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Tribal Council
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Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate

Myrna Thompson
Tribal Secretary

SPECIAL TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, May 19, 2020, 10:14 AM
TiWakan Tio Tipi Council Chambers

TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| BIG COULEE: | Lisa Jackson |
| BUFFALO LAKE: | Louis Johnson |
| ENEMY SWIM: | Cheryl Owen |
| HEIPA/VEBLEN: | Winfield Rondell Jr. |
| LAKE TRAVERSE: | Francis Crawford |
| LONG HOLLOW: | Curtis Bissonette (10:18) |
| OLD AGENCY: | Milton Owen |

TRIBAL EXECUTIVES PRESENT: Tribal Chairman Donovan White, Tribal Vice-Chairman Edmund Johnson Jr., and Tribal Secretary Myrna Thompson (10:31)

CALL TO ORDER: Tribal Chairman Donovan White called the meeting to order at 10:14 AM with two (2) Executives and six (6) Council members from seven (7) Districts answering Roll Call. Opening Prayer for the Enemy Swim District said by Enemy Swim Tribal Council Member Cheryl Owen.

MOTION NO. 35: made by Lisa Jackson, second by Cheryl Owen, in accordance with SWO Chapter 21 – Judicial Code §21-05-05, to approve the proposed changes to SWO Chapter 3 – Election Code.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 35: 5 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Lisa Jackson (2). 12 Opposed: Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Francis Crawford (2); Milton Owen (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Louis Johnson (1); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1); Tribal Secretary (1). 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.

MOTION DEFEATED.

MOTION NO. 36: made by Winfield Rondell Jr., second by Lisa Jackson, question by Cheryl Owen, to set aside funding received for off-reservation Tribal Members, from all funding sources, and allow them access to this funding when they come back.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 36: 3 For: Winfield Rondell Jr. (3). 14 Opposed: Cheryl Owen (3); Francis Crawford (2); Milton Owen (2); Lisa Jackson (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Louis Johnson (1); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1); Tribal Secretary (1). 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.

MOTION DEFEATED.

MOTION NO. 37: made by Myrna Thompson, second by Lisa Jackson, question by Cheryl Owen, to approve the following budgets: Elderly Nutrition (5); Day Treatment; CPP – Family First Act; and the Education – Donation, as presented by Budget Supervisor Lexie Fancher.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 37: 17 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Louis Johnson (1); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Francis Crawford (2); Milton Owen (2); Lisa Jackson (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1); Tribal Secretary (1). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.

MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 38: made by Myrna Thompson, second by Francis Crawford, question by Curtis Bissonette, to approve the Bureau of Indian Affairs budgets (2), subject to revisions, as presented by Budget Supervisor Lexie Fancher.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 38: 9 For: Milton Owen (2); Louis Johnson (1); Francis Crawford (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1); Tribal Secretary (1). 8 Opposed: Cheryl Owen (3); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Lisa Jackson (2). 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.

MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 39: made by Myrna Thompson, second by Curtis Bissonette, question by Milton Owen, to have Wipfli LLP CPAs and Consultants work with the Tribal Vice-Chairman on financial matters pertaining to COVID-19 funding, budgets, and reimbursements.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 39: 9 For: Milton Owen (2); Louis Johnson (1); Francis Crawford (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1); Tribal Secretary (1). 8 Opposed: Cheryl Owen (3); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Lisa Jackson (2). 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.

MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 40: made by Lisa Jackson, second by Francis Crawford, question by Cheryl Owen, to have Kim Lowe of Avisen Legal, P.A. work with Tax Director Brenda Bellonger, the Tax Commission, and the Tribal Vice-Chairman, on only the proposed revisions to SWO Chapter 67 – Tax Code, and to have them meet by Thursday, May 21, 2020.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 40: 17 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Louis Johnson (1); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Francis Crawford (2); Milton Owen (2); Lisa Jackson (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1); Tribal Secretary (1). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.

MOTION PASSED.



MOTION NO. 41: made by Francis Crawford, second by Lisa Jackson, question by Curtis Bissonette, to have Tribal Vice-Chairman Edmund Johnson Jr. begin planning for the Summer 2020 General Council Session, scheduled for June 25 & 26, and to have the Vice-Chairman work with Tom Wilson and the I.T. Department on the possibility of only broadcasting the presentations, in the event that the COVID-19 pandemic is still prevalent, and would endanger SWO Tribal Members in attendance.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 41: 17 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Louis Johnson (1); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Francis Crawford (2); Milton Owen (2); Lisa Jackson (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1); Tribal Secretary (1). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.

MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 42: made by Lisa Jackson, second by Cheryl Owen, question by Winfield Rondell Jr., to schedule a round table discussion with the Reservation Election Board (REB) and the Judicial Committee, on Friday, May 22, 2020, at 10:00am.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 42: 16 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Louis Johnson (1); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Francis Crawford (2); Milton Owen (2); Lisa Jackson (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1). 1 Opposed: Tribal Secretary (1). 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.

MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 43: made by Francis Crawford, second by Winfield Rondell Jr., question by Lisa Jackson, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, to accept four (4) FEMA trailers through the BIA Direct Transport Order and Excess Personal Property transfer, and to authorize the payment of up to \$40,000.00 for the transportation costs, with the ATG account as the funding source, and these funds will be reimbursed to the Tribe from the BIA ATG after delivery, and to authorize Tribal Chairman Donovan White to sign the Transfer Order of Title.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 43: 17 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Louis Johnson (1); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Francis Crawford (2); Milton Owen (2); Lisa Jackson (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1); Tribal Secretary (1). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.

MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 44: made by Francis Crawford, second by Winfield Rondell Jr, question by Lisa Jackson, to approve Executive Resolution No. 20-02, "Authorization to Submit the Indian Highway Safety Program FY 2021 Competitive Grant".

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 44: 17 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Louis Johnson (1); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Francis Crawford (2); Milton Owen (2); Lisa Jackson (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1); Tribal Secretary (1). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.

MOTION PASSED.

Executive Resolution No. 20-02



MOTION NO. 45: made by Winfield Rondell Jr., second by Cheryl Owen, question by Lisa Jackson, to approve Executive Resolution No. 20-03, "Tribal Authorizing Resolution for FY 2020 Competitive Grant Solicitation, Second Chance Act Community-based Reentry Program BJA-2020-17110".

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 45: 17 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Louis Johnson (1); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Francis Crawford (2); Milton Owen (2); Lisa Jackson (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1); Tribal Secretary (1). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.

MOTION PASSED.

Executive Resolution No. 20-03

MOTION NO. 46: made by Francis Crawford, second by Lisa Jackson, question by Curtis Bissonette, to approve Executive Resolution No. 20-04, "Authorizing Paycheck Protection Program Loans for the Non-Gaming, For-Profit Tribal Business Enterprises".

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 46: 17 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Louis Johnson (1); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Francis Crawford (2); Milton Owen (2); Lisa Jackson (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1); Tribal Secretary (1). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.

MOTION PASSED.

Executive Resolution No. 20-04

MOTION NO. 47: made by Francis Crawford, second by Cheryl Owen, to adjourn.

MEETING ADJOURNED 2:12PM.

Respectfully Submitted, 
Verlyn Beaudreau, Recording Secretary

