

# Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

March 4, 2014

3:30 p.m. at Legendary Waters Resort and Casino, Grand Ballroom

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Rose Soulier at 3:30 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Rose Soulier, Present

Nathan Gordon, Present

Laura J. Gordon, Present

Dennis Soulier, Present

Jeanne Gordon, Present

Marvin Defoe, Present

Bryan Bainbridge, Present

Mike Gurnoe, Present

Steven Boyd, Present

Quorum

In attendance: Dave Ujke, Tribal Attorney, Wade Williams, Assistant Tribal Attorney and Community members

### AGENDA

Added "approval of 2014 Election Timelines".

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

### HEARING ON REMOVAL OF GAMING COMMISSION MEMBER

Council heard both sides on the removal of a Gaming Commission member. This will be discussed in Executive Session later on the agenda.

Meeting in recess until 4:30 p.m.

### OPENING CEREMONY

A moment of silence was observed for Marvin Defoe Sr.

### MINUTES

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the January 31, 2014 meeting minutes. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Discussion: Tribal Chair asked that additional information regarding the purpose of the meeting be included in the minutes. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve the February 3, 2014 meeting minutes with corrections. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

Nathan Gordon moved to approve the February 18, 2014 meeting minutes with corrections. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

## **COMMUNITY COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Food Shelf Bingo on Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Sarah Gordon is the contact person for donations.

The Red Cliff Fire Department fundraiser raised approximately \$1,600.

## **TREASURERS REPORT**

Dennis Soulier asked that this be tabled until the first meeting in April. He explained that there was a glitch in the 3rd party accounts and time was needed to correct this.

Mike Gurnoe moved to table the report. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

Introduction of Rick Petersen, the new Chief Financial Officer for the Tribe.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **UTILITIES REQUEST**

Bob Bear and Ed Singular were present to explain the Commission's request to raise the services rates to closer reflect liabilities. Many concerns were raised by the Council including consideration of non-member rates and income of customers. The Council asked that legal look into any issues with charging non-members higher rates than tribal members and bring this information bring back at the first April meeting. Marvin Defoe asked for a detailed summary of what the increase would pay for and to clearly show the unmet need of the facility. Steve Boyd asked that they research other reservations and the rates that they charge their customers.

Marvin Defoe moved to table this item. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO CHILD PASSERNGER SAFETY SEATS GRANT**

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve **RESOLUTION 3/4/14A**. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO HEALTH CTR. GRANT APPLICATION**

Dennis Soulier moved to approve **RESOLUTION 3/4/14B**. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE FOOD SHELF'S GRANT APPLICATION**

Mike Gurnoe moved to approve **RESOLUTION 3/4/14C**. Seconded by Marvin Defoe. Motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO HS-EHS CONTINUATION GRANT 2014-2015**

Jeanne Gordon moved to approve Resolution 3/4/14D. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

**APPROVALS OF ECC COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT UPDATE 2013-2014**

Bryan Bainbridge moved to approve. Seconded by Marvin Defoe. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF ECC GOALS AND OBJECTIVES 2014-2015**

Dennis Soulier moved to approve. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF ECC TRAINING PLAN 2014-2015**

Mike Gurnoe moved to approve. Seconded by Bryan Bainbridge. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF HS/EHS BUDGET 2014-2015**

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

**APPROVAL TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION FROM PAULETTE LIVINGSTON FROM NATOW**

Nathan Gordon moved to accept the resignation. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Discussion: Will bring this item back to a future meeting and appoint a new representative. The Council will also send Paulette a thank you letter. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION FROM LINDA LAMOREAUX FROM THE LIBRARY BOARD**

Mike Gurnoe moved to accept the resignation. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

Bryan Bainbridge stated that Linda deserved an apology from the Board. Linda asked that her letter be shared with the Library Board members.

**APPROVAL TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION FROM JOANNE PETERSON FROM THE HEALTH BOARD**

Nathan Gordon moved to accept the resignation. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Discussion: Will repost for new member. Motion carried.

**RED CLIFF'S PARTICIPATION IN DOI LAND BUY-BACK PROGRAM**

Wade Williams explained the DOI Land Buy Back program and recommended that the Tribe participate.

Steven Boyd moved to proceed with the Tribe's involvement in the program. Seconded by Marvin Defoe. Motion carried.

**OTHER**

Dennis Soulier moved to approve the 2014 Election Time Frames. Seconded by Nathan Gordon. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon will post the Election timeframes in the community and Tribal website.

Bryan Bainbridge 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.

Steven Boyd moved to hire Lisa Stark for the Indian Child Welfare (ICW) Director position. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to repost the Indian Child Welfare (ICW) Worker position. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

Laura J. Gordon moved to approve the Grant Allocation, and to have the Casino pay the Tribe back by the end of the Fiscal year and everything needs to be paid including the Hospitality Tax from August 2013 through January 2014 and to stay current with all future tribal payables. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

Mike Gurnoe moved to approve the removal of the Gaming Commission member. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Hand vote was taken (4 for: Steven Boyd, Laura J. Gordon, Dennis Soulier and Mike Gurnoe) and (4 against: Bryan Bainbridge, Jeanne Gordon, Nathan Gordon and Marvin Defoe). It was a tie vote and the Tribal Chair broke the tie and voted for. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

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

Adjourned: 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

  
Alana Babineau  
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

  
Laura J. Gordon, Secretary  
Red Cliff Tribal Council