



# *Bois Forte*

## TRIBAL GOVERNMENT

Minutes of a Special meeting, Regular Session, of the Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council held March 5, 2025, at Nett Lake Government Center, Eagle Room, Minnesota.

Meeting called to order at 9:06 a.m.

Moment of silence done for invocation.

Members Present: Shane Drift, Tara Geshick, Perry Drift.  
Shane Drift chairs meeting in absence of Chair.

Members Absent: Robert Moyer Jr.-excused (travel status)

Others Present: Miranda Lilya, Regina Howe, Jeff Holth

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve the agenda with the addition of EJ Deegan with Fortune Bay requests.  
Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve RTC meeting minutes from Special meeting held February 5, 2025.  
Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Perry Drift; seconded by Tara Geshick; to approve RTC meeting minutes from Special meeting held February 20, 2025.  
Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve RTC meeting minutes from Special meeting held February 25, 2025.  
Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- a) Letter to Klobuchar, Smith and Stauber, RE: Urgent request to take action to stop layoffs of federal employees providing services to Indian Country and authorizing Shane to sign 3-0-0
- b) Request from Donald Chosa to have ribbon skirt raffle for youth at Mid Winder Pow wow 3-0-0
- c) Letter to Lisa Demuth, Erin Murphy, RE: Bois Forte opposition to governors budget proposal reducing SFIA payments 3-0-0
- d) Resolution No. 72-2025, approving recommendation of Brandon Barras for licensure to teach Anishinaabewomin, Anishinaabe history and culture 3-0-0

Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Perry Drift; seconded by Tara Geshick; to table the housing dispute and request from William Villebrun & Milo Villebrun.  
Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve the raffle fundraiser for Vermilion Boys & Girls club.  
Carried 2-0-0

Pam Parson gives a compliance update.

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve contract with Bolton & Menk for the Vermilion Water Tower improvements.  
Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Perry Drift; seconded by Tara Geshick; to approve the notice of award to Tanks Co. Inc. and authorizing Shane to sign.  
Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve the agreement forms with Tanks Co. Inc. for the 150,000 gallon single pedestal spheroid water tower rehab project.  
Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve the notice of award to Ulland Bros for the Net Lake wastewater system improvements.  
Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve the contract with Ulland Bros for the Nett Lake wastewater system improvements.  
Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve Resolution No. 75-2025, bill of sale and certificate of title to William A. King.  
Carried 2-0-0

Kim Greiner presents on the unemployment compensation history for Tribal Council elected officials.

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve the letter of support to Northeast Service Coop's grant application to the Minnesota Environmental and Natural Resources Trust Fund.  
Carried 2-0-0

A 5 minute recess is taken.

Meeting reconvenes at 10:32 a.m.

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve Resolution No. 76-2025, supports the withdrawal of the OPM memorandum directing the termination of probationary federal employees.

Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve Resolution No. 77-2025, supporting the advancement of educational outcomes for native children and upholding the federal trust responsibility to protect tribal education programs.

Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Perry Drift; seconded by Tara Geshick; to approve Resolution No. 78-2025, urging formal consultation and protection of funding for tribally controlled schools.

Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Perry Drift; seconded by Tara Geshick; to approve Resolution No. 79-2025, establishing SORNA exclusion process (Section 8.03 (B)).

Carried 2-0-0

Brad Anderson presents information on the Nett Lake C-Store. Income(loss), transfers and debt from 2007 – 2024.

Brad Anderson in for EJ Deegan provides information on a priority list of Fortune Bay projects that need approval to use Govt Funds.

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>COST</u>
IT	Versa	\$210,55769 – current system is end of life
SURVEILLANCE	Back-Up Cameras	\$48,298.00 – Cameras needed at Marina and update parking lot cameras
IT	Sound System	\$130,000.00 – replace entire system

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve Fortune Bay to apply for the SSBCI program.

Carried 2-0-0

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to adjourn at 11:21 a.m.

Carried 2-0-0

Prepared by: Frances Irving   
Approved at Special RTC Meeting: May 7, 2025