

**White Earth Reservation Tribal Council
Special Meeting
October 3, 2016 – 9:00 a.m.
White Earth, MN**

Chairman Terrence "Terry" Tibbetts called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m., roll call was taken with a quorum present.

Present: Terrence "Terry" Tibbetts, Chairman
Tara Mason, Secretary/Treasurer
Steven "Punky" Clark, District I Representative
Kathy Goodwin, District II Representative
Eugene "Umsy" Tibbetts, District III Representative

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

Agenda Approval

Motion made by Punky Clark to approve with additions, Seconded by Umsy Tibbetts. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

RTC Meeting Minutes (9/19/16 & 9/30/16)

Motion made by Punky Clark to approve with change, Seconded by Umsy Tibbetts. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

Calendar Review

Strategic Affairs Update

Alan Roy was present. A list of PAC donations was presented and reviewed; Alan would like to get them sent out this week if possible. Bill Haas was consulted as well; it is a good list.

Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to approve combined PAC donation of \$5,000, Seconded by Umsy Tibbetts. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.



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White House Tribal Nations trip report was provided for review.

Kathy Goodwin left meeting at 10:12 a.m.

Kathy Goodwin entered meeting at 10:14 a.m.

Land Resolutions

Megan Bakken was present.

Homesites - Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to approve, Seconded by Umsy Tibbetts. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

Lakeshore - Motion made by Umsy Tibbetts to approve, Seconded by Kathy Goodwin. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

Residential - Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to approve, Seconded by Tara Mason. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

Agricultural - Motion made by Umsy Tibbetts to approve, Seconded by Punky Clark. Motion carried, 4 for, 0 against.

Other - Brief discussion was held regarding driveway easement request; fee land is landlocked by Tribal land. No decision was made.

Land applications should have a statement that water/sewer is not guaranteed. The vacated white elder homes need to be cleaned up; there is a person that has materials to remove them.

Terry Tibbetts left meeting at 10:35 a.m.

Meeting recessed at 10:36 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 10:48 a.m. with Vice - Chairman Punky Clark.

Rice Lake Community Center

Liz Foster-Anderson and Gary Marshall were present to review the bid tabulation along with proposals for the Rice Lake Community Center. Motion made by Tara Mason to approve

Loeffler bid, Seconded by Kathy Goodwin. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against. Umsy was in agreement under the conditions of \$1.2 cost.

Employee wild rice purchase and pricing was briefly discussed; Shooting Star is included and will handle their own distribution and deductions. Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to move forward, Seconded by Umsy Tibbetts. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Punky asked how Ojibwa and the cash flow issue; Liz stated she was not prepared with answers at this time but will come back with an explanation. The cash flow issue is not with just Ojibwa. Punky stated that the Ojibwa Building had one year to turn around, Liz stated that when she took over the position there was an agreement there would be cash flow to assist and making the changes needed.

Headstart Service Area

Joan LaVoy, Angela Soyring and Mary Otto were present. The purpose of the presentation is to get input and have discussion on expanding the head start service area to families who do not live on the reservation. The Head Start Program Performance Standards Final Rule was presented and reviewed. Angela will follow up on the waiver process for expanding services.

Meeting recessed at 11:54 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 12:09 p.m.

Other

Tobacco License Renewals (SSC Gift Shop/Star Mart)

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

Child Care Licensing [REDACTED]

Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to approve, Seconded by Umsy Tibbetts. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Wild Rice Donation Requests

AISES – 125 lbs

Motion made by Tara Mason to approve 20 lb wild rice donation, Seconded by Kathy Goodwin. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Minneapolis American Indian Center – 15 lbs

Motion made by Kathy Goodwin to approve 15 lb wild rice donation, Seconded by Tara Mason. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

THC/Drug Free Work

Nakoa Graff and RaeAnn Smith were present. There is a THC policy in place for implementation on gaming side, determination needs to be made as to safety sensitive and non safety sensitive.

Discussion was held regarding positions and where placements would be allowed and how the policy would work. Nakoia will provide a copy of the draft policy for Tribal Council and legal review; this will be rescheduled for an upcoming work session for follow up. If federal employment policies are followed there would not be an issue with NIGC as far as compliance.

Joe Plumer was present. There is a contract for Chris Knopf that needs to be approved; funding would come from Lessard Sams fund. Consensus of Tribal Council was to approve the contract.

Electrical Funding

Motion made by Tara Mason to approve \$2,000 for electrical wiring contractor costs only for each Tribal Council member, Seconded by Kathy Goodwin. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.



Adjourn

Motion made by Tara Mason to adjourn meeting at 1:01 p.m., Seconded by Kathy Goodwin. Motion carried, 3 for, 0 against.

Tara Mason, Secretary/Treasurer