

Minutes of a special meeting of the Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council held August 20, 2008 at the Lake Vermilion Sector of the Bois Forte Reservation, Minnesota.

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

Members Present: Kevin W. Leecy; David C. Morrison, Sr.; Cathy Chavers; Ray Toutloff

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Barb Brodeen; Henry Goodsky; Vicki Villebrun; Marge Holmes; Rae Edstrom; Jan Connor; Marcella Connor; Carol Burr; Marty Connor; Peggy Connor; Brad Anderson; Marilyn Geshick; Andy Datko; Nikki Irving; Robbie Goggleye; Lester Drift, Sr.; Janelle Burton; Honore Lehtinen; Zoe Lebeau; Jerome Whiteman; Gary Adams; Darnell Goggleye; Gary Gotchnik; Corinna Wettlin; Terri Hill; Dan Connor; Corey Strong; Deanna Drift; Wendy Thompson; Don Chosa; Kim Greiner; Jeneal Goggleye; Billie Mason; Pete Drift, Sr.; Dawn Benner

Chairman Leecy welcomes Cathy Chavers, the new District I Representative.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Cathy Chavers, to approve the agenda with the following changes: 1) move the critical professions agenda item to executive session, 2) delete the high school education concern agenda item because the Council will meet with the Nett Lake School Board before taking any action on this, and 3) delete the school space lease. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to approve the minutes of a regular meeting held July 8, 2008 at Nett Lake, Minnesota. Carried 3-0-0.

Elders Committee: Marge Holmes said the union is sending all the elders letters. Where are they getting all our addresses from? Chairman Leecy states that unfortunately maybe some of our own people are helping them. Its not only here its all over Indian country and there is a case going to the Supreme Court, probably next year. We respect the wishes of the Elders committee.

Marge Holmes said some elders need cutting wood. Barb said that she did talk to the departments that have elder workers and it should be done in about 2 weeks. Marge asked if they have a sign up sheet. Barb said no, but they should have a list of who got wood. Chairman Leecy said we can have something posted to tell how to sign up for the wood and when it will be available. David Morrison added that the wood is being delivered, there were some elders that signed up late, but will get to you.

No new staff to introduce.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; Seconded by David C. Morrison, Sr.; to approve Departmental Procedures required by NIGC, MICS and MICS. Carried 3-0-0.

Lester Drift says that he went to a meeting at AEOA, they talked about additional Supportive housing money for the homelessness program. Looking for support from the council. There's a workshop next week, will be establishing a team to start this project. Zoe will present basic concepts of this program, rental housing that's permanent, meaning clients and case managers decide when its time to go rather than funding sources deciding when its time to go. Its affordable meaning there's subsidies attached so nobody pays more than 30% of their income for rent. In Indian country she sees a lot of families where 2-3 families live in a home, that's homelessness. Next year is the last year the state will put aside money for this. American Indian Supportive Housing Initiative has a supportive housing institute, which is a series of intensive 2 day training over 7 months; they also have pre-development funding up to \$50,000 is forgivable. No money comes from the tribe's pocket. Chairman Leecy says that he is disappointed that Bois Forte does not have a team together already. Kevin asks Carol Burr and Deanna Drift to appoint one person from each of their departments to attend this training. There is also a one time fee of \$600 for this training.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Cathy Chavers; to approve one time fee of \$600.00 and travel costs for the representatives to attend supportive housing training. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve the field placement of Brian Ensign for his internship for his masters. He would work at Human Services and Health Services. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by David C. Morrison, Sr.; to approve the change from 638 contracting to Memorandum of Agreement construction - wells and septic program. Carried 3-0-0.

Jeneal Goggeye presents amendment to the contract for dental services for Michael T. Rowlette, DDS, LLC and the Bois Forte Band, by substituting BFWDG, PC (Bois Forte Worker Dental Group, Professional Corporation) as a named contractor. Moved by Ray Toutloff; to approve the amendment. Barb Brodeen asks if anyone checked to see if an individual can use the name Bois Forte. Chairman Leecy asks what the reason is behind moving from a individual contractor to a professional corporation. Jeneal states that she has no answer. Kim Griener adds it has to do with income tax; he pays corporate tax instead of income tax Barb Brodeen states that her concern is using the name Bois Forte.

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Ray Toutloff withdraws motion.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Cathy Chavers to table amendment contract for dental services for Michael T. Rowlette. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve purchase of a Toshiba copier for \$9,811.00 and service contract for the RTC building (with the purchase of the copier the Band will be saving about \$14,000). Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David C. Morrison, Sr.; to approve resolution # 21-2009, Block 2A. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by David C. Morrison, Sr.; to adopt resolution # 22-2009, recreational lease Frank E. Barto and Linda Tibbetts-Barto. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to adopt resolution # 23-2009, lease cancellation Vickie Hackey. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to adopt resolution # 24-2009, residential lease Vickie Hackey. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to adopt resolution # 25-2009, recreational lease Ronald and Lisa Marinaro. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David C. Morrison, Sr.; to appoint Cathy Chavers as Head Start representative from Council. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve out of state travel approval authorization to the Commissioners and the Executive Director. If travel is being taken out of the 810 RTC budget then it will need council approval. Carried 3-0-0.

Darnell Gogleye informs the council he attended the National Young Scholarship Program at the University of Northern Illinois and studied weather and would like to thank the council for making this happen for him.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by David C. Morrison, Sr.; to adjourn meeting at 10:12 a.m. Carried 3-0-0.