

## MASHPEE WAMPANOAG TRIBE REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING

Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Community/Government Center Tribal Council Chambers – 483 Great Neck Rd S – Mashpee, MA 02649 Wednesday, January 10, 2024-5:30p.m.-8:30p.m.

# Meeting Minutes (Approved 1/24/2024)

#### Call to Order

Chairman Brian Weeden called to order the Regular Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council Meeting on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 5:34p.m.

Regular session began at 5:34p.m.

Meeting Extended to 9:00p.m.

Entered into executive session at 7:17p.m.

Exited executive session at 9:00p.m.

Regular session adjourned at 9:00p.m.

#### **Attendance:**

Chairman Brian Weeden, Vice Chairman Carlton Hendricks, Jr., Treasurer Charles Foster (5:38p.m.), Chief Earl Mills, Jr., Councilman Domingo Tiexeira, Councilwoman Rita Gonsalves, Councilman David Weeden, Councilwoman Nitana Greendeer, Medicine Man Earl Cash, Councilwoman Winona Pocknett

Excused: Councilman Nelson Andrews, Councilwoman Roxanne Brown,

Guest: Attorney Rebekah Salguero, Attorney Victoria Miranda, Amber Tubbs, Marita Scott, Daryl Frye, Donald Peters, Coreen Moore, Ellen Sharpe, Daryl Frye, Geri Edens-Vineyard Offshore(via Zoom), Jacob Miller-Vineyard Offshore

#### **Opening Prayer**

Medicine Man Earl Cash

#### Commencement

Motion made by Chief Mills 2<sup>nd</sup> by Medicine Man Cash to commence the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council Regular meeting at 483 Great Neck Road South, Mashpee, MA 02649 also via zoom on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 5:34p.m.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present All those not present: Treasurer Foster

Motion passed.

#### **Approval of Agenda**

Base Motion made by Medicine Man Cash  $2^{nd}$  by Chief Mills to accept and approve the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council Regular Meeting agenda of January 10, 2024 with edits.

Amended motion made by Councilman Weeden 2<sup>nd</sup> by Secretary Jackson to accept and approve the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council Regular Meeting agenda of January 10, 2024 with edits to include approval of Establishment of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Workforce Development Taskforce.

All those in favor: unanimous by all present

All those not present: Treasurer Foster

#### Motion passed.

Final Motion made by Medicine Man Cash 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chief Mills to accept and approve the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council Regular Meeting agenda of January 10, 2024 with edits to include approval of Establishment of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Workforce Development Taskforce.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present All those not present: Treasurer Foster

Motion passed.

## **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Pocknett to accept and approve the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council Regular meeting minutes of December 13, 2023 with edits.

All those in favor: Councilwoman Pocknett, Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Chief Mills, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilwoman Greendeer, Medicine Man Cash

All those abstained: Treasurer Foster

Motion passed.

## **Appointments and Resignations**

Motion made by Councilman Weeden  $2^{nd}$  by Secretary Jackson to accept and approve the appointment of Paula Peters to the Housing Commission.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Medicine Man Cash to accept and approve the appointment of Yvonne Avant to the 12 Acres Revitalization Task Force.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Weeden to accept and approve the appointment of Diane Johnson to the Powwow Committee.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ann Marie Askew, Aquinnah Lopes-Pocknett, Madas Strickland, Jacyn White, Attaquis Lopes-Pocknett, Talia Landry

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Emergency Votes/Ratifications

None

#### Meeting Dates

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Treasurer Foster to schedule the annual meeting of the Mashpee Wampanoag Indian Tribal Council, Inc for February 11, 2024 from 2:00p.m. to 4:00p.m.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present

Motion passed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Community Benefit Agreement Follow Up

Discussed.

## 477 Plan Approval- Vice Chairman Hendricks

Motion made by Vice Chairman Hendricks 2<sup>nd</sup> by Treasurer Foster to accept and approve 2024-RES-001 U.S. Department of The Interior Bureau Of Indian Affairs 477 Plan – LIHEAP Integration with edits.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present

Motion passed.

### <u>Grant Approvals – TERO Director</u>

Motion made by Treasurer Foster 2<sup>nd</sup> by Medicine Man Cash to accept and approve 2024-RES-002 Approving the U.S. Department of Commerce National Telecommunications and Information Administration Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program Round Two Funding Submittal with edits to supply budget before 1/23/2024 and approve via consensus.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

## CESU Approval – Councilman Weeden

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Treasurer Foster to accept and approve 2024-RES-003 Supporting North Atlantic Cooperative Eco-System Studies Units (CESU) Network Partner Organization All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

## MWT Workforce Development Taskforce

Base motion made by Secretary Jackson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Medicine Man Cash to accept and approve 2024-RES-004 Establishment of The Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Workforce Development Taskforce

Amended motion made by Treasurer Foster  $2^{nd}$  by Secretary Jackson to strike section 7 of the document. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present Motion passed.

Final motion made by Secretary Jackson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Medicine Man Cash to accept and approve 2024-RES-004 Establishment of The Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Workforce Development Taskforce with edits to strike section 7 of the document.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

#### **MEETING EXTENSION**

Motion made by Vice Chairman Hendricks 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chief Mills to extend the meeting to 9:00p.m. All those in favor: Councilwoman Pocknett, Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Chief Mills, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilwoman Greendeer, Medicine Man Cash

All those abstained: Treasurer Foster

Motion passed

#### **EXCUTIVE SESSION**

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to enter into executive session at 7:17p.m. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present Motion passed.

Exited Executive session at 9:00p.m.

## **Operation Matters**

Housing Department Matters

Discussed.

## **Language Department Matters**

Discussed.

## **Enrollment Update**

Discussed.

## Legal Update

None

## **Tribal Council Matters**

Discussed.

## Adjournment

Motion made by Councilman Weeden  $2^{nd}$  Councilwoman Greendeer to adjourn the meeting at 9:00p.m. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cassie D. Jackson

**MWTC Secretary**