



Bois Forte

TRIBAL GOVERNMENT

Minutes of a Special meeting, Regular Session, of the Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council held July 15, 2026, at Bois Forte RTG, Eagle Room, Nett Lake, Minnesota-Hybrid.

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

Invocation done by Vern Adams.

Members Present: Carlos Hernandez, David C. Morrison, Sr., Mildred Holmes, Jeneal Goggleye, Robert Moyer, Jr.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Regina Howe, Frances Irving, Miranda Lilya, Doris Isham, Carol Burr, Amy Mason, Randy Long, Brian Whiteman Sr., Vondalee Carr, Jim Barto, Simona Benner, Lance Hill, Teri Morrison.

Moved by Jeneal Goggleye; seconded by David C. Morrison, Sr.; to approve the agenda with removal of Pam Parson and addition of Resolution No. 20-2027 regarding bank account access & Saydee Whitebird addendum and a discussion on the BFDC Act/enterprise board structure.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Jeneal Goggleye; to approve RTC Meeting minutes, Regular session, Special meeting held July 1, 2026.
Carried 4-0-0

Introduction of new employees.

- None

Moved by Jeneal Goggleye; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- a) Request & authorization for credit cards 4-0-0
- b) Council gifts for out going council members 4-0-1
- c) Resolution No. 14-2027, remove Tara Geshick and appointing David C. Morrison Sr as 401K trustee 4-0-0
- d) Resolution No. 15-2027, submission of grant application for MNDOT 2027 transit operating grant program 4-0-0

Carried 4-0-0

Moved by David Morrison, Sr.; seconded by Jeneal Goggleye; to approve Resolution No. 16-2027, Building Tribal Energy capacity for long term energy sovereignty grant submission.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Jeneal Goggleye; seconded by David C. Morrison Sr.; to approve change order no. 5 for Big Woods Transit project, additional material for road & parking lot.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Jeneal Goggleye; seconded by Mildred Holmes; to approve the following donation committee recommendations:

- a) Great Lakes Area Tribal health board for \$250.00
- b) National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition for \$250.00

Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Mildred Holmes; seconded by Jeneal Goggleye; to approve Resolution No. 17-2027, grant submission for FY 2025 Historic Preservation fund Tribal Heritage grant program.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Mildred Holmes; to approve leasehold mortgage with MHFS & AEA for Frank Villebrun Sr.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Jeneal Goggleye; seconded by Mildred Holmes; to approve leasehold mortgage with MHFA for Kay Palmer.
Carried 4-0-0

Recess taken at 9:54 a.m.

Reconvene at 10:10 a.m.

Moved by Jeneal Goggleye; seconded by Robert Moyer; to approve sole source request for Regroup (instant notification platform) renewal for 2026.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Jeneal Goggleye; seconded by David C. Morrison, Sr.; to approve the administrative services agreement with Berkly Risk.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Jeneal Goggleye; seconded by Mildred Holmes; to approve the request and authorization for credit card for the HR Department issued to Simona Benner.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by David C. Morrison, Sr.; to approve the Senior Community Services employment program host agency agreement with the City of Duluth.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Robert Moyer, Jr.; seconded by Jeneal Goggleye; to approve the request from DSGW to claim 179D tax credits for the Vermilion Public works/Food shelf facility, Heritage Center, Virginia Health Clinic & the Nett Lake Food Shelf.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Jeneal Goggleye; seconded by Mildred Holmes; to select Robert Moyer, Jr. as Vice-Chairperson.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Jeneal Goggleye; seconded by David C. Morrison, Sr.; to appoint Mildred Holmes to the Education/HHS TEC Subcommittee.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Mildred Holmes; seconded by David C. Morrison, Sr.; to appoint Jeneal Goggleye to the Finance Corporation TEC Subcommittee.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Jeneal Goggleye; seconded by David C. Morrison, Sr.; to appoint Robert Moyer, Jr. to the Natural Resources/Environmental TEC Subcommittee.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Jeneal Goggleye; seconded by Mildred Holmes; to appoint David C. Morrison, Sr. to the Legislative TEC Subcommittee.
Carried 4-0-0

Moved by Jeneal Goggleye; seconded by Mildred Holmes; to approve Resolution No. 20-2027, replacing any preexisting authorizations, the Tribal Government staff listed in resolution are authorized to conduct business on any existing or new banking account in the name of the Bois Forte Band of Chippewa or the Bois Forte Tribal Government, including through online access and transfer authority.
Carried 4-0-03

Moved by Jeneal Goggleye; seconded by Mildred Holmes; to table the 5th addendum for the Cannabis Regulatory Commission Contract for Saydee Whitebird until for further review.
Carried 4-0-0

Discussion on the BFDC Act and enterprise board. Discussion focused on moving forward with a formal Board of Directors structure to provide stronger oversight and direction for Bois Forte's enterprises, including Fortune Bay and other business operations. Council discussed the need for clear board member qualifications, job descriptions, and a timeline for posting and selection, with the goal of improving financial stability, business accountability, employee protection, and separating day-to-day enterprise decisions from RTC governance. The BFDC Act was described as nearly ready for rollout, with council review and training planned before final implementation.

Moved by David C. Morrison, Sr.; seconded by Jeneal Goggleye; to adjourn at 11:27 a.m.
Carried 4-0-0

Prepared by: Frances Irving 
Approved at Special RTC Meeting: August 5, 2026