

**White Earth Reservation Tribal Council
Special Meeting
September 28, 2015 –9:00 a.m.
White Earth, MN**

Chairwoman Erma J. Vizenor called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m., roll call was taken with a quorum present.

Present: Erma J. Vizenor, Chairwoman
Tara Mason, Secretary/Treasurer
Steven "Punky" Clark, District I Representative
Kenneth "Gus" Bevins, District III Representative

Absent: Kathy Goodwin, District II Representative

Others Present: Ken Fox, Executive Director
Desirae Stalberger, Recorder

Agenda Approval

Motion made by Gus Bevins to approve agenda, Seconded by Punky Clark. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

RTC Meeting Minutes (9/21/15)

Motion made by Tara Mason to approve, Seconded by Punky Clark. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Calendar Review

Foster Care Licensing

Dan York and Carol Vik were present.

Tribal Foster Care - Motion made by Gus Bevins to approve, Seconded by Tara Mason. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

New Tribal Foster Care - Motion made by Tara Mason to approve, Seconded by Gus Bevins. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Tribal Relative Foster Care - Motion made by Punky Clark to approve, Seconded by Gus Bevins. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Therapeutic Foster Care - Motion made by Tara Mason to approve, Seconded by Punky Clark. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Mike LaRoque entered meeting to brief the council on a Rice Lake incident over the weekend.

Tribal Finance

Scott Omlid was present to review the proposed FY'16 Budget; Tribe is at \$3.9 in excess expenses. A positive, Oshki Manidoo will break even or have profit, MOMs program may break even as well. Discussion was held regarding some of the changes made in the budget.

Cost of Living Increase - suggestion was a 2% or less increase.

Other

Resolution – CACFP Grant

Motion made by Gus Bevins to approve Resolution #038-15-007, Seconded by Punky Clark. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Operational Licensing – Headstart Facilities

Motion made by Gus Bevins to approve, Seconded by Tara Mason. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Letter of Support (4-H National Mentoring Program)

Consensus was to approve.

Resolution of Support (Peltier Clemency)

Chairwoman Vizenor called for a motion to approve. No action was taken.

Adjourn

Motion made by Tara Mason to adjourn meeting at 10:36 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., Seconded by Gus Bevins. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Meeting was called back into session at 1:09 p.m.

Further discussion was held regarding the FY'16 budget. Motion made by Tara Mason to approve the FY'16 budget, Seconded by Punky Clark. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against. Gus stated he will work with Scott on the issues with his budget.

Further discussion was held regarding the COLA increase. Motion made by Gus Bevins to approve 1.5% COLA increase, Seconded by Tara Mason. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Motion made by Tara Mason to adjourn meeting at 1:38 p.m., Seconded by Punky Clark. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Tara Mason, Secretary/Treasurer