

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council held July 21, 2021 at the Lake Vermilion Sector of the Bois Forte Reservation, Minnesota.

Invocation by Gene Goodsky.

Meeting called to order at 9:42 a.m.

Members Present: Cathy Chavers; David C. Morrison, Sr.; Shane Drift; Peter Boney

Members Absent: Travis Morrison – excused

Others Present: Robbie Goggleye; Gene Goodsky; Vicki Villebrun; Angela Wright; Doris Isham; Kim Greiner; Hunter Gilbert; Destinie Villebrun; Craig Stepec; Cindy Stepec; Lucille Stepec; Sarah Kinnunen; Pam Hughes; Eddie Chavers; Darnell Goggleye; Tara Geshick; Josh Sherman; Michelle Long; Kylee Hanninen; Margaret Simonson; Tadd Johnson; Simona Benner; Monique Benner

Moved by David Morrison Sr.; seconded by Peter Boney; to approve the agenda. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Peter Boney; seconded by David Morrison Jr.; to approve the minutes of a special meeting held June 16, 2021 at Nett Lake, Minnesota. Carried 4-0-0.

New tribal government employees: Michelle Long introduces Kylee Hanninen who is the new Dental Assistant and Margaret Simonson who is the new Dental Hygienist.

Moved by Shane Drift; seconded by Peter Boney; to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- 1) Approve the contribution to Indian Legal Assistance for serving Band members with legal services and approved to issue the check
- 2) Approved the request from George Strong to sole source membership dues for KBFT from AMPERS in the amount of \$6,500
- 3) Approved the request from Dave Anderson to sole source the revised Advanced MN Proposal to train 4 additional participants in the SMAW Welding Program. The previous cost was \$91,000. It is now \$136,000. The difference to be approved if \$45,000
- 4) Approved the billboard lease contract between KBFT and Red Sunset
- 5) Approved the request from Travis Vake to sole source LSS Financial Services that are available to all Band members. The cost 2021 is \$10,080

- 6) Adopted Resolution No. 93-2021, application for ARP Emergency Grant for Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance
- 7) Approved the Mental Health Block Grant Amendment
- 8) Approved the request from Jenna Lehti to close the casino at midnight, June 28 instead of 2 am, to complete a slot system upgrade
- 9) Approved the request from Randy Long and Angela Wright to sole source CAP60 software in the annual amount of \$3,500 and set-up fee of \$2,500
- 10) Approved the request from Pam Hughes to purchase a Gator from Duluth Lawn & Sport for the Leander Road house
- 11) Approved the Traditional Healing Grant Amendment for FY 2021
- 12) Adopted Resolution No. 94-2021, Grant application for Big Woods Transit for technology upgrade for vehicles, drivers, and dispatch
- 13) Approved the request from Joel Astleford to purchase a plow truck in the amount of \$218,745.18
- 14) Adopted Resolution No. 5-2022, approving the submission of the application for the Housing Preservation Grant and to match funding amount the Band receives
- 15) Approved the Traditional Healing Contract Amendment for FY 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024
- 16) Approved the Pittney Bowes lease addendum

Carried 3-0-0.

Tadd Johnson there are a lot more Native Americans coming to UMD so the Chancellor asked Tadd to create an American Indian Advisory Board. Chairwoman Chavers sits on the board. Tadd said if the council wants to nominate some more individuals they can to have more representation. David Morrison Sr. said he is interested in service on the board too.

Moved by Peter Boney; seconded by Shane Drift; to approve the new updated Eyecare section of the Purchased Referred Care program guidelines, to include the dollar amount PRC will pay towards different types of glasses (single vision, bifocal, and trifocal. Carried 3-0-0. These will be effective October 1, 2021.

Moved by Shane Drift; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to approve the request from Eddie Chavers and Randy Long to sole source a new security camera system and cellular amplifier from Custom Theaters Inc. in the amount of \$25,340 for the Food Shelf and Big Woods Transit. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Peter Boney; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to approve the Cost Neutral Transfer Contract Addendum. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Peter Boney; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to approve the Community Living Infrastructure Grant Contract. This program is for the homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, at Bois Forte and within St. Louis County. Carried 3-0-0.

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Moved by Shane Drift; seconded by Peter Boney; to approve the direct assistance to Band members from the ARPA funds in the amount of \$1,000 for those 18 years old and older. Carried 3-0-0.

Chairwoman Chavers said there will be an application out soon. It will start in September and Band members will have until 2024 to apply.

Moved by Peter Boney; seconded by David Morrison Sr.; to adopt Resolution No. 6-2022, approval of the Bois Forte Birch Pole Regulation, effective today, July 21, 2021. Carried 3-0-0.

Moved by Peter Boney; seconded by Shane Drift; to adjourn the meeting at 10:27 a.m. Carried 3-0-0.