

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
KEWADIN CASINO AND CONVENTION CENTER
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN
MINUTES
MARCH 4, 2008**

The meeting was opened at 6:18 p.m. by Chairperson Payment.

Present: Dennis McKelvie, Todd Gravelle, DJ Hoffman, Cathy Abramson, Joe Eitrem, Lana Causley, Bob LaPoint, Fred Paquin, Keith Massaway, Denise Chase, Tom Miller, Shirley Petosky, Aaron Payment.

Absent:

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Massaway, to approve the Agenda as read.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Massaway, to suspend the rules and add two resolutions, Health Center Budget Modification and Labor Neutrality Agreement.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Paquin, to approve Resolution 2008-53, FY 2008 Health Center Equipment Server.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians here by approves the attached FY 2008 budget modification to moved \$34,091.60 from Third Party Revenue to Health Center- Administration for the purchase and installation of a dual server for the Health Center.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Miller, supported by Director Paquin, to approve Resolution 2008-54, FY 2008 Indirect Cost Budget Modifications.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians here by approves the attached FY 2008 Indirect Cost Budget Modifications with a Tribal Support savings of \$74,548.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Causley, to approve Resolution 2008-55, FY 2008 Midjim Sault, Modification to Capital Purchases Budget Air Conditioning/Electrical.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2008 modification to the Midjim Sault Capital Purchases Budget for a total increase of \$13,600.00 to come from Fund Balance.

Motion carried with Director Hoffman opposing.

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Moved by Director LaPoint, supported by Director Eitrem, to table the resolution regarding the Midjim Gas Tanks.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors Chase, Paquin, Petosky, LaPoint, Eitrem, Massaway approving, Directors Hoffman, Abramson, Gravelle, Miller, McKelvie, Causley opposing, with Chairperson Payment approving, breaking the tie vote.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Miller, to approve Resolution 2008-56, Labor Neutrality Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Chairperson and/or the Chief Financial Officer-Co-Executive Director, or their designee, to negotiate and execute a labor neutrality agreement with the Detroit Casino Council/AFL-CIO, as well as any other ancillary agreements that may be necessary.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors McKelvie, Miller, Abramson, Gravelle, Petosky, Chase, Causley, Massaway, Eitrem, Hoffman approving, Directors Paquin, LaPoint opposing.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Causley, to approve Resolution 2008-57, ANA Native Language Preservation and Maintenance Grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians approves the submission of a three-year Native Language Preservation and Maintenance Grant proposal to the Administration for Native Americans (ANA) in the amount of \$600,000 total, with a 20% of the project total being provided by the Tribe.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors Chase, Paquin, Hoffman, Petosky, Gravelle, Causley, Massaway, Miller, McKelvie, Abramson approving, Directors Eitrem, LaPoint opposing.

Moved by Director Massaway, supported by Director Causley, to approve Resolution 2008-58, 2008 Institute of Museum and Library Services Basic Grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians approves the submission of the 2008 Native American/Native Hawaiian Library Services Basic Grant with Education/Assessment Option to the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Abramson, supported by Director Miller, to approve Resolution 2008-59, Approving Amendment Tax Agreement with the State of Michigan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the attached amendment to the Sault Tribe tax agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board of Directors does hereby direct the Chairperson or his designee to execute this document in whatever form may be necessary.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

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Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Paquin, to suspend the rules and add the issue of options for the transit facility.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Miller, to have the Planning and Development Department bring back all the options for a transit facility, within two weeks.

Motion carried unanimously.

Without Objection, the Grants Management resolution will be referred to the next workshop.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Causley to refer the resolution regarding Revenue Sharing to the next workshop.

Motion carried with Director Gravelle opposing, Director McKelvie abstaining.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Paquin, to table the resolution regarding Eliminating Binding Law by Motion.

Motion carried with Director Gravelle opposing.

Moved by Director Abramson, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve the recommendation of the Higher Education Committee and appoint Barb Smutek to the Higher Ed Committee for a four-year term.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Causley, to have the CFO provide a detailed financial report, which will also be provided to the membership in the tribal newspaper.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors Chase, Hoffman, Abramson, Petosky, Gravelle, LaPoint, Eitrem, Miller, McKelvie, Massaway, Causley approving, Director Paquin opposing.

Without Objection, a report will be provided to the Board regarding comparison of the compensation for tribal appellate judges.

Without Objection, the Strategic Plan will be given a 30 day continuation.

Without Objection, the Legal Department will provide to the Board a written update on all issues the Legal Department is working on, for the next workshop.

Without Objection, the Board will discuss at the March 18 workshop, a Board of Directors job description, at the request of an Elder in the audience.

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Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Miller, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried with Directors Hoffman, Causley, McKelvie, Abramson opposing.

Meeting adjourned: 7:14 p.m.

Date: 3-18-08

Secretary: Jana Causley

Others present: Kristi Little, Sue Stiver Paulsen, Dustin Bacon, Michael McKerchie, Lori Jump, Holly Kibble, Jamie McDonald, Brad Pringle, Carol Eavou.

Acct: Bill Connolly

Casino: Tony Goetz

Gaming:

Housing:

Legal: Aaron Schlehuber, Courtney Kachur

Law Enf: Marchand

ACFS:

Education: Angeline Matson

Health: Tony Abramson

H.R.: Jen Mitchell

Communications: