BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
MAKOONS COMMUNITY WELLNESS CENTER
HESSEL, MICHIGAN
November 17, 2026
5:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. INVOCATION: Prayer, Smudging

IV. MEMBERSHIP PARTICIPATION

V. PRESENTATION:

VI. MINUTES: 10/20/26 Special Meeting, 10/27/26

VII. RESOLUTIONS:
FY27 Health Division Budget Document
Continuing Funding Health FY27 Schedule B/C Budgets
Opioid Settlement Funds Est. of FY27 Budget
Health PSUPS Est. of FY27 Budget
NRD Aquatic Invasive Species Est. of FY27 Budget
NRD Enhancing Native OGAA Stocks Est. of FY27 Budget
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Authorize Letter of Credit Unemployment
Negotiate and Hire Health Division CEO Candidate

VIII. NEW BUSINESS Committee Requests
Board Concerns

IX. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

X. RECONVENE AND REAFFIRM

XI. ADJOURN

RESOLUTION NO: _____

FY 2027 HEALTH DIVISION BUDGET DOCUMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2027 Health Division Budget Document totaling $67,033,438, of which $41,197,447 comes from Third Party Revenue.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2027 budget for Third Party Revenue for $52,709,562.

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

We, the undersigned, as Chairman 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 _____ 2026; 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vote of _____ members for, _____ members against, _____ members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

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Austin Lowes, Chairman
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
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Ashley Gravelle, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

CONTINUING FUNDING AUTHORITY – HEALTH DIVISION
FY 2027 SCHEDULE B AND C BUDGETS

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

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors and tribal staff have not completed the process of reviewing budgets for their respective budget year 2027; and

WHEREAS, the attached cost center list, with fiscal year of October to September and January to December, for budget year 2027 is still under review; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors wants to ensure that services are not left unfunded for a period between expiration of the fiscal year 2026 budgets and approval of the fiscal year 2027 budgets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors approves continuing funding for the attached cost center list for fiscal year 2027, at their 2026 spending levels, for a period not to exceed March 31, 2027.

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

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Ashley Gravelle, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

HEALTH DIVISION - STATE OF MICHIGAN TRIBAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2027 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 2027 budget for State of Michigan Tribal Opioid Settlement Funds with State of Michigan Revenue 76,923.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

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

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

HEALTH DIVISION – PRIMARY SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION SERVICES ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2027 BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of the FY 2027 budget for Primary Substance Use Prevention Services with State of Michigan Revenue of $275,000. No effect on Tribal Support.

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

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Ashley Gravelle, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION – AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES MANAGEMENT AND OUTREACH ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2027 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 2027 budget for Aquatic Invasive Species Management and Outreach with Federal US Fish and Wildlife Services Revenue of $100,000.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

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

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Ashley Gravelle, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION – ENHANCING NATIVE OGAA (WALLEYE) STOCKS ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2027 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 2027 budget for Enhancing Native Ogaa (Walleye) Stocks with Federal BIA Revenue of $58,476.65. No effect on Tribal Support.

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

We, the undersigned, as Chairman 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 _____ 2026; 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.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION – RESTORATION AND REINTRODUCTION OF LAKE WHITEFISH ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2027 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 2027 budget for Restoration & Reintroduction of Lake Whitefish with Federal BIA Revenue of $263,864.66. No effect on Tribal Support.

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

We, the undersigned, as Chairman 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 _____ 2026; 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.

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Ashley Gravelle, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION – TRIBAL YOUTH INITIATIVE STURGEON IN THE CLASSROOM ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2027 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 2027 budget for Tribal Youth Initiative Sturgeon in the Classroom with Federal BIA Revenue of $27,945.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

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

We, the undersigned, as Chairman 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 _____ 2026; 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.

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Ashley Gravelle, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

BUILDINGS – BIA 105(L) CONTRACT AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a Federally Recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended; and

WHEREAS, section 402 of P.L. 93-638, as amended, authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to select Tribes to participate in the Tribal Self-Governance program; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe became a BIA Self-Governance tribe in 1997 to more effectively and efficiently manage its Governmental and Tribal Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe Authorizes with Resolution 2024-76 the Facilities Department to submit a lease proposal to the US Department of the Interior.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians recognizes retaining FSA Advisory Group, LLC will provide continuity in the application process, preserve established professional relationships, and minimize potential delays that could adversely affect the Tribe's ability to secure additional 105(l) lease agreements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes and approves entering into a contract with FSA Advisory Group, LLC for services relating to the BIA 105(L) lease program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the contract with FSA Advisory Group to submit applications for the Tribe's remaining eligible buildings at a rate of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) per month, up to thirty (30) months, and a total contract amount not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Thousand ($150,000.00). This approval is conditional on the contract including the terms outlined in the attached RIS.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the Tribal Chairperson, or his designee, to execute any and all documents, including contracts, financial payment instruments and any or supplemental documents or forms that do not change the scope of these projects, as may be necessary and appropriate to carry out the terms, conditions, and intent of this Resolution.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the CFO to create the necessary internal budget documents that appropriate these funds to the project identified from cost center 4000.

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

We, the undersigned, as Chairman 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 _____ 2026; 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.

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Ashley Gravelle, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

HEALTH DIVISION – APPROVING CONTRACTOR FOR FLOORING REPLACEMENT AT THE MUNISING HEALTH CENTER

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 Health Division's mission is to provide high quality, patient-centered health care that is responsive, courteous, and sensitive to individual, family, community, and cultural needs with an emphasis on disease prevention and health promotion: and

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe Health Division has identified a qualified contractor through the Sault Tribe Procurement process to complete the Indian Health Services (IHS) Backlog of Essential Maintenance Alteration and Repair (BEMAR) funded flooring replacement project; and

WHEREAS, the funding for this project will be comprised of BEMAR funds in the amount of $66,088.94 (CC:13191).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves awarding the contract to National Painting Contractors / JAMA Development in the amount of $66,088.94 for the Munising Health Floor Replacement Project.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Board of Directors authorizes the Tribal Chairman, Health Division CEO, or designee, to execute any documents necessary, once approved by the Legal Department, subject that it does not require additional approval from the Board of Directors under any applicable Tribal laws or policies, to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

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

We, the undersigned, as Chairman 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 _____ 2026; 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.

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Ashley Gravelle, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

HEALTH DIVISION – APPROVING CONTRACTOR FOR MARQUETTE HEALTH CENTER PHASE II

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 Health Division's mission is to provide high quality, patient-centered health care that is responsive, courteous, and sensitive to individual, family, community, and cultural needs with an emphasis on disease prevention and health promotion; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe Health Division has identified a qualified contractor through the Sault Tribe Procurement process to complete the Marquette Health Center Phase II (Dental & Pharmacy); and

WHEREAS, the funding for this project will be comprised of 3rd Party funds in the amount of $2,694,000.00 & $19,200.00 totaling $2,713,200.00 (CC:4372).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves awarding the contract to Roy Ness Contracting & Sales in the amount of $2,713,200.00 for the Marquette Health Center Phase II.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, *t*hat the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the Tribal Chairman, Health Division CEO, or their designee, to execute any and all documents as may be necessary and appropriate to carry out the terms, conditions, and intent of this resolution.

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

We, the undersigned, as Chairman 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 _____ 2026; 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.

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Ashley Gravelle, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

FY26/27 INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE BUY BACK AGREEMENT

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 Tribe, through its Health Division, is committed to providing high quality, patient-centered healthcare services that are responsive to the needs of Tribal Members and the surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS the Behavioral Health Program and the Indian Health Service are working together through the IHS buy back agreement, focused on increasing access to Advance Practice Nursing (APN) in Psychiatry, and the Sault Tribe Behavioral Health will use the increase in hours to meet the needs of the Sault Tribe Communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Behavioral Health Department would like to accept the contract agreement from IHS that will hold $70,140 of the allocation of funds for Behavioral Health to provide services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the Tribal Chairman, Health Division CEO, or their designee, to execute any and all documents as may be necessary and appropriate to carry out the terms, conditions, and intent of this resolution.

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

We, the undersigned, as Chairman 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 _____ 2026; 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.

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Ashley Gravelle, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO: _____

RENEWAL OF TRIBAL LICENSE FOR SAULT TRIBE YOUTH FACILITY

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians (the "Tribe") is organized pursuant to the Constitution of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and the Sault Ste. Marie Board of Directors is the governing body of the Tribe pursuant to the Constitution and By-laws of the Tribe, Article IV, Section 1; and

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Board of Directors is vested with enumerated powers in Article VII of the Constitution, including to manage any and all economic affairs and enterprises of the tribe and to engage in any business not contrary to Federal law that will further the economic development of the tribe or its members, and to use the tribal funds or other tribal resources for such purposes pursuant to Section 1(m); and

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe Youth Facility is a Tribal detention facility located on Tribal Trust lands and operated through a Self-Governance Compact with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) in accordance with the BIA Division of Operations Corrections Policies; and

WHEREAS, the BIA has determined the facility is in compliance with all applicable federal laws and regulations and the Tribe desires to issue a license to the Sault Tribe Youth Facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby issues a facility license, attached and incorporated herein by this reference, for the Sault Tribe Youth Facility to operate within the boundaries of the Tribe.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the Tribal Chairman, or designee, to execute any and all documents, including ancillary or supplemental documents or forms that do not change the substantive terms of the License as may be necessary and appropriate to carry out the terms, conditions, and intent of this Resolution.

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

We, the undersigned, as Chairman 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 _____ 2026; 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.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

AUTHORIZING LETTER OF CREDIT FOR SELF-FUNDED UNEMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

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 Tribe operates a self-funded unemployment program and requires a new letter of credit for that program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes a letter of credit for the self-funded unemployment program with BANK in the amount of $3,132,124.85.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the Governmental CFO to transfer $3,039,302.97 from PNC Bank to BANK under the Bank Deposit to serve as cash collateral for the Tribe's obligation with respect to the Letter of Credit Documents. The Tribe will deposit $92,821.88 to the collateral account to equal the mandated amount of funds to be on deposit.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes and approves the Chairman, or his designee, to execute all documents necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

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 12 members, of whom _____ members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the _____ day of _____ 2026; 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.

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Austin Lowes, Chairperson
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Ashley Gravelle, Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO. _____

NEGOTIATE AND HIRE HEALTH DIVISION CEO CANDIDATE

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes the Health Division HR Director to negotiate an offer to hire the selected candidate for the position of Health Chief Executive Officer (CEO) with negotiated conditions within the parameters discussed at the workshop and as attached.

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

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

November 17, 2026
Sponsor's List

RESOLUTIONS:

FY 2027 Health Division Budget Document – Jennifer Clerc
Continuing Funding Authority – Health Division FY 2027 Schedule B and C Budgets – Jennifer Clerc
Health Division – State of Michigan Tribal Opioid Settlement Funds Establishment of FY 2027 Budget – Laura Fisher
Health Division – Primary Substance Use Prevention Services Establishment of FY 2027 Budget – Laura Fisher
Natural Resources Division – Aquatic Invasive Species Management and Outreach Establishment of FY 2027 Budget – Jack Tuomikoski, Brandi MacArthur
Natural Resources Division – Enhancing Native OGAA (Walleye) Stocks Establishment of FY 2027 Budget – Jack Tuomikoski, Brandi MacArthur
Natural Resources Division – Restoration and Reintroduction of Lake Whitefish Establishment of FY 2027 Budget – Jack Tuomikoski, Brandi MacArthur
Natural Resources Division – Tribal Youth Initiative Sturgeon in the Classroom Establishment of FY 2027 Budget – Jack Tuomikoski, Brandi MacArthur
Buildings – BIA 105(L) Contract Agreement – Holly Haapala
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Authorizing Letter of Credit for Self-Funded Unemployment Program – Bill Connolly, Holly Haapala
Negotiate and Hire Health Division CEO Candidate – Board of Directors

NEW BUSINESS:

Committee Requests – Elder Subcommittee Appointment, Health Board Resignation
Board Concerns

MEMORANDUM

TO: **Board of Directors**
FROM: **Lona Stewart, Board Administrator**
DATE: **November 12, 2026**
RE: **Workshop Agenda for November 17, 2026**

AGENDA

10:00
Enterprise Authority Workshop (CLOSED)

11:30 (or upon completion of EA WS)
Enterprise Authority Meeting

12:00 – 1:15
Lunch Break

1:15
Government Executive Reports (CLOSED)

3:30
NRD Wolf/Deer Update w/Legal (CLOSED)

4:00
Agenda Review

5:00
Board of Directors Regular Meeting