

**White Earth Reservation Tribal Council
Special Meeting
June 23, 2016 –11:00 a.m.
Mahnomen, MN**

Vice - Chairman Steven "Punky" Clark called the meeting to order at 8:59 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
Mike Fairbanks, Deputy Director
Joe Plumer, Legal Counsel
Terrence "Terry" Tibbetts
Desirae Stalberger, Recorder

Swearing In of New Tribal Chairman

Joe Plumer explains the election ordinance and the action needed for the swearing in to be in compliance. Motion made by Tara Mason to swear in Terrence "Terry" Tibbetts today, Seconded by Gus Bevins. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Terrence "Terry" Tibbetts is sworn into office by Joe Plumer.

Letter of Intent (OVW Grant)

Tara explained a letter of intent that is being requested by MN Department of Health together with support from Red Lake, Leech Lake, Mille Lacs, and Lower Sioux. This would be a shared project between other reservations. The purpose of the funding request is to address the problem of rampant human trafficking from a concerted effort of Tribal Nations and the State. Tara is seeking Tribal Council support. Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to approve the letter of intent being requested, Seconded by Terrence Tibbetts. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

Punky is requesting that additional funding be allocated for electrical work. Kathy asked that this topic be placed on the next work session agenda. Motion made by Punky Clark to allocate [REDACTED]. Terry raised the question and asked what the electrical program is for. Tara explained what the funding was previously used for; individual needs for electrical repairs or installations needed. Seconded by Tara Mason. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against. Kathy raised the question of use; can it be utilized for Naytahwaush Pow-wow grounds. Terry commented on what would be done with the possible need for individuals if it were used for Pow-wow grounds.

Adjourn

Motion made by Gus Bevins to adjourn meeting at 9:16 a.m., Seconded by Tara Mason. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

Tara Mason, Secretary/Treasurer