

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING  
KEWADIN CASINO AND CONVENTION CENTER  
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN  
MINUTES  
OCTOBER 6, 2015**

The meeting was opened at 6:16 p.m. by Chairperson Payment.

Present: Dennis McKelvie, Kim Gravelle, DJ Hoffman, Jennifer McLeod, Cathy Abramson, Lana Causley, Catherine Hollowell, Keith Massaway, Bridgett Sorenson, Denise Chase, Darcy Morrow, Rita Glyptis, and Aaron Payment.

Absent:

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

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director McKelvie, supported by Director Massaway, to suspend the rules and add the following resolutions and motions: ICDB; Partial Waiver; Community Care Clinic; Enrollment; Inland Conservation; and changing the Oct. 20 meeting to Oct. 27.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Without objection, will recess for 20 minutes for Membership Issues. No objections.**

**Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2015-214, Buildings FY 2015 Capital Expenditures Budget Modification.**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2015 Capital Expenditures budget modification to Buildings for an increase of \$1,200,000 in expenditures, with funds coming from the Building Funds. No effect on Tribal Support.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Abramson, to approve Res. 2015-215, School Fiduciary Committee, FY 2016 Budget Modification.**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2016 budget modification to School Fiduciary Committee for an increase to expenses of \$153,700 with funding coming from fund balance. No effect on Tribal Support.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors Abramson, Hoffman, Massaway, Gravelle, Hollowell, McKelvie, Chase, Sorenson, Glyptis, McLeod approving; Directors Causley, Morrow opposing.**

**Moved by Director McKelvie, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2015-216, ACFS – Tribal Victim Assistance Request to Establish FY2016 Budget.**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the request to establish a FY 2016 budget for Tribal Victim Assistance with Federal DOJ monies of \$120,725.68. No effect on Tribal Support.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Moved by Director McKelvie, supported by Director Abramson, to approve Res. 2015-217, Partial Waiver of Convictions for Mr. Neal L. Pavlat.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors, pursuant to Tribal Code Chapter 76 grants a partial waiver to Mr. Neal L. Pavlat for the convictions of: Misdemeanor Battery – 11/2014.

**Motion carried with Directors Morrow, Sorenson, Hollowell opposing.**

**Moved by Director Abramson, supported by Director McLeod, to approve Res. 2015-218, Partial Waiver of Convictions for Mr. Lyonl White, Jr.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors, pursuant to Tribal Code Chapter 76 grants a partial waiver to Mr. Lyonl White, Jr. for the convictions of: Misdemeanor Assault & Battery – 3/2011; Misdemeanor Weapons – Firearms – Reckless Use – 9/2011.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Chase, supported by Director Causley, to approve a Partial Waiver for Mr. Theron St. John.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion denied with Directors Causley, Chase, Morrow approving; Directors Hoffman, Massaway, Gravelle, Sorenson, Glyptis, McLeod opposing; Directors Abramson, Hollowell, McKelvie abstaining.**

**Moved by Director Massaway, supported by Director McKelvie, to approve Res. 2015-219, Trust Land Status Bonacci Parcel I Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa County Michigan.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors hereby requests that the Secretary of Interior accept title to the following parcel of land in trust for the benefit of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians on behalf of the Tribe: The Southeast  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the Northwest  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the Southwest  $\frac{1}{4}$ , of the Southeast  $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 8, Town 47 North, Range 1 East, City of Sault Ste. Marie, Chippewa County, MI Michigan Meridian Michigan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the parcel to be acquired is to be used to accommodate school grounds expansion and is not intended for gaming purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Interior is hereby requested to declare said lands to be part of the Reservation of the "Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians" under 25 U.S.C. Section 467.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes its Chairperson and Treasurer to execute any documents and take any further action on behalf of the Tribe as maybe necessary to complete such conveyance.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director McKelvie, supported by Director McLeod, to approve Res. 2015-220, Trust Land Status Fletcher's Addition Lot 15 Blk 2 Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa County Michigan.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors hereby requests that the Secretary of Interior accept title to the following parcel of land in trust for the benefit of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians on behalf of the Tribe: Lot 15 Block 2, Fletcher's Addition to Sault Ste. Marie, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 50, Chippewa County, Michigan Meridian Michigan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the parcel to be acquired is to be used to accommodate school grounds expansion and is not intended for gaming purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Interior is hereby requested to declare said lands to be part of the Reservation of the "Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians" under 25 U.S.C. Section 467.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes its Chairperson and Treasurer to execute any documents and take any further action on behalf of the Tribe as maybe necessary to complete such conveyance.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2015-221, Trust Land Status Bonacci Parcels D, E, F Sault Ste. Marie, Chippewa County Michigan.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors hereby requests that the Secretary of Interior accept title to the following parcel of land in trust for the benefit of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians on behalf of the Tribe:

Lot 1, Block 3, W.C. Teter's Addition, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 30 Chippewa County Records.

Lot 2, 3, and 4, Block 3, W.C. Teter's Addition, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 30, Chippewa County Records.

Lot 9, Block 3, W.C. Teter's Addition, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 30, Chippewa County Records. Michigan Meridian Michigan

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the parcel to be acquired is to be used to accommodate school grounds expansion and is not intended for gaming purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Interior is hereby requested to declare said lands to be part of the Reservation of the "Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians" under 25 U.S.C. Section 467.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes its Chairperson and Treasurer to execute any documents and take any further action on behalf of the Tribe as maybe necessary to complete such conveyance.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Hollowell, supported by Director Causley, to approve Res. 2015-222, Acceptance – 2016 Indian Housing Plan.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Sault Tribe Board of Directors accepts the 2016 Indian Housing Plan, Grant No. 55-IH-26-5480, as presented and does hereby request funding from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors does agree to follow the Sault Tribe Housing Commission Board and HUD approved Indian Housing Plan in order to provide housing opportunities.

**Motion carried with Director Hoffman abstaining.**

**Moved by Director Hollowell, supported by Director Abramson, to approve Res. 223, U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) FY 2015 Community Development Block Grant Program for Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Tribe Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Sault Tribe Housing Authority Director or its duly authorized representative, to submit an application requesting \$600,000 for the FY 2015 Community Development Block Grant Program for Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages (ICDBG), administered by the Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) to provide correct the drainage issue at JK Lumsden Way and repair the crawl spaces of twenty (20) homes.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Causley, supported by Director Sorenson, to approve Res. 2015-224, 2015 ICDBG 24 CFR Requirement.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Tribe Board of Directors hereby confirms that the requirements of 24 CFR 1003.604(a) have been met by the Housing Authority. That all comments have been considered and any modifications to the proposed application have been made.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Causley, to approve Res. 2015-225, Amending Tribal Purchasing Policy Acceptance of Gifts Creates Conflict of Interest.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board of Directors hereby amends the Tribal Purchasing Policy, renumbering current 6.2 and 6.3 as 6.3 and 6.4, respectively, and creating new Section 6.2, all in the form attached and effective immediately.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Causley, supported by Director Hoffman, to approve Res. 2015-226, Request for Proposal (RFP) for Treaty Rights Counsel.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that tribal administration is directed to commence the process of retaining outside counsel to serve as lead negotiator for the renegotiation of the 2000 Consent Decree by publishing a request for proposal in near conformity with the attached request for proposal.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Hollowell, to approve Res. 2015-227, Approving Reconciliation Agreement and First Amendment to Community Clinic Joint Operating Agreement with War Memorial Hospital.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby approves the attached Reconciliation Agreement and First Amendment to Community Care Clinic Joint Operating Agreement and, further, that the Tribal Chairperson is hereby authorized to execute each of these agreements on behalf of the Tribe.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Morrow, supported by Director Sorenson, to accept the recommendation of the Enrollment/Special Needs Committee and relinquish Frank S. Shinos from the Tribe.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Causley, to appoint Director McKelvie to the Child Welfare Committee, for a period of at least 1 year, but not more than 3 years, as the Board of Director's Representative.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Morrow, supported by Director Causley, to table the issue of the Inland Committee's recommendation on land to a workshop.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors Sorenson, Causley, Hoffman, Abramson, Glyptis, Gravelle, McLeod, Chase, Morrow approving; Directors Hollowell, Massaway, McKelvie opposing.**

**Moved by Director Hoffman, supported by Director Abramson, to remove from the table the issue of the Inland Committee's recommendation.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors Causley, Abramson, Hoffman, Massaway, Gravelle, Hollowell, Sorenson, McLeod approving; Directors McKelvie, Chase, Morrow, Glyptis opposing.**

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Moved by Director Hollowell, supported by Director Massaway, to send into from the Inland Conservation Committee, the Tribe, and Staff regarding replacement lands to the Forest Service, in addition, the Chairperson shall draft communication inviting the Forest Service to a formal meeting with the Tribe.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Abramson, supported by Director Causley, to approve changing the October 20, 2015 Board of Director's meeting to October 27, 2015.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried with Directors Causley, Abramson, Hoffman, Massaway, Hollowell, McKelvie, Chase, Glyptis, McLeod approving; Directors Gravelle, Sorenson, Morrow opposing.

Without Objections, Chairperson Payment will have the General Counsel and Staff research/review Administrative Law/Tribal Labor Law. No objections.

Moved by Director Abramson, supported by Director Causley, to table, to the next workshop, the resolution regarding the HR Audit.

Motion carried with Directors Sorenson, Hollowell, Hoffman opposing.

Moved by Director McKelvie, supported by Director Abramson to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried with Director Hoffman opposing.

Meeting adjourned: 9:14 p.m.

Date: 10-6-15

Secretary: Bridgett Johnson

Others present: John Wernet, Christine McPherson, Bill Connolly, Brenda Johnson, Russ McKerchie, Bob Marchand, Jami Moran, Joni Talentino, Nick Van Alstine, Julie Salo, Joanne Carr.