

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
KEWADIN CASINO AND CONVENTION CENTER
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN
MINUTES
APRIL 20, 2021**

The meeting was opened at 5:00 p.m. by Chairperson Payment.

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

Absent:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2021-85, Enterprise Sub Recipient Establishment of FY 2021 Budget and Enterprise Capital Expenditures Modification.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2021 budget for Enterprise Sub Recipient with Other Revenue monies of \$1,065,278.19. These funds are carry over from previous year. There is \$589,510.33 in expenses, leaving a Net Income of \$475,767.86. 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 modification to the FY 2021 Enterprise Capital Expenditure Budget to add in expenses for Enterprise Sub Recipient of \$475,767.86 from fund balance.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Massaway, supported by Director Sorenson, to approve Res. 2021-86, Economic Diversification and Land Use Strategy Establish FY 2021 and FY 2022 Budgets.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2021 budget for Economic Diversification and Land Use Strategy with Department of Commerce Revenue monies \$80,862.20. 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 establishment of a FY 2022 budget for Economic Diversification and Land Use Strategy with Department of Commerce Revenue monies of \$105,848.20. No effect on Tribal Support.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2021-87, Native American Business Development Institute Establishment of FY 2022 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 2022 budget for Native American Business Development Institute with Federal BIA Revenue monies of \$70,000.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Freiheit, to approve Res. 2021-88, EDC – MEDC Sub Recipient FY 2021 Budget Modification.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2021 budget modification to MEDC Sub Recipient for an increase in State of Michigan Revenue monies of \$39,080.00. These funds represent carry over from the previous year. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Chase, supported by Director Morrow, to approve Res. 2021-89, Elder Division – Title VI A & B Supplemental Funding Establishment of FY 2021 & FY 2022 Budgets.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2021 budget for Title VI-A & B Supplemental Funding with Federal HHS Revenue monies of \$16,417.18 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 2022 budget for Title VI-A & B Supplemental Funding with Federal HHS Revenue monies of \$24,382.81. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Massaway, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2021-90, Education – Child Care Center FY 2021 Budget Modification.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2021 budget modification to Child Care Center to change to the personnel sheet and reallocate expenses. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Morrow, to approve Res. 2021-91, ACFS – Domestic Violence Cares Funds Establishment of FY 2021 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 2021 budget for Domestic Violence with Federal HHS Revenue monies of \$59,748.00. These are Cares Funds. No effect on Tribal Support.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Freiheit, to approve Res. 2021-92, ACFS-Child Care Development Fund Cares Funds Establishment of FY 2021 and FY 2022 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 2021 budget for Child Care Development Fund with Federal HHS Revenue monies of \$514,592.75. These are Cares Funds. 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 establishment of a FY 2022 budget for Child Care Development Fund with Federal HHS Revenue monies of \$632,667.25. These are Cares Funds. No effect on Tribal Support.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2021-93, Health Division – Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council (GLITC) Supplemental Funding – Cares Funds Establishment of FY 2021 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 2021 budget for Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council with Other Revenue monies of \$20,000.00. These are Cares Funds. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2021-94, Health Division-Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Cares Funds Establishment of FY 2021 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 2021 budget for Paycheck Protection Program with Federal IHS Revenue monies of \$2,858,133.00. These are Cares Funds. No effect on Tribal Support.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Sorenson, to approve Res. 2021-95, Sault Health Medical Nursing FY 2021 Budget Modification.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2021 budget modification to Sault Health Medical Nursing to change the personnel sheet and reallocate expenses. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried with Director Hoffman abstaining.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Sorenson, to approve Res. 2021-96, Sault Walk In Clinic FY 2021 Budget Modification.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the FY 2021 budget modification to Sault Walk in Clinic to change the personnel sheet and reallocate expenses. No effect on Tribal Support.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director McKerchie, supported by Director Sorenson, to approve Res. 2021-97, Tribal Practices for Wellness in Indian Country Establishment of FY 2022 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 2022 budget for Tribal Practices for Wellness in Indian Country with Federal Center for Disease Control monies of \$144,750.00. No effect on Tribal Support.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Freiheit, to approve Res. 2021-98, Approving 2021 Dental Renovation Contractor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe Board of Directors hereby approves the chosen contractor, to provide construction services to the Sault Tribe Health Division to complete the dental renovation project as specified and designed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe Board of Directors, authorizes the Chairperson of the Tribe, to execute this agreement and take such other steps as maybe deemed necessary.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Massaway, supported by Director Freiheit, to approve Res. 2021-99, Acceptance of the 2020 Northern Kewadin Casinos Audit.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the 2020 Northern Kewadin Casinos Audit, as approved by the Audit Committee, on April 15, 2021.

Motion carried with Directors Causley, Morrow, Chase abstaining.

Moved by Director Massaway, supported by Director Freiheit, to approve Res. 2021-100, Acceptance of the 2020 Kewadin Casinos Audit All Sites.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors, hereby accepts and approves the 2020 Kewadin Casinos Audit, which includes the Downstate Developments, as approved by the Audit Committee, on April 15, 2021.

Motion carried with Directors Morrow, Causley, Chase abstaining.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Sorenson, to approve Res. 2021-101, Amending Tribal Code Chapter 21: 21.601 Registration of Hides.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby amends Tribal Code Chapter 21: Hunting and Inland Fishing Section 21.601 Registration of Hides as follows:

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(1) Tribal members shall:

(a) At a minimum the skull of all bobcat, fisher, marten or otter harvested shall be presented to a biological staff person of the Natural Resources Department for inspection and registration within two weeks of the close of the season in which the animal was harvested.

(b) Fur harvesters may apply for a one-time waiver of the skull requirement with Sault Tribe Law Enforcement.

(2) Upon inspection and registration, the animals will have an official seal affixed to the pelt.

(3) All CITES applicable animals shall be tagged in accordance with Federal law.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Gravelle, supported by Director Massaway, to approve Res. 2021-102, Authorize Purchase for Sault Tribe Child Advocacy Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the Sault Tribe CAC modular purchase and authorizes Aaron A. Payment, Tribal Chairperson 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 recommended bidder for purchase of the Sault Tribe Child Advocacy Center, and authorizes \$127,600 expenditures from cost center 11891.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Massaway, supported by Director Gravelle, to approve Res. 2021-103, Approve Project Location for Sault Tribe Child Advocacy Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the recommended Sault Tribe Child Advocacy Center site location.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to approve a Small Mesh Permit for Richard Rickley for the 2021 Fishing Season.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Gravelle, to reappoint Debra Pine –Unit 1, and Ken Ermatinger – Unit Two, to the Housing Commission, for four years, expiring May 2025.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to appoint Jason Grondin to the Conservation Committee, filling the unexpired seat of a fisher. Jason's term will expire March 2024.

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

Moved by Director Sorenson, supported by Director Massaway, to accept Calvin Hartwig's resignation from the Higher Education Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned: 5:45 p.m.

Date: 5-18-2021 Secretary: 

Others present: Christine McPherson, Robert Schulte, JR Loera, Tasha Caldwell, Kristyn Libby, Linda Grossett, Joanne Carr.