

**Waganakising Odawa
Appropriate and Finance Committee**

John Bott, Treasurer and Chair

Kevin Gasco

William A. Denemy

Meeting Location: LTBB Administration Building, Court Room

7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

MINUTES

January 7, 2012

Call to Order: 9:15 am.

Committee Member Roll Call

Present: John Bott, William A Denemy, Kevin Gasco

Legislative Staff and Council Members: Legislative Services Attorney Donna L. Budnick,
Tribal Councilor John Keshick, Legislative Leader Kiogima arrives at 11:00 am.

Guests: Chair Dexter McNamara, Vice-Chair Julie Shananaquet, and YMCA Director Larry Wood.

Adoption of Agenda

Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Gasco to adopt the agenda of January 7, 2012 with additions.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion carried.

Minutes

Motion made by Chairman Bott, and supported by Councilor Denemy to approve minutes of Dec. 3, 2011.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Chairman Bott and supported by Councilor Denemy to approve the minutes of December 17, 2011.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion carried.

Business:

1. Presentation from YMCA representative – Tribal Chairman McNamara

- a. Presentation of current YMCA programs and potential future permanent site on Mitchell Street in downtown Petoskey. Identified financial needs relevant to the new facility purchase and start up costs.
 - b. Outlined 2 possible requests of LTBB Tribal Government: To give a grant to support the plans of purchasing a permanent facility, or pre-enrollment of Tribal members.
2. Update on Grant department expansion - Tribal Chairman McNamara.
 - a. Previous discussion from 120311 AFC meeting regarding supplemental funding to expand the grant writing department.
 - b. Supplemental funding recommendation to Tribal Council included in action items.

Meeting break at 10:15 am. Returned at 10:30 am.

3. Update on plan to reduce rising costs of Elder's Dental program - Tribal Chairman McNamara.
 - a. Request from Executive to Legislative Leader for 021812 Special Meeting with Colleen Whitehead regarding options.
4. Update on the Tribal Court budget regarding Indigent representation - Tribal Chairman McNamara.. To be included in 2013 budget.
5. Update on Executive policy of indirect rate submission, negotiation and reporting to Tribal Council - Tribal Chairman McNamara. Doug Deter will work with Kristina Baller when other work is completed.
6. Possible MACPRA/NAGPRA supplemental funding request - Tribal Chairman McNamara. Supplemental funding request recommendation to Tribal Council submitted and included on action items for today.
7. Discussion on financial advisor firms. Discussion held regarding the benefits of possibly paying down our principal on the bonds with any excess funds. Discussed the need of an up to date investment plan. LSA recommending action to begin assessment and search for advisors to develop an investment plan.
8. Doug Deeter update. Discussed Doug's written update.
9. Addition of NRD Director Doug Craven
 - a. Update regarding CORA funding allocation and current work to make the allocation more equitable.
10. OFI property taxes.

Miscellaneous:

Action Items:

1. Motion made by Councilor Denemy and support by Chairman Bott to recommend to Tribal Council approval of supplemental funding request for expansion of the grant department in the amount of \$96,300 for fiscal year 2012 to come from prior period funds.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion carried.

2. Motion made by Chairman Bott and supported by Councilor Denemy to recommend to Tribal Council approval of supplemental funding request to establish the NAGPRA/MACPRA representative according to WOS-2011-017 in the amount of \$18,000 for fiscal year 2012 to come from prior period funds.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion carried.

3. Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Gasco to request and authorize LSA Budnick to research financial advisory consultant firms to assess and provide guidance on investments and liabilities of the tribe.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion carried.

4. Motion by Councilor Gasco and supported by Chairman Bott to recommend to Tribal Council to approve and authorize the Executive to pay the property taxes for 229 South Huron Avenue, Mackinaw City, for FY 2012 and to come from the line item within the Executive budget and recommend approval of any additional supplemental funds necessary to meet the obligation; and that the Executive shall present Tribal Council with future annual budgets that contain funding necessary to meet this obligation.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Public Comment opened: at 12:25 pm

No Comments

Public Comment closed: at 12:27 pm

Closed Session:

No closed session.

Next Meeting:

February 4 at 9:00 am to noon, Meeting Location: LTBB Administration Building, Court Room, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Adjourn

Motion made by Councilor Gasco, and supported by Councilor Denemy to adjourn meeting at 12:05 pm.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

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Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 12:28 pm.