



**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 12, 2022 – 5:30p.m. -8:00p.m.  
Available via ZOOM**

**(Approved 1/26/2022 with edits)**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Brian Weeden called to order the Regular Tribal Council Meeting on January 12, 2022 at 5:36p.m.  
Regular session began at 5:36p.m.  
Entered into executive session at 7:52p.m.  
Exited executive session at 8:18p.m.  
Meeting extended to 8:20p.m.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:20p.m.

**Members in attendance**

Chairman Brian Weeden, Vice Chairman Carlton Hendricks, Jr., Secretary Cassie Jackson, Councilwoman Edwina Johnson-Graham, Councilman Domingo Tiexeira, Councilwoman Rita Gonsalves, Councilman Nelson Andrews, Jr., Councilman David Weeden, Councilman Aaron Tobey, Jr., Councilwoman Yvonne Avant.  
Excused: Treasurer Marie Stone  
Quorum (10)  
Guests: Attorney Rebekah Salguero, Tribal Administrator David Greendeer

**Opening Prayer**

Councilwoman Rita Gonsalves

**Commencement**

*Motion made by Councilwoman Avant 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to commence the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council Regular meeting via zoom on Wednesday, December 12, 2022 at 5:36p.m.  
All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.  
Motion passed.*

**Approval of Agenda**

Main Motion: *Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to accept and approve the agenda for January 12, 2022.*

Amended motion: *Amended motion made by Councilman Tobey 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to amend agenda to add “emergency gaming ordinance” as an additional item.*

*All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.*

*Motion passed.*

Final Motion: *Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to accept and approve the agenda for January 12, 2022 with amendment to add “Emergency Gaming Ordinance” as an additional item.*

*All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.*

*Motion passed.*

### **Meeting Minutes**

*Motion made by Councilman Andrews 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to accept and approve the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council meeting minutes of December 8, 2021 with edits.*

*All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.*

*Motion passed.*

*Motion made by Councilman Andrews 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to accept and approve the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council meeting minutes of December 10, 2021 with edits.*

*All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, Councilwoman Avant.*

*All those abstained: Councilman Tobey*

*Motion passed.*

*Motion made by Councilman Andrews 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to accept and approve the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council meeting minutes of January 3, 2022 with edits.*

*All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.*

*All those abstained: Councilwoman Avant.*

*Motion passed.*

### **Public Comment**

Victoria Miranda. Stanley Dutra

### **Appointment/ Resignations**

*Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to reappoint Cecelia Martinez to the Enrollment Committee.*

*All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, Councilwoman Avant*

*All those opposed: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tobey*

*Motion passed.*

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### Emergency Votes/Ratifications

*Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to ratify the Emergency consensus vote circulated on 12/28/21 to approve \$4000 in funeral expenses for Seaman Turner II.*

*All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.*

*Motion passed.*

*Motion made by Councilman Tiexeira 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to ratify the Emergency vote approved during the 1/3/2022 MWTC Emergency Meeting made by Councilman Tobey 2<sup>nd</sup> by Treasurer Stone to retain the Denton Group providing we get financial resources.*

*All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant.*

*All those abstained: Councilman Weeden.*

*Motion passed.*

*Motion made by Councilman Andrews 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to ratify the emergency consensus vote circulated on 1/7/22 to reschedule the January 2022 General Membership meeting from 1/9/22 to 1/16/22. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present. Motion passed.*

### Operations Update

*Base Motion: Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to approve 2022-RES-001 Approval of Authority for IHS Agreements.*

*Amended Motion: Amended motion made by Secretary Jackson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Weeden to approve prior motion with edits.*

*All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant.*

*All those Recused: Councilwoman Gonsalves.*

*Motion passed.*

*Final Motion: Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to approve 2022-RES-001 Approval of Authority for IHS Agreements with edits.*

*All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant.*

*All those Recused: Councilwoman Gonsalves.*

*Motion passed.*

*Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2<sup>nd</sup> by Secretary Jackson to accept and approve with edits 2022-RES-002 Approval of Housing Department Admissions Occupancy Policy & Procedures.*

*All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.*

*Motion passed.*

*Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to accept and approve with edits 2022-RES-003 Approval of Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Housing Department Policies & Procedures.*

*All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.*

*Motion passed.*

*Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to accept and approve with edits 2022-RES-004 Approval of Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Housing Department Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program Tenant Selection and Marketing Plan.*

*All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.*

*Motion passed.*

### Finance Update

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### LLGP Grant Submittal

*Motion made by Councilman Andrews 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to accept and approve 2022-RES-005 U.S. Department Of The Interior, Bureau Of Indian Affairs Living Language Grant Program.*

*All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.*

*Motion passed.*

### CDC Discussion

*Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Hendricks to table CDC discussion to January 26, 2022 Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council regular meeting.*

*All those in favor: Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden*

*All those opposed: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Tobey.*

*All those not voting: Councilwoman Avant.*

*Motion failed.*

*Motion made by Councilman Andrews 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to move forward with approving lease with contingencies.*

*All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Tobey.*

*All those opposed: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilman Weeden.*

*All those not voting: Councilwoman Avant.*

*Motion failed*

*Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to hold Annual Shareholders Representative meeting between the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council and CDC on Wednesday January 26, 2022 @ 6p.m.*

*All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.*

*All those not voting: Councilwoman Avant.*

*Motion passed.*

*Motion made by Councilman Tiexeira 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Andrews to extend meeting to 8:20p.m.*

*All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden*

*All those opposed: Councilman Weeden*

*All those not voting: Councilwoman Avant*

*Motion passed.*

#### Emergency Gaming Ordinance

*Base Motion: Motion made by Councilman Tobey 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to suspend powers as stated in “2013-ORD-001 Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Tribal Gaming Authority Gaming Ordinance Section 9. Powers” and implement an emergency gaming ordinance that gives the powers to the Tribal Council until we are finished with litigation and the pre-development phase.*

*Amended Motion: Amended motion made by Secretary Jackson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Weeden to table to previous motion until Councilman Tobey drafts language for the emergency gaming ordinance, be reviewed by legal and bring back to the next meeting, January 26, 2022.*

*All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey*

*All those opposed: Vice Chairman Hendricks.*

*All those not voting: Councilwoman Avant*

*Motion passed.*

*Final Motion: Motion made by Councilman Tobey 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to table suspension of powers as stated in “2013-ORD-001 Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Tribal Gaming Authority Gaming Ordinance Section 9. Powers” and implement an emergency gaming ordinance that gives the powers to the Tribal Council until we are finished with litigation and the pre-development phase to allow Councilman Tobey to draft language for the emergency gaming ordinance, be reviewed by legal and bring back to next meeting, January 26, 2022.*

*All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.*

*All those not voting: Councilwoman Avant.*

*Motion passed.*

**EXECUTIVE**

*Motion made by Councilman Tiexeira 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to enter into executive session at 7:52p.m.*

*All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.*

*All those not present: Councilwoman Avant*

*Motion passed.*

Exit executive session at 8:18p.m.

Litigation Update

*Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tobey to support expenses and approve the engagement letter with Dentons to request intervenor status in addition to filing motion to transfer back to DC.*

*All those in favor: unanimous by all present.*

*All not voting: Councilwoman Avant*

*Motion passed*

**Adjournment**

*Motion made by Councilman Tiexeira 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Gonsalves to adjourn at 8:20p.m.*

*All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.*

*Motion passed.*

Respectfully Submitted,

***Cassie D. Jackson***

MWTC Secretary