

White Earth Reservation Tribal Council
Special Meeting
June 8, 2015 –9:00 a.m.
White Earth, MN

Chairwoman Erma J. Vizenor called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m., roll call was taken with quorum present.

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

Others Present: Ken Fox, Executive Director
Michael Fairbanks, Deputy Director
Desirae Stalberger, Recorder

Agenda Approval

Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to approve, Seconded by Punky Clark. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

RTC Meeting Minutes (6/1/15)

Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to approve, Seconded by Gus Bevins. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

Calendar Review

Human Resources

Lois Edwards

HR Policy - Temporary Hiring/Promotions & Transfers

Motion made by Tara Mason to remove item C. Indian Preference Does not Apply, for Promotion, Internal Posting & Transfer Standard Operating Procedure, Seconded by Punky Clark. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

Discussion was held regarding director/manager screening responsibility for positions within departments; Lois explained how policy/procedure works.

Biimaadiiziwiin Director (Introduction)

Lonnie Dockter was present to give an introduction; new manager. Has been in the position for five months. Open house 10 year anniversary was last week; held rummage sale - had over 100 visitors. Bingo is being held twice a week, working with transit for transportation to Detroit Lakes & elders events. Will be out of office on training June 15-19; maintenance person will be available. Tara stated a request for 15 minute parking at front entrance has been mentioned;

emergency situations needs access. Garden for the Biimaadiiziwiin - Boys & Girls club has agreed to help maintain.

Land Resolutions

Sarah Bekkerus was present.

Homesites - Motion made by Gus Bevins to approve, #3 Tabled, Seconded by Kathy Goodwin. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against. Kathy stated that no new homesites will be approved unless the previous homesite is cleaned up, inspected/approved by land office.

Service Line Agreements - Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to approve, Seconded by Gus Bevins. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

Katherine Warren has a list with identified locations left with garbage, trailer homes, etc.

Ricky White was present and gave an introduction and overview of his background as an educator.

Workforce Development Center

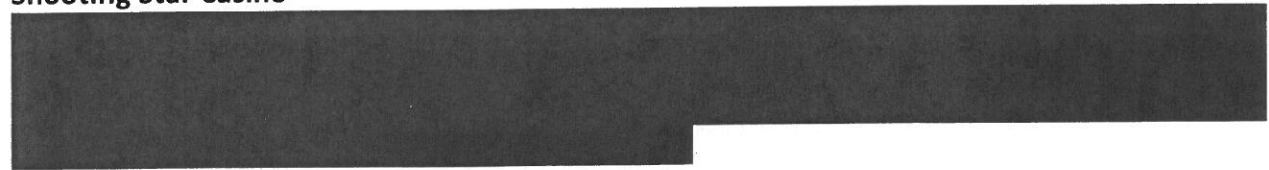
Ben Bement/Liz Foster-Anderson/Scott Omlid were present.

Ben gave an update on CTAS grant opportunity not approved for DOVE Program; decision was made in April - if program would have been notified immediately the funding could have been saved. Ben stated he was not notified until last week; planning should have notified the programs upon notification.

Financial Update

Scott Omlid was present to give an update on where Tribal Council budgets are at for this fiscal year.

Shooting Star Casino



Other

Oshki Manidoo (Organizational Chart) - Schedule Brent Gish and Jeremy Syverson for June 22 meeting.

Resolution - TNEC Grant

Motion made by Gus Bevins to approve Resolution #038-15-005, Seconded by Tara Mason. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

Natural Resources (Netting)

Other Tribes have longer netting seasons; would like to expand WE netting season. Erma suggested bringing in DNR to discuss. Tara would like other Tribe seasons, fish population numbers, can lakes support longer season. Schedule for June 22.

Behavioral Health

Motion made by Tara Mason to [REDACTED], Seconded by Kathy Goodwin. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

Donations

Waubun students selected to go to Washington, DC; suggestion made to have education budget for this type of activity in future.

Valhalla Place Contract

Requires legal counsel review.

Contract Policy

Tara wants to review SSC contracts policy; needs organization and centralized location.

Motion made by Tara Mason [REDACTED], Seconded by Punky Clark. Motion carried, 3 for, 1 against.

Adjourn

Motion made by Gus Bevins to adjourn meeting at 1:04 p.m., Seconded by Kathy Goodwin. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

Tara Mason, Secretary/Treasurer