

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING  
KEWADIN CASINO AND CONVENTION CENTER  
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN  
MINUTES  
February 19, 2019**

The meeting was opened at 5:27 p.m. by Chairperson Payment.

Present: Kim Gravelle, Jennifer McLeod, Bridgett Sorenson, Keith Massaway, Denise Chase, Darcy Morrow, Charles Matson, and Aaron Payment.

Absent: Michael McKerchie, DJ Hoffman, Dennis McKelvie, Lana Causley, Catherine Hollowell.

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to excuse Directors McKerchie, Hoffman, McKelvie, Causley, Hollowell from the meeting.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

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

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director McLeod, supported by Director Sorenson, to approve Res. 2019-31, 2020 Common Interest Agreement.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairperson is authorized to execute the Common Interest Agreement for 2000 Consent Decree re-negotiations as presented.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director McLeod, supported by Director Sorenson, to approve Res. 2019-32, ACFS Child Care Development Fund 2801 and 2805 FY 2019 Budget Modifications.**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2019 budget modification to Child Care Development Fund (2801) to decrease Federal HHS monies \$120,000.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2019 budget modification to Child Care Development Fund (2805) for an increase in Federal HHS monies of \$160,200.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Chase, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2019-33, Health Center – Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) – Sault Tribe Opioid Prevention and Response (STOPR) FY 2019 Budget Modification.**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2019 budget modification to (SAMHSA) for changes to the personnel sheet and a reallocation of expenses. No effect on Tribal Support.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Moved by Director McLeod, supported by Director Chase, Continuing Funding Authority Governmental Schedule C for Fiscal Year 2019.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors approves continuing funding for the attached cost centers for fiscal year 2019, at their 2018 spending levels, for a period not to exceed April 30, 2019.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director McLeod, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2019-35, OVW Fiscal Year 2019 Tribal Sexual Assault Services Program.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes application to the Office on Violence Against Women for funding of a Tribal Sexual Assault Services Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Aaron A. Payment, Tribal Chairperson, is hereby authorized to submit said proposal to the Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women, to negotiate, execute, and amend any documents resulting therefrom on the Tribe's behalf.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director McLeod, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2019-36, Family Violence Prevention and Services Program.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes application to the Family and Youth Services Bureau for funding of a Family Violence Prevention and Services Program for FY 2019-20.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Aaron A. Payment, Tribal Chairperson, is hereby authorized to submit said proposal to the Family and Youth Services Bureau, to negotiate, execute, and amend any documents resulting therefrom on the Tribe's behalf.

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

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director McLeod, to approve Res. 2019-37, Lease Cancellation to Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorized its Tribal Chairperson and Treasurer to execute this lease cancellation and the land being described as: Township of Kinross, County of Chippewa, State of Michigan Sec. T 45 N, R 1 W (.017acres), Lot 701, Cedar Grove Estates III

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal staff is directed to prepare the appropriate lease cancellation documents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to cancel Lease No. DD-0003(98) pursuant to applicable law and regulations.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director McLeod, to approve Res. 2019-38, Lease Cancellation to Trevor J. Quinlan and Lena M. Quinlan BIA Lease No: 469-23-00073-10 DD-0079(07).**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorized its Tribal Chairperson and Treasurer to execute this lease cancellation and the land being described as: Township of Kinross, County of Chippewa, State of Michigan Sec. 29, T 45 N, R 1 W (.035 acres), Lots 702 and 701, Cedar Grove Estates III

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal staff is directed to prepare the appropriate lease cancellation documents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to cancel Lease No. 469-23-00073-10 - D-0079(07) pursuant to applicable law and regulations.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director McLeod, to approve Res. 2019-39, Trust Land Lease – Lots 702-701 Lewis Kinross, Michigan.**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorized its Tribal Chairperson and Treasurer to execute a lease to the land located at Kinross, Michigan to, Sierra Lewis, a single woman land being described as follows: Township of Kinross, County of Chippewa, State of Michigan Sec. 29, T 45 N, R 1 W (.035 acres), Lots 702 and 701, Cedar Grove Estates III

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.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director McLeod, to approve Res. 2019--40, Lease Cancellation to St. Amour DD-0015(01).**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorized its Tribal Chairperson and Treasurer to execute this lease cancellation and the land being described as: Township of Kinross, County of Chippewa, State of Michigan Sec. 29, T 45 N, R 1 W (.033 acres), Lots 875 and 876, Cedar Grove Estates III

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal staff is directed to prepare the appropriate lease cancellation documents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to cancel Lease No. DD- 0015(01) pursuant to applicable law and regulations.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director McLeod, to approve Res. 2019-41, Trust Land Lease – Lots 875 and 876 Van Nort Kinross, Michigan.**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorized its Tribal Chairperson and Treasurer, to execute a lease to the land located at Kinross, Michigan to Calvin J. Van Nort and Brooke V. Van Nort, husband and wife, and the land being described as follows: Township of

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Kinross, County of Chippewa, State of Michigan Sec. 29, T 45 N, R 1 W (.033 acres), Lots 875 and 876, Cedar Grove Estates III

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.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director McLeod, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve the resolution regarding Arbor Associates.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion denied, with Director McLeod approving; Directors Sorenson, Morrow, Gravelle, Matson, Chase, Massaway opposing.**

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2019-42, Acceptance - 2019 Indian Housing Plan Amendment #1.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors approves the 2019 Indian Housing Plan Amendment #1, Grant No.55-IH-26-5480, as presented and does hereby request approval 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 and Sault Tribe Housing Commission does agree to follow the HUD approved Indian Housing Plan in order to provide housing opportunities.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to accept the resignation of Frances Hank from the Unit Two Elders Sub- Committee –Hessel and declare the seat vacant, the seat will be posted for two months.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Chase, supported by Director Morrow, to accept the resignation of Ernest Demmon, as the rep for the Unit Four Escanaba Elder Advisory Committee, Ernest Demmon, accept resignation, declare seat vacant. Note: someone from the Unit Four Escanaba Elders Sub-committee has to fill this seat.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Gravelle, to appoint John Causley Jr. to the Unit Two Hessel Elder Subcommittee, for a four year term, expiring February 2023.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Morrow, to declare two open seats at the Housing Commission, one in Unit One, one in Unit Four. These seats will be posted for two months in the tribal newspaper.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

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**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director McLeod, to appoint Jolene Nertoli to the Child Welfare Committee for a four year term, expiring February 2023.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Moved by Director Morrow, supported by Director Matson, to table the appointment to the Conservation Committee.**

**Motion carried with Directors Gravelle, Massaway opposing.**

**Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to approve the fishing license trade between Jamie Massey and James Brown III.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Board Concerns:**

Director Sorenson: Safe lodging for employees during weather; Big Bear – no emotional support dogs; triage-any follow-up with company – report; St. Ignace pharmacy – can they stay open one day a week late; driver's license requirement for job descriptions; NAGPRA questions.

Director Morrow: Highway speed – Manistique Health Center; Language Classes dates.

Director McLeod: Missing/Murdered Indigenous Day; Using 3 months in summer at JKL for our way-making a commitment.

Director Chase: New superintendent at Manistique – building a Native Am. curriculum for language/history- Tom Miller.

**Meeting adjourned: 6:08 p.m.**

Date: 3-4-19

Secretary: Bridgett Sorenson

Others present: Christine McPherson, Jessica Dumback, John Wernet, Robert Schulte, Joel Schultz, Jen Clerc, Rick Smith, Leo Chugunov, Aaron Schlehuber, Juanita Bye, Joni Talentino, Kristyn Libby, Sheila Berger, Joanne Carr.