

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
KEWADIN CASINO AND CONVENTION CENTER
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN
MINUTES
July 6 & 7, 2020**

The meeting was opened at 12:28 p.m. by Chairperson Payment.

Present: Kim Gravelle, DJ Hoffman, Betty Freiheit, Michael McKerchie, Lana Causley, Bridgett Sorenson, Keith Massaway, Denise Chase, Darcy Morrow, Charles Matson, and Aaron Payment.

Absent: Jennifer McLeod, Catherine Hollowell.

Moved by Director Causley, supported by Director Hoffman, to excuse Director Hollowell from the meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Recess: 12:31 p.m. Reopened: 4:02 p.m.

Moved by Director Morrow, supported by Director Sorenson, to sever the resolution regarding the Health – Housekeeping Maintenance.

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

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. Health Sault Housekeeping Maintenance Tech.

Roll Call Vote: Motion denied with Directors Massaway, Freiheit, Gravelle, Matson, Hoffman, McKerchie approving; Directors Chase, Sorenson, Causley, Morrow opposing. This resolution needed a vote of seven to be approved.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2020-147, Health Sault Housekeeping Maintenance FY 2020 Budget Modification.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2020 budget modification to Health Sault Housekeeping Maintenance to change the personnel sheet and reduce Federal IHS monies \$44,800.20. No effect on Tribal Support.

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

Moved by Director Causley, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve the resolution regarding Alcohol and Substance Abuse Grant.

Roll Call Vote: Motion denied with Directors Hoffman, Gravelle, Causley, McKerchie, Matson, Massaway approving; Directors Freiheit, Morrow, Chase, Sorenson opposing. This resolution needed a vote of seven to be approved.

Moved by Director Morrow, supported by Director Causley, to approve Res. 2020-148, Special Diabetes 3rd Party FY 2020 Budget Modification.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2020 budget modification to Special Diabetes 3rd Party to eliminate the budget, reducing the need for Third Party revenue \$166,207.60. No effect on Tribal Support.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Chase, supported by Director Causley, to approve Res. 2020-149, ACFS- General Assistance FY 2020 Budget Modification.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2020 budget modification to General Assistance to increase Federal BIA monies \$480,671.00. No effect on Tribal Support. These funds are from CARES ACT.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Morrow, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve Res. 2020-150, Health – IHS Maintenance & Improvements Establishment of FY 2020 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 2020 budget for IHS COVID Maintenance & Improvements with Federal IHS monies of \$171,780.00. No effect on Tribal Support. These funds are from CARES ACT.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Morrow, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2020-151, Health – Third Party Revenue. FY 2020 Budget Modification.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2020 budget modification to Health Third Party Revenue for an increase in Federal HRSA monies of \$4,163,253.55 and State of Michigan HHS monies of \$60,773 and to decrease Other Revenue \$4,224,026.55. No effect on Tribal Support. These funds are from CARES ACT.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Morrow, to approve Res. 2020-152, Health – IHS COVID Testing Establishment of FY 2020 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 2020 budget for IHS COVID Testing with Federal IHS monies of \$300,637.00. No effect on Tribal Support. These funds are from CARES ACT.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors Freiheit, Hoffman, Morrow, Gravelle, Causley, Chase, McKerchie, Sorenson, Massaway approving; Director Matson abstaining.

Moved by Director Causley, supported by Director McKerchie, to approve Res. 2020-153, Health IHS Covid Funds Establishment of FY 2020 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 2020 budget for IHS COVID Funds with Federal IHS monies of \$3,161,362.00. No effect on Tribal Support. These funds are from CARES ACT.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Causley, supported by Director Morrow, to approve Res. 2020-154, Federal Cares Act – Direct Services Establishment of FY 2020 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 2020 budget for Direct Services with Federal CARES Act monies of \$5,000,000.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Morrow, supported by Director Causley, to recess until tomorrow.

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

Recess until tomorrow, July 7. 4:38 p.m.

The meeting was opened at 10:17 a.m. by Chairperson Payment.

Present: Kim Gravelle, DJ Hoffman, Betty Freiheit, Michael McKerchie, Lana Causley, Bridgett Sorenson, Keith Massaway, Denise Chase, Darcy Morrow, Charles Matson, and Aaron Payment.

Absent: Jennifer McLeod, Catherine Hollowell.

Recessed: 10-18 a.m. Reconvened: 1:21 p.m.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2020-155, Health - IHS Medical Equipment Establishment of FY 2020 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 2020 budget for IHS Medical Equipment with Federal IHS monies of \$548,907.00. No effect on Tribal Support. These funds are from CARES ACT.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2020-156, Federal Cares Act – Governmental Programs Establishment of FY 2020 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 2020 budget for Governmental Programs with Federal CARES Act monies of \$13,955,145.69. No effect on Tribal Support.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Morrow, to approve Res. 2020-157, Earmarking Federal Cares Act Funds for Enterprises and Casinos.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves earmarking a FY 2020 budget for Enterprises and Casinos with Federal Cares Act monies of \$28,106,000.00 of which \$21,620,000 is Casinos and \$6,486,000 is Enterprises.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no funds shall be spent until a final budget has been adopted.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that all plans shall be brought to the Board within one week for Board consideration and approval.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Sorenson, to approve Res. 2020-158, Approving Strategic Plan for Disbursement of COVID-19 Relief Funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribe should and does hereby approve the attached Strategic Plan for Disbursement of COVID-19 Relief Funds providing for the use and allocation of the Tribe's COVID-19 Relief Funds, within the existing budgeting and administrative processes of the Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the allocation and expenditure of funds as set forth in the Plan shall be in compliance with the CARES Act, Department of the Treasury guidance, and any applicable federal or tribal laws.

BE IF FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors reserves the right to amend this Plan on an ongoing and as needed basis as additional guidance, funds, and needs arise.

Motion carried unanimously.

Without objections, will table the resolution regarding the Sault Walk in Clinic until the next meeting. No objections.

Meeting adjourned: 1:33 p.m.

The meeting was opened at 5:01 p.m. by Chairperson Payment.

Present: Kim Gravelle, DJ Hoffman, Betty Freiheit, Austin Lowes, Michael McKerchie, Lana Causley, Bridgett Sorenson, Keith Massaway, Denise Chase, Darcy Morrow, Charles Matson, and Aaron Payment.

Absent: Catherine Hollowell, Charles Matson.

Recessed at 5:08 p.m., until after the swearing in ceremony.

Moved by Director Causley, supported by Director Gravelle, to nominate Director Hoffman as the Vice-Chairman, Director Sorenson as Secretary, and Director Massaway as Treasurer.

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned: 6:46 p.m.

Date: 10-20-2020

Secretary: 

Others present: Christine McPherson, Robert Schulte, Linda Grossett, Kristyn Libby, Joanne Carr.