

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewas

Regular Council Meeting

September 4, 2023

9:00 a.m. Legendary Waters Grand Ballroom

Chairwoman Nicole Boyd called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Nicole Boyd, Present

Bryan Bainbridge, Excused

Richard Peterson, Present

Butch Bresette, Present

Nora Cadotte, Present

Scott Babineau, Present

Laura Gordon, Present

Ernie Grooms, Excused

David Curran, Present

QUORUM

Others present: Dave Ujke, Attorney, Wade Williams, Attorney, Beth Paap, Bayfield School Superintendent, Charmaine Swan, American Lung Association.

OPENING CEREMONY

The opening ceremony was performed by Mark Gokee.

AGENDA

Nora Cadotte moved to approve the agenda with changes. Seconded by David Curran. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Nora Cadotte moved to go into Executive Session at 9:10 a.m. Seconded by David Curran. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION

Butch Bresette moved to return to Regular Session at 10:30 a.m. Seconded by Nora Cadotte. Motion carried.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

David Curran moved to table GLITC request. Seconded by Nora Cadotte. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ACHIEVMENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

None currently.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

Chapter 40 is posted for 30 days, and it will come back to the Tribal Council at the next meeting: September 19, 2023.

Butch Bresette notified the community of upcoming Elder Food Box Giveaway, September 8th at approximately 10:00 a.m. Donations received for veterans and will be handing out paper products.

TREASURER'S BALANCE SHEET JUNE 2023

Scott Babineau moved to accept June 2023 Treasurer's balance sheet. Seconded by David Curran. 1 abstention, Laura Gordon. Motion carried.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BAYFIELD UPDATES

Beth Paap present with updates happening in the school district. She has discussed with Nicole about opening communication with the Tribe. They had their Open House for K-5 and first day for 6th and 9th graders and new students on September 1, 2023.

Currently their enrollment shows 420 students, 120 staff. 30% of students currently receive special education. Current reported numbers for Native Americans is 80% of students. Some do not identify because they are not officially enrolled but are eligible. There is a lot of focus on Indigenous knowledge and teachings. They are making final arrangements for the districts 3rd year of bringing kids out wild ricing. They have monthly feasts with local and indigenous foods. There will be a community feast for community engagement purposes and is planned to be held the last Wednesday of September (27th). Last year's community feast were successful with an average attendance of 400 people. Strengthen relationships with families, students, and neighbors.

There have been discussions about meeting with families quarterly about drugs and substance use and how to address the issues. The district would like to create a parent/guardian advisory group to assist with addressing issues:

1. Anti-vaping. Create a united-front and have the same message and awareness in the district and tribal programming.
2. Attendance-chronic absenteeism. How can we support our students with their physical health, mental health, home life and not feeling safe at school.
3. Overall wellness. The tribe is funding a Youth Advocate (August Gordon) to support youth in crisis. They are working on expanding their network to understand the student needs and how to support them.

What is your opinion on having a safety resource officer for the school? Beth states that this has not been a strong discussion or something that students feel they need. They state that they would like to see more of their community in the school in some capacity (teachers, support staff, volunteers). The school district is a location for Foster Grandparents. Embracing students in a tough time is more effective than having an officer come in to enforce consequences and/or punishments. There are some proactive plans coming together to address any concerns with drug overdoses. At in-service the RC Behavioral Health team and Dawn Nixon provided information about grief and how teachers/staff can help in difficult times with students and for themselves. There is a team that meets weekly to discuss any students of concern and partner in providing extra support or mentorship. The principal meets with the teachers weekly as well.

How can the Tribe support the school and staff?

1. Promote the value of going into education as a career.

2. CESA-12 currently has funding to pay students who participate in an internship. These internships would be created for middle and high school students for hands-on learning experiences.
3. Co-host trips to technical schools, businesses, and colleges multiple times throughout the grade levels. Be more purposeful in planning field trips for middle schoolers.

Beth shared that the Council has received a draft of an MOU for their review and to provide any comments or questions to Nicole or herself.

AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION-CHARMAINE SWAN

Charmaine works with NW Lung Health Alliance as a resource coordinator. She is providing information about vaping and what can be done to take a community approach to anti-vaping. The Surgeon General said vaping was an epidemic in 2018. Vaping devices came out in 2015 and has skyrocketed in sales since then. It comes in a variety of flavors and was not controlled in the amount and/or percentage of nicotine in each device. In 202 the FDA placed a ban on flavored e-carts (vaping devices) that were rechargeable. However, the industry created devices that are disposable, and these devices can still get up to 5,000 puffs before needing to dispose of. Use has drastically increased in highschoolers. However, there have been reports on 4th and 5th graders using vaping devices. In 2019, LCO restricted the sale of e-cigarettes within the reservation boundaries. What are the big cities doing? Public Health is revising their policies to include the language to capture vaping devices (THC, Nicotine, Delta-8). Collaboration with the Student Council and Junior Tribal Council to provide the same awareness message about anti-vaping and a prevention curriculum that focuses on addiction.

TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Butch Bresette moved to table August 4, 5, 7, and 22, 2023 council minutes. Seconded by David Curran. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS BRADUM MAIN

David Curran moved to award the bid to Tribovich Construction in the amount of \$702,703.40 for the BE-22-M46 Bradum Water Main. Seconded by Scott Babineau. Discussion: motion made that this request is within the assumed approved budget. Program Administrators need to be present for these requests. 1 abstention (Nora Cadotte). Motion carried.

FUNDING APPROVAL & SIGNATURES K85 AMENDMENT

Nora Cadotte moved to table funding approval and signatures K85 amendment. Seconded by David Curran. Motion carried.

COPA #3 IMPROVEMENTS

David Curran moved to table COPA #3 improvements. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

TNR SAMPLING CONTRACTOR

Rick Peterson moved to award bid to Wisconsin State Lab of Hygiene for Phase III of TNR Sampling Project in the amount of \$178,799.60. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

COMMERCIAL LAND USE PERMIT RC PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Nuzzo Road improvements and utilities.

Nora Cadotte moved to approve the Commercial Land Use Permit the Red Cliff Planning Department. Seconded by Scott Babineau. Motion carried.

AUTOMATIC MEMBERSHIPS

Nora Cadotte moved to approve the 17 automatic memberships:

1. Deliliah Espn Mayrie Pinkoski 8/16/22- Allissa J. LaGrew

2. Vivian Rose Hanson 1/5/23-Allyssa A. Gordon & Cody W. Hanso
3. Paisley Reign Vega 4/19/23-Lexus A. Gary
4. Rafael Elom Miskomin Tengue 6/18/22-Inge L. Peterson
5. Cody Grayson Brown 3/29/23-Nathan T. Brown
6. Christopher Troy Nowicki 4/1/23-Dylan C. Nowicki
7. Tekoa James Arneson 7/22/22-Kahl J.M. Arneson
8. Xayah Marie Sandmon 8/9/22-Alan T. Sandmon
9. Waaseyaa Jo Dietrich 8/25/22-Haley J. Hyde
10. Indy Lee Lovelace 9/10/22-Gina R. Lovelace (Perosino)
11. Ashton Andrew Mott 7/19/22-Heidi L. Mott (Johnson)
12. Arlen Richard Dunlop 6/18/23-Brandon K. Dunlop
13. Colter Alan Brown 6/13/23-Jaimie L. Brown (Basina)
14. Saylor Lou Gouge 1/28/23-Autum M. Quam
15. Lisa Ann Scott 6/1/23-Orin M. Scott
16. Violet Robin Slomba 10/18/22-Charles L. Slomba Jr.
17. Viola Ivy Plummer 5/11/23- Renee J. Basina

Seconded by Davide Curran. Motion carried.

APPOINT TRIBAL COUNCIL LIAISON TO ECC POLICY COUNCIL

Nora Cadotte moved to appoint councilman Butch Bresette to the Red Cliff ECC Policy Council as the council liaison. Seconded by David Curran. 1 abstention (Butch Bresette). Motion carried.

APPOINT 1 HEALTH BOARD MEMBER

Nora Cadotte moved to appoint Dee Gokee-Rindal to the Red Cliff Health Board. Seconded by Scott Babineau. Motion carried.

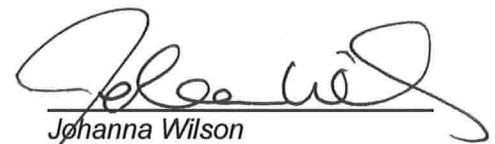
ADJOURN

Rick Peterson moved to adjourn at 11:50 a.m. Seconded by Butch Bresette. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:



*Nora Cadotte, Secretary
Red Cliff Tribal Council*



*Johanna Wilson
Recording Secretary*