

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
MUNISING TRIBAL CENTER
MUNISING, MICHIGAN
APRIL 29, 2014
6:00 P.M.**

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. INVOCATION: Prayer, Smudging, Presentation of Grandfathers
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. PRESENTATION:
- V. MINUTES:

- VI. RESOLUTIONS: 2014 Head Start and Early Head Start Grant
 Budget Mod: Fisheries- Nunn's Creek
 Election Code Violations

- VII. NEW BUSINESS: Committee Request

- VIII. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- IX. RECONVENE AND REAFFIRM

- X. ADJOURN

RESOLUTION NO: _____

2014 HEAD START AND EARLY HEAD START GRANT

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 U.S.C. 467 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indian's mission is to improve the health, welfare, and education of its members and their families.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Directors hereby supports and recommends the submission of a grant to the Office of Head Start, American Indian and Alaskan Natives Program Branch for the annual grant application to provide Head Start and Early Head Start Services.

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

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom _____ members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the _____ day of _____ 2014; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of _____ members for, _____ members against, _____ members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Aaron A. Payment, Chairperson
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

Cathy Abramson, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

RESOLUTION NO: _____

**FISHERIES – NUNN’S CREEK FISHERIES
FY 2014 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2014 budget modification to Nunn’s Creek Fisheries for a change to the Personnel Sheet and an increase in Other Revenue of \$7,276.87. No effect on Tribal Support.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

CALLING FOR OUTSIDE INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION FOR REVIEW FOR SUFFICIENCY OF AN INCUMBENT BOARD MEMBER'S ACTIONS WHICH MAY CONSTITUTE ELECTION CODE VIOLATIONS AND TRIBAL CRIMINAL CODE VIOLATIONS OF "ABUSE OF OFFICE"

WHEREAS, the Tribal Criminal Code, Chapter 71 reads:

71.1101 Abuse of Office.

(1) Offense. A person commits the offense of abuse of office, if he [she] intentionally acts or purports to act in an official capacity, including willful failure to act, so as to obtain any personal or pecuniary benefit, gain, advantage, or privilege to which he is not entitled in or by the performance of his official duties; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Election Code read prohibits misuse of the Tribal Newspaper for incumbents campaigning in their capacity as a Member of the Tribal Board of Directors.

10.112 Campaigning

(4) No tangible or intellectual property of the Tribe may be used for any Campaigning purposes including without limitation computers, photocopying, telephones, fax machines, database information and office supplies; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Removal Code prohibits "abuse of authority" for campaigning with the result of violations being removal from office. This provision reads:

16.110 Standards for Determination of Petition

(b) whether the conduct is a breach of public trust, abuse of authority, or official misconduct; and

WHEREAS, in the April 18 edition of the Sault Tribe News (see attached) incumbent Tribal Board Member Catherine Hollowell may have violated all of the Tribal Code provisions of above by publishing a unit report which was nothing more than a free campaign ad which advantages her over election candidate challengers. In doing so, she used her position as a Board Member to gain a pecuniary benefit for retaining her salary as a Tribal Board Member.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Board of Directors directs and authorizes the Tribal Legal Department to engage in an outside independent legal counsel to review the actions of Director Hollowell for possible criminal prosecution and sufficiency for removal from office.

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