

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewas

REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING

March 7, 2011

6:00 p.m. Bingo Hall

Meeting called to order by Vice Chairperson, Marvin Defoe, at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Rose Soulier, Absent

Larry Deragon, Present

Marvin Defoe, Present

Jeanne Gordon, Absent

Laura J. Gordon, Present

Ray DePerry, Absent

Dennis Soulier, Present

Jim Pete, Present

Mike Gurnoe, Present

Quorum

In attendance: Mark Montano Director of Tribal Operations, Dave Ujke Tribal Attorney and community members.

OPENING CEREMONY

Opening ceremony performed by Frank Montano.

AGENDA

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

Treatment to Reservation Streams for Sea Lampreys—Chad Abel, Mike Fodale and Matt Symbol

Recommendation was made to treat Sand River and Red Cliff Creek. Requesting approval for TFM (TriFluoroMethyl) treatments, permission to access the land to treat and Tribal support to monitor and kill the Lamprey if approved. Marvin inquired if they are looking at receiving any drastic cuts. They are anticipating very minimal cuts if any at all.

Larry Deragon motioned to approve the treatment to the streams and kill the Lamprey.

Seconded by Jim Pete. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Jim Pete moved to approve the February 7, 2011 minutes with corrections. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Larry Deragon moved to approve the February 22, 2011 meeting minutes with corrections. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion Carried.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bob Bear inquired to the Council about the importance of accuracy in the Tribal Council meeting minutes. Council responded that the accuracy of the minutes is extremely important.

Bob asked if he notices errors in the minutes should he bring them to the Council. Council stated that if the minutes are already signed they are official but Bob can bring any errors to the attention of Laura J. Gordon.

Bob also stated 2 complaints: He had expected more discussion on the "story wall" in the hotel area of the Casino. Bob inquired about Chief Buffalo's pipe and what is going to be done with it. Bob feels it should be displayed in the Casino.

Red Cliff Police Department is hosting a meet and greet for community members on Friday, March 11, 2011 at the Bingo Hall from 4-7 p.m.

On March 22, 2011 Frank Montano will be performing in concert at Stage North in Washburn at 7:30 p.m. This will also be a birthday celebration for Frank.

June 19-25, 2011 a ministry group will be coming to the community to assist elders with home repairs. Applications are available at the Tribal Administration office. The deadline to get applications in is May 31, 2011. For any questions call Olie Basina or Bruce Topping.

CASINO HOTEL UPDATE/RON JACK, Great Horse Ron Erickson and Susan Jacobson

Ron Jack thanked the Interior Design Committee members. The next meeting time still needs to be determined. The Casino's executive summary will be available on Thursday, March 10, 2011. Currently the construction of the casino has 28 (of 41) non-core members. The kitchen equipment and installation will be occurring in the next few weeks and the showers/locker room will be added to the casino project at no additional cost. Jim Pete inquired about the showers/locker room for the campgrounds and what the interim plan is for the campers. Ron Jack stated that by June 1, 2011 there will be a temporary locker room for campers up and running.

The project goals: Provide, give, respect and honor. The casino interior has a natural pallet. There will be 300 slots, 8 table games, 100 seating restaurant with outdoor seating as well, bar/lounge, snack bar, event center, hotel with 40 standard rooms and 7 suites, business center, fitness center, indoor/outdoor pool, snowmobile lockers, showers for campers, marina shop with ice cream, pop ice etc., stone accents on the inside of the casino and hoping to use the same accents for the outside. The hotel rooms are sound-proofed with insulation and double wall. The furniture in the hotel is all purchased from Native owned businesses. The entire facility is 'Northwoods' inspired. Every room faces the lake and has a view of the water. Marvin Defoe and Great Horse acknowledged the interior design committee for doing a great job.

TREASURERS REPORT

Dennis states that as of September 30, 2010 the Tribe is no longer in a general fund deficit. Marvin Defoe acknowledged Dennis, the accounting staff and administration for all of the hard work and stated that this is a milestone for the Tribe. The FY10 audit will be presented at the March 22, 2011 Tribal Council meeting as the first item on the agenda.

Jim Pete moved to approve the Treasurer report. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Tabled lease for Elizabeth Albert Peacock and Thomas Peacock – Susie Bear
Susie states they are currently in non-compliance because they do not reside on the lease full-time. A notice was sent to them and Susie has not received a response. A recommendation was made to send them another letter through registered mail emphasizing that they need to devise a plan to become in-compliance with their lease and require a 30 day response time.
- B. Tabled compliance budget request – Carol Cameron
Carol was not present this evening but had a meeting earlier in the day about this item. At that meeting it was agreed that Carol will come back to the Council on the March 22, 2011 meeting to present a more comprehensive budget. It was also agreed that Carol will formulate a plan and a job description to present to the Council. Dennis Soulier moved to table for the March 22, 2011 Council meeting. Seconded by Larry Deragon. Motion carried.
- C. Tabled Charter discussion. Tribal Council discussed on Friday, March 4, 2011, that Charter will be expanding the local channel 7 broadcasts to Washburn and Ashland community. The discussion involved the question of wanting to expand the local channel 7 or not. Dennis explained that to keep it local it would cost the Tribe 25-30K/yr as a one-time payment.

NEW BUSINESS

LEASES

Dennis Soulier moved to approve resolution **3/7/11A** for the involuntary cancellation for Thomas and Susan Stuntebeck residential lease located on Beneshii Road. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion Carried.

Mike Gurnoe moved to approve resolution **3/7/11B** for the voluntary cancellation lease for Leonard E. LaPointe, III located on Blueberry Road. Seconded by Larry Deragon. Motion Carried.

Jim Pete moved to approve resolution **3/7/11C** for the involuntary cancellation for Louis Belanger residential lease located on Blueberry Road. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion Carried.

Dennis Soulier moved to approve resolution **3/7/11D** to renew the recreational lease for Cecil and Christine Peterson located on Raspberry Shores Subdivision. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion Carried.

Larry Deragon moved to approve resolution **3/7/11E** to modify Brenda Walhovd residential lease to remove Donna Peterson-Parks and Ronald Parks as co-lessee(s). Seconded by Jim Pete. Motion Carried.

Larry Deragon moved to approve resolution **3/7/11F** rescinding resolution **2/2/09C** land lease for John Pratt on Bishop Loop. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER

Larry Deragon moved to approve the change order to the Contract in the amount of \$816.00. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Motion carried.

PROPERTY DISPOSAL

Dennis Soulier moved to approve the request for disposal of the property of the 1997 Ski Doo Touring SLE 500 Snowmobile. Seconded by Jim Pete. Motion carried.

BUSINESS PERMITS

- a) Larry Deragon moved to approve the business permit for Joanne Peterson – Apostle Island Fish Co. LLC. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.
- b) Mike Gurnoe moved to approve the business permit for Curtis P. Basina – Buffalo Bay Store Inc. Seconded by Jim Pete. Motion carried.
- c) Dennis Soulier moved to approve the business permit for Gerald DePerry – DePerry’s on the Lake. Seconded by Larry Deragon. Motion carried.
- d) Larry Deragon moved to approve the business permit for Steven Boyd – Steve’s Salvage & Repair Service Recommended that Steve does an assessment on the property to make sure there are no contaminants. EPA was contacted and willing to do the assessment. Seconded by Jim Pete. Motion carried.

RATIFY COUNCIL POLL

Dennis Soulier moved to ratify the Council Poll of **2/25/11** for the Tribal Historic Preservation Programs Digital Archive Project. Seconded by Larry Deragon. Motion Carried

AUTOMATIC ENROLLMENTS

Dennis Soulier moved to approve the Automatic Enrollments. Seconded by Mike Gurnoe. Discussion: Jim Pete suggests the automatic enrollment documents should read lineage as well (grandparents, great-grandparents, etc.). Motion carried.

BUSINESS FEE STRUCTURE OF PERMITS

Susie Bear and Dave Ujke worked on the fee structures and met with Rose. It was discussed that they submit the draft to Council for discussion. Dave Ujke suggested posting the document in the community for comment.

OTHER

Jim Pete moved to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Larry Deragon. Motion carried.

Mike Gurnoe moved to go into Regular Session. Seconded by Laura J. Gordon. Motion carried.

Mike Gurnoe moved to approve Wendy Fletcher for employment with the Red Cliff Early Childhood Center as the EHS Infant/Toddler Based teacher with Sally Cadotte as alternate. Seconded by Larry Deragon. Motion carried.

Dennis Soulier moved to approve Tara Pratt for employment with the Red Cliff Early Childhood Center as the LAUNCH Infant 0-1 Center Based teacher with Sally Cadotte as the alternate. Seconded by Larry Deragon. Motion carried.

Dennis Soulier moved to go into the mediation process with the Red Cliff Early Childhood Center's Policy Council. Seconded by Larry Deragon. Motion carried.

Jim Pete moved to adjourn. Seconded by Dennis Soulier. Motion carried.

Adjourned: 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Edwina Buffalo-Reyes
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:



Laura J. Gordon
Red Cliff Tribal Council Secretary