

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

June 6, 2023

5:00 P.M.

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. INVOCATION Prayer, Smudging
- IV. MEMBERSHIP PARTICIPATION
- V. PRESENTATION
- VI. MINUTES
- VII. RESOLUTIONS
 - Trust Land Lease
 - Establishing Wildlife and Forest Research Consortium
 - ACFS CCDF ARPA
 - ACFS Emergency Assistance
 - HC IHS Aftercare
 - HC SSM Administration
 - LE Juvenile Detention Operations
 - Manoomin Habitat Suitability
 - St. Mary's River Coastal Wetlands
 - Purchasing Department
 - Video Productions
 - Strategic Director
 - Sault Tribe Corporate Charter Board Appointment
 - Approve Contract for Professional Services GRIP
 - Acting Appointment for Environmental Program
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS
 - Investigation
 - Constitutional Obligation: Appointing Joanne Carr to vacant Unit 1 seat
 - Board Concerns
- IX. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION
- X. RECONVENE AND REAFFIRM
- XI. ADJOURN

RESOLUTION NO: _____

**TRUST LAND LEASE –1267 E. Polaris Drive
SAULT STE. MARIE, MI**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorized its Tribal Chairman and Treasurer to execute a lease to the land located in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan to, Michael P. Krull and Kathaleen A. Cook and land being described as follows:

A parcel of land located in the Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 29, Town 47 North, Range 1 East, Soo Township, Chippewa County, Michigan being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the West $\frac{1}{4}$ corner of Section 29, Town 47 North, Range 1 East; thence South 87° 41' 17" East, along the South line of the Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 29, a distance of 1319.99 feet to the Southwest corner of the Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 29; thence North 01 ° 46' 50" East, along the West line of the Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 29, a distance of 373.91 feet to the Centerline of Polaris Drive; thence South 88° 09' 52" East, along said Centerline, 82. 96 feet; thence North 01 ° 50' 08" East, 40. 00 feet to the Northerly right-of-way of Polaris Drive and the Point of Beginning of the herein described parcel; thence North 01 ° 46' 50" East, parallel with the West line of the Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 29, a distance of 145.85 feet; thence South 88°13'1 0" East, 275.21 feet to the Westerly right-of-way of South Cougar Lane; thence South 01 °50'08" West, along said Westerly right-of-way, 116.12 feet; thence 47.12 feet, along the road right-of-way, and along a curve with its center to the Northwest having a radius of 30.00 feet, a chord distance of 42.43 feet, and a chord bearing of South 46° 50' 08" West to said Northerly right-of-way; thence North 88° 09' 52" West, along said Northerly right-of-way, 245.07 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Containing 0.92 acres of land more or less.

RESOLVED, the lease is in furtherance of a Housing program operated in the promotion of the public purposes and the negotiated rental amount has been determined to be in the best interest of the Tribe and its people, and valuation in accordance with 25 CFR 162.320 is hereby waived.

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 _____ 2023; 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.

Austin Lowes, Chairman
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

Kimberly Hampton, Secretary
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of
Chippewa Indians

RESOLUTION NO: _____

**ESTABLISHING A NEW WILDLIFE AND FOREST
RESEARCH CONSORTIUM**

WHEREAS, the mission of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Wildlife Program (STWP) is to protect, enhance, and support our members' rights, relationships, and responsibilities with and as part of ecological communities using Anishinaabe and Western Science frameworks to ensure ecological resilience while fostering strong connections between Anishinaabe communities and governmental agencies and non-governmental organizations; and

WHEREAS, the STWP has an established history of collaboration with several universities and federal agencies; and

WHEREAS, partner universities, in alignment with their missions, prioritize the recruitment and retention of tribal students and partner agencies seek to recruit and advance the careers of tribal natural resources professionals;

WHEREAS, the STWP seeks opportunities to increase its capacity for the education of Tribal members in wildlife sciences and elevate tribal perspectives on wildlife management in the 1836 Ceded Territory;

WHEREAS, the STWP, our partner universities, and federal agencies have expressed mutual interest in establishing a formal research center dedicated to managing tribally important resources through the utilization of indigenous and western science tools;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby endorses and supports the establishment of a collaborative wildlife and natural resources research program among the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, partner universities, and our federal agency partners. Furthermore, the Tribal Chairman or his designee is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute an appropriate agreement between the Tribe, the partner universities, and the federal agencies, outlining the terms and conditions of this cooperative effort.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**ACFS – CCDF ARPA
FY 2023 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to Child Care Development Fund for a decrease in Federal HHS monies of \$120,419.35. No effect on Tribal Support.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**ACFS – EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE
FY 2023 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to Emergency Assistance for an increase in Tribal Support monies of \$99,145.64. This modification reflects an increase in direct services and actual expenses.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**HEALTH CENTER – IHS AFTERCARE
FY 2023 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to IHS Aftercare for a change to the personnel page and a reallocation of expenses. No effect on Tribal Support.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**SAULT STE. MARIE HEALTH CENTER – ADMINISTRATION
FY 2023 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to Sault Ste. Marie Health Center - Administration for a change to the personnel page and reallocation of expenses. No effect on Tribal Support.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**LAW ENFORCEMENT – JUVENILE DETENTION OPERATIONS
FY 2023 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to the Law Enforcement Juvenile Detention Operations to increase Federal BIA monies \$11,829.78. No effect on Tribal Support. This budget modification will make changes to the personnel sheet.

CERTIFICATION

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**CIRCLE OF FLIGHT- MANOOMIN HABITAT SUITABILITY
ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2024 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 2024 budget for Circle of Flight – Manoomin Habitat Suitability with Federal BIA monies of \$60,606.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**INTER-AGENCY PLANNING FOR ST. MARY’S RIVER COASTAL
WETLAND RESILIENCY
ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2024 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 2024 budget for Inter-Agency Planning for St. Mary’s River Coastal Wetland Resiliency with Other Federal monies of \$123,713.87. No effect on Tribal Support.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
FY 2023 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to the Purchasing Department to decrease Tribal Support monies \$1,170.16 and decrease Other Revenue – Indirect monies \$4,680.57. This budget modification will make changes to the personnel sheet.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**VIDEO PRODUCTIONS
ESTABLISHMENT OF FY 2023 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 2023 budget for Video Productions with Tribal Support monies of \$75,233.13 and other revenues of \$4,200.00.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**STRATEGIC DIRECTOR
FY 2023 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to Strategic Director to increase Tribal Support \$4,020.48 and increase the transfer in from Indirect Costs \$24,697.30. This budget modification reflects changes to the personnel sheet.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of the Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2023 budget modification to Indirect Costs to increase the transfer out to Strategic Director \$24,697.30 and increase Tribal Support \$24,697.30.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**SAULT TRIBE CORPORATE CHARTER
BOARD APPOINTMENT APPROVAL**

BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to Article VI, section 6.6 of the Sault Tribe Corporate Charter, the following individuals are hereby reappointed to the Corporate Board of Directors of Sault Tribe Incorporated to serve terms as specified below:

Dr. Madan Saluja – for a term expiring June 30, 2026

Rod Blanchard – for a term expiring June 30, 2026

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**APPROVE CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICE FOR GRANT
DEVELOPMENT OF DOE GRID RESILIENCE AND
INNOVATION PARTNERSHIPS (GRIP)**

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 Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians desires for tribal members to have the benefits of a more resilient energy grid; and

WHEREAS, revenue projections indicate a 150:1 return on investment; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe intends to apply for United States Department of Energy funds through the BIL Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships (GRIP) (DE-FOA-0002740) program, Topic Area 3, and partner with Cloverland Electric Cooperative to implement the project, "Sault-Cloverland Solar Energy Storage Project;" and

WHEREAS, a budget is available for this purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the contract, pending legal review, and authorizes Austin Lowes, Tribal Chairman or his designee, to negotiate, execute and amend any documents resulting therefrom, on the Tribe's behalf, on a contract between the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and the Consultant, for contracted services required to complete the DOE GRIP Project, and authorizes up to \$40,000 from tribal support funding, and approving an administrative budget modification.

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RESOLUTION NO: _____

**ACTING APPOINTMENT FOR THE
ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the Acting appointment of Crystal Falk for the Administrative oversight of the Environmental program until the Program Director is filled. This appointment will provide a 5% increase in salary per this resolution with an administrative modification.

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Sponsor's List

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NEW BUSINESS:

Investigation – Director Hampton/Director LaPlaunt
Constitutional Obligation: Appointing Joanne Carr to vacant Unit 1 seat – Director McKerchie
Board Concerns

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Elaine Clement, Executive Assistant to Chairman
DATE: June 1, 2023
RE: Workshop Agenda for June 6, 2023

AGENDA

Closed Session

10:15

Gaming Authority

10:30

ARPA/Building Projects

10:45

Litigation

11:00

Health Report

11:15

Budget Modification

11:30

Executive Reports

Working Lunch

12:30

Conservation Committee

12:45

Live Streaming Review

1:00

Insurance

3:00

Mobile Media Proposal

4:00

Agenda Review

5:00

Membership Participation