

Appropriations and Finance Committee
LTBB Governmental Administration Building
Tribal Council Chambers
7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Regular Meeting
November 20, 2015

Call to Order: 1:13 p.m.

Committee Member Roll Call: Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Councilor Julie Shananaquet, Councilor Beatrice Law

Absent:

Tribal Councilors present: Councilor Frank Bernard, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Secretary Aaron Otto

Legislative Staff Present: Legislative Office Manager Michele LaCount, Sr. Financial Analyst Stella Kay

Executive Staff/Official Present: Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley, Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson

Judicial Staff Present: Michael Wolf

Guests: Andrew Stich

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to adopt the agenda of November 20, 2015 as amended.

Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to table minutes of November 10, 2015 until the next regular AFC meeting.

Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent

Motion carried

Phone Polls: None

New Business:

Public Comment:

1:14 p.m. Public Comment opens

- Citizen Andrew Stich inquired into the 2016 Budget cuts will the reduction affect: Land Purchases, New construction, Health care changes, Archives & Records
- Citizen/Secretary Otto feels that the term “Emergency Budget” is a little extreme and would like to see the wording amended/corrected in the Budget Formulation Process Statute to denote a budget shortfall with precautionary measures needed.

1:42 p.m. Public Comment closes

2:13 p.m. Break

2:23 p.m. Resume

Sr. Financial Analyst Report

Sr. Financial Analyst Stella Kay presented the proposed 2016 budget modifications. Lengthy discussion ensued regarding draft of Resolution re: deficit and Budget Formulation Statute. AFC, with the assistance of Sr. Financial Analyst and General Counsel Bransky drafted Letter regarding Notice of Declaration of Budget Emergency.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to recommend that Tribal Council approve Notice of Declaration of FY 2016 Budget Emergency Letter and to authorize Treasurer Reyes to sign letter and to call for a Tribal Council telephone poll for approval.

Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent

Motion carried

Adjourn

5:51 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to adjourn meeting.

Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent

Motion carried

Next Regular Meeting date(s)
December 10, 2015