

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council held July 7, 2010 at Nett Lake, Minnesota.

Meeting called to order at 9:09 a.m.

Invocation by Gene Goodsky.

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

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Barb Brodeen; Gene Goodsky; Vicki Villebrun; Connie Harju; Janelle Burton; Wendy Thompson; Marilyn Geshick; Marcella Connor; Justin Boness; Sidra Boutto; Lori Herrly; Jeneal Goggleye; Edith Villebrun; Jim Johnson; Corey Strong; Marty Connor; Jan Connor; Tara Geshick; Kim Greiner; Billie Mason; Teresa Strong; Kevin Strong; Dave Larson; Doris Isham; Donald Chosa; Jane Villebrun; Terri Hill; Daanis Chosa; Brandon Benner; Gary Gotchnik; Nina Villebrun; Patti Wilkie; Bill Whiteman

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve the agenda with the following additions: 1) Marty Connor and Janice Connor with the prioritizing the projects on the SDS list, 2) Donald Chosa with a request for funding for the Bois Forte Language Immersion Camp, 3) Gary Gotchnik instead of Breanne Peterson with the request for an appointment for a Bois Forte Representative to the Homeland Security Emergency Management, 4) Kim Greiner with the request to set the per capita distribution date, and 5) Andy Datko instead of Mark Anderson will be presenting the space leases at the Nett Lake School. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to approve the minutes of a special meeting held June 2, 2010 at Nett Lake, Minnesota. Carried 4-0-0.

Elders Committee: Jerome Whiteman said there is not much from the elders committee, they will have a meeting on Monday. There is one outstanding issue. About six weeks ago, the finance officer made a remark in an email, which they have a copy of, about a toaster that was

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purchased by the elders. The elders felt it was a negative remark that they were irresponsibly spending the elders' money. They asked her to come to the last elders' meeting but she didn't show up and there was no explanation as to why she wasn't going to be there.

Jeneal Goggleye said Kim told her and Mavis that she was on vacation that week and that she could come in when she got back which would be this coming Monday.

Jerome Whiteman said they as an elder committee weren't told anything. They would still appreciate her to show up at their meeting on Monday (in Vermilion). The elders needed the toaster for the meals. The elders' feel an apology is in order for the email and the way the message was sent.

Chairman Leecy said she will be notified of the meeting and time and where it will be.

Mary Strong said Fortune Bay people were picking up garbage and found an eagle. Her daughter turned it in to the DNR thinking they could get it back. They asked for it back and were told no, that it was sent to Colorado. Mary talked to other people at powwows, and people at the White Earth told her they don't give it to the state DNR, they give it to their own DNR and their DNR gives it back to them. Mary said ours goes to Denver Colorado and we have to wait a year to get it back.

Chairman Leecy said he thinks we need to do that here, to keep our own and there is an 1854 Treaty Authority meeting tomorrow and he will ask about it there and get her and the elders an answer.

Marilyn Geshick said the elders committee is asked by elders for money from the elders committee to get their houses fixed. The elders are informed the elders committee does not have any money to fix houses. The elders want to know what happened to the 2009 elders trip money and if some of that can be used for house repairs. Chairman Leecy and Kim Greiner inform Marilyn the money comes from Fortune Bay for the trip and once the elders declined the trip last year, the money was not put in the elder trip budget.

Corey Strong asked Marilyn what things the elders need fixed. Missy Fisher and Kevin Koski have programs for house repairs. Missy's has income guidelines, Kevin's does not. Cathy Chavers said the elders don't know how to access the programs, there needs to be a better way of communicating what's available.

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Corey Strong, Missy Fishey, and Carol Burr are to attend the next elders meeting to give them information on what kinds of programs are available.

There are no new staff to be introduced.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Cathy Chavers; to renew the contract with CCStpa for the administration of the Medicare Like Rate manual repricing of hospital claims at \$9.50 a claim. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; to approve the Contract Health Program to pay the Minnesota Care premiums for the Band members that are eligible for the Bois Forte Contract Health Program and live in the Bois Forte Contract Health service delivery area. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve the agreement with the State of Minnesota for the storing of DNA, effective today. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to adopt resolution #1-2011, amendment to the Tribal Code that it will be a petty misdemeanor to whoever intentionally smokes in or within fifty feet of a public building, area, or common carrier in which "No Smoking" notices have been posted. Language is to be added exempting ceremonial and cultural activities. Carried 4-0-0.

Janelle Burton gives an update on the Hearth Connection Rental Assistance program. Hearth Connection said they lacked internal controls to monitor the vouchers for the rental assistance program and overspent in excess of \$100,000. They are recapturing vouchers until they can fix the shortfall. They recaptured two from Bois Forte. They will have a lottery for the reallocation of vouchers. Bois Forte does not agree to the lottery process. Hearth Connection is guided by a steering and executive committee and there is no tribal or native representation on either of those committees. Chairman Leecy tells Janelle to call Annamarie Hill to send a letter to the Commissioner of the State of Minnesota Health and Human Services to request him to come to the next Minnesota Indian Affairs Council meeting to explain what is going on.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to adopt resolution #99-2010, rescinding resolution #80-2010 which issued a new lease to Christine LeCuyer and Bryan Weinzierl. Carried 4-0-0.

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Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to adopt resolution #10-2010, residential lease – Christine LeCuyer and Bryan Weinzierl. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to adopt resolution #2-2011, rate schedules for water and sewer systems and services for Nett Lake, Vermilion, and Indian Point, with a review of the rates for Vermilion. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to approve the contract with Infinity Wireless for the purchase of four Outdoor Warning Systems. Carried 3-0-1. Ray Toutloff silent.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to adopt resolution #3-2011, submission of grant application to the Department of Transportation for funding to develop and implement a tribal transit/transportation program. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; to adopt resolution #4-2011, submission of grant application to the Energy and Mineral Development Program. Bois Forte has completed feasibility studies and has identified viable industrial mineral resources in the form of aggregate, sand, and gravel, however will consider the further development of any other resource discovered through this process. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to adopt resolution #5-2011, bond resolution for Rural Development funding for the Vermilion Water/Sewer project. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Cathy Chavers; to approve the purchase of woody biomass processing equipment from Nortrax - a wood chipper and transport trailer, and some operating expenses. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by David Morrison, Sr.; to adopt resolution #6-2011, the Bois Forte Lead Program Ordinance and the submission of the Lead Program Authorization to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to implement those goals and responsibilities. Carried 4-0-0.

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Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Cathy Chavers; to approve the loan agreement with the Corporation for Supportive Housing for pre-development costs for the 20-unit supportive housing project. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; to approve the Bois Forte Health & Human Services organizational chart. Carried 4-0-0. David Morrison, Sr. asks if the individuals assigned additional duties, if they will get salary adjustments. Jeneal Goggeley said yes and she will be bringing those to the council.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Cathy Chavers; to appoint Bryan Weinzierl as Bois Forte's representative to the Homeland Security Emergency Management. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; to approve the revision to the equipment rental agreement with GPSI Leasing to include 5 additional GPS units/golf carts. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Cathy Chavers; to approve the lease agreements with the Nett Lake School for the Noncommercial Education Broadcast Station, the Head Start/Cay Care, the Clinic, and the Boys & Girls Club. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Villebrun, Sr.; to prioritize the projects on the Sanitation Deficiency System list. Janice is to give the list to the Utility Board to review. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Cathy Chavers; to approve funding in the amount of \$4,500 for the Bois Forte Youth Language Immersion Camp. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Cathy Chavers; to set August 13, 2010 as the distribution date for the 2010 per capita payment. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Cathy Chavers; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 a.m. Carried 4-0-0.