

Waganakising Odawa
Tribal Council
Appropriations and Finance Committee
Court Room
June 5, 2010
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Mel Kiogima, Treasurer John Bott. Quorum established.

Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Legislative Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Branch Staff Present: Tribal Chairperson Ken Harrington, Natural Resources Commissioner Billy McNamara

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima, seconded by Councilor Otto, to adopt the amended agenda for June 5, 2010.

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

Motion carries.

With no objections from the Committee, the minutes were tabled until the next meeting.

Business, New

The Gaming Board of Directors (GBOD) is requesting the approval of \$50,000 to supplement their 2010 budget. The Committee requested a R/E for the GBOD 2010 budget from Interim-CFO Kishigo-Lesky; a copy will also be provided to the GBOD. The Committee would reconsider a supplemental request on a project or monthly basis until the 'bond' was renegotiated. The Committee would recommend that Tribal Council take no action on this supplemental request at this time.

The Committee would take into consideration at a later date the supplemental funding request from the Judicial Branch.

The Committee reviewed the Gaming Regulatory Commission's supplemental budget request. After review and discussion, the Committee decided that they would reconsider, if needed, the supplemental funding request later in the year.

The Committee discussed the draft interim Dental Regulations. LTBB Chairman Ken Harrington advises that he has received only one request for re-imburement and is working with the LTBB dentist to determine whether he can handle more patients. The Committee decided to leave the draft interim Dental Regulations on agenda for now.

The posted Constitutionally Mandated Compensation Statute would stay on the Agenda for discussion at a later date with no actions taken at this time.

The Executive Branch is requesting supplemental funding for the Michele Chingwa Education Scholarship. For scholarship levels to remain the same through the next school year, \$450,000.00 is being requested. After discussion, the Committee would recommend that Tribal Council approve \$225,000.00 for the Scholarship to cover the Fall 2010 semester and would request that an additional supplemental funding request be made for the Winter/Spring semester.

11:03 a.m. Break.

11:15 a.m. Meeting resumes.

Since the last meeting, two Ethics Point cases were put to the Committee for investigation. Both cases were closed with the recommendation that no actions be taken.

Natural Resources Commissioner Billy McNamara put before the Committee a renewal request for the Berg lease for hunting and gathering. The Committee will recommend that Tribal Council renew the lease with the Berg family for \$8,000.00. Attorney Budnick will draft a Tribal Resolution for tomorrow's Tribal Council Regular Meeting.

The LTBB 2010 budget revision requests include \$24,000.00 to cover detention costs. Committee Chairperson Bott will request additional information from Interim CFO Kishigo-Lesky to clarify/justify the request.

The Law Enforcement Department is making a \$69,000.00 2010 supplemental budget request. Committee Chairperson Bott to request a R/E from Interim CFO Kishigo-Lesky.

The Committee looks forward to the receipt of the 2010 Budget modifications from the Executive. LTBB Chairman Harrington is aware of and will be bringing the modifications forward.

Pursuant to the Tribal Treasurer's Responsibility Statute, a quarterly report is to be issued by the Treasurer. Committee Chairperson Bott will work with Interim CFO Kishigo-Lesky to get the next quarterly report put together.

Business, Old

Attorney Budnick has not yet received a response for the Application that was submitted to fund IT equipment for the Tribal Court Room.

Attorney Budnick suggests that the Committee recommend that Tribal Council retain a Financial Advisor temporarily after the bond negotiations are complete and recommends that RFP's be requested. A recommendation to Tribal Council will be made.

Action Items

Motion made by Councilor Otto, seconded by Councilor Kiogima, that Tribal Council pass a Tribal Resolution to be drafted by Attorney Budnick that would allocate \$225,000.00 from the

General Funds Prior Period Funds account for the Michele Chingwa Educational Scholarship fund.

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

Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima, seconded by Councilor Otto, that the 'Berg lease' be renewed for \$8,000.00 with funding to come from the General Funds Prior Period Funds account.

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

Motion carries.

12:17 p.m. Public Comment opened.

Michele LaCount recommends that Tribal Council further explore what additional services could be provided by Dr. Rae, Tribal Dentist.

12:20 p.m. Public Comment Closed.

The next 'Finance' Committee meeting will be determined at a later date.

12:23 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Otto, seconded by Councilor Kiogima, to adjourn.

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

Motion carries.

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