

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council held April 4, 2018 at the Lake Vermilion Sector of the Bois Forte Reservation, Minnesota.

Meeting called to order at 9:13 a.m.

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

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Corey Strong; Vicki Villebrun; Brooke MacMillan; Billie Mason; Louise Isham;  
Joel Astleford; Eddie Chavers; Pam Hughes; Millie Holmes; Holly Croteau; Tara  
Geshick; Alanna Drift; Gordon Adams Jr.; Janel Smith; Miranda Lilya; Mike Bass;  
Doris Isham; Andy Datko; Rocky King

A moment of silence is observed in place of invocation.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to approve the agenda with the addition of Pam Hughes with resolution for the 2018 Reservation Homeless Survey to be performed by Wilder Research. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Brandon Benner; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve the minutes of a special meeting held March 21, 2018 at Nett Lake, Minnesota. Carried 4-0-0.

There are no new staff to introduce.

Moved by Travis Morrison; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to adopt resolution #70-2018, authorizing The City Auto Glass Foundation to conduct a raffle at Fortune Bay during their 2018 Annual Meeting being held May 18, 2018. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to adopt resolution #71-2018, submission of the ILEAD grant application to the Administration for Native Americans which will be used for programs and services for the youth at Nett Lake, North Woods, and Vermilion for things like transition to North Woods, and college preparedness. The Native Club at North Woods will do a community project. Carried 4-0-0.

Andy Datko informs the council that bids were advertised for but only one bid was received for the ENP/Food Distribution ICDBG funded renovation project. That bid came in quite a bit over what was budgeted for the project. Three options are presented for the council to consider. One is to put the project out for re-bid but this is not recommended because there are no guarantees that the bids would come in differently and would set the timeline of the project back. The second is the RTC could cover the shortfall of approximately \$55,000. The loading dock is not working and the compressors are inside and will need to be put outside. The third is to meet with the architect, owner representatives, and the contractor to discuss ways to make the project more affordable and fit within the budget. Once that is complete the contract can be brought to the tribal council for approval.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by Travis Morrison; to approve option #3 for the ENP/Food Distribution ICDBG funded renovation project. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Travis Morrison; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to approve the letter of support for the proposed Lake Vermilion Trail project, which will be a bike/pedestrian trail which will go from Lake Vermilion to Ely. A section of that trail will run near the Y Store. Carried 4-0-0.

Billie Mason said \$25,000 was received from the USDO I BIA Office of Indian Services, Division of Workforce Development to start the planning for writing of a plan for the consolidation of P.L. 102-477 programs.

Moved by Brandon Benner; seconded by Travis Morrison; to approve the sole-source request for the Honeywell Instant Alert System Renewal in the amount of \$6,200.00. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to approve the request from Gordon Adams Jr. for the Housing Department to sole-source the purchase of the Titan 500 Propane Heat Package in the amount of \$8,999.00 for the treatment of bed bug infestations. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; approve the Purchase of Service Agreement with White Earth for the Supportive Services to Address Long-Term Homelessness. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Travis Morrison; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to adopt resolution #72-2018, supporting the study of homelessness on Minnesota Reservations, including Bois Forte, to be performed by the Wilder Research as a part of the 2018 Reservation Homeless Survey which is a companion to the 2018 Statewide Homeless Survey. Pam Hughes said the survey will also be done at the Duluth Urban Office and the Twin Cities Urban Office. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to approve the American Indian Cancer Foundation to conduct a follow-up study to the 2011 Tribal Tobacco Use Project Survey. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Ray Toutloff; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to table the Dalco contract. Carried 4-0-0.

Moved by Travis Morrison; seconded by Ray Toutloff; to adjourn the meeting at 10:12 a.m. Carried 4-0-0.