

**1 Governmental Affairs Committee
Regular Meeting
October 13, 2005 - 3:30 p.m.
Tribal Office Board Room**

1. Call to Order & Roll Call-

Committee Chairperson Laurie Boivin called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. Those present: Karen Washinawatok, Jeremy Weso, Bob Lansing, Kathy Kaquatosh and Marci Hawpetoss. Ben Kaquatosh was absent. Also present for the meeting was Gaynelle Hawpetoss, Jennifer Gauthier, Devan Miller and Rob Orcutt.

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

3. Review Minutes Dated September 8, 19, and 26, 2005-

Motion made by Bob Lansing to approve the minutes dated September 8, 19 & 26, 2005. Motion was seconded by Karen Washinawatok. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

4. Discuss/Action on Amendment to Ordinance 79-15 Enrollment-

Committee reviewed the proposed changes and would like the ordinance sent back to enrollment for revisions and then send to legal.

Motion made by Jeremy Weso to table. Motion was seconded by Bob Lansing. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

5. Discuss/Action on Per Capita Procedures/Policy Recommendations-

Committee reviewed the Per Capita/Stumpage Procedures Policy and decided that the Management Team needs to review it and come up with some recommendations.

Motion made by Jeremy Weso to send the Per Capita/Stumpage Procedures Policy issue to the Management Team and bring back a proposed policy within 60 days. Motion was seconded by Bob Lansing. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Jeremy Weso to suspend the agenda and move to other business. Motion was seconded by Karen Washinawatok. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

12. Other Business-

Devan Miller and Jennifer Gauthier were present to discuss with the committee a policy for Menominee Nation News regarding letters to the editor and the content of the newspaper. Committee went into a lengthy discussion regarding the policy and decided that what goes into the newspaper is a department decision and it's within Devan's power to decide since she is the Director. No action was taken.

Motion made by Karen Washinawatok to go back to #6 of the agenda. Motion was seconded by Kathy Kaquatosh. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

6. Discuss/Action on Serenic Update-

Bob Lansing gave a brief update. No action was taken.

7. Discuss/Action on Wage Deduction Policy-

Committee decided that the policy needs to be revised and to have it as an internal policy. No action was taken.

8. Discuss/Action on Flag Use Policy-

Jeremy brought the issue back because he felt the policy should state that the logo should be sewn or printed on the right shoulder or right breast of all Menominee Tribal Police Department and Conservation uniforms.

Motion made by Jeremy Weso to amend the Menominee Indian Tribal of Wisconsin Use of Tribal Flag and Great Seal Policy Article III, Section B paragraph 4 to say “The Menominee Nation Flag shall be prominently sewn or printed on the right shoulder or right breast of all MTPD & Conservation Warden uniforms.” Motion was seconded by Bob Lansing. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

9. Discuss/Action on Ordinance 03-17 Debt Collection-

Motion made by Jeremy Weso to table. Motion was seconded by Bob Lansing. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

10. Discuss/Action on Ordinance 95-04 Tribal Government Plan-

Committee decided to set up a special meeting on November 1, 2005 to discuss the ordinance.

11. Discuss/Action on Rules of Procedure-

Motion made by Karen Washinawatok to table. Motion was seconded by Jeremy Weso. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

12. Other Business-

No other business was discussed.

13. Adjournment-

Motion made by Karen Washinawatok to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Jeremy Weso. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Legislative Staff Services