



**Ziibimijwang Inc.
Board Meeting Minutes
September 6, 2018**

Call to Order: 2:26pm

Present: Kevin Donner, Rebeca Otto, Blayne bott, Andrew Ettawageshik, Joe VanAlstine, Blair Miller, Teri Vanhall

Absent: None

Public: None

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda by Donner, second by Ettawageshik, 6 in favor, 0 opposed, Motion carried.

Motion to add a closed session to the agenda by VanAlstine, second by Donner, 6 in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to Approve Minutes dated 8-9-2018 by Ettawageshik, Second by Bott. 6 in favor, 0 opposed. Motion Carried

Confirmation of Phone Polls

None

Public Comment

Open 2:23pm

None

Closed 2:24pm

Farmer Report

Vanhall: Update on markets, farm stand a success. Update on deer pressure and need for control. Lots of crop damage. Persue NRD/NRC for assistance? Update on contractors and plan for farm-tek greenhouse

Motion to approve farm report by Ettawageshik, second by Bott, 6 in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried

Board Reports

Otto: Update on Minogin issues and planning for the winter. Need to get creative to retain staff and plan

Bott: Update on variable costs and need for a few more numbers. Update on account balances, expected upcoming expenses and expected reimbursements.

Miller: Update on Maple sales trends from USDA. Michigan growing. Update on maple equipment install. Discussion of Sean Jacob's contribution to Ziibimijwang

Van Alstine: Barn/Code issue update. Update on pending legislation for farm exemptions from tribal council.

Motion to approve board reports by Ettawageshik, second by Otto. 6 in favor, 0 opposed, Motion carried.

Business Items

Bylaws -Donner – Action

Substantial discussion. Suggestions for friendly amendments by Miller and Van Alstine

Motion to adopt Ziibimijwang Bylaws with revisions by Donna Budnick and friendly amendments recorded at 9-5-2018 meeting By Donner, second by Ettawageshik Donner Yes, Otto Yes, Bott No, Ettawagesick No, VanAlstine. No, Miller No. Motion Fails.

Motion to adopt Ziibimijwang Bylaws with revisions by Donna Budnick and friendly amendments recorded at 9-5-2018 and removal of the first two paragraphs of the Code of Conduct Section by Miller, Second by Bott. 5 in favor, 1 opposed (Van Alstine). Motion Carried.

Donner Departs Meeting at 5:50pm

Code of conduct - Donner – Action

No Discussion Noted

Bransky Opinion on Archambo Electric/ABC - Donner – Action

Discussion and decision to approach Bransky with proposed solution

Ziibimijwang Meeting Policy and Procedures - Donner - Discussion

Ziibimijwang Phone Poll Policy and Procedure - Donner - Discussion

Motion to table the phone and meeting procedures by Miller, Second by Ettawageshik. 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent. Motion Carried.

Grant opportunity - <https://firstnations.org/grantmaking/2018NAFSIKeepseagle> - Donner - FYI

Emmet County Zoning - <https://drive.google.com/file/d/19jSC0hoh-8ezmUQT3uv94NIHud-wJl1E/view> - Donner - FYI

Printer/Label Maker - VanAlstine – Action

Motion to approve purchase label printer, rolls labels, dispenseries and ink not to exceed \$4,000 by Ettawageshick, Second by Bott. 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent. Motion Carried.

10 Closed Session

Motion to enter closed session at 7:00pm by Miller, second by Ettawageshik. 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent. Motion Carried.

Motion to Exit Closed session at 7:40

Old Business

None

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 7:41 pm by Ettawageshik, Second by Otto. 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Next Meeting to be scheduled at Ziibimijwang Farm on 10/4/2018 at 2:00pm