

# Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

February 18, 2014

2:00 p.m. at Legendary Waters Grand Ballroom

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Rose Soulier at 2:00 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Rose Soulier, Present  
Nathan Gordon, Present  
Laura J. Gordon, Present  
Dennis Soulier, Present  
Jeanne Gordon, Present

Marvin Defoe, Present @ 2:15 p.m.  
Bryan Bainbridge, Present  
Mike Gurnoe, Present @ 2:28 p.m.  
Steven Boyd, Present  
Quorum

Also in attendance: Dave Ujke, Tribal Attorney and community members.

### AGENDA

Add "Auxiant Insurance Claims Discussion to Executive Session"

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

Steven Boyd moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

Steven Boyd moved to return back to Regular Session. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

### OPENING CEREMONY

The Opening Ceremony was performed by Richard LaFerner and Leo LaFerner Jr.

### HEARING ON REMOVAL OF GAMING COMMISSION MEMBER

Nathan Gordon moved to reschedule the hearing due to Milo Basina was not able to be here due to the inclement weather. Seconded by Marvin Defoe. Discussion: Dave Ujke will set the date for the next hearing. Motion carried.

### CLINIC CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE

Taylor Woodstone staff and Eugene Gordon did a presentation of the progress being made. The project continues to be on schedule and is 75-80% complete with move-in date scheduled for early June 2014. Photos of progress were shown and they also mentioned the Safety luncheon held in December.

#### **FAIR WEATHER FRIENDS PROGRAM**

Beth Meyers gave information on the program. The concept came from Patty Deragon-Navarro in response to a death that occurred last year. The program is administered by CORE and will assist and check on elders during inclement weather. Elders need to sign up; they have 17 registered so far and hope to have 60 by fall. They have received a lot of publicity and have submitted a grant application to Apostle Islands Community fund for marketing monies. The program is free of charge. CORE is working with Red Cliff Elderly program and Red Cliff Health Department on this initiative.

#### **NALEMP QUARTERLY UPDATE**

Frank Koehn presented the NALEMP update. He highlighted a few points in the report including the review of the Remedial Investigation being done and the PR draft that had been submitted to the Program Manager. Bryan Bainbridge spoke of the committee's possible need of assistance in dealing with EMR. The committee had asked the contractor to include language describing the cultural significance and perspective of the tribe; EMR has not agreed to include this.

Marvin Defoe asked that Gary Defoe provide a synopsis of the project from a staff member perspective.

#### **GAMING COMMISSION REPORT**

Rick Peterson was not available to present the report.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve the report. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

#### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Jeanne Balber and Sandy Nevala approached the Tribal Council and stated they had a number of concerns they would like to discuss without non-tribal members present.

Dennis Soulier moved to go into Executive Session with Tribal members only. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to return back into Regular Session. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

##### **APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2013**

Steven Boyd moved to approve the November and December 2013 Treasurer's reports with corrections. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**APPROVAL OF CASH FLOW BUDGET FOR MARCH 2014**

Mike Gurnoe moved to approve the Cash Flow Budget for March 2014 in the amount of \$517,991. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

**TRIBAL BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUEST**

Dee Gokee-Rindall described the progress on the development of the Tribal Board of Education. Action from the Council is needed for the board may be formed. She also asked if the Council wishes the Board to be an advisory board or a policy-making board.

Nathan Gordon moved to authorize the development of the Tribal Board of Education. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Discussion: It was agreed that this will serve as an advisory Board. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF ACTION PLAN FOR THE NEXT THREE PRIORITIES WITH THE BAYFIELD SCHOOL**

Dee Gokee-Rindall presented the next three priorities to be discussed with the Bayfield School Board. These recommendations were decided upon by Dee and Carmen Vander Venter.

The priorities are:

1. Mandatory Red Cliff History course/workshop for the teachers, administrators and staff.
2. Create/Hire a full time Cultural Coordinator at the school.
3. Receive an update from the school regarding their School District Strategic Plan that was completed in December 2013.

At the next joint meeting it was recommended that an update be given by the school regarding the previous 3 priorities.

Dennis Soulier moved to approve. Seconded by Marvin Defoe. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE ECC APPLICATION FOR SAMHSA CIRCLES OF CARE GRANT**

Marvin Defoe moved to approve **RESOLUTION 2/18/14A** with corrections. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO APPOINT LARRY BALBER TO THE WI INTER-TRIBAL REPATRIATION COMMITTEE (WITRC)**

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve **RESOLUTION 2/18/14B** to appoint Larry Balber to WITRC. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF RED CLIFF HOUSING ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT (APR)**

Mike Babineau presented the report. Rose Soulier asked that this report be posted in more places so that tribal members have access to it. Dennis Soulier had concerns on the annual report and stated it was not complete. Mike stated that it was approved and submitted.

Steven Boyd moved to approve the report. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. (1-contrary: Dennis Soulier) Motion carried.

**FEDERAL EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFITS (FEHB) PERCENTAGE TRIBE/EMPLOYEE PAY**

Rick Wygonik provided the Council information on the various rates. He recommended that the Tribe go with the 12% employee, 88% Tribe rate.

Dennis Soulier moved to approve the 12/88 rate. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

**ACCEPT RESIGNATION FROM SHELLEY GORDON FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE DIRT COMMITTEE**

Marvin Defoe moved to accept the resignation. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Jeanne Gordon will check to see if this committee needs to have a Chairman appointed. This will be revisited at the next meeting.

**ACCEPT RESIGNATION FROM TOM JEFFORDS FROM THE LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE**

Bryan Bainbridge moved to accept the resignation. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

**APPOINT TWO (2) MEMBERS TO LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE**

Jeanne Gordon moved to appointed Melonee Montano and Larry Deragon to Police Commission. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

**RATIFY COUNCIL POLL PERTAINING TO THE DENTAL FUNDING RESOLUTION**

Bryan Bainbridge moved to ratify the Council Poll pertaining to **RESOLUTION 2/10/14CP**. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF CHAPTER 17 RED CLIFF TRIBAL GAMING ORDINANCE REVISION/RESOLUTION**

Dennis Soulier moved to approve **RESOLUTION 2/18/14C** pertaining to Chapter 17 revisions. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

**OTHER**

Jeanne Gordon moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Dennis Soulier moved to return to Regular Session. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

Nathan Gordon moved to hire Denise Carlson with Alana Babineau as the alternate for the FS/HS Administrator Assistant. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to hire Danny Blake for the AODA third shift. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Marvin Defoe moved to hire Brigette Gokee for the Child Support Case Manager. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

Dennis Soulier moved to hire Michelle Charette-Goodwin with Stephanie Defoe as the alternate for the Child Support Finance Specialist. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to hire Nicole Boyd with Jennifer Leask as the alternate for the Head Start Director position. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. (3 abstentions: Nathan Gordon, Dennis Soulier and Steven Boyd) (1 contrary: Bryan Bainbridge). Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

Nathan Gordon moved to adjourn. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Adjourned: 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

  
Alana Babineau  
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

  
Laura J. Gordon, Secretary  
Red Cliff Tribal Council