

**THE MINNESOTA CHIPPEWA TRIBE
TRIBAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Regular Meeting
August 12, 2015

A regular meeting of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Tribal Executive Committee was called to order by President Norman Deschampe at 8:41 a.m. at Northern Lights Casino, Hotel, Event Center, Walker Minnesota.

Invocation: Larry Aitken

Roll Call: Norman Deschampe, Dennis Morrison, Kevin Leecy, Dave Morrison, Carri Jones, Arthur LaRose, Karen Diver, Ferdinand Martineau, Melanie Benjamin, Carolyn Beaulieu, Erma Vizenor, Tara Mason.

Quorum Present:

Others Present: Gary Frazer, Executive Director, MCT; Mark Anderson, Legal Counsel, MCT; Sandy Blake, Rep., Mille Lacs; Caryn Day, Legislative Communications Liaison, Mille Lacs; Adam Valdez, Commissioner of Finance, Mille Lacs; Shelly Diaz, Urban Rep., Mille Lacs; Shelly Day, Leg. Office Manager, Mille Lacs; Shena Matrious, Mille Lacs; Darcie Big Bear, Leg. Parliamentarian, Mille Lacs; Steven Clark, Rep., White Earth; Kathy Goodwin, Rep., White Earth; Steve White, Rep., Leech Lake; Chris Haugen, Editor, Leech Lake; Laura Vedder, Legal, Leech Lake; Randy Finn, Leech Lake; Bev DeVault, Enrollment, Leech Lake; Nissa Peltier, Leech Lake; Michele Losh, Leech Lake; Kevin Dupuis, Rep., Fond du Lac; Karlene Chosa, Rep., Bois Forte; Cory Strong, Executive Director, Bois Forte; John Morrin, Rep., Grand Portage; Roger Heger, OST, BIA-MN Agency; Robert Lintelmann, Forester, BIA-MN Agency; Jill Doeflner, Assistant Professor, UMD; Dennis Olson, Office of Indian Education, MN Dept. of Education; Jackie Dionne; Indian Health Director, DHS; MCT Staff and other interested parties.

Motion by Melanie Benjamin to approve the agenda. Seconded by Carolyn Beaulieu. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Karen Diver to approve the minutes of May 14, 2015. Seconded by Melanie Benjamin. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Melanie Benjamin to approve Resolution 93-15 regarding USDA Grant application for funding. Seconded by Carrie Jones. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Karen Diver to approve Resolution 94-15 regarding enrollment: Fond du Lac Eligibles. Seconded by Ferdinand Martineau. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Karen Diver to approve Resolution 95-15 regarding enrollment: Fond du Lac Ineligibles. Seconded by Ferdinand Martineau. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Karen Diver to approve Resolution 96-15 regarding enrollment: Fond du Lac No Parent Enrolled. Seconded by Ferdinand Martineau. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Karen Diver to approve Resolution 97-15 regarding enrollment: Fond du Lac Relinquish to Lower Sioux. Seconded by Ferdinand Martineau. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Dennis Morrison to approve Resolution 98-15 regarding enrollment: Grand Portage Eligibles. Seconded by Karen Diver. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Dennis Morrison to approve Resolution 99-15 regarding enrollment: Grand Portage Ineligibles. Seconded by Karen Diver. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Kevin Leecy to approve Resolution 100-15 regarding enrollment: Bois Forte Eligibles. Seconded by Dave Morrison. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Kevin Leecy to approve Resolution 101-15 regarding enrollment: Bois Forte Ineligibles. Seconded by Dave Morrison. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Erma Vizenor to approve Resolution 102-15 regarding enrollment: White Earth Eligibles. Seconded by Tara Mason. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Erma Vizenor to approve Resolution 103-15 regarding enrollment: White Earth Ineligibles. Seconded by Tara Mason. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Erma Vizenor to approve Resolution 104-15 regarding enrollment: White Earth Transfer to Leech Lake. Seconded by Tara Mason. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Erma Vizenor to approve Resolution 105-15 regarding enrollment: White Earth Relinquish to Flathead Nation. Seconded by Tara Mason. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Erma Vizenor to approve Resolution 106-15 regarding enrollment:: White Earth Blood Degree Change I. Seconded by Tara Mason. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Erma Vizenor to approve Resolution 107-15 regarding enrollment: White Earth Blood Degree Change II. Seconded by Tara Mason. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Erma Vizenor to approve Resolution 108-15 regarding enrollment: White Earth No Parent Enrolled. Seconded by Tara Mason. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Carri Jones to approve Resolution 109-15 regarding enrollment: Leech Lake Eligibles. Seconded by Arthur LaRose. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Carri Jones to approve Resolution 110-15 regarding enrollment: Leech Lake Ineligibles. Seconded by Arthur LaRose. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Carri Jones to approve Resolution 111-15 regarding enrollment: Leech Lake Relinquish from Blackfeet Tribe. Seconded by Arthur LaRose. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Carri Jones to approve Resolution 112-15 regarding enrollment: Leech Lake No Parent Enrolled. Seconded by Arthur LaRose. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Melanie Benjamin to approve Resolution 113-15 regarding enrollment: Mille Lacs Eligibles. Seconded by Carolyn Beaulieu. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Melanie Benjamin to approve Resolution 114-15 regarding enrollment: Mille Lacs Ineligibles. Seconded by Carolyn Beaulieu. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Melanie Benjamin to approve Resolution 115-15 regarding enrollment: Mille Lacs No Parent Enrolled. Seconded by Carolyn Beaulieu. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Motion by Melanie Benjamin to approve Resolution 116-15 in support of White Earth application for funding through the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. Seconded by Erma Vizenor. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

LIQUOR LICENSE:

Motion by Carri Jones to approve temporary liquor license for Big Winnie Store RV Park and Campground. Seconded by Arthur LaRose. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

QUARTERLY REPORTS:

Brian Brunelle presented the quarterly Administration report.

Motion by Dave Morrison to approve the quarterly administration report as presented. Seconded by Tara Mason. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Rick Wuori presented the Finance Corporation quarterly report.

Motion by Karen Diver to approve Finance Corporation quarterly report as presented. Seconded by Melanie Benjamin. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Billie Annette presented the Education quarterly report.

Motion by Kevin Leecy to approve the Education report as presented. Seconded by Ferdinand Martineau. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Linda Johnston presented the Human Services quarterly report.

Motion by Karen Diver to approve the Human Services quarterly report as presented. Seconded by Carolyn Beaulieu. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

BIA MN AGENCY: Roger Heger

Roger Heger discussed the Financial Literacy Training provided at Leech Lake. He informed the Committee that the Nelson Act monies need to be returned, White Earth needs to remit – return monies to bands.

Bob Lintelmann discussed the Secretarial Election – require 30 thousand – additional 30 thousand with a total of 60, funding available. Waiting on fund draft. No timeframe – contact Patty Olby. Question on position that is open in Administration was it filled? Bob informed the Committee that a candidate was selected: Renee Parisien, start date of August 23rd. Norman stated that his concern on not hiring, MCT band members.

LEGAL: Mark Anderson

Mark informed the Committee that action on deed presented by the Leech Lake staff. Construction Company property that would convene to Leech Lake Band, deed is good.

Motion by Carri Jones to authorize the President and Secretary to execute a deed and other documents as may be necessary to convey the Division of Resource Management property to the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe at nominal value. Seconded by Arthur LaRose. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.

Mark stated that at the Legislative Subcommittee a draft copy of the Election Ordinance would be discussed at a working session on September 17, 2015 in Hinckley. He would be sending an electronic version to the bands.

Mark discussed the Summary Bill – Insure Improvement Act fixed land into Trust. Improve Feed to Trust process – gives ability to challenge, contact lobbyist. Mark suggest not support this bill.

Motion by Kevin Leecy to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 a.m. Seconded by Melanie Benjamin. 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Silent. Carried.