

Minutes of a special meeting of the Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council held December 20, 2007 at the Lake Vermilion Sector of the Bois Forte Reservation, Minnesota.

Meeting called to order at 9:30 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; Henry Goodsky; Vicki Villebrun; Marge Holmes; Marilyn Geshick; Bill Latady; Rose Berens; Brad Anderson; Jon Olson; Edith Villebrun; Shane Drift; Caroline Boshey; Marcella Connor; Marty Connor; Deanna Drift; Wendy Thompson; Corinna Wettlin; Jeneal Goggeley; Corey Strong; Dawn Benner; Marcus Knife Chief; Donald Chosa; Billie Mason; Gary Gotchnik; Patti Wilkie; Esther Connor; Andy Datko

Moved by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to approve the agenda with the following changes: 1) delete Deanna Drift with the Revised Medical Emergency Fund Guidelines, 2) add Marty Connor with an update on the water situation, 3) add Rose Berens with the renaming of an island, and 4) add an out of state travel request for Kathie Holman. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to approve the minutes of a special meeting held December 6, 2007 at Nett Lake, Minnesota with the following corrections: 1) the sixth paragraph on page 3 to read, "David Morrison Sr said the water system was damaged when work was being done on the school project and now the public works staff have to go twice a day to manually turn on the pumps. Barb Brodeen is to have Marty Connor check into it and see what needs to be done to get it repaired.", 2) add to the first paragraph on page 3, "Chairman Leecy is unable to be the Delegate because he is the Vice-Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Association.", and 3) add after the fourth paragraph on page 2 in regard to the money donated to the Head Start Program for Christmas presents, "An additional \$1,000.00 was donated by S E H, Inc. to the Head Start Program for Christmas presents." Carried 4-0-0.

Elders Committee: Marge Holmes said, 1) the Elders are going to bring ideas for the elders' trip to the next meeting, 2) the Elders want to discuss with the Council the behaviors of chaperones/aides on the elders' trip, 3) the garbage at the Elderly Pineview unit hasn't been

picked up for three weeks. (Carol Burr said they will check up on this today), and 4) the Elders thank the Council for everything done and to have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Marty Connor gives an update on the water situation. Over the past few weeks Public Works has been having trouble regulating the water system. This week they located the problem of why they were losing so much water. There were no water line breaks in the village. The problem was at the Nett Lake School. A call was received from the school that they were not going to pay for the problem, that Public Works should be responsible for any services that need to be done. After further review, Public Works asked Pete Isham to allow them into the boiler/maintenance room. The problem was with the school's water softener, for the past two days it was running continuously, 30 gallons every two minutes. The water softener was turned off and the water system is holding steady. The school board was planning to get a new water softener during the school construction project and will try to get that in place instead of repairing the old one. Due to the lack of consistent pressure in the system there was a freeze in the water tower. The pumps were let run and that opened up the freeze. Due to the continuous pumping, pump #5 at the pumphouse was lost, and the pressure meter was broken. The pump company was called and they were supposed to be up yesterday to fix it. Marty is asked what it will cost to fix it. Marty said approximately \$500.00 for the pump and the meter. Mark Drift, Sr. asks about work missed. Barb Brodeen said one day of work was missed. Also water was brought in and distributed to most of the houses in Nett Lake. Also a lot of staff worked overtime. Kim Greiner is to draft up an invoice for everything. Jeneal Goggleeye said to submit the invoice to the superintendent and it will be brought to the school board meeting on January 10.

Rose Berens said the State of Minnesota Department of Natural Resources is proposing to name the island on Pelican Lake (also known as Big Island) "Big Strand Island". Rose talked to different elders about this. They recommended the island be named "Gitchi-Miniss" and the boat landing be called "Strand Landing." Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Ray Villebrun, Sr. to support the recommendation. Carried 4-0-0. Mark Anderson is to draft a resolution in regard to this and the resolution will be acted on before January 15.

Shane Drift asked that the indirect cost be waived for the Head Start Parent Committee at both Nett Lake and Vermilion. David Morrison, Sr. said he thinks there is a policy if a program made under a certain amount then the indirect cost was waived. Edith Villebrun is to research this. Moved by Mark Drift, Sr.; seconded by Ray Toutloff; that because the Head Start Parent Committee needs to do Christmas shopping, that the indirect cost be waived for them, then if the Council wants to look at the policy to review it can be reviewed. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; to adopt resolution #86-2008, grant application to the Department of Justice for tribal court funding. Carried 4-0-0.

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Moved by Mark Drift, Sr.; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve Dawn Benner's recommendation to appoint the incumbents to the TERO Commission: Ellen King – 1 year term, Geraldine Polasky – 2 year term, Geraldine Hanks – 2 year term, and Jim Morrison – 1 year term. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Mark Drift, Sr.; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve the medical plan optional coverage. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by David Morrison, Sr.; seconded by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; to approve the payment of the invoice from Krech, Ojard & Associates Consulting Eng for work done for the Bois Forte Veteran's Memorial. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve out of state travel for Marty Connor to attend the Road Inventory Field Data System Training Workshop to be held January 8-9, 2008 in Green Bay, Wisconsin. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; to approve out of state travel for Edith Villebrun and Erynn Morrison to attend the Developing Tribal Travel Policies to be held January 30-31, 2008 in Las Vegas, Nevada. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by David Morrison, Sr.; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve out of state travel for Steve Skraba and Kathie Holman to attend the ANA Post Award Training Workshop to be held January 8-10, 2008 in Washington, D.C. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to adjourn the meeting at 11:01 a.m. Carried 4-0-0.