basina, located at 90340 Moccasin Road. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

LEASING MORATORIUMS FOR CLEAN UP PROJECT

Linda Nguyen and Amarin Mello were here to present. The Red Cliff Environmental Department received a HUD grant to address cleanup of more than 33 open dump sites, in conjunction with the concurrent IHS cleanup efforts. These dump sites were initially determined in 2021. Environmental assessments for soil and groundwater testing and clean ups are scheduled to commence in 2023.

Nicholas DePerry moved to approve Resolution **4/18/23B** pertaining to a Moratorium on Access and Residential Leasing of 37810 Bishop Loop. Seconded by Ernie Grooms. Motion carried.

Nicholas DePerry moved to approve Resolution **4/18/23C** pertaining to a Moratorium on Access and Residential Leasing of 37430 Pike Road. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

Ernie Grooms moved to approve Resolution **4/18/23D** pertaining to a Moratorium on Access and Residential Leasing of 91010 Blueberry Road. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

Butch Bresette moved to approve Resolution **4/18/23E** pertaining to a Moratorium on Access and Residential Leasing of 94690 Raspberry Shore Road. Seconded by Ernie Grooms. Motion carried.

Nicholas DePerry moved to approve Resolution **4/18/23F** pertaining to a Moratorium on Access and Residential Leasing of 37350 Pike Road. Seconded by Rick Peterson. Motion carried.

Nicholas DePerry moved to direct the IT Department to identify some quotes for new audio equipment. Discussion: report back to the Council within 30 days. Seconded by Ernie Grooms. Motion carried.

LEASES

Nora Cadotte moved to approve Resolution **4/18/23G** pertaining to Modification to Legal Description of short-term residential lease for Mary Duffy and Elle Benton, located at 90240 Acorn Road. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. Motion carried.

CERTIFY CANDIDATES FOR 2023 PRIMARY ELECTION

Rick Peterson moved to approve the 2023 Verification of Candidates for the Primary Election for the following seats:

Tribal Chairperson

Christopher D. Boyd
Gretchen Morris
Mercie A. Gordon
Michael D. Soulier
Nicole L. Boyd

Tribal Treasurer

Stephanie Defoe-Haskins
Chanell Curran
Grace A. Livingston
Laura J. Gordon

Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

RATIFY EMERGENCY COUNCIL POLL PERTAINING TO APPLYING FOR DOT FTA BUS FACILITY GRANT FOR \$2,559,076.00

Nicholas DePerry moved to Ratify Emergency Council poll. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. Motion carried.

OTHER

No other business.

ADJOURN

Butch Bresette moved to adjourn at 5:55 p.m. Seconded by Stephanie Defoe-Haskins. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:



Laura J Gordon, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:



Nora Cadotte, Secretary
Red Cliff Tribal Council