

**Budget and Finance Committee
Regular Meeting
December 7, 2004-3:00 p.m.
Tribal Office Conference Room A**

1. **Call to Order & Roll Call-**

Committee Vice-Chairperson called the meeting to order at 3:20 p.m. Those present: Michael Chapman, Dan Maine, Harold Wilkes, Kathy Kaquatosh, Jeremy Weso and Randy Chevalier. Committee Chairperson Laurie Reiter was absent. Also present for the meeting was; Marlin Waupoose, Mary Husby, Rose Hoffman, Tina Gouty-Yellow, Annette Warrington and Jennifer Gauthier.

2. **Moment of Silence** - A moment of silence was observed.

Ann Marie Johnson was excused due to training and Michael Chapman took over as Chairperson.

3. **Review Minutes Dated November 10 th and November 15th, 2004-**

Motion made by Jeremy Weso to approve the minutes dated November 10 th and November 15 th, 2004. Motion was seconded by Randy Chevalier. All those in favor signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent. Motion carried.

4. **Committee Goals and Objectives-**

Motion made by Randy Chevalier to table until the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson are present. Motion was seconded by Dan Maine. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent. Motion carried.

5. **Child Support Discussion-**

Rose Hoffman informed the committee that for every dollar the Tribe does not match, the Tribe will lose \$9.00 in federal grant money for the period of October 1, 2004 through March 31, 2005 and for every two dollars not matched, the Tribe will lose \$8.00 in federal grant money.

The total that the department is asking for is \$25,118. When the issue went to the Menominee Tribal Legislature it was suggested that the money either come from Contingency or the Chairman's budget.

Jennifer Gauthier disagreed, saying that there are other options and that the department doesn't need the extra money because for the months of October and November the department has been under spent.

Kathy Kaquatosh informed the committee that there is supposed to be a meeting between Finance, Administration and Child Support to discuss the issue on December 10, 2004.

Motion made by Randy Chevalier to table the Child Support issue until Jennifer Gauthier, Rose Hoffman, Mary Husby and Kathy Kaquatosh meet to discuss all options. Motion was seconded by Jeremy Weso. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent. Motion carried.

Michael Chapman would like Committee Chairperson Laurie Reiter invited to the meeting also.

6. **LEC Maintenance New Addition Budget/Gail Bowman-**

Marlin Waupoose was present and informed the committee that with the new addition to the Courts, an additional budget for maintenance needs to be funded.

Jeremy requested the committee to table the issue until there is notification from Bernard Vigue as to how much money is left over from the building cost because the maintenance money may be able to come out of that.

Motion made by Jeremy Weso table. Motion was seconded by Kathy Kaquatosh. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent. Motion carried.

7. **Indirect Cost Budget-**

Jeremy informed the committee that at the last meeting the committee set a deadline of December 15, 2004 for everyone to turn in their Indirect Cost Budgets. Jeremy stated that most departments have submitted them already and are being reviewed by his department.

Motion made by Jeremy Weso to table. Motion was seconded by Dan Maine. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent. Motion carried.

8. **FY 2004 Closeout-**

Kathy stated that she wasn't sure why Chairperson Reiter wanted the closeout on the agenda but submitted a copy to everyone. No action was taken.

9. **Other Business-**

No other business was discussed.

10. **Adjournment-**

Motion made by Jeremy Weso to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Randy Chevalier. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Legislative Staff Services