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SPECIAL TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, May 4, 2020, 1:10 PM
TiWakan Tio Tipi Council Chambers

TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

BIG COULEE:	Lisa Jackson
BUFFALO LAKE:	Louis Johnson (called in, 1:18)
ENEMY SWIM:	Cheryl Owen
HEIPA/VEBLEN:	Winfield Rondell Jr.
LAKE TRAVERSE:	Francis Crawford (1:23)
LONG HOLLOW:	Curtis Bissonette
OLD AGENCY:	Milton Owen

TRIBAL EXECUTIVES PRESENT: Tribal Chairman Donovan White and Tribal Vice-Chairman Edmund Johnson Jr.

TRIBAL EXECUTIVES ABSENT: Tribal Secretary Myrna Thompson (meeting)

CALL TO ORDER: Tribal Chairman Donovan White called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM with two (2) Executives and five (5) 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.

Note: Due to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic and to encourage social distancing, Tribal Council Members were allowed to participate in this meeting via conference call.

MOTION NO. 1: made by Winfield Rondell Jr., second by Cheryl Owen, question by Lisa Jackson, to approve the Special Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 3, 2020.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 1: 13 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Milton Owen (2); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Lisa Jackson (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.

MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 2: made by Winfield Rondell Jr., second by Milton Owen, question by Curtis Bissonette, to approve the Special Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of Friday, March 13, 2020.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 2: 13 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Milton Owen (2); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Lisa Jackson (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.
MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 3: made by Milton Owen, second by Winfield Rondell Jr., question by Cheryl Owen, to approve the Regular Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, March 18, 2020.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 3: 13 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Milton Owen (2); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Lisa Jackson (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.
MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 4: made by Lisa Jackson, second by Cheryl Owen, question by Winfield Rondell Jr., to approve the Special Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of Friday, March 20, 2020.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 4: 13 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Milton Owen (2); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Lisa Jackson (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.
MOTION PASSED.

Note: Buffalo Lake Tribal Council Member Louis Johnson called in to the meeting.

MOTION NO. 5: made by Winfield Rondell Jr., second by Cheryl Owen, question by Milton Owen, to approve the Special Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of Monday, March 30, 2020.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 5: 13 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Milton Owen (2); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Lisa Jackson (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1). 0 Opposed. 1 Abstained: Louis Johnson (1). 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.
MOTION PASSED.

Note: Lake Traverse Tribal Council Member Francis Crawford now present at meeting.

MOTION NO. 6: made by Lisa Jackson, second by Winfield Rondell Jr., question by Cheryl Owen, to establish separate accounts for the funding referenced in Tribal Council Motion No. 76, of 4/24/20, with accounts for the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), Coronavirus Relief Fund, Aid to Tribal Government (ATG), and FEMA funding, and to have Wipfli LLP CPAs and Consultants assist Program Managers and General Managers to ensure the funding is spent in accordance with the funding agencies guidelines.



WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 6: 9 For: Cheryl Owen (3); Louis Johnson (1); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Lisa Jackson (2). 7 Opposed: Francis Crawford (2); Milton Owen (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1). 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.
MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 7: made by Francis Crawford, second by Winfield Rondell Jr., question by Cheryl Owen, to authorize Tribal Chairman Donovan White to sign the necessary documents for the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) for the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate, Dakota Magic Casino, Dakota Sioux Casino, Dakota Connection Casino, Dakota Western Corporation, Dakota Crossing Grocery Store, SWO Fuel, Inc., Agency C-Store, I-29 Motel, and the Corporation for Native Broadcasting, as presented by Consultant Bruce Jones.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 7: 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). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.
MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 8: made by Lisa Jackson, second by Cheryl Owen, question by Winfield Rondell Jr., to amend Tribal Council Motion No. 76, of 4/24/20, to change the reimbursement source to the Coronavirus Relief Fund/CARES Act funding, with the Motion to now read: *"to transfer \$1.1 million from the Detention Center Set-aside, to the Tribal Emergency account, with the funds to be reimbursed when the Coronavirus Relief Fund/CARES Act funding is received, as presented by Tribal Vice-Chairman Edmund Johnson Jr."*

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 8: 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). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.
MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 9: made by Francis Crawford, second by Lisa Jackson, question by Cheryl Owen, in an effort to prevent the further spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), Tribal Council establishes a curfew for the Enemy Swim Housing Area, that between the hours of 8:00pm to 8:00am no persons shall be allowed to enter or leave the Enemy Swim Housing Area, unless the persons have been classified as an essential worker or for medical appointments, with violations of the curfew to result in fines up to \$200, with the fines to go into the COVID-19 Security account, and that this curfew shall be effective for fifteen (15) days, beginning Wednesday, May 6, 2020, as presented by Enemy Swim District Chairman Delbert Hopkins Jr.



WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 9: 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). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.
MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 10: made by Francis Crawford, second by Winfield Rondell Jr., question by Lisa Jackson, to have Lobbyist Mark Van Norman contact Senators and Congresspersons to request that funding be allocated for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Drug Elimination Program.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 10: 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). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.
MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 11: made by Francis Crawford, second by Milton Owen, question by Winfield Rondell Jr., to approve the Temporary Lease Agreement with Cash-Wa Distributing (CWD), with changes, for a refrigerated/freezer trailer for meat during the COVID-19 pandemic, and to authorize Tribal Chairman Donovan White to execute the Agreement, pending legal review, as presented by Tribal Vice-Chairman Edmund Johnson Jr.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 11: 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). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.
MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 12: made by Lisa Jackson, second by Winfield Rondell Jr., question by Cheryl Owen, to have Emergency Manager Jim Pearson work with IHS to provide home nursing services for the Elders in the Enemy Swim Elderly Complex, to take temperatures, monitor for signs and symptoms, and to provide testing for COVID-19, if necessary.

WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 12: 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). 0 Opposed. 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 1 Not Voting: Tribal Chairman.
MOTION PASSED.

MOTION NO. 13: made by Edmund Johnson Jr., second by Francis Crawford, question by Curtis Bissonette, to hire McCabe CPA firm, to look into the federal Main Street Lending Program and to provide accounting compilation services for the EDA/DNI entities, with the Budget Office budget as the funding source, as presented by Tribal Vice-Chairman Edmund Johnson Jr.



WEIGHTED VOTE ON MOTION NO. 13: 8 For: Milton Owen (2); Francis Crawford (2); Curtis Bissonette (2); Louis Johnson (1); Tribal Vice-Chairman (1). 9 Opposed: Cheryl Owen (3); Winfield Rondell Jr. (3); Lisa Jackson (2); Tribal Chairman (1). 0 Abstained. 0 Absent From Vote. 0 Not Voting.
MOTION DEFEATED.

Note: Motion No. 13 resulted in a tie vote. The Tribal Chairman's vote was required to break the tie.

MOTION NO. 14: made by Cheryl Owen, second by Lisa Jackson, to adjourn.

MEETING ADJOURNED 2:38PM.

Respectfully Submitted, 
Verlyn Beaudreau, Recording Secretary

