

KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

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2022 TRIBAL COUNCIL

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RODNEY LOONSFOOT

**MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
NIIWIN AKEAA CENTER/COUNCIL CHAMBERS ROOM 112
111 BEARTOWN ROAD, BARAGA, MI 49908
WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 2, 2022 – 9:00 A.M.**

APPROVED

- A. Date: February 2, 2022
- B. Call to Order: President Klopstein called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
- C. Invocation: Ojibwa Prayer by Liz Julio
- D. Roll Call: Present: Kim Klopstein, President
Susan J. LaFernier, Vice President (arrived at 9:10 a.m.)
(left at 12:19 p.m.)
Toni J. Minton, Secretary
Don Messer, Assistant Secretary
Randall R. Haataja, Treasurer
Doreen G. Blaker
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. (via Zoom - left at 12:19 p.m.)
Eddy Edwards (via Zoom)
Sue Ellen Elmblad
Elizabeth "Liz" Julio
Rodney Loonsfoot
- Absent: Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.

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**KBIC PRESIDENT'S OFFICE
SIGNATURE: RL**

E. Declaration of Quorum: President Klopstein declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.

F. Approval of Agenda: February 2, 2022

New Business: Addition: 1. Larry Denomie III, Ojibwa Casinos General Manager –

d. Arrow AV Group Add-Ons for Pressbox/Bowling Alley Renovation and Post-Sign Additions for Lucky 7's, Lobby, Conference/Guest Rooms

Deletion: 4. Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Cannabis Developer/Weekly Update

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGES. SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER. NINE IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmlblad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot) OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 0, ABSENT – 2 (Susan J. LaFernier, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

G. For Your Information:

1. A “Thank you” from NMU Native American Studies Center (for a KBIC Flag)

H. Approval of Meeting Minutes

1. February 11, 2020

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 11, 2020 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER. SIX IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 3 (Suzie Elmlblad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), ABSENT – 2 (Susan J. LaFernier, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

2. February 20, 2020

MOTION MADE BY DON MESSER APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 20, 2020 MEETING MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING – 2 (Suzie Elmlblad, Liz Julio,), ABSENT – 2 (Susan J. LaFernier, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

I. Old Business:

1. Doreen G. Blaker – 1st Reading Proposed Ordinance 2022-001 Amending Title 10.5 Hunting and Trapping

Susan J. LaFernier arrived at 9:10 a.m.

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO INTRODUCE AND WAIVE THE FIRST READING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE 2022-001 AMENDING TITLE 10 HUNTING AND TRAPPING. SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmlblad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 1 (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

2ND Reading scheduled for March 2, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

MOTION MADE BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 9:13 A.M. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J.

Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmlad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 1 (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

J. Closed Session:

1. Larry Denomie, III, Ojibwa Casinos General Manager – Eagle Radio Updates

Doreen G. Blaker out of the room: 9:19 a.m. – 10:13 a.m.

2. Kevin Carlisle, Tribal Attorney – Weekly Update

Kim Klopstein out of room: 10:10 a.m. – 10:23 a.m.

Break: 10:15 a.m. – 10:27 a.m.

3. Francis “Hosh” LaPointe, Sr., CFO – ARPA Budget Update [Open to KBIC Tribal Members]

Doreen G. Blaker out of room: 10:33 a.m. – 10:39 a.m.

MOTION MADE BY DON MESSER TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 11:15 A.M. SUPPORTED BY SUZIE ELMLAD. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmlad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 1 (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Break: 11:18 a.m. – 11:28 a.m.

K. New Business:

1. Larry Denomie III, Ojibwa Casinos General Manager –
 - a. Gundlach Champion Pre-GMP Proposal for the Baraga Hotel Renovations
\$2,453,884.00

MOTION MADE BY DON MESSER TO APPROVE THE GUNDLACH CHAMPION PRE-GMP PROPOSAL FOR THE BARAGA HOTEL. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFERNIER, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmlad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot) OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 1 (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

- b. Global Music Rights, LLC (GMR) Agreement with Eagle Radio for (4) years beginning on April 1, 2022 and continuing through March 31, 2026

MOTION MADE BY EDDY EDWARDS TO APPROVE THE GLOBAL MUSIC RIGHTS (GMR) AGREEMENT FOR EAGLE RADIO. CO-SUPPORTED BY DON MESSER AND RODNEY LOONSFOOT. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmblad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 1 (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

- c. Green Bay Packers. Inc. Affiliate Broadcast Agreement for Eagle Radio
April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2007 \$2,460.00-\$2,790.00

MOTION MADE BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT TO APPROVE THE GREEN BAY PACKERS AFFILIATE BROADCAST AGREEMENT FOR EAGLE RADIO. SUPPORTED BY EDDY EDWARDS. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmblad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 1 (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

- d. Arrow AV Group Add-Ons for Pressbox and Bowling Alley Renovations for an audiovisual system \$79,188.20 and Post-Sign additions: Lucky 7's, Lobby, Conference and Guest Rooms \$27,865.86

MOTION MADE BY DON MESSER TO APPROVE THE ARROW AV GROUP AUDIOVISUAL SYSTEM PROPOSALS. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. TEN IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmblad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 1 (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

- e. Weekly Update: COVID-19, Financial Update, Other, Employee Reports

2. Jlyn Jorgenson, Tribal Attorney/Assistant –

- a. KB-008-2022 Coronavirus Vaccination Incentive Payment Program for Tribal Members ages 5-11. Must be fully vaccinated by March 31, 2022 and submit an application by April 15, 2022 to receive a one-time benefit of \$500.00

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO APPROVE KB-008-2022 VACCINATION INCENTIVE PAYMENT PROGRAM FOR TRIBAL MEMBERS AGES 5-11 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500.00. SUPPORTED BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot) OPPOSED – 2 (Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmblad), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 1 (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

- b. KBIC Health System (Employee Mandatory) COVID-19 Immunization Policy. CMS rules require that every healthcare worker is to be fully vaccinated by February 28, 2022. Our Health System receives Medicaid funding. Employees can request a Religious or Medical Exemption

MOTION MADE BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT TO APPROVE THE KBIC HEALTH SYSTEM (Employee Mandatory) COVID-19 IMMUNIZATION POLICY. CO-SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON AND ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. FIVE IN FAVOR (Susan J. LaFerner, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Eddy Edwards, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 5 (Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Suzie Elmlad, Liz Julio,), ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 1 (Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), TIE VOTE. PRESIDENT KLOPSTEIN VOTED OPPOSED. MOTION DEFEATED.

More information was requested regarding the exemptions for next week's meeting

Lunch Break: 12:19 p.m. – 1:20 p.m. -Susan J. LaFerner/Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. left

3. Brigitte LaPointe-Dunham, CEO (Kathy Mayo, Health Administrator not present) – Altarum (Institute) Participation Agreement-Healthy Hearts for Michigan which proposes to support and implement clinical intervention to improve hypertension and tobacco cessation and provide access to education in at least 50 primary care physician practices. The agreement ends on December 31, 2023

Doreen G. Blaker out of the room at 1:20 p.m.

MOTION MADE BY DON MESSER TO APPROVE ALTARUM PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT HEALTHY HEARTS FOR MICHIGAN. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmlad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 4 (Susan J. LaFerner, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

4. Kim Klopstein, President – Resolution KB-006-2022 National Indian Gaming Association 2022 Tribal Membership renewal \$7,500.00

MOTION MADE BY DON MESSER TO APPROVE KB-006-2022 NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING ASSOCIATION AS PRESENTED. CO-SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON AND RANDALL R. HAATAJA. SEVEN IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmlad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 4 (Susan J. LaFerner, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Doreen G. Blaker returned at 1:24 p.m.

5. Jennifer Misegan, Assistant CEO –
 - a. Grave Marker Increases request from Susie Crawford: \$585.00 to \$720.00 for a non-veteran KBIC member and \$665.00 to \$780.00 for a veteran KBIC member

MOTION MADE BY DON MESSER TO APPROVE \$720.00 FOR NON-VETERANS AND \$780.00 FOR VETERANS FOR THE GRAVE MARKER INCREASES. SUPPORTED BY LIZ JULIO. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmlblad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 3 (Susan J. LaFernier, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

- b. Symetra Life Insurance Company Renewal Rates (3581 members) effective November 1, 2021. There was a 45% increase and Supplemental Member Life insurance will also be offered

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO RENEW THE LIFE INSURANCE RATES AND OFFER SUPPLEMENTAL. SUPPORTED BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmlblad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 3 (Susan J. LaFernier, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

6. Brigitte LaPointe-Dunham, CEO –

- a. AmpliFund Grant Recipient Management to help Tribal governments standardize grant management processes for compliance. \$22,500.00 per year

MOTION MADE BY RODNEY LOONSFOOT TO APPROVE THE AMPLIFUND GRANT RECIPIENT MANAGEMENT FOR THREE YEARS AS PRESENTED. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmlblad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 3 (Susan J. LaFernier, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

- b. Weekly Update: COVID-19/Testing Report, Employee Reports, Department Updates

L. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY DON MESSER TO ADJOURN AT 1:44 P.M. SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA. EIGHT IN FAVOR (Toni J. Minton, Don Messer, Randall R. Haataja, Doreen G. Blaker, Eddy Edwards, Suzie Elmlblad, Liz Julio, Rodney Loonsfoot), OPPOSED – 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT – 3 (Susan J. LaFernier, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Robin Roe
CEO/President's Administrative Specialist

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D. Roll Call:

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- ___ Toni J. Minton, Secretary
- ___ Don Messer, Assistant Secretary
- ___ Randall R. Haataja, Treasurer
- ___ Doreen G. Blaker
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2. Jlyn Jorgenson, Tribal Attorney/Assistant –
 - a. KB-008-2022 Vaccine Incentive for 5-11 Years Old
 - b. KBIC Donald A. LaPointe Center Vaccine Mandate Policies
3. Kathy Mayo, Health Administrator – Altarum Participation Agreement Healthy Hearts for Michigan
4. Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Cannabis Developer – Weekly Update
5. Kim Klopstein, President – Resolution KB-006-2022 National Indian Gaming Association
6. Jennifer Misegan, Assistant CEO –
 - a. Grave Marker Increases
 - b. Life Insurance Rates
7. Brigitte LaPointe-Dunham, CEO –
 - a. Amplifund Grant Management
 - b. Weekly Update

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