

**White Earth Reservation Tribal Council
Special Meeting
June 20, 2016 –11:00 a.m.
Mahnomen, MN**

Vice - Chairman Steven "Punky" Clark called the meeting to order at 11:08 a.m., roll call was taken with a quorum present.

Present: Steven "Punky" Clark, District I Representative (Vice-Chairman)
Tara Mason, Secretary/Treasurer
Kathy Goodwin, District II Representative
Kenneth "Gus" Bevins, District III Representative

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

Agenda Approval

Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to approve, Seconded by Tara Mason. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

RTC Meeting Minutes (4/11/16, 6/6/16, 6/13/16)

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Calendar Review

Financial Update

Scott Omlid was present and provided a financial overview

Scott provided a brief update of the Medure case. Scott was asked to coordinate a tour of the Roosevelt building; Pat Butler, Ben Bement, Lorena Vogt, Jeri Jasken, Jeff Vivier should also be in attendance. Brief discussion was held regarding the checkbook for the PAC account; further discussion is needed. Scott presented claims paid for medical, prescription insurance to date. October is the renewal date; individuals that are acceptable to MNSure are being moved to the coverage. Question was asked about projected costs for remainder of the quarter; Scott stated it would be hard to project. Renewal price may be a concern; Federal plan costs are being looked at as well.

Scott will be preparing bank signature card information for the incoming Tribal Chairman.

Harm Reduction Update

Pat Butler/Kim Turner/Clinton Alexander/Jeri Jasken/Cindy Rastedt were present. Clinton provided an updated resource sheet from SAMSHA - Opioid Overdose Prevention. Naloxone training provided training for over 600 individuals. Goal from harm reduction is to move individuals to recovery, provide referrals to resources. There are concerns of naloxone parties; there have been discussions and community is stating that they do not see this happening. Behavioral Health and Tribal Health have enough supply at this point in time. There is concern of individuals selling kits for \$40; brief discussion was held regarding the number of refills being requested. Calendar for harm reduction trainings was mentioned. Question was asked about IHS - do they have a medical addictions person.

Behavioral Health

Jeri Jasken was present.

IRB code was presented and reviewed. Tara's recommendation is to have this code be put out for public comment; website, Tribal newspaper.

CTSS Policy Update

Policy is currently under recertification process; happens every three years. Information was provided for review; no action required.

Kathy Goodwin left meeting at 12:58 p.m.

Opioid Treatment Standards MAT Programs was presented and reviewed. MAT program in Naytahwaush currently has 45 patients. Motion made by Tara Mason to approve, Seconded by Gus Bevins. Motion carried, 2 for, 0 against.

Meeting recessed for break at 1:04 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 1:12 p.m

Fee to Trust Update

Katherine Warren and Megan Bakken were present. Currently going through files; may have been 100 files that haven't had the process completed. The process has been a slow process. Main hold up will be with the BIA. Tara asked if there was a way to provide a checklist for items needed to sign off on for approval; fee to trust process. Land use plan is key. Conversation needs to be had regarding a timeline the Tribe can designate for the BIA to review and respond. Consensus of Tribal Council was to allow Tara to meet with Katherine to gather information needed, as well as contacts needed to move process forward. Lorena Vogt needs to provide an outline with priority system. More communication is needed within the department. Land use plan needs to be worked on. Brief discussion was held regarding clean up of old abandoned trailer homes; funding needs to be identified as well as individuals to do the work needed. Katherine stated there is ag lease and lake shore lease funds that could be utilized and placed in a fund other than the general fund, but would require Tribal Council approval. Kathy stated there are homes within the Naytahwaush community that needs to be cleaned up. Probate

coordinator and reconciliation positions are needed. Tara has requested a meeting with Katherine and Jolyn the first week in July.

Meeting recessed for break at 2:14 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 2:35 p.m.

Fisheries Update

Will Bement was present and provided an update on the program since he has been in the position. Will is currently working on lake surveys; for some reason all reporting ends in 2011. There should be information available the end of July. A portable hatchery is being looked into; could be utilized on site locations for stripping. There is a need to define and assert Tribal areas; legal backing may be needed.

Question was asked about management of shorelines; any Tribal member can apply for permit. There is an update needed to shoreline policy.

Tara requested an outline of areas needed for improvement that were identified by Katherine.

Other

Resolution – Climate Change Funding

Motion made by Tara Mason to approve Resolution #057-16-005, Seconded by Kathy Goodwin.

Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Resolution – '16 Hunting/Trapping Seasons

Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to approve Resolution #057-16-006, Seconded by Gus Bevins.

Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Tobacco License [REDACTED]

Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to approve, Seconded by Tara Mason. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Donation Request [REDACTED]

Consensus was to approve when more details are provided.

Letter of Support Request [REDACTED]

Tabled

SSC Donation Request [REDACTED]

Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to approve, Seconded by Tara Mason. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Discussion – Swearing In (New Tribal Council)

Tomorrow is the last date to file for election contest. Gus's last day will be July 6th; 4 year term. Suggestion was made by Tara to invite Terry and Umsy into the next meeting; smooth transition is important.



Gus Bevins left meeting at 4:00 p.m.

District II Boards

There has been a change to the Mahnomen community council; all new members. Kathy Goodwin stated the new members are Lew Murray, Mary Gagnon, Pat Kier, Karen Kellerhuis, and ? as new community council members.

WEHA Appointee

Curtis Rogers will be replacing Ed Levy on the WEHA board. There are still two positions vacant.

Organizational Chart

Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to approve WE Organizational Chart with changes, Seconded by Tara Mason. Motion carried, 2 for, 0 against.



COLA

Has missed AYP since 2011; will be working with BIE as to this year's miss. Test scores have greatly improved; great gains still have not moved them up to AYP. There is upcoming finance training taking place in Arizona.

Adjourn

Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to adjourn meeting at 4:33 p.m., Seconded by Tara Mason. Motion carried, 2 for, 0 against.

Tara Mason, Secretary/Treasurer