



Bois Forte

TRIBAL GOVERNMENT

Minutes of a Special meeting, Regular Session, of the Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council held August 6, 2025, at Tower-Vermilion Social Center, Minnesota-Hybrid.

Meeting called to order at 9:05 a.m.

Invocation done by Vern Adams.

Members Present: Carlos Hernandez, Tara Geshick-virtual, Shane Drift, Perry Drift, Robert Moyer, Jr.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: See attached sign in for in-person and virtual attendees.

Moved by Shane Drift; seconded by Robert Moyer, Jr.; to approve the agenda with the following additions: Shane Drift-Vice-chairmanship, Miranda-Wild Rice update and Resolution No. 20-2026.

Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Tara Geshick; to approve RTC meeting minutes from Special Meeting held June 10, 2025.

Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Shane Drift; seconded by Robert Moyer, Jr.; to approve RTC meeting minutes from Regular Meeting held July 2, 2025.

Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve RTC meeting minutes from Special Meeting held July 16, 2025.

Carried 4-0-0

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

a)	Cannabis Regulatory Commission-Resolution No. 1-2026, Revisions to bands action limits for cannabis testing	4-0-0
b)	Resolution No. 16-2026, Revisions to the Tribal Traffic Code	4-0-0
c)	Approval of 2025 Per Capita amount and statement	4-0-0
d)	Approval to submit grant application for the AEOA/IRRR BER Grant for Fortune Bay	4-0-0

Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve the publication of a scientific paper about Alzheimer's research.

Carried 4-0-0

Amy Mason presented several no-cost technical assistance opportunities: KLJ Wetland Delineation, WSB Solar Feasibility & National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) & Seneca Environmental.

Moved by Tara Geshick; seconded by Robert Moyer, Jr.; to approve the contract for MN Board on Aging for Title III funding for Elder meals.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Shane Drift; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve Resolution No. 18-2026, MHFA Housing Trust Fund grant.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Shane Drift; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve the amendment to lease with Grand Avenue Development Company LLC for the Duluth Urban Office space.
Carried 4-0-0

Pam Parson gives a compliance update.

Moved by Shane Drift; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve Resolution No. 19-2026, Amend RTC Bylaws to report on the state of the band in March instead of January.
Carried 4-0-0

Perry Drift provides a statement regarding recent code of ethics hearing.

District I Representative, Shane Drift informs the council that he is stepping down as the vice-chairperson. Tara requests that his request be in writing.

Executive Director, Miranda Lilya reads a statement from Chris Holm on rice development stages. Discussion expanded into cultural preservation and traditional ceremonies. Community members emphasized the need to revive and document traditional teachings.

Moved by Shane Drift; seconded by Perry Drift; to approve Resolution No. 20-2026, clarify that the financial information derived from Tribal Government and Band enterprise audits and budgets disclosed to Band members at the financial update meeting scheduled for August 12, 2025 (or an alternative date designated by the RTC), shall remain partially protected member information under the Data Privacy Ordinance that may be inspected but not be copied or otherwise duplicated for Band members, provided that Band members in attendance shall not be required to execute a non-disclosure confidential information agreement as a condition of viewing such data.

Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Shane Drift; to adjourn at 11:56 a.m.
Carried 4-0-0

Prepared by: Frances Irving 
Approved at Special RTC Meeting: August 20, 2025