

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

February 2, 2015

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, Present

Laura J. Gordon, Present

Dennis Soulier, Present

Quorum

Mike Gurnoe, Present

Steven Boyd, Present

Chris Boyd, Present

Jeanne Gordon, Present

Marvin Defoe, Present

Also in attendance: Dave Ujke, Tribal Attorney, Wade Williams, Assistant Tribal Attorney, Rob Goslin, Division Administrator Manager, Division Administrators, and community members.

AGENDA

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

OPENING CEREMONY

Opening ceremony performed by Jim Pete.

MINUTES

Dennis Soulier moved to approve the December 22, 2014 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

Marvin Defoe moved to approve the January 5, 2014, minutes with corrections. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve the January 26th & 27th, 2015, minutes with corrections. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve the January 30, 2015, minutes with corrections. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ON POLICY STATEMENT REGARDING MARIJUANA ISSUES IN INDIAN COUNTRY

Tribal Attorney David Ujke and Assistant Attorney Wade Williams presented a summary of the potential risks in proceeding with marijuana sale, manufacture and distribution. It was explained that due to Public Law 280, it was likely that any actions not in accordance with state criminal law, would subject individuals to criminal prosecution.

A large number of community members were present and expressed their support in the legalization of marijuana on the reservation. Ryan Jensen and Chris Hicks spoke of the research they had each conducted on their own and provided documents to the Tribal Council. Much of the overall discussion focused on the profit potential of hemp production.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to create a committee, overseen by Legal, to explore options. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Discussion: The committee is to explore all three areas of use (agricultural, medicinal and recreational). They should also connect with LCO's newly formed committee. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

"FAFSA Night" will be held on Wednesday, February 4th from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm at the Red Cliff Community Health Center.

The Tribal Council took action to fundraise for a Scholarship to be given to a Native American Senior Student in the Bayfield School District for the 2015 School Year. The 1st fundraiser will take place on February 13, 2015 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Tribal Administration Office.

TREASURER MONTHLY REPORT

A few points were discussed in the report.

Chris Boyd moved to accept the report for December 2014. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

UPDATE ON THE INVESTIGATION REPORT/GENERAL PUBLIC OUTREACH UPDATES

Gary Defoe announced that the Investigative Report was recently completed and he will be providing a copy to the Tribal Council. Rose Soulier asked that Gary summarize the document prior to submitting.

The program has received good feedback from presentations and has another planned in Knife River on February 25th.

Frank Koehn contract has been exhausted, but Gary is looking for additional funds. Marvin Defoe asked that he consider hiring a tribal member for this.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF LEASE MODIFICATION/RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO NEW HOUSING AREA LEASE FOR RED CLIFF CHIPPEWA HOUSING AUTHORITY RED CLIFF REHAB I PROJECT

The legal description of the New Housing lease was requested to be revised to include the playground area.

Dennis Soulier moved to approve **RESOLUTION 2/2/15A**. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THREE (3) GLRI FUNDING PROPOSALS

The three projects include: Coaster Brook Trout study, Raspberry River Walkway and Lake Superior Shoreline Stabilization Project in Buffalo Bay.

Marvin Defoe move to approve. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AUTOMATIC ENROLLMENT APPLICATIONS

Steven Boyd moved to approve the Automatic Enrollment Applications of:

Lynnleigh Lou Bresette; parent Tanner E. Bresette

Brylee Michelle-Louise Bresette, parents Gabrielle E. Bresette and Dane P. LaGrew

Scarlett Isabelle Wittkorn, parent Jennifer R. Evilsizer-Wittkorn

Ian Michael Dieck, parent Jamie M. (Curtin) Dieck

Henrietta Lucille Stadick, parent Carey L. (Schnabel) Stadick

Nora LaVonne Stadick, parent Carey L. (Schnabel) Stadick

Brayden James Smith, parent William J. Smith

William Henry Wellens, Jr., parent Kelly J. Gurnoe

Vivian Linda Yourell, parent Kathleen A. (Langoehr) Yourell

James Patrick Becker, parent Matthew J. Becker

Sawyer Belle Koeberl, parent Kelsey L. (Koeberl) Harwood

Seconded by Marvin Defoe. Discussion: need to get clarification on the enrollment numbers; Laura J. Gordon will get clarification from the Enrollment Department. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BUSINESS LICENSE

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve the Business License for the Duwayne Soulier Memorial VFW Post 8239. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

OTHER

Jeanne Gordon moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

Marvin Defoe moved to return to Regular Session. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

Steven Boyd moved to recess until tomorrow at 2:00 p.m. at the Tribal Administration Building. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried. 7:53 p.m.

Reconvened at 12:00 p.m. at the Tribal Administration Building with Arrowhead Consulting.

Mike Gurnoe, Steven Boyd and Dennis Soulier were absent.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to return to Regular Session. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Laura J. Gordon moved to adjourn. Seconded by Chris Boyd. Motion carried.

Adjourned: 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:


Alana Babineau
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:


Laura J. Gordon, Secretary
Red Cliff Tribal Council