

**THE MINNESOTA CHIPPEWA TRIBE
TRIBAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Special Meeting
December 11, 2013

A special meeting of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Tribal Executive Committee was called to order by President Norman Deschampe at 2:17 p.m. at Double Tree by Hilton, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Roll Call: Norman Deschampe, April McCormick, Kevin Leecy, Dave Morrison, Carri Jones, Donald Finn, Karen Diver, Ferdinand Martineau, Melanie Benjamin, Curtis Kalk, Erma Vizenor, Robert Durant.

Quorum Present:

Others Present: Gary Frazer, Executive Director, MCT; Mark Anderson, Legal, MCT; Steve White, Rep., Leech Lake; Steve Howard, Executive Director, Leech Lake; Lenny Fineday, Legal, Leech Lake; Rich Robinson, Director Natural Resources, Leech Lake; Jamie Mitchell, DNR, Leech Lake; Chris Haugen, Editor, Leech Lake; Nissa Peltier, Leech Lake; Brad Kalk, Commissioner of Natural Resources, Mille Lacs; Nora Benjamin, Mille Lacs; Irene Auginaush, Rep., White Earth; Joe Legard, White Earth; Joe Plummer, Legal, White Earth; Terry Janis, Constitution Reform Manager, White Earth; John Morrin, Rep., Grand Portage; Andrew Small, Legal, Grand Portage; Ray Toutloff, Rep., Bois Forte; Karlene Chosa, Rep., Bois Forte; Jill Doerfler, Asst. Professor, UMN; Dennis Olson, MDE Director of Indian Education; Linda Aitken, MN DOT; Rich Smith, Indian Housing Liaison, MHFA; MCT Staff and other interested parties.

Motion by Karen Diver to approve the agenda with changes. Seconded by Melanie Benjamin. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Norman Dechampe informed the Committee of awards – ICWA Legislation and tax issue urban office.

ENROLLMENT: Joel Smith

Joel Smith informed the Committee that they just started with a new contract in November. He introduced Nicole Martin Rogers and Tom Gillspy, Demographer. Nicole stated that components, scenario – grandfathered in, rules changed today. The information from 800 members should be sufficient to project population including lineal Descent.

Andrew Small – ICWA, Cecilia Miller. VAWA – packet (Handout). Law enforcement, prevention. Goal feedback for needs – specific to applicants toward law enforcement/persecution projects. Willing to meet and discuss how to distribute. Target toward crimes against women. He is available to meet with each of the governments. Complete plan by mid-month.

Motion by Melanie Benjamin to approve Resolution 35-14 concerning Adult Day Services Ordinance. Seconded by Karen Diver. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

LEGAL: Mark Anderson

Election cycle – new year each band need to delegate who will hear appeals forum. Gary Frazer would send out a reminder notice.

Miller – BIA review TC systems-get on list for review – special funding for Tribal Courts. Talked with Mark A and Sarah Norman.

Erma Vizenor/Joe Plummer

Last Constitutional meeting – White Earth referendum November 19, 2013. 79.61% voted in favor of new constitution. Present resolution to have own Government and Constitution – request Secretarial Election so each of the six band remit own constitution. Request action on Resolution at next TEC meeting in January.

Motion by Melanie Benjamin to adjourn the meeting at 2:43 p.m. Seconded by Dave Morrison. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.