



# *Bois Forte*

## TRIBAL GOVERNMENT

Minutes of a Special meeting, Regular Session, of the Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council held May 22, 2025, at Nett Lake, RTG-Eagle Room, Minnesota-Hybrid.

Meeting called to order at 9:09 a.m.

Invocation done by Vern Adams.

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

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Miranda Lilya, Frances Irving, Regina Howe, Pam Parson, Randy Long, Jim Barto, Simona Benner, Doris Isham, Christine Lundemo, Meredith TwoCrow, Peter Boney, Kristen Strong, Carol Burr, Lawrence Connor, Dan Rabideaux, Kim Greiner, Toni Wakemup, Marissa Rose, Leah Masucci, Carrie Strong, Jaylen Strong, Vickey Hackey

Moved by Perry Drift.; seconded by Tara Geshick; to approve the agenda with the addition of Donna Hoffer to present a letter to council and the censure of Dist. I Representative, Perry Drift by Robert Moyer, Jr.

Carried 3-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Tara Geshick; to approve RTC meeting minutes from Regular Meeting held, April 7, 2025.

Carried 3-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Tara Geshick; to approve RTC meeting minutes from Special Meeting held, May 7, 2025.

Carried 3-0-0

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Robert Moyer, Jr.; to approve RTC meeting minutes from Special Meeting held, May 9, 2025.

Carried 3-0-0

Moved by Perry Drift; seconded by Robert Moyer, Jr.; to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- a) Change order No. 1 with TanksCo for Vermilion Water Tower improvements

3-0-0

Carried 3-0-0

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Robert Moyer, Jr.; to approve Carol Burr to sit on two boards, the Iron Range Economic Alliance and the Greater MN Housing Board.  
Carried 3-0-0

Moved by Perry Drift; seconded by Robert Moyer, Jr.; to approve the Head Start FY 2024 budget revision and FY 2025 budget carryover.  
Carried 3-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Tara Geshick; to approve Resolution No. 98-2025, approving SRF task order no 16171.04 for preparation of a grant application for the SS4A grant program.  
Carried 3-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Tara Geshick; to approve bid recommendations only, to Mega Greenhouse for the Greenhouse in the amount of \$133,901.22, W&C Complete Land Solutions LLC for the Groundwork/Foundation in the amount of \$60,655.20, Vermilion Plumbing for the plumbing work in the amount of \$31,200.00 and ArchKey Solutions for the electrical work in the amount of \$23,177.00, for a total of \$248,933.72 to construct a year-round greenhouse in Nett Lake.  
Carried 3-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Tara Geshick; to approve Resolution No. 99-2025, approving the retained services addendum for FY 2025 for Self-Governance compact and annual funding agreement with US DOI BIA.  
Carried 3-0-0

Moved by Perry Drift; seconded by Tara Geshick; to approve Resolution No. 100-2025, approving the Control Schedule Transportation Improvement Plan (CSTIP) 2025-2028.  
Carried 3-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Tara Geshick;

There was discussion on the speed zones on Nett Lake & Vermilion sectors.

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Tara Geshick; to allow St. Louis County to put up speed limit signs within the reservation boundaries.  
Carried 3-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve the contract and sole source request with Second Harvest Northland for the food shelf.  
Carried 3-0-0

Discussion on alternative funding sources to address MN Legacy funding shortfall for FY 2026 & 2027.

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve the office space lease agreement with ISD 707 for KBFT.  
Carried 3-0-0

Band member Cathy Chavers brings up issues regarding the MCT resolution on blood quantum, RTC Council benefits and the CEO position.

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve the Tribal Ethics Committee Travel & Administrative expenses policy, retroactive to January 1, 2025.  
Carried 3-0-0

Moved by Perry Drift; seconded by Tara Geshick; to approve Resolution No. 12-2025 for the Cannabis Regulatory Commission-Ordinance Revisions.  
Carried 3-0-0

Band member Donna Hoffer presents a letter to the council requesting a public meeting on all the band

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Tara Geshick; to censure District I Representative, Perry Drift, for his actions that occurred on April 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> at Fortune Bay Resort Casino, which included damage to property, abuse of power and authority and making serious threats to Bois Forte Band Members and guests through jesters and statements all of which has eroded public trust in the Tribal Council, damaged the reputation of the Tribal Council and the Bois Forte Band. Undermined the tribal traditions and values and inflicted fear among guests and staff of Fortune Bay. The censure shall be posted in public places on Bois Forte Reservation and on the Tribal government's official social media outlets.  
Carried 2-1-0, Perry Drift opposed.

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Tara Geshick; to adjourn at 1:46 p.m.  
Carried 2-0-0

Prepared by: Frances Irving   
Approved at Special RTC Meeting: June 10, 2025