

Minutes of a special meeting of the Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council held March 23, 2016 at Nett Lake, Minnesota.

Meeting called to order at 9:19 a.m.

Members Present: Kevin W. Leecy; Brandon Benner; Karlene Chosa; Ray Toutloff

Members Absent: David C. Morrison, Sr. (excused)

Others Present: Corey Strong; Gene Goodsky; Vicki Villebrun; Andy Datko; Jennie Rowland; Mike Connor; Allan Howg; Louise Isham; Joel Astleford; Karen Drift; David Farmer; Dan Connor; Hank Mesabe; Kim Greiner; Dawn Benner; LuAnn Drift; Linda Tibbetts-Barto; Tara Geshick; Josh Villebrun; Jaime Burdick; Miranda Lilya; Simona Benner; Gordon Adams Jr.; Billie Mason; Donald Chosa Jr.; Gloria Love; Merrilee Littlewolf; Dani Pieratos; David Villebrun; Jeneal Goggeley; Cory Kovatovich; Tracey Dagen; Nikki Pieratos; Lance Kingbird

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Karlene Chosa; to approve the agenda with the addition of a request from the Turkey Federation to conduct a raffle at Fortune Bay Resort Casino this weekend. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Karlene Chosa; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve the minutes of a special meeting held March 2, 2016 at the Lake Vermilion Sector of the Bois Forte Reservation, Minnesota. Carried 3-0-0.

New tribal government employees: Jennie Rowland introduces Allan Howg who is the new bus driver for Big Woods Transit.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Karlene Chosa; to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1) Approve the purchase of a vehicle for the ENP program to replace the ENP van that rolled over. Health is receiving a check from the insurance company but will still be short \$10,365.00 for the new vehicle. The tribal council will cover the amount that is short.

2) Approve the increase in the cash match for the Distance Learning and Telemedicine grant to 30% from 15%. The match will come from Health. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Brandon Benner; to adopt resolution #66-2016, Mutual Aid Agreement with the 1854 Treaty Authority. Carried 3-0-0.

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Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Brandon Benner; to approve the 2016 Bois Forte Netting Code for Lake Vermilion with changes in section 3.4.2 to eliminate flag poles. Carried 3-0-0.

Chairman Leecy said a letter was received from Fond du Lac, and it was posted on their website, that they are going to net 2,500 pounds of walleye on the west end of Lake Vermilion (near Cook MN). Legally, there is nothing Bois Forte can do, but will monitor it. Ray Toutloff said there are fourteen other lakes in the 1854 area that Fond du Lac intends to net also.

Moved by Brandon Benner; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to adopt resolution #67-2016, submission of an application for the Department of Transportation (DOT) 2016 TIGER 8 Grant Program—Capital funding, to construct a transit facility. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Brandon Benner; seconded by Karlene Chosa; to approve the Merger Agreement Contract between Fortune Bay Resort Casino and Big Woods Transit, effective April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2018. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Karlene Chosa; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve the purchase of an ID system from IdentiSys Inc. for the DNR's lead program for identification cards for the individuals that are licensed by the Band for the lead abatement program. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Karlene Chosa; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve the sole source contract with Ogoki Learning Systems, Inc. for an Ojibwe Language App for I-phones, I-pads, and Android phones and devices. This app would include up to 1,200 Ojibwe words and phrases that would be recorded with Bois Forte voices. Some money was reserved to purchase tablet devices for Band members who do not have compatible devices, first priority will be school age Band members. Some will be given away as door prizes at a community event to be held in May or June where the app will be explained. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Brandon Benner; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to adopt resolution #68-2016, granting a temporary construction easement for constructing and improving the Nett Lake School Parking Lot P004, the Community Center Parking Lot P008, and the West Ball Park Parking Lot and Entrance P002. Carried 3-0-0.

Jaime Burdick and Josh Villebrun are present to communicate with the community and elders on the police department at the request of Karlene Chosa. Karlene said Chief Drift used to email the council each week on things that happen at the police department. Josh Villebrun said he sends a weekly report to Corey Strong. Josh is asked to email it to each of the council members.

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Jaime Burdick said they have three Bureau full time positions, the Lieutenant, and the Chief of Police, and one tribal officer. The tribal officer will be going to the academy. They will be advertising for a BIA position that is open. There is a guy from Arizona that wants to come closer to home, so Jaime will ask his supervisors for a lateral transfer for him. Carlos went to the academy but got injured and had to come back. Jaime was asked where the officers live. He said three of the officers live at Vermilion and he lives in Nett Lake. The tribal officer will be living at Indian Point.

Jaime said there is a male non-Native that has been causing problems and there is a jurisdictional issue between the County and Federal. Chairman Leecy said the council needs to sit down and discuss that, the gap between Federal and tribal.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Karlene Chosa; to adopt resolution #69-2016, commitment of additional operating funds in the amount of \$172,000 for calendar year 2017 for Northern Eagle Credit Union. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Karlene Chosa; seconded by Brandon Benner; to mirror Fortune Bay Resort Casino to increase the minimum wage for Bois Forte Tribal Government employees to \$10.10 per hour, effective May 1, 2016. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Karlene Chosa; to appoint Bev Miller as Bois Forte Representative to the St. Louis County Historical Society American Indian Advisory Committee. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Karlene Chosa; to approve the following donations:

\$15,000 to Greenwood Township Fire Department, \$7,500 to City of Tower Fire Department, \$7,500 to Breitung Township Fire Department, and \$2,000 to City of Tower Ambulance Service. Carried 2-0-0.

Moved by Brandon Benner; seconded by Karlene Chosa; to adopt resolution #70-2016, authorizing the Minnesota Turkey Federation to conduct a raffle at their 2016 Annual Meeting being held at Fortune Bay Resort Casino on March 24, 2016. Carried 3-0-0.

Discussion was held on the appointments to fill the vacancies on the precinct boards and whether or not the General Election Board could cover the District I Precinct Board if the individuals on that board were moved to the Urban Office Precinct Board. Gloria Love said there is training for the boards on Tuesday.

Action on this is tabled until 3:00 pm today. Miranda Lilya is to send out an all Bois Forte email for employees to sign up for the precinct board because the employees have already gone through the drug testing.

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Ray Toutloff has a question on the balloting process. He has been getting calls from people who have been getting District I ballots instead of District II.

Moved by Karlene Chosa; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m. Carried 3-0-0.

Minutes of a special meeting of the Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council held March 23, 2016 at the Lake Vermilion Sector of the Bois Forte Reservation.

Meeting called to order at 2:29 p.m.

Members Present: Kevin W. Leecy; Brandon Benner; Karlene Chosa; Ray Toutloff

Members Absent: David C. Morrison, Sr. (excused)

Others Present: Corey Strong; Vicki Villebrun; Miranda Lilya; Gloria Love; Tracey Dagen; Eileen Barney; Linda Shykes

Chairman Leecy dispenses with the minutes.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Brandon Benner; to move Derrick LaRoque from Alternate of the District II Precinct Board to Alternate of the Urban Office Precinct Board. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Karlene Chosa; to appoint Terry Strong as Alternate of the District II Precinct Board with Pamela Hughes as the 2nd Alternate. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Karlene Chosa; to appoint Nikki Irving as Chair of the Urban Office Precinct Board. After discussion it was determined that one of the candidates, Stan Day, is her step-dad, so she cannot serve on the board since that is considered immediate family.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Brandon Benner; to appoint Robbie Goggeye as Chair of the Urban Office Precinct Board. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Karlene Chosa; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to appoint Sidra Starkovich as Teller of the Urban Office Election Board. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Brandon Benner; seconded by Karlene Chosa; to appoint Danielle Pieratos as Alternate of the Urban Office Precinct Board with Michelle Fisher as the 2nd Alternate. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Brandon Benner; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 p.m. Carried 3-0-0.