

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewas

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

March 20, 2012

Director of Tribal Operations Office/Legendary Waters Buffalo Bay Grand Ballroom
2:00 p.m.

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

ROLL CALL:

Rose Soulier, Present

Marvin Defoe, Present

Laura J. Gordon, Present

Dennis Soulier, Present

Jeanne Gordon, Present

Mike Gurnoe, Present

Joanne Peterson, Present

Bryan Bainbridge, Present

Robert Bear, Present at 2:10 p.m.

Quorum

In attendance: Mark Montano, Director of Tribal Operations, Dave Ujke, Tribal Attorney, John Larson, Tribal Chief Financial Officer.

Dennis Soulier moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Joanne Peterson. Motion carried.

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

Marvin Defoe moved to approve the agreement with Jeff Gordon. Seconded by Joanne Peterson. Discussion. Motion carried.

Jeanne Gordon moved to approve John Larson as the Interim General Manager for Legendary Waters Resort Casino. Seconded by Dennis Soulier.

Dennis Soulier moved to hire Robert Pokorney as the General Manager for Legendary Waters Resort Casino. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

Dennis Soulier moved to recess 4:10 p.m. Seconded by Joanne Peterson. Motion carried.

Dennis Soulier moved to reconvene Council meeting at 4:30 p.m. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

OPENING CEREMONY

Opening ceremony performed by Frank Montano.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Jeanne Gordon moved to approve the agenda taking out #18 and adding under other New Health Facility discussion/action and Red Cliff Trust Settlement. Seconded by Joanne Peterson. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

London Bressette suggested that Red Cliff should invest in receiving a Water Quality Certification.

Marvin Defoe stated that there will be a Mille Lacs Sparring/Netting meeting on Thursday March 22, 2012 at Legendary Waters Resort and Casino at 6:00 p.m.

Rose Soulier mentioned to the community that a settlement agreement was made with Jeff Gordon, General Manager of Legendary Waters Resort and Casino. Rose had also read Jeff Gordon's resignation letter to community. Council has appointed John Larson, Red Cliff Tribal CFO as interim General Manager until Robert Pokorney can begin, Robert will begin on Wednesday March 28, 2012.

Robert Pokorney explained that he had 15 years gaming experience, he has worked for Bad River Casino and Grand Portage Casino and is originally from the Duluth, MN area. Robert explained that he is excited to work with Red Cliff at Legendary Waters Resort Casino and plans to improve customer service by engaging happy employees and happy customers.

CASINO REPORT

Dennis Soulier moved to table the February 2012 Casino report. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried. John Larson will work on a new format to present to the Council.

Marvin Defoe moved to approve Legendary Waters Resort and Casino Cash flow budget for April 2012. Seconded by Joanne Peterson. Motion carried.

COMPLIANCE REPORT

Dennis Soulier moved to approve the Casino Compliance report for February 2012. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

GAMING COMMISSION REPORT

Marvin Defoe moved to approve the Red Cliff Gaming Commission report for February 2012. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

BUSINESS BOARD ARTICLE INCORPORATION AND BYLAWS

Dave Ujke presented the Red Cliff Business Board Article of Incorporation and By-Laws to the

Council. Dave was looking for comments by the Council. Dave will bring documents back to Brian Pierson to look at and will make the changes then bring back to Council for approval.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF ISLE VISTA CASINO DECOMMISSIONING COMMITTEE

Ed Sindelar presented document created by Auction Company which included details of how the auction would be conducted, how items could be sold, and the best way to produce a generous income for the tribe. Discussion: tribal members receiving 10% off price at auction. Several tribal members have expressed their desire to have/purchase items. Mr. Morris stated he wanted 100 sheets of steel.

Bryan Bainbridge moved to go through with auction and have Ed Sindelar come back with final auction documents. Seconded by Robert Bear. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR TOWN OF RUSSELL, BAYFIELD COUNTY WI

Dennis Soulier moved to table the Contract for the Town of Russell. Seconded by Marvin Defoe. Discussion: Contract will come back to Council at the First meeting in April 2012. The Contract is in the amount of \$58,000 on work that has been done. Ed will come back to Council with supporting documentation that it was approved. Ed Sindelar mentioned that this is a part of the BIA contract but don't know the details. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFICIAL RED CLIFF COMMERCIAL FISHING MAP

A Red Cliff Natural Resources Commercial Fishing Map of Wisconsin Waters map was presented to Rose Soulier. They will also post one at the Wardens Office, Court House, and Administration Building. The maps are also available to anyone at a cost.

RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO FY 2012-2013 EXPENDITURE PLAN FOR FOREST MANAGEMENT DEDUCTIONS

Dennis Soulier moved to approve Resolution **3/20/12A** pertaining to FY 2012 – 2013 Expenditure plan for Forest Management Deductions in the amount of \$12,434.00. Seconded by Joanne Peterson. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ENERGY AUDIT

Dennis Soulier moved to approve a waiver e Property and Procurement manual sealed bid process, the public posting requirements and the three bid process. Not to exceed \$33,504.00. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO CONTINUATION OF (FVPSA) FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION SERVICES

Mike Gurnoe moved to approve Resolution **3/2012B** pertaining to the continuation of (FVPSA) Family Violence Prevention Services. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE 161 AGREEMENT CY 2011 AND CY 2012

Joanne Peterson moved to approve the 161 agreement CY 2011 and CY 2012. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Discussion: if anyone wants a better understanding of the agreement, you can get copy from Dave Ujke. Motion carried.

TENANT ASSOCIATION

Laura J. Gordon has received no new updates from the Tenant Association Committee.

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE UPDATE

Laura J. Gordon mentioned that the Constitution Committee has not met since last month; however, the next scheduled meeting will be on Thursday March 22, 2012.

APPROVAL FOR INITIAL 2012 WALLEYE AND MUSKELLUNGE DECLARATION FOR WISCONSIN AND MINNESOTA LAKES

Jeanne Gordon moved to approve the initial 2012 Walleye and Muskellunge Declaration for Wisconsin and Minnesota Lakes. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Discussion: Mark Montano asked a question about the numbers on the fish going down and that next year a Task Force representative should ask for more. Bryan Bainbridge stated that the fish just are not there and there is a steady decline. Motion carried.

There was discussion about nets gathering abundance of northern pike and it's counting against the entire tribal memberships on allowed pounds of walleye. Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve a 5% lbs. limit on Northern Pike caught by an individual. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Discussion: so everyone can have a chance to gather. Motion carried.

OTHER

NEW HEALTH FACILITY DISCUSSION/ACTION

Dave Ujke will have something to Council by Thursday for a Council poll pertaining to establishing a Health Clinic Project Committee and Delegating authority to act as owner's representative on behalf of the Tribal Council. There was discussion on using the same members that were used on the Casino Project Team. The names that would be on the Health Clinic Project Committee are Mike Gurnoe, Marvin Defoe Ed Sindelar, Mark Montano and Randy Hella.

RED CLIFF TRUST SETTLEMENT

Marvin Defoe moved to approve Resolution **3/20/12C** pertaining to the Red Cliff Trust Settlement. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Discussion: a conforming resolution. Motion carried

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

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

Dennis Soulier moved to hire Jenna Zar as the Dental Assistant. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon.
Motion carried.

Marvin Defoe moved to hire Lorna Gamble as the ICW Director. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge.
Motion carried.

Mike Gurnoe moved to hire Anthony Corbine, with Ariadna Chediack as the alternate for the
Education Outreach Coordinator/Water Resource Assistant. Seconded by Joanne Peterson.
Motion carried.

Robert Bear moved to adjourn. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Adjourned: 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:


Jeannie Balber
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:


Laura J. Gordon, Secretary
Red Cliff Tribal Council