

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council held October 12, 2006 at Nett Lake, Minnesota.

Meeting called to order at 9:02 a.m.

Members Present: Kevin W. Leecy; David C. Morrison, Sr.; Ray Villebrun, Sr.; Mark Drift, Sr.; Ray Toutloff

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Barb Brodeen; Mark Anderson, Henry Goodsky; Vicki Holmes; Carol Driscoll; Kim Greiner; Lorna Landgren; Corinna Wettlin; Harold Goodsky; Joe Hoagland; Mavis Drift; Shirley Benner; Stan Day; Frank Villebrun, Sr.; George Mihelich; Edith Villebrun; Marge Holmes; Jeneal Goggeye; Corey Strong; Pete Drift, Sr.; Louise Isham; Marilyn Geshick; Shane Drift; Marcella Connor; Adrienne Zapata; Lela Goodsky; Carol Burr; Melanie Ford; Don Ford; Ray Thompson; Mary Lawrence; Dawn Benner; Beverly Miller; Lester Drift, Sr.; Jamie Lawrence; Billie Mason; Mary Strong; Nikki Irving; Doris Isham; Wendy Thompson; Tim Meyer; Luke Sydow; Rose Lien; Mary Lamwers and students of Orr High School

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to approve the agenda with the following changes: 1) moving building permits item after master plan item, 2) adding out of state travel request for Louis Drift and Frank Villebrun, Sr., 3) adding Melanie Ford, and 4) adding discussion on Reach Out For Warmth guidelines. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Mark Drift, Sr.; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve the minutes of a special meeting held September 21, 2006, at the Lake Vermilion Sector of the Bois Forte Reservation, Minnesota, with the following added on page 5, paragraph 5: "Ray Toutloff recommended that any future applicants for eminence credentials be presented in person.", also added, "When they want to teach Ojibway, they need to seek the elders approval first before coming to the Council for final approval." Carried 4-0-0.

The elders do not have anything for the agenda.

Barb Brodeen is to make sure they have a contact person for the elders trip.

Harold Goodsky requests the Winter Pow-wow be held in January instead of February and for the pow-wow be held to honor all who have passed on. He will be holding various fund raisers to help raise money towards the pow-wow. Harold is to meet with Henry Goodsky, the elders, and the pow-wow committee to discuss this to come to an agreement on what will be done.

New tribal government staff: Corinna Wettlin is the new Vermilion Office Manager.

Melanie Ford is introduced to the Council and audience. She is a candidate for the St. Louis County Attorney position. She is invited to come back to visit after elections.

Mary and the Orr High School students in the Anatomy and Biology and Environmental Biology classes are presented with a check from the Tribal Council in the amount of \$1,640.00 for their trip to the "Bodyworld" exhibit at the Science Museum in St. Paul.

Stan Day is requesting a \$600.00 donation for the registration fee to attend the American Indian Development Fund small business workshop to be held this month at Fortune Bay. Stan states if his request is denied he will only have to pay \$100.00 for the registration fee. Dawn Benner is to talk with Jim Tolan and Steve Peterson and work out something so Band members can attend without having to pay the \$600.00.

Stan Day is requesting the use of the old rice plant for space for his business. Joe Hoagland is also requesting the use of it for his business too. Chairman Leecy informs them he will be meeting with Andy Datko and Jim Tolan about the buildings and selling the equipment that is there and using the proceeds to fix the buildings. After the buildings are fixed the Council will look at that being an economic development site for Band members.

Stan Day asks what the process is to buy some of the rough lumber. Stan is informed that and the equipment will be liquidated. Everything will be listed and offered for sale to Band members and if isn't sold, will be offered for sale to other individuals.

Joe Hoagland is requesting the use of a building at the sawmill to use for his auto business, and the cost. His business plan is almost complete. Chairman Leecy informs Joe about the meeting and the rent will not be determined until later.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; to approve Bev Miller using the Band logo (the one with the wide band) on tee-shirts that will be sold at the Heritage Center. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to approve the request from Lester Drift, Sr. and the Wilder Foundation to conduct a survey on Bois Forte in regard to homelessness, and a \$20.00 payment to the participants. Also approved is a modification of the agreement with the Wilder Research Center, the Corporation for Supportive Housing, and the Minnesota Department of Human Services for the survey. These are approved pending legal review. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to adopt resolution #113-2007, Amendments to the TERO Ordinance Chapter 11.A concerning monetary penalties and continuing violations, and Chapter 15 concerning labor agreements; and endorsing the TERO commission's determination that the minimum goals for Indian participation on projects subject to TERO should be increased to 50%; and the TERO Director shall report to the RTC from time to time on the performance of covered employers in meeting TERO requirements and hiring goals. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; seconded by Mark Drift, Sr.; to adopt resolution #114-2007,

Lease cancellation – Robert Hedlund and Michele R. Hedlund, with the rewording of the fourth Whereas which is to state “Based on the acquisition of improvements on Lot 7, Block 2, Lake Vermilion.” Carried 4-0-0.

Nikki Irving is to watch the transfers because when a person sells their improvements to a Band member, the lease transfer is approved, but when there is no transfer of improvements, the lease is relinquished and it is at the discretion of the Council who gets the lease, top of the waiting list.

Moved by Mark Drift, Sr.; seconded by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; to deny resolution #115-2007, recreational lease – Joe and Traci Hedlund, based on the information that it reverts back to the Council because of lack of improvements and Joe is not next on the waiting list. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to adopt resolution #116-2007, lease cancellation – Kile and Ann Thoreson. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to adopt resolution #117-2007, residential lease – Robert and Michele R. Hedlund. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; seconded by Mark Drift, Sr.; to adopt resolution #118-2007, recreational lease – Larry F. and Patricia A. Lackner. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Mark Drift, Sr.; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to adopt resolution #119-2007, residential lease – Dale J. Leecy. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Mark Drift, Sr.; to adopt resolution #120-2007, lease cancellation – Thomas Pirkola, contingent on him becoming current on his rent. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Mark Drift, Sr.; to adopt resolution #121-2007, residential lease – Daniel J. Connor, contingent on the finalization of Thomas Pirkola’s lease cancellation. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to adopt resolution #122-2007, lease cancellation – Ronnie M. and Ann Ozan, and to transfer the lease to the Boys & Girls Club of Duluth – Lake Vermilion Unit, for a ninety-day period, because the Ozan’s are donating the property to the Boys & Girls Club to sell and use the proceeds for the program, after which will be relinquished if not sold. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Mark Drift, Sr.; seconded by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; to approve the 2006 Deer Shining Season from October 21, 2006 at Sundown through October 31, 2006 to Sunrise. Carried 4-0-0.

Discussion is held on the deer in the village. Corey Strong is to weed out the deer in Nett Lake and at Vermilion. He states he will probably set an archery season and will notify the public of what will be done.

Jeneal Goggleye has a request from Dr. Sampson to increase his hourly rate on his contract to the increase he recently received while a government employee. He was a government employee

and was changed to a contract employee. Because he is now a contract employee, his hourly rate will remain as it is in the agreement. Also, that program is in the deficit and can't allow for an increase.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to approve the agreement with Linda Nordland to provide Family Nurse Practitioner, medical services, under the Bois Forte Breast and Cervical Grant. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; seconded by Mark Drift, Sr.; to authorize Kim Greiner, Jim Tolan, and Darin Steen to proceed with auctioning/scrapping the remaining equipment at the sawmill. Kevin Koski is to check on the safety of the buildings. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Mark Drift, Sr.; to appoint Corinna Wettlin to the Tower-Soudan Area Joint Powers Recreation Board. Mark Drift, Sr. withdraws his motion.

Moved by Mark Drift, Sr.; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to refer the request (requesting participation on the board or a donation) from the Tower-Soudan Area Joint Powers Recreation Board to the Vermilion LIEC. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Mark Drift, Sr.; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to approve out of state travel for Rosemary King to travel to Superior, Wisconsin, on October 16, 2006, to conduct a home visit with a Bois Forte child in foster care. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Mark Drift, Sr.; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve out of state travel for Brad Anderson to attend the National Indian Gaming Commission Training to be held November 8-9, 2006 at Keshena, Wisconsin. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Mark Drift, Sr.; seconded by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; to approve out of state travel for Louis Drift and Frank Villebrun, Sr. to travel to Rhinelander, Wisconsin, from October 23 – 27,

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2006, to perform contract plant harvesting/removal for the Sokagoan Band of Chippewa, and to approve the agreement for the work. Carried 4-0-0.

Corey Strong gives an update on the Reach Out For Warmth program. The individuals who needed assistance last year needed to access the energy program and/or crisis program first, but if they accessed the energy/crisis program they could not access the Reach Out For Warmth Program. The Reach Out For Warmth was there for people who were too late to apply for the energy/crisis program or if energy/crisis ran out of money. Money had to be sent back because there were only a few individuals that were able to utilize the program. Corey is to have the individual in charge of the program come up to Bois Forte so the program can be discussed, agreement amended, so it will be easier for individuals to utilize the program.

Corey Strong distributes the Land Use Permit Application, the Conditional Use Permit Application, and the Environmental Assessment Worksheet and explains how they will be used. Tim Meyer distributes the 2006 Community Land Use Plan. A meeting is scheduled for 9:00 a.m., October 17th for the Council, Corey Strong, and Tim Meyer to go over the items further, and these will also be presented at the Town Meeting. Mark Anderson has a draft Land Use Ordinance which will be presented at the next Council meeting.

Moved by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; seconded by Mark Drift, Sr.; to approve a 20 lb. wild rice donation to the Pow-wow Committee for the MiiGwetch Manomin Pow-wow to be held October 13-15, 2006. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to adjourn the meeting at 12:27 p.m. Carried 4-0-0.