

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING  
KEWADIN CASINO AND CONVENTION CENTER  
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN  
JANUARY 7, 2025  
5:00 P.M.**

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. INVOCATION: Prayer, Smudging
- IV. MEMBERSHIP PARTICIPATION
- V. PRESENTATION:
- VI. MINUTES: 12/17/24
- VII. RESOLUTIONS: FY 2025 Enterprise Budgets  
FY 2025 Enterprise Capital Expenditures  
LE COPS Tribal Resources Grant Program FY 2025  
LE Adam Walsh FY 2025 Budget  
NRD Tribal Forest Protection FY 2025 Budget  
NRD BIA Forestry Funds, Ishkode I and II FY 2025 Budget  
NRD Inter Tribal Fisheries, Capacity, and EPA GAP FY25  
Cultural Repatriation FY 2025 Budget  
Housing Authority Strategic Plan 2025-2029  
Amending Resolution 6-21-88A (1)  
Amending Resolution 6-21-88A (2)  
Amending Resolution 6-21-88A (3)  
Waiver of SI for Healow, LLC  
Authorization to Enter into Vendor Agreement Millennium  
Authorization to Enter into Contract with CCI Systems  
Approving Supplier Contract with U.S. Venture, INC.
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS: Conservation Committee Request  
Committee Appointments/Resignations  
Board Concerns
- IX. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION
- X. RECONVENE AND REAFFIRM
- XI. ADJOURN

**RESOLUTION NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET DOCUMENT 004  
ENTERPRISES**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Document 004 Enterprises as referenced in the RIS.

**C E R T I F I C A T I O N**

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**RESOLUTION NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**FISCAL YEAR 2025 ENTERPRISES  
CAPITAL PURCHASES BUDGET**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves a total of \$1,748,100 for the Enterprises Fiscal Year 2025 Capital Purchases Budget.

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**RESOLUTION NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LAW ENFORCEMENT – COPS TRIBAL  
RESOURCES GRANT PROGRAM  
ESTABLISHMENT FY 2025 BUDGET**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2025 budget for COPS TRGP with Federal DOJ Revenue monies of \$52,965.50. No effect on Tribal Support.

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**RESOLUTION NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LAW ENFORCEMENT – ADAM WALSH  
ESTABLISHMENT FY 2025 BUDGET**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2025 budget for Adam Walsh with Federal DOJ Revenue monies of \$145,422.74. No effect on Tribal Support.

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**RESOLUTION NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION – TRIBAL FOREST PROTECTION  
ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2025 BUDGET**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2025 budget for Tribal Forest Protection with Federal USDA Revenue monies of \$275,000.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

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**RESOLUTION NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION – BIA FORESTRY FUNDS,  
ISHKODE PROJECT I, AND ISHKODE PROJECT II  
ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2025 BUDGETS**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2025 budget for BIA Forestry Funds with Federal BIA Revenue monies of \$50,000.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2025 budget for Ishkode Project I with Federal USDA Revenue monies of \$146,558.21. 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 establishment of a FY 2025 budget for Ishkode Project II with Federal USDA Revenue monies of \$95,707.38. No effect on Tribal Support.

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**RESOLUTION NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NATURAL RESOURCE DIVISION – INTER TRIBAL FISHERIES, GLRI  
DISTINCT TRIBAL PROGRAM CAPACITY, AND PPG EPA GAP  
ESTABLISHMENT FY 2025 BUDGETS AND  
FY 2025 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2025 budget for Inter-Tribal Fisheries with Federal BIA monies of \$592,737.81, Other Revenue monies of \$36,000.00, and Tribal Support monies of \$88,129.50.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2025 budget for GLRI Distinct Tribal Program Capacity with Federal BIA monies of \$133,222.03. 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 2025 budget modification to PPG EPA GAP for a reallocation of expenses. No effect on Tribal Support.

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**RESOLUTION NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CULTURAL - REPATRIATION  
ESTABLISHMENT FY 2025 BUDGET**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2025 budget for Repatriation with Tribal Support monies of \$150,366.64.

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**RESOLUTION NO: \_\_\_\_\_**

**HOUSING AUTHORITY STRATEGIC PLAN 2025-2029**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe Housing Authority (STHA), is organized by Tribal Ordinance, Chapter 90 and formally designated by the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors as the Tribally Designated Housing Entity (TDHE) by Resolution No 98-66; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe Housing Administration recognizes the level of success of the Housing Authority depends on quality planning, tracking, analyzing, and determining effective strategies to provide innovative housing opportunities for the Tribal Membership; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive Strategic Plan is necessary for guiding and accomplishing housing activities to meet Tribal members housing needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors adopts the attached 2025-2029 Strategic Plan as written.

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**RESOLUTION NO: \_\_\_\_\_**

**AMENDING RESOLUTION 6-21-88A**

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians adopted Resolution 6-21-88A, naming of the Substance Abuse Building; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 6-21-88A, named the Substance Abuse Building the "Shedawin Building"; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians seeks to relocate the physical location of the Substance Abuse building and continue to honor and respect its name as the "Charlie and Harriet Shedawin Building."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby Amends Resolution 6-21-88A to reflect the following:

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby names the Substance Abuse Building (located at 2318 Shunk Rd., Sault Ste. Marie, MI) the "Charlie and Harriet Shedawin Building."

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**RESOLUTION NO: \_\_\_\_\_**

**WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY AND CONSENT TO  
WAIVER OF TRIBAL COURT JURISDICTION  
HEALOW, LLC**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, as follows:

**Section 1 FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS:**

The Board of Directors finds and determines that:

1.1 The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians (“Tribe”) is a federally recognized Indian Tribal Government organized under the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934.

1.2 The Tribe wishes to enter into a License and Support Agreement (“Agreement”) with Healow, LLC (“Healow”) as negotiated by Tribal Health; and

1.3 Healow will not consent to such agreement without a waiver of sovereign immunity or Tribal Court jurisdiction; and

1.4 In order to induce Healow to enter into an Agreement, the Tribe is required to confirm that the Tribe and all other entities claiming by, through or under the Tribe will not claim sovereign immunity or exclusive Tribal Court jurisdiction with respect to any disputes or causes of action between the Tribe and Healow that might arise from, or relate to, in any respect, the Agreement, or object to the venue clauses found in the Agreement. All the foregoing are referred to herein as the “Waiver and Consent Obligations”; and

1.5 It is in the Tribe's interest to resolve as stated herein.

**Section 2 WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY; CONSENT TO JURISDICTION; GOVERNING LAW**

2.1 The Tribe hereby waives its sovereign immunity from suit in favor of Healow only should an action be commenced under the Agreement referenced above.

This waiver:

- i) Shall terminate upon performance by the Tribe of all of its obligations under the Agreement; and
- ii) Is granted solely to Healow; and

- iii) Shall extend to inter alia, any judicial or non-judicial action, including, but not limited to, any lawsuit, arbitration, and judicial or non-judicial action to resolve disputes between the Tribe and Healow and the assertion of any claim in a court of competent jurisdiction or with any arbitrator or arbitration panel to enforce the obligations under the Agreement; and
- iv) Shall be enforceable only in a court of competent jurisdiction, including courts in the State of Massachusetts, the Tribal Court and federal courts in Massachusetts (including the United States Bankruptcy Court or any arbitrator or arbitration pane); and
- v) Shall be enforceable against the assets of the Tribe to the extent necessary to satisfy the Tribe's obligation in the Agreement; and
- vi) The Agreement, and other associated documents shall be construed in accordance with and governed by all applicable laws and regulations of governmental bodies with competent jurisdiction, as set forth in such documents.

### Section 3. WAIVER OF TRIBAL COURT JURISDICTION

3.1 The Board of Directors waiver the exclusive jurisdiction of the Tribal Court over any action arising under the Agreement. The Board authorized the Tribe to consent to the jurisdiction of any courts with competent jurisdiction, including any courts to which decisions may be appealed, with respect to any controversies arising from this resolution or any of the finance documents, note or Agreement.

### Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

4.1 This waiver shall become effective upon the final execution of the Agreement executed by the Chairman or his designee. Failure or refusal of any individual to execute the Agreement shall render the waivers and consents granted in this resolution to become void immediately. Failure or refusal to execute the Agreement prior to the close of business on June 1, 2025, shall render the waivers and consents granted in this resolution to become void immediately.

### Section 5. AUTHORIZATION

5.1 T The CEO of Health Service or his designee is authorized to execute any and all documents to effectuate the forgoing.

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**RESOLUTION NO: \_\_\_\_\_**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A VENDOR AGREEMENT WITH  
MILLENNIUM**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians (“Tribe”) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposal (RFP), project # 24-182, was issued by the Sault Tribe Purchasing Department at the request of the Broadband Group for the purchase and delivery of six (6) Walk-In Cabinet (WIC) Fiber Huts; using grant funds from the Rural Utilities Service’s (“RUS”) Reconnect Program; and

WHEREAS, four companies submitted complete bids, which were subsequently reviewed by the Broadband Group, Cherry Capital Connections (CCC) (the project consultant and broadband network operating partner), and the Sault Tribe Purchasing Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves entering into a vendor agreement with Millennium in the amount of \$505,074.00 utilizing Reconnect 3 grant funding.

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman or his designee to execute all documents and agreements to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

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**RESOLUTION NO: \_\_\_\_\_**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CCI SYSTEMS**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians ("Tribe") is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposal (RFP), project # 24-096, was issued by the Sault Tribe Purchasing Department at the request of the Broadband Group for engineering and design services for the broadband network to be constructed using grant funds from the Rural Utilities Service's ("RUS") Reconnect Program; and

WHEREAS, four companies submitted complete bids, which were subsequently reviewed by the Broadband Group, Cherry Capital Connections (CCC) (the project consultant and broadband network operating partner), and the Sault Tribe Purchasing Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Tribe Purchasing Department, with the concurrence of the Broadband Group and CCC, recommends awarding the contract to CCI Systems.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors approves awarding the design and engineering contract to CCI Systems in the amount of \$999,071.00 for the engineering and design services for the ReConnect3 award.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the Chairperson of the Tribe, or their designee, to enter into and execute the contract and any supporting documents with CCI Systems to fulfill the intent of this Resolution.

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**RESOLUTION NO: \_\_\_\_\_**

**APPROVING SUPPLIER CONTRACT WITH U.S. VENTURE, INC.**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians (“Tribe”) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Enterprise Operations has negotiated a supplier contract with U.S. Venture, Inc. to be the exclusive fuel provider for Midjim University.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the supplier contract with U.S. Venture, Inc for Midjim University.

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman or his designee to execute all documents and agreements to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

**CERTIFICATION**

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**January 7, 2025**

## **Sponsor's List**

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

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Law Enforcement - Adam Walsh Establishment FY 2025 Budget – Robert Marchand  
NRD Tribal Forest Protection Establishment of FY 2025 Budget – Robin Clark  
NRD BIA Forestry Funds, Ishkode I and II Establishment of FY 2025 Budgets – Robin Clark  
NRD Inter Tribal Fisheries, GLRI Distinct Tribal Program Capacity, and PPG EPA GAP Establishment FY 2025 Budgets and FY 2025 Budget Modification – Robin Clark/Robin Bouschor/Jack Tuomikoski  
Cultural - Repatriation Establishment FY 2025 Budget – Jessica Dumback  
Housing Authority Strategic Plan 2025-2029 – Joni Talentino  
Amending Resolution 6-21-88A (1) – James Benko  
Amending Resolution 6-21-88A (2) – James Benko  
Amending Resolution 6-21-88A (3) – James Benko  
Waiver of SI for Healow, LLC – Carrie Horton/Josh Elliot  
Authorization to Enter into a Vendor Agreement with Millennium – Dan Doyle  
Authorization to Enter into a Contract with CCI Systems – Dan Doyle  
Approving Supplier Contract with U.S. Venture, INC. – Dan Doyle

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Conservation Committee Request – Clarence Hudak  
Committee Appointments/Resignations – Cultural Committee, Enrollment Committee, Unit 1, 2, and 3 Elder Committees  
Board Concerns

# ***MEMORANDUM***

**TO:** Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Lona Stewart, Board Administrator  
**DATE:** January 2, 2025  
**RE:** Workshop Agenda for January 7, 2025

## **AGENDA** **Closed Session**

10:00  
Budgets

10:15  
Health Report

10:45  
Executive Reports - Governmental

**12:00 – 1:00**  
**Lunch Break**

1:00  
Health Compensation Study (CLOSED)

2:00  
Purchasing Policy Update

2:30  
Unused Commercial Licenses

3:30  
Agenda Review

5:00  
Board of Directors Regular Meeting