

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING  
KEWADIN CASINO AND CONVENTION CENTER  
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN  
MINUTES  
May 5, 2020**

The meeting was opened at 4:05 p.m. by Chairperson Payment.

Present: Kim Gravelle, Jennifer McLeod, DJ Hoffman, Betty Freiheit, Michael McKerchie, Lana Causley, Catherine Hollowell, Bridgett Sorenson, Keith Massaway, Denise Chase, Darcy Morrow, Charles Matson, and Aaron Payment.  
Via video: Jennifer McLeod, Catherine Hollowell, Lana Causley, and Charles Matson.  
Absent:

**Moved by Director Massaway, supported by Director Morrow, to approve the agenda as read.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve the Minutes of 11-26-2019; 1-7-2020; 1-21-2020; 3-17-2020; 3-24-2020; and 4-14-2020, with technical corrections.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2020-99, Elder Division – Title VI, NSIP Grant, Title VI 20 -23, And Title VI COVID 19 Establishment of FY 2021 Budgets.**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2021 budget for NSIP Grant (2721) with Federal HHS monies of \$20,563.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2021 budget for Title VI 20-23 (2724) with Federal HHS monies of \$186,930.83 and Other Revenue of \$6,000.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2021 budget for Title VI COVID 19 (2725) with Federal HHS monies of \$62,270.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Freiheit, to approve Res. 2020-100, FY 2020 Promotion of Anishinaabemowin Grant Michigan State University.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby authorizes the application for funding of the Big Ten Less Commonly Taught Languages (LCTL) Partnership Promotion of Anishinaabemowin at MSU.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tribal Chairperson, Aaron Payment or his designee, is authorized to execute or amend all documents relating to the grant application and award.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Morrow, supported by Director Hollowell, to approve Res. 2020-101, Amending Tribal Code Chapter 36: Juvenile Code and Chapter 71: Criminal Offenses, to Raise the Age to 18 for Adult Prosecution.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby amends Chapters 36 and 71 of the Tribal Code, raising the age of an adult for criminal jurisdiction purposes to be an individual who is 18 years of age or older.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2020-102, Eagle Lending Sault Tribe Inc. Business Development.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes Eagle Lending to loan a sum of Six Hundred and Fifty Thousand (\$650,000) to Sault Tribe Inc., at a rate of 4% for 20 years, for the purpose of business acquisition and development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the EDC Executive Director and the Sault Tribe's Chief Financial Officer to execute the loan documents using the above approved terms.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to appoint Joann Smith as the Unit Three Elder Advisory Committee Rep, as an Alternate Member. Joann's appointment would expire in April 2023, when her appointment expires on the Unit 3 Elder Subcommittee.**

**Motion carried with Director Hollowell opposing.**

**Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Massaway, to call every Tuesday, at 10 a.m., as a Special Meeting, for Negotiations.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors Hoffman, Matson, McKerchie, Causley, Gravelle, Massaway, McLeod, Morrow, Hollowell, Chase approving; Directors Sorenson, Freiheit opposing.**

Meeting adjourned: 4:25 p.m.

Date: 6-2-2020 Secretary: Bridgett Sorenson

Others present: Christine McPherson, Robert Schulte, Allen Kerridge, Joel Schultz- via video; Joanne Carr.