



**Ziibimijwang Inc.  
Board Meeting Minutes  
June 7, 2018**

**Call to Order: 2:50pm**

Present: Rebeca Otto, Joe VanAlstine, Blair Miller, Teri Vanhall, Andrew Ettawageshick, Kevin Donner

Absent: Blayne bott (arrived at 2:00pm)

Public: Brandon Brimacombe

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve agenda by Miller, second by Donner, 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent, motion carries

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion to Approve Minutes dated 4-19-2018 by Bott, Second by Andrew. 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent. Motion Carried

**Confirmation of Phone Polls**

Motion to accept phone polls dated 5/23/18 (market manager), 5/23/18 (wholesale product start-up), 5/17/18, 5/24/18 by Donner, second by Ettawageshick, 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent

**Public Comment**

Open 1:50pm

Brimacombe: Comments on contract, receipts submitted to Donner and shared with board, invoices also submitted, expenses to date, outstanding balance, interest in finishing the inside of the building, could do the pole barn but could not get to it for a while. Still need to purchase a bathroom sink, garage door, install rear door, finish processing room. Taxes were included in purchase because he's not tax exempt. Could finish the inside in 3 days which includes vanity, new wall in processing room with washable surface, new garage door, installation of rear door bathroom ceiling. Discussion of the issues with the exterior of the building that will need to be addressed at some point. Indicated that the invoice submitted to the board dated 6/5/2018 would have to be paid before moving forward

Bott Arrives at 2:00pm

Closed 2:11pm

## Farmer Report

Vanhall: WIC/Fresh/Sigma worked out. Cabbage, broccoli, onions, kale, etc into the ground. Lettuce transplanted soon but waiting for white plastic mulch. Still need guidance on overtime. FYI on Doug Paulus visit. Will update board as info is available

## Board Reports

Donner: reached out to Bryan Pontiac (other Minogin applicant) but no response. Spoke with MEDC, in final stages. Ready to submit an invoice. Will work over weekend.

Bott: Update on big purchases, nifty hoops invoice, Audit is complete and copies are available. Stipends for June are done.

Otto: Reports from Square. Internal tracking via Google Docs. Update on produce that remains. Bunch of displays could be added, have many priced out and ready. Update on artisans

Miller: Met with health regulators, no major issues. They want to see heater system in high tunnels gone. Issues with extension cords. They would like to see fire extinguishers hung and signs for them posted. First aid also needed. Gave Sue G copy of blueprints for pole barn. Plow sold for \$250, \$37 auction fee, submitted to Blayne. Maple equip ready to go but no containers in original budget. \$2500 worth of glass bottles needed. "Native American Made" Trademark application presented.

## New Business

### *Farm Manager Authority*

Motion to adopt the policy that the farm manager has authority to set the schedule for all staff and volunteers on Ziibimijwang Farm by Ettawageshick, second by Bott, 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 absent, motion carried.

### *Indian Agricultural Council Trademarking*

Motion to pursue IAC trademarking by Miller, second by Ettawageshick. 6 in favor, 0 opposed, motion carried.

### *Enbridge Line 5*

Motion to acknowledge support of Tribal resolution 05030515-01 and join the GL business network by Donner, second by Otto, 6 in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.

### *Bylaws*

Motion to table the bylaws until a special meeting to be held on June 19th at 1pm in room 312 by Ettawageshick, second by Miller, 6 in favor, 0 against. Motion carried.

Donner Departs at 4:00pm

*ABC Remodeling Contract*

Motion to table abc contract until it is reviewed by legal by Miller, second by Ettawageshick. 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent (Donner) Motion carries

Old Business

*None*

Adjourn

**Motion to adjourn at 4:55pm by Ettawageshick, second by Miller. 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent (Donner). Motion carried.**

Next Meeting to be scheduled at LTBB government Building Room 312 on  
6/19/2018 at 3:00pm