

# Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

June 25, 2015

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

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

### ROLL CALL

Rose Soulier, Absent

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 @ 4:35 p.m.

Also in attendance: Rick Peterson, Red Cliff Tribes CFO, Rob Goslin, Division Administrator Manager, Accounting Staff, Kurt Tucker, Auditor, and Community members.

### AGENDA

Mike Gurnoe moved to approve the agenda with additions. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

Dennis Soulier moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Procurement process for contracts related to Cultural Services provided for the traditional Pow-Wow held over the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend 2015 Honorarium's. Seconded by Steven Boyd. Motion carried.

### APPROVAL OF THE RED CLIFF TRIBE'S AUDIT

Kurt Tucker thanked the Tribal Council for allowing his firm to assist the Tribe with the annual audit. Kurt mentioned that the audit went very well; all the accounting staff was very cooperative and assisted the auditors quickly. Bryan also thanked the staff for their hard work

The Tribe is now categorized as a "low risk" audit status. Kurt recommends continuing to use the same format as we have been.

Kurt recommends that we post our audit on the federal website, but to exclude things like the Proprietary funds; our funds that no one needs to know. In addition, our total Federal awards have grown thru the years.

Kurt also recommends keeping the number of accounts to a minimum. The 638 dollars should be invested in savings account to earn interest and put back into the account when needed.

The reasoning for our deficit is not collecting Casino receivables to the general fund timely. Once we collect we will be back in the positive. Also, the unanticipated increase with Water & Sewer also contributed with the deficit; page 10 of the audit report "fund balance".

Rick Petersen recommended that the Clinic 3<sup>rd</sup> party be changed. Recommendation was given to Tribal Council prior to meeting. Also, Rick recommended that the Profit Sharing Plan be changed to Pension Plan, not to confuse the difference. Kurt agreed.

The Indirect cost rates were budgeted high, but didn't spend as much as anticipated. Indirect cost should break even.

Bryan would like to make sure that the Casino and Water and Sewer deficit is put in the receivables. Council can then respond to community members asking why we are showing a deficit.

Marvin Defoe talked about sole sourcing being updated to the Property and Procurement policy. Recommends have one policy for Tribal dollars and one for grant dollars.

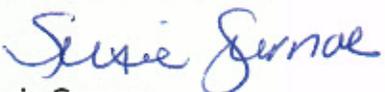
Chris Boyd moved to approve the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewas Audited Financial Statements for the year ended September 30, 2014 with changes. Seconded by Jeanne Gordon. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

Jeanne Gordon moved to adjourn. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

Adjourned 5:55p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

  
Susie Gurnoe  
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

  
Laura J. Gordon, Secretary  
Red Cliff Tribal Council