



RESOLUTION NO: 2015 - 111

**AMENDING RESOLUTION 2009-87  
MINIMUM WAGE**

WHEREAS, Resolution No: 2009-87 required that the starting wage within the wage structure for non-tipped positions be increased to match the then newly increased federal minimum wage: and


WHEREAS, the state of Michigan's minimum wage is currently higher than the federal minimum wage and the state minimum wage is projected to increase yet again in January of 2016; and

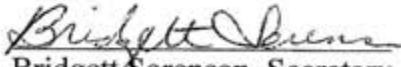
WHEREAS, the Board of Directors thinks it is in the best interest of the Tribe and its wholly owned governmental instrumentalities to ensure that its starting wage within its wage structure for non-tipped positions is the higher of the state minimum wage or the federal minimum wage for a variety of policy reasons including, but not limited to, compliance with Federal funding requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that effective June 19, 2015, the minimum wage for all non-tipped positions shall be increased to the higher of the state minimum wage or the federal minimum wage. This change does not affect any other positions within the wage structure. Current employees, occupying an affected position, but earning more than the minimum wage are not affected by this resolution. The administration is authorized and directed to effectuate this directive within existing budgets provided that, where this is not possible, the administration shall bring forward appropriate budget modifications.

**CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 13 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 19 day of May 2015; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 12 members for, 0 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2015-264

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COLA INCREASE

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WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and its wholly owned governmental instrumentalities have not given cost of living allowance increases to team members; and

WHEREAS, this has resulted in a significant number of team members income being worth less today than when they were hired, has contributed to the loss of valuable team members and has contributed to an overall decrease in team member morale; and


WHEREAS, in order to retain valuable team members and help increase team member morale it is in the Tribe's best interest to establish a cost of living allowance increase.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that there shall be a 3% cost of living allowance to the base wage for all employees of the Government, the Kewadin Casinos Gaming Authority, and the Enterprises for FY 16. The Board recognizes that there are health positions that are covered by a separate resolution, 2015-230 so they will not be eligible for this cost of living.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that for the FY17 and prospective Budgets, a Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) based upon the Consumer Price Index (CPI) shall be included and implemented in all annual budgets of the Government, the Kewadin Casinos Gaming Authority, and the Enterprises.

**CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 12 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 8 day of December 2015; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 10 members for, 1 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2016-160

**INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY**

WHEREAS, a true and accurate account of the residence and occupation of the Americas by Indigenous people since time immemorial, and long before Christopher Columbus sailed, is necessary to set the historical record straight and to respect the culture, language and traditional life ways of our Indigenous ancestors; and

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WHEREAS, the indigenous people of the lands which would later be known as the Americas were not discovered by Christopher Columbus in 1492; and

WHEREAS, several major cities in America have been successful in changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day to celebrate and recognize indigenous people and to reflect upon the ongoing struggles of indigenous people on this land, and to celebrate the thriving cultures and value that Indigenous nations add to cities; and


WHEREAS, having the citizens of the United States of America recognize and celebrate the heritage of indigenous peoples is necessary to respect their history and unite all peoples together.

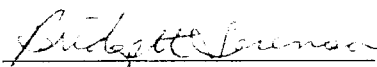
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians does hereby support the change of Columbus Day (2nd Monday of October) to be known in the future as Indigenous Peoples Day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians officially recognizes Indigenous Peoples Day on the second Monday of October and “urges the Cities of Sault Ste. Marie and St. Ignace, and Communities throughout the State of Michigan, to officially recognize it as well, along with celebrating the thriving culture of indigenous peoples and to encourage other businesses, organizations and public entities and support celebration among the broader community.”

**CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 10 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 14 day of June 2016; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 9 members for, 0 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2016-212

**AMENDING TRIBAL CODE CHAPTER 11: MEMBERSHIP ORDINANCE  
YOUTH TRIBAL IDENTIFICATION CARDS**

WHEREAS, the Tribal Code Chapter 11: Membership Ordinance establishes how long a membership shall identification card shall be valid; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to amend the ordinance to read that a tribal identification card issued to a child shall remain valid until they reach the age of eighteen at which time it shall automatically expire.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Tribal Code Chapter 11: Membership Ordinance at Section 11.112(1) shall be amended to read:

“(1) Membership cards shall be for a period of four years and shall expire on the member’s birthday. Membership cards issued to any member under the age of eighteen shall not expire pursuant to the preceding but rather shall automatically expire on their eighteenth birthday.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tribal Ops will replace fees up to the amount of the actual loss.

**CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 13 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 16 day of August 2016; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 8 members for, 4 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

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RESOLUTION NO: 2015-74

**EDC DIRECTOR  
ESTABLISH BUDGET FOR FY 2015**

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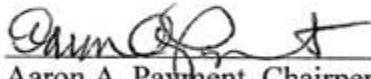
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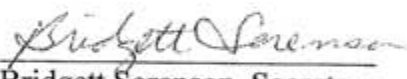
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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby approves the establishment of a FY 2015 budget for EDC Director with the accumulative savings from vacant tribal support positions through May 2015 monies \$60,471.64.

**CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 12 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 7 day of April 2015; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 9 members for, 2 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2016-246

**AUTHORITATION TO HIRE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR  
AND  
FY 2016 BUDGET MODIFICATION**

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BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Chairperson is hereby authorized to negotiate and enter into a key employee contract with the individual recommended by the committee to serve as Economic Development Director of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians on the terms described in the attached.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby approves the FY 2016 budget modification to EDC Budget Cost Center 1155, for changes in the attached personnel sheet. No effect on Tribal Support.

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We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 13 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 18 day of October 2016; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 9 members for, 3 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

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RESOLUTION NO: 2014-141

**RESCINDING RESOLUTION 98-57  
TRIBAL CODE CHAPTER 93: COMPLIANCE WITH THE MICHIGAN  
GAMING CONTROL AND REVENUE ACT**

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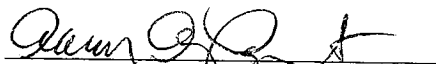
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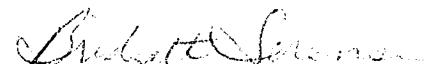
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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby rescinds Tribal Code Chapter 93: Compliance with the Michigan Gaming Control and Revenue Act, effective immediately.

**CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 11 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 22 day of July 2014; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 10 members for, 0 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2015-150

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A LOAN TO FINANCE CONSTRUCTION OF A GYMNASIUM AT THE JKL SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe Organized pursuant to the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe owns real property located at 1301 Marquette Avenue, Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan, which it has leased to the Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting Public School Academy; and

WHEREAS, the Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting Public School Academy is in need of expansion to accommodate the needs of its respective students; and

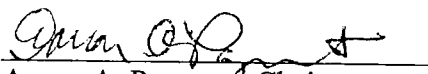
WHEREAS, the Tribe is currently working towards expanding the gymnasium and cafeteria areas within the Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting PSA and has previously taken action by resolution to purchase of the parcels adjacent to the Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting PSA for future expansion purposes; and


WHEREAS, the Tribal Board of Directors is committed to the future growth of the Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting PSA and all of our community's children.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairperson is hereby authorized to negotiate and enter into a suitable loan, not to exceed \$1,200,000.00 to finance the construction of a new gymnasium and related facilities at the Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting Public School Academy, to be repaid from the proceeds received by the Tribe from the School under the lease of the school property.

**CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 12 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 21 day of July 2015; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 11 members for, 0 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2015-159

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR A GYMNASIUM AT THE JKL SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe Organized pursuant to the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe owns real property located at 1301 Marquette Avenue, Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan, which it has leased to the Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting Public School Academy; and

WHEREAS, the Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting Public School Academy is in need of expansion to accommodate the needs of its respective students; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is currently working towards expanding the gymnasium and cafeteria areas within the Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting PSA and has previously taken action by resolution to purchase of the parcels adjacent to the Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting PSA for future expansion purposes; and


WHEREAS, the Tribal Board of Directors is committed to the future growth of the Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting PSA and all of our community's children.

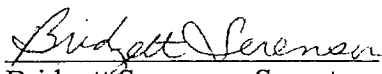
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairperson or his design is hereby authorized to sign a letter of intent to enter a contract for the construction of a new gymnasium and related facilities at the Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting Public School Academy, in accordance with the funding authorized for this purpose.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that subject to prior approval of the scope of work by the JKL Fiduciary Committee and subject to review by the Legal Department, the Chairperson or his designee, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract for the construction of a new gymnasium and related facilities at the Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting Public School Academy, in accordance with the funding authorized for this purpose.

**CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 13 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 21 day of July 2015; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 12 members for, 0 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2015-236

**PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF  
HUMAN RESOURCES AND EMPLOYEE MORALE**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to ascertain with some degree of certainty the morale of the performance of the Human Resource Department; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to ascertain with some degree of certainty the reason behind the resignation of Human Resource Department employees; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to ascertain with some degree of certainty the morale of the team members.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that an audit shall be conducted to determine the performance of the Human Resource Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an audit shall also be conducted to determine the morale of team members including those specific issues that are notably suppressing morale or conversely increasing morale.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Performance Audit shall also include conducting interviews with current and former H.R. team members that have served in such capacity within the past seven years.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Work Group comprised of all Board Members seeking to participate shall be tasked with establishing the specific parameters and goals of the audit.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes \$10,000 from Tribal Support to facilitate this Performance Audit.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Chairperson, upon collaboration with the Work Group, shall be authorized to contract with an Independent Third Party to facilitate this Performance Audit.

**CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 10 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 3 day of November 2015; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 7 members for, 2 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2015-147

AMENDING CHAPTER 31:

MARRIAGE ORDINANCE

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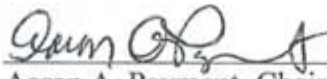
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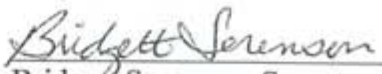
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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby amends Chapter 31: Marriage Ordinance as attached.

**CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 13 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 7 day of July 2015; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 10 members for, 0 members against, 2 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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**TRIBAL CODE**  
**CHAPTER 31:**  
**MARRIAGE ORDINANCE**

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**HISTORY NOTE:**

Current Ordinance:

Enacted as part of the Tribal Code July 5, 1995, Resolution No. 95-89, effective immediately. The enacting resolution provides that any marriage performed prior to the date of enactment pursuant to the provisions of the ordinance is ratified and declared lawful under tribal law.

Prior to the above action there is no record of the current ordinance actually having been adopted by the Board. The Board directed that a marriage ordinance be drafted at a meeting held on July 27, 1983. The ordinance was discussed and tabled by the Board at a meeting on August 21, 1984. The ordinance was "amended" by resolution on October 23, 1984. There is nothing in the minutes between August 21, 1984, and October 23, 1984, to indicate the ordinance was ever adopted. It was later "amended" by resolution on June 21, 1988. The current text is based on the original unadopted text and the two "amendments."

Cases:

Kobogum v. Jackson Iron Co., 76 Mich 498; 43 NW 602 (1889). Recognizes the validity of tribal customary marriages.

Amendments:

Resolution 2000-26, adopted February 23, 2000, amended " 31.107 (4) , 31.108 (1) and (2) and added '31.108 (5).



**TRIBAL CODE**  
**CHAPTER 31:**  
**MARRIAGE ORDINANCE**

**31.101 Purpose.**

This ordinance governs the solemnization of marriage within the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Reservation.

**31.102 Recognition of Marriages.**

The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians shall recognize as a valid and binding marriage any marriage between two persons formalized or solemnized in compliance with the laws of the place of formalization or solemnization.

**31.103 Issuance of License.**

The Clerk of the Tribal Court, or designee shall be authorized to issue a license to marry any two people, one of whom is a Tribal member within the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe's jurisdiction. The fee for issuance of a Tribal marriage license shall be an amount not to exceed that of the state court in the local county. The license shall remain valid for 30 days after issuance. The Clerk shall maintain records of the issuance of the marriage licenses and certificates of marriage as permanent records of the Tribe.

**31.104 Qualifications for License.**

A party seeking to be married shall fulfill all of the following requirements:

- (1) Freely consent to the marriage and have the mental capacity to marry.
- (2) One of the persons must be an enrolled member of the Tribe.
- (3) Be at least eighteen (18) years of age or older, be at least sixteen (16) years of age or older and have the consent of the parent or legal guardian, which consent must be notarized; or have been emancipated by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (4) Not have an existing spouse.
- (5) Not be blood relatives to each other in each of the following degrees:
  - (a) Parent and child;

- (b) Grandparent and grandchild;
- (c) Brother and sister, or half-brother and half-sister;
- (d) Uncle/aunt and niece/nephew;
- (e) Cousins in the first degree.

**31.105 Application for License.**

(1) The application for a Tribal marriage license shall be in the form of an affidavit and shall contain the following as to each person:

- (a) The full legal name, including last name before first marriage, if previously married;
- (b) Mailing and street address.
- (c) Age;
- (d) Sex;
- (e) Tribal affiliation;
- (f) Date and place of birth;
- (g) If either party was previously married, his or her name, and the date, place, and Court in which the marriage was dissolved or declared invalid or the date and place of death of the former spouse;
- (h) The names of each person's parents and the place of birth for each parent, if known. For each person's mother, the mother's name before first marriage shall be identified, if known;
- (i) If either person is a minor, the name and address of the parents, adoptive parent, or guardian of each party; or if emancipated, certified copies of papers granting emancipation;
- (j) Whether the parties are related to each other and, if so, their relationship;
- (k) The name and date of birth of any child of which both parties are parents, born before the making of the application, unless their parental rights and the parent and child relationship with respect to the child have been terminated;

**31.106 Persons Entitled to Solemnize Marriages.**

No marriage performed pursuant to a license to marry issued by the Tribal Court of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians shall be valid and recognized unless performed by:

- (1) a person having the authority to perform marriages under Michigan law; or
- (2) the Tribal Chairperson, or a person designated by the Chairperson in writing; or



(3) a Tribal Judge or Magistrate of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe or another federally recognized tribe, the tribal court of which authorizes its tribal judges to perform marriages; or

(4) an Indian traditional practitioner or spiritual leader who is recognized by the parties making the application for the license.

**31.107 Permissible Location.**

A marriage performed in accordance with this Ordinance shall be solemnized within the territory of the Tribe.

**31.108 Qualifications to Perform Traditional Indian Marriages.**

(1) For the purpose of this Chapter, a traditional Indian marriage shall be defined as one performed by an Indian traditional practitioner or spiritual leader who has accepted the responsibility to solemnize and formalize marriage by the applicants and further that such person shall be recognized by Order of the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa Tribal Court.

(2) It is the expressed policy of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe to recognize traditional marriages so performed provided that the person who has been designated to solemnize or formalize the said marriage by the applicants shall be recognized as an Indian traditional practitioner or spiritual leader by a significant number of Indian persons and provided further that such person shall be recognized by Order of the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa Tribal Court as being an Indian traditional practitioner or spiritual leader.

(3) Such recognition may come about upon the Court's own motion, or upon the motion of any other person, and such Order of recognition shall not be unreasonably withheld.

(4) The Court or Tribal Board of Directors may prescribe standards for such recognition.

(5) An Indian traditional practitioner or spiritual leader who is recognized by the parties making the application for the license shall be authorized to perform traditional marriages.

**31.109 Execution and Return of License.**

The person who performs the marriage shall execute the Tribal marriage license and return it to the Tribal Court Clerk as required by this Chapter. It shall be the responsibility of the Tribal Court Clerk to maintain records of marriages performed under the authority of the Tribe.

**31.110 Procedure for Recognition of Marriage After Solemnization.**

(1) Subsequently to the solemnization or formalization of a marriage performed pursuant to a license to marry issued by the Sault Ste. Marie Tribal Court and within ten (10) days thereof, two fully executed and conformed copies of the marriage license, executed by two witnesses to the ceremony and the person who conducted the ceremony, shall be returned to the Clerk of the Tribal Court.

(2) The Clerk of the Tribal Court shall, within three days, examine the application for a marriage license and the said license and certificate of the person performing the marriage to insure that the information appearing thereupon is properly in accordance with the provisions of the license. Upon a determination that the materials are in proper form and that there has been compliance with the terms of the license, the Court Clerk shall endorse his/her approval upon the license and shall cause a Certificate of Marriage to be issued by the Tribal Court over his or her signature.

(3) The parties to such marriage, should they desire, may obtain such additional copies of the Certificate of Marriage if they should desire, and such certified copies shall be issued by the Clerk of the Court for the same charge as is made for certified copies in any other proceeding.



RESOLUTION NO: 2015-108

**AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE REAL ESTATE PARCELS  
ADJACENT TO JKL SCHOOL  
(BONACCI)**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe Organized pursuant to the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and

WHEREAS, it appears that several parcels of land located adjacent to JKL Bahweting Anishnabe School in the City of Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan, may be available for purchase from Carmine and Debra Bonacci.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that it is in the best interests of the Tribe and its members to acquire those parcels;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes its Chairperson, Aaron A. Payment and its Treasurer, Dennis McKelvie or their designee to negotiate and execute any documents necessary to effectuate the purchase of the following parcels of land adjacent to JKL Bahweting School at a price not to exceed \$90,000, plus any closing costs for the following parcels, contingent upon the appraisal supporting the purchase price:

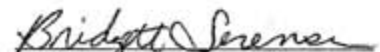
A B WILGUS ADD ENTIRE 30 LOTS BLK 2.  
A B WILGUS ADD ENTIRE 30 LOTS BLK 3.  
A B WILGUS ADD LOTS 11 TO 20 INCL BLK 4.  
A B WILGUS ADD N 80 FT LOTS 1, 2 & 3 PLUS LOTS 10 TO 30 INCL BLK 1.  
SEC 8 T47N R1E W 2/3 OF E 1/2 OF SE 1/4 OF NW 1/4 OF SE 1/4.  
SEC 8 T47N R1E SE 1/4 OF NW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 OF SE 1/4. 2.5 A M/L  
W C TETERS ADD. LOTS 1- 4 BLK 3. and W C TETERS ADDITION LOT 9 BLK

Funds utilized for the purchase shall be from the building fund.

**CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 12 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 5 day of May 2015; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 10 members for, 1 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
Aaron A. Payment, Chairperson  
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of  
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Bridgett Sorenson, Secretary  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2015 - 140  
AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE REAL ESTATE PARCELS  
AND ENTER FIRST RIGHT OF REFUSAL AGREEMENT  
(ST. ISAAC JOGUES CHURCH)

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe Organized pursuant to the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and

WHEREAS, it appears that several parcels of land located adjacent to St. Isaac Jogues Church in the City of Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan, may be available for purchase from the Church; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that it is in the best interests of the Tribe and its members to acquire those parcels.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians hereby authorizes its Chairperson, Aaron A. Payment and its Treasurer, Dennis McKelvie or their designee to negotiate and execute any documents necessary to effectuate the purchase of the following parcels:

State of Michigan, County of Chippewa, City of Sault Ste. Marie  
AB Wilgus Addition Entire 30 Lots Block 6 and  
AB Wilgus Addition Lots 10-21 Block 7

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes its Chairperson Aaron A. Payment and its Treasurer, Dennis McKelvie or their designee to negotiate and execute any documents necessary to effectuate a Right of First refusal for the Purchase of the St. Isaac Jogues Church and additional improvements located on the following parcels and legally described as:


State of Michigan, County of Chippewa, City of Sault Ste. Marie  
AB Wilgus Addition Lots 1-9 and Lots 22-30 Block 7

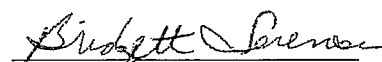
at a total price not to exceed \$35,000 plus any closing costs for the purchase of the vacant lots and the Right of First refusal.

Funds utilized for the purchase shall be from the Tribal Facilities Fund.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 13 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 23 day of June 2015; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 8 members for, 3 members against, 1 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
Aaron A. Payment, Chairperson  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2016-38

AMENDING TRIBAL CODE: CHAPTER 43  
SECTION 43.801

WHEREAS, the Sault Tribe Tax Commission has met and discussed the Hotel Use Tax imposed by the Tribal Code; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Commission has unanimously approved the recommendation to amend Section 43.801 of the Code; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Tax Commission that the Hotel Use Tax rate be changed from 7 to 12%; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby amends the Tribal Code, section 43.801, changing only the tax rate percentage, so that the entire section will now read:

**43. 801 Imposition of Hotel Use Tax.**

(1) There is hereby levied a hotel use tax of 12% of the Gross Occupancy Receipts on every Person who uses or occupies a room furnished by a Hotel located on Tribal and Trust Lands.

(2) The hotel use tax shall be imposed upon the Person who purchases the room. The Hotel shall collect the hotel use tax from such Person.

**CERTIFICATION**

We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 11 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 2 day of February 2016; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 7 members for, 3 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Aaron A. Payment, Chairperson  
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RESOLUTION NO: 2016-109

**TWO PERCENT AGREEMENT  
SAULT SCHOOLS**

WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians re-negotiated the manner by which it pays to lodge inmates the Chippewa County jail; and

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WHEREAS, as a result \$50,000 in long term 2% funds is available for re-obligation; and

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WHEREAS, the Sault Ste. Marie Schools have submitted the attached request for 2% funding; and

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WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes that using 2% funds for educational purposes is a prudent and wise use and wishes to grant Sault Ste. Marie Schools' request for funding.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby obligates \$50,000 to the Sault Ste. Marie Schools for a term of five years for the purposes described in the attachment.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administration is directed to draft a 2% agreement to effectuate this resolution.

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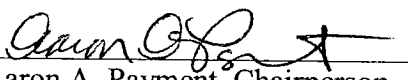
BE IT FINALLY, resolved that the Chairperson is hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement.

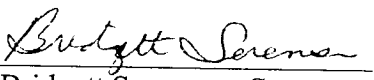
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We, the undersigned, as Chairperson and Secretary of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, hereby certify that the Board of Directors is composed of 13 members, of whom 11 members constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 3 day of May 2016; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 6 members for, 4 members against, 0 members abstaining, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
Aaron A. Payment, Chairperson  
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