

Minutes of a special meeting of the Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council held November 15, 2017 at Nett Lake, Minnesota.

Meeting called to order at 9:08 a.m.

Members Present: Cathy Chavers; David Morrison Sr.; Brandon Benner; Travis Morrison; Ray Toutloff

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Corey Strong; Vicki Villebrun; Evertt Huismann; Noah Buccholz; Louise Isham; Andy Datko; Sidra Starkovich; Brooke MacMillan; Donna Hoffer; Bev Miller; Kim Greiner; Dawn Benner; Curt Goodsky; Miranda Lilya; Joel Astleford; Billie Mason; Eddie Chavers; Angela Wright; Panda Whiteman; Tara Geshick; Jennie Rowland; Wendy Thompson; Alex Mehne; Gordy Adams Jr. Randy Long; Simona Benner; George Strong; Doris Isham; Jeremy Sundbom

In lieu of invocation a moment of silence is held.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to approve the agenda with the addition of discussion on the Grand Council. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Travis Morrison; seconded by Brandon Benner; to approve the minutes of a special meeting held November 1, 2017 at the Lake Vermilion Sector of the Bois Forte Reservation, Minnesota. Carried 4-0-0.

New tribal government employees: Tara Geshick introduces Curt Goodsky who is the new Environmental Services Manager. Curt Goodsky introduces Jeremy Sundbom who is the new Solid Waste Technician.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- 1) Approved the contract for Chemical Dependency services with Sheree Moldenhauer (council poll vote was 4-0-0)
- 2) Approve the agreement with Essential for lab services (council poll vote was 4-0-0)

Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Brandon Benner; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to adopt resolution #40-2018, appointing Melissa Wright to serve on the American Indian Mental Health Advisory Council, and the Region III Adult Mental Health Initiative. Donna Hoffer is to change the language in the last WHERAS to insert Virgil Sohm's name that he was designated to serve but he is no longer employed. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to appoint Doris Isham to the advisory committee for the Bemidji State University Department of Nursing Niganawenimaanaanig (We take care of them) Program, with Terry Defoe as the alternate. BSU received a HRSA Nursing Workforce Diversity grant that will provide funding for BSU Nursing to recruit, enroll, retain and graduate American Indians in nursing. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Brandon Benner; seconded by Travis Morrison; to appoint Brooke MacMillan as Bois Forte representative to the Arrowhead Regional Development Commission. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to approve the grant agreement with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety for the Crime Victim Services Program for FY 2017-FY 2019. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Travis Morrison; to approve the request from Jennie Rowland for a variance to the RTC directive suspending all overtime and comp time. Due to illness and absences the transit program is suffering a shortage of bus drivers. This will be until the transit program is fully staffed. Carried 4-0-0.

Tara Geshick asks if the council will be honoring any more requests for overtime and comp time because she will be bringing some forward. Tara is told yes.

Miranda Lilya asks what the process will be, will each request for overtime/comp time need to come before the council. The council said yes.

Moved by Brandon Benner; seconded by Travis Morrison; to approve the request from Sidra Starkovich on behalf of the newly formed Language Committee to have the recognition by resolution the establishment of an official Bois Forte Language Committee. The committee is composed of Bois Forte employees and community members who share interest in learning and sharing the further advancement of the Anishinabe language. Carried 4-0-0. Sidra is to bring the resolution back to the next RTC meeting.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Brandon Benner; to adopt resolution #41-2018, submission of grant application to the Institute of Museum and Library Services for funding to help foster the growth and capacity of the Bois Forte Heritage and Cultural Museum. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Travis Morrison; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve the request from Eddie Chavers to sole-source the Compudyne licensing for Health & Human Services in the amount of \$3,960.00. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Brandon Benner; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to appoint the following individuals to the TERO Commission:

Daniel "Jim" Morrison:	four-year term
Ellen Little:	four-year term
Sidra Starkovich	four-year term
Janice Connor	four-year term
Cheryl Day Earley	two-year term
Char Leecy	two-year term
Geraldine Deegan	two-year term.

Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Travis Morrison; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to approve the request from George Strong to sole-source the Satellite Interconnect Service from National Public Radio (NPR) through September 30, 2018 in the amount of \$10,500.00 so KBFT can utilize National Live Streaming programs and download programming that is available by file via satellite. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to approve the FY18 KBFT Native Voice 1 Affiliate Agreement in the amount of \$3,150. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Brandon Benner; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to approve the marketing agreement with Radio Broadcasting Inc. for community safety announcements and ad placements. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Travis Morrison; to approve the request from George Strong to sole-source the national Native American radio programming service from Native Voice 1 for KBFT to utilize their live streaming programs and updated program downloads via satellite in the amount of \$3,150. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to approve the request from Kim Greiner to open five bank accounts at the American Bank & view only access for the Health Billing Department. The five accounts are for medical billing, dental billing, ambulance billing, CD billing, and ICWA billing. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison; to approve the FY 2017 Health Budgets as presented by Kim Greiner. Carried 3-1-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Travis Morrison; to approve the 2018 Christmas Club Match for the tribal government employees. Carried 4-0-0.

Chairwoman Chavers informs the council she attended the opioid summit at White Earth. Yesterday the tribal leaders got together. They suggested another opioid summit. They also suggested a grand council which would be all the tribal council members from all the eleven tribes in Minnesota. Not all of the tribes are part of the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council. The intent would be to come together and unite, share resources and ideas. They are going to try have a meeting around the date of the next TEC meeting. Chairwoman Chavers asks the council how they feel about a grand council. Brandon Benner suggests they establish a mission statement and a set of goals.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Brandon Benner; to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 a.m. Carried 4-0-0.