

MINUTES OF A SCHEDULED TRIBAL GOVERNING BOARD MEETING HELD IN THE  
CONFERENCE ROOM AT THE TRIBAL OFFICE ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2026

**I. PRAYER**

**Lorraine Gouge opened the meeting with a prayer.**

**II. CALL MEETING TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Chairman Gary Clause called the meeting to order at 9:09 am.

**Council Present:**

Gary Clause, Chairman  
Bill Trepanier, Vice-Chairman  
Michelle Beaudin, Secretary/Treasurer  
Lorraine Gouge, Council member  
Don Carley, Council member  
Jordan St Germaine, Council member

**Council Absent:**

Janet Quaderer, Council member (TRAVEL MENOMONIE)

**Others Present:**

Mona Ingerson, Elder Advisory  
San Juanita Lopez, Tribal Attorney

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion made by Michelle Beaudin to approve the agenda and the tabling of the MOU with Hayward School District, Lorraine Gouge added Golf Classic Scholarships recommending Jennifer Cadotte to coordinate and disperse these funds, second by Don Carley. Motion carried 5-0-0.

**IV. TGB REPORTS**

**Lorraine**-Tribal Consultations, IHS structure changes/Health Care resources.

**Jordan**-Voigt Task Force meeting update. Financial Services, all council members should be fully informed of all issues, must be all on the same page. Discussion held on and off reservation hunting extensions.

Motion made by Don Carley to approve the Council Reports, second by Bill Trepanier.  
Motion carried 5-0-0.

## **V. OLD BUSINESS**

Chippewa Federation meeting is taking place at the Casino this week.

## **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

### **Mona Ingerson:**

- Mona fell down at Kinnamon, no salt was put down anywhere.
- Tribal representation in Minneapolis mostly all Tribes have their leaders representing. We are setting up a table for our members to pick up a Tribal ID.
- LCO Schools is currently the only school in US that has students involved with Iditarod.
- Democrat would like to use C2 Plaza for voter's information booth. Council granted permission and they have to contact the Legal Department to work on an agreement.

### **Approving the Purchase of a New Logging Truck from Kriete Truck Centers**

Motion made by Jordan St Germaine to approve the purchase of a new Logging Truck for \$283,798.42 for firewood home deliveries and to ensure the funds of \$100,000.00 from Conservation are under the programmatic guidelines, second by Bill Trepanier. Motion carried 5-0-0. Michelle will work on this with Brian Bisonette.

### **Approving Additions to Agenda**

Motion by Jordan St Germaine to add a Budget Modification for Conservation Road Maintenance request for a new Truck the purchase of a new Firewood Delivery Truck and the 2026 Honor the Earth Powwow Budget to Other Business on the agenda, second by Don Carley. Motion carried 5-0-0.

### **Approving the Purchase of a 2026 Dodge Ram for LCO Roads from Don Johnson Auto Group**

Motion made by Jordan St Germaine to approve Jason Weaver/Roads Department budget modification request for a truck from Don Johnson Auto for \$48,290.54, second by Bill Trepanier. Motion carried 5-0-0.

### **Approval of 2026 Honor the Earth Powwow Budget**

Motion made by Jordan St Germaine to approve the 2026 Honor the Earth Budget the same as 2025 Budget, second by Don Carley. Motion carried 5-0-0.

### **Appointment of Jennifer Cadotte as Administrator of Golf Classic Scholarship Funds**

Motion made by Loraine Gouge to appoint Jennifer Cadotte as administrator for the Golf Classic Scholarship funds and to direct Human Resources to post for interested Tribal Members to serve on the Committee to disperse the funds, second by Bill Trepanier. Motion carried 5-0-0.

In discussion, Jordan suggested posting for a small committee to work on this.

## **VII. LEGAL**

### **Executive Session**

Motion made by Bill Trepanier to enter Executive Session at 10:26 am, second by Lorraine Gouge. Motion carried 5-0-0.

Motion made by Don Carley to leave Executive Session at 11:54 am, second by Jordan St Germaine. Motion carried 4-0-0.

For the record, Vice-Chair Bill Trepanier stepped out of the meeting during Executive Session at 11:45 am.

In Executive Session council discussed issues related to:

- Staffing
- Personnel
- Financials

### **Resolution No 2026-08 Approval of Conveyance of Class C HIP Home to Alexis Quaderer**

Motion made by Michelle Beaudin to adopt Resolution No. 2026-08 that approves the Conveyance of Class C HIP Home to Alexis Quaderer, second by Don Carley. Motion carried 4-0-0.

### **Resolution No. 2026-09 Authorizing Request for and Approving Withdrawal of Funds in Trust by BTFA to Purchase On-Off Reservation Trust/Restricted Interests**

Motion made by Michelle Beaudin to adopt Resolution No. 2026-09 that authorizes the Request for and Approves the Withdrawal of Funds in Trust by BTFA to Purchase On-Off Reservation Trust/Restricted Interests, second by Jordan St Germaine. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**Resolution No. 2026-10 Approving State Violence Prevention Grant Program Application, Agreements, Modifications, and Related Documents with-WI DOA**

Motion made by Jordan St Germaine to adopt Resolution No. 2026-10 that approves the State Violence Prevention Grant Program Application, Agreements, Modifications, and Related Documents with-WI DOA, second by Lorraine Gouge. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**Resolution No. 2026-11 Approval of the 2026 Joint Powers Agreement with Sawyer County**

Motion made by Michelle Beaudin to adopt Resolution No. 2026-11 that approves the 2026 Joint Powers Agreement with Sawyer County, second by Lorraine Gouge. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**Resolution No. 2026-12 Approving Overdose Prevention Program Grant Application, Agreements, Modifications, and Related Documents with the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiology Center**

Motion made by Jordan St Germaine to adopt Resolution No. 2026-12 that approves the Overdose Prevention Program Grant Application, Agreements, Modifications, and Related Documents with the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiology Center, second by Lorraine Gouge. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**Resolution No. 2026-13 Authoring Signers for NAB Accounts**

Motion made by Jordan St Germaine to adopt Resolution No. 2026-13 that Authorizes Signers for NAB Accounts, second by Don Carley. Motion carried 3-0-1 (Michelle abstained)

**Resolution No. 2026-14 Approving Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grant Program Application, Agreements, Modifications, and Related Documents with the EPA**

Motion made by Jordan St Germaine to adopt Resolution No. 2026-14 that approves the Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grant Program Application, Agreements, Modifications, and Related Documents with the EPA, second by Michelle Beaudin. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**For the record, Bill Trepanier returned to the meeting at 11:59 am.**

## **VIII. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

### **December 9, 2026**

Motion made by Michelle Beaudin to approve the minutes of December 9, 2025, second by Don Carley. Motion carried 5-0-0.

### **December 16, 2025**

Motion made by Jordan St Germaine to approve the minutes of December 16, 2025, second by Don Carley. Motion carried 5-0-0.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Michelle Beaudin to adjourn the meeting at 12:03 pm, second by Bill Trepanier. Motion carried 5-0-0.

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Michelle Beaudin, Secretary/Treasurer  
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