

# Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

October 6, 2014

4:30 p.m. at Legendary Waters Grand Ballroom

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Rose Soulier at 4:30 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Rose Soulier, Present

Bryan Bainbridge, Absent, Excused

Laura J. Gordon, Present

Dennis Soulier, Absent, Excused

Quorum

Mike Gurnoe, Present

Steven Boyd, Present @5:06 p.m.

Chris Boyd, Present

Jeanne Gordon, Present

Marvin Defoe, Present

**Others present:** Dave Ujke, Tribal Attorney; Rob Goslin, Division Administrator Manager; Rick Peterson, CFO; Dee Gokee-Rindal, Education Division Director; Chad Abel, Environmental Division Director; Liz Marcoux, Health Division Representative; Bill Mertig, Chief of Tribal Police; Susie Gurnoe, Human Resources Assistant and community members.

### AGENDA

Marvin Defoe moved to approve the amended agenda. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

### OPENING CEREMONY

Opening ceremony was performed by Carolyn Gouge. Condolences were expressed to the families and friends of Bryan "Bingo" Topping, William "Bilzo" Gordon and Jane Roy. It was also announced that Mike Simonson had passed away. Mike was the voice of Northwestern Wisconsin for Wisconsin Public Radio (WPR) and was an advocate for Tribes.

### MADLINE ISLAND PROJECT

Jim Pete presented information on the Madeline Island Project the he is involved in. He recently signed a contract with the Army Corps of Engineers to gather data that will accompany the registration and application form to the National Registry of Historic Places. The objective is for Madeline Island to become recognized as a Historic place. Jim stated he was recommended by Larry Balber and Chad Abel. Information gathered will be in reference to the cultural significance of the island. Data will be acquired from Red Cliff and surrounding Ojibwe communities. The study may take up to a year to complete. He would like suggestions on potential interviewees and asked if the Tribal Council could assist him by getting on the Chippewa Federation meeting agenda. Rose Soulier stated that the next meeting is in St. Croix on the October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Laura J. Gordon will follow up with Jim.

Marvin Defoe asked what protections this registration will provide. Both Marvin and Rose Soulier felt that information on sacred sites should be protected. Jim will keep these concerns in mind.

#### **MINUTES**

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve the August 13, 2014 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Chris Boyd moved to approve the August 21, 2014 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

Marvin Defoe moved to approve the August 28, 2014 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve the September 1, 2014 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Chris Boyd moved to approve the September 2, 2014 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Marvin Defoe moved to approve the September 23, 2014 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

#### **COMMUNITY COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Beth Meyers approached the Tribal Council to thank the Red Cliff community for their support in the Primary election. She asked the Tribal Council to encourage community members to vote. Tribal IDs are acceptable need to provide a physical address. Jeanne Gordon is working on a notice to inform the community. Voters may also acquire an ID at no cost from the DMV. Beth announced that she will be attending a few events soon including a meet and greet at the Great Lakes Visitor Center and in the Town of Phillips. She explained that she is running for the Wisconsin State Assembly representing the 74<sup>th</sup> District, the seat Janet Bewely currently holds. Janet is currently running for WI State Senate. She further explained that the 74<sup>th</sup> District 7 counties in Northwest Wisconsin.

#### **TREASURER MONTHLY REPORT**

A few points were discussed in the report.

Jeanne Gordon moved to accept the Treasurer's report for the month of August 2014. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO AUTHORIZING A DOCTORAL STUDY ON RED CLIFF STUDENT DISPROPORTIONALITY**

Cheryl Funmaker gave a presentation on her study of disproportionality of Special Education students at the Bayfield School. She displayed many of her findings and statistics. She will provide a copy of her power point to the Tribal Council for review. She also explained that recommendations for improvement will come out of her study.

Jeanne Gordon moved to approve **RESOLUTION 10/06/14A**. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. This portion of the study will involve interviewing Red Cliff adults that were Special Education students at Bayfield School. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PUBLICATION OF A STUDY ON RED CLIFF OJIBWE COMMUNITY VIEWS ON SPECIAL EDUCATION**

Steven Boyd moved to approve **RESOLUTION 10/06/14B**. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION/CONTRACT FOR COUNTY/TRIBAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT**

Chris Boyd moved to approve **RESOLUTION 10/06/14C**. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION/CONTRACT BETWEEN UW MADISON AND RED CLIFF TRIBE**

Chris Boyd moved to approve **RESOLUTION 10/06/14D**. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF GREAT LAKES INTEGRATED CLIMATE CONSORTIUM GRANT**

Mike Gurnoe moved to approve. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT GLRI FUNDS FROM BIA**

Jeanne Gordon moved to approve **RESOLUTION 10/06/14E**. Seconded by Marvin Defoe. Motion carried.

**APPOINT (1) COUNCIL MEMBER TO BE THE LIAISON FOR POLICY COUNCIL**

Marvin Defoe moved to appoint Steven Boyd as the Tribal Council Liaison for ECC Policy Council. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. (1 abstention: Steven Boyd). Motion carried.

**APPOINT (2) MEMBERS TO HOUSING BOARD**

Members selected by secret ballot.

Steven Boyd moved to appoint Cindy Garrity and George Duffy. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Marvin Defoe moved to destroy the ballots. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

#### **APPOINT (2) MEMBERS TO HEALTH BOARD**

Members selected by secret ballot.

A short discussion was had on the possibly of a conflict arising from allowing a Health Division employee sit on the Health Board. This will be looked into.

Mike Gurnoe moved to appoint Liz Gokee and Joe Pascale. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to destroy the ballots. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

#### **APPOINT (1) MEMBER TO THE UTILITIES COMMISSION**

Chris Boyd moved to appoint George Patrick Duffy to the Utilities Commission and to repost for one (1) more member. Seconded by Marvin Defoe. Motion carried.

#### **APPOINT (1) MEMBER TO THE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE**

Marvin Defoe moved to appoint Demetri Morris to the Conservation Committee and to repost for four (4) more members. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

#### **APPOINT (2) MEMBERS TO THE LIBRARY BOARD**

Jeanne Gordon moved to appoint Elizabeth A. Bodin and Jennifer Bresette to the Library Board and to repost for three (3) more members. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

#### **APPOINT (1) MEMBER TO THE POW-WOW COMMITTEE**

Marvin Defoe moved to appoint Demetri Morris to the Pow-wow Committee and to repost for eight (8) more members. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

#### **APPOINT RICK PETERSEN TO THE PENSION PLAN COMMITTEE**

Chris Boyd moved to appoint Rick Petersen, CFO, HR Director, Tribal Attorney, Tribal Treasurer, and one (1) staff Employee person to the Pension Plan Committee. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

#### **DISCUSSION ON THE RED CLIFF REZ PATROL SHOW (JESSICA MATHEWS)**

Jessica Mathews representative of "Rez Patrol" TV program would like to film in Red Cliff. It is a "Cops" style show set in tribal communities. She will be skyping with Chief Mertig and the officers. Approval from the Tribal Council was requested to allow the TV show to film in Red Cliff.

Marvin Defoe moved to move forward. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

#### **OTHER**

Jeanne Gordon moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Marvin Defoe. Motion carried.

Steven Boyd moved to return to Regular Session. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

Jeanne Gordon moved to hire Dr. Kristine Matson for the P/T Pediatrician. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

Marvin Defoe moved to hire Angie Emrich with Kahlil Williams as the alternate for the Community Health Representative (CHR). Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

Mike Gurnoe moved to hire Jeff Banowetz for the Air Quality Tech. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

Marvin Defoe moved to hire Ed Boyd for the Fish Wildlife Tech. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. (2 abstentions: Steven Boyd and Chris Boyd). Motion carried.

Jeanne Gordon moved to hire Sherrie Anderson for the Pediatric Care Manager. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

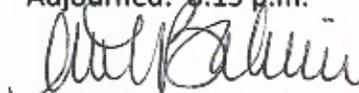
Chris Boyd moved to have the Business Board move forward in accordance on what was discussed in Executive Session. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

Jeanne Gordon moved to leave the Personnel issues that were approved by the board as is and from this day forward that the Red Cliff Housing Board is to follow their policy. Seconded by Steven Boyd. (2 abstentions: Marvin Defoe and Chris Boyd). Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

Steven Boyd moved to adjourn. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Adjourned: 8:15 p.m.



Respectfully Submitted:

Alana Babineau  
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:



Laura J. Gordon, Secretary  
Red Cliff Tribal Council