



**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, June 14, 2023-5:30p.m.-8:00p.m.
Also Available via Zoom**

**Meeting Minutes
(Approved 6/21/23)**

Call to Order

Chairman Brian Weeden called to order the Regular Tribal Council Meeting on Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 5:37p.m.

Regular session began at 5:37p.m.

Entered into executive session at 6:40p.m.

Exited Executive session at 7:59p.m.

Entered into executive session at 8:00p.m.

Exited executive session at 8:29p.m.

Regular session adjourned at 8:30p.m.

Members in Attendance

Chairman Brian Weeden, Vice Chairman Carlton Hendricks, Jr., Secretary Cassie Jackson, Treasurer Charles Foster, Councilman Domingo Tiexeira, Councilwoman Rita Gonsalves, Councilman Nelson Andrews, Jr., Councilman David Weeden, Councilwoman Nitana Greendeer, Councilwoman Roxanne Brown, Medicine Man Earl Cash, Jr., Chief Earl Mills, Jr.

Excused Absence: Councilwoman Winona Pocknett

Guests: Attorney Rebekah Salguero, Joanne Frye

Quorum (13)

Opening Prayer

Councilwoman Rita Gonsalves

Commencement

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman David Weeden to commence the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council Regular meeting at 483 Great Neck Road South, Mashpee, MA 02649 also via zoom on Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 5:37p.m.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all those present.

Motion passed.

Agenda of Approval

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Weeden to accept and approve the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council Regular Meeting agenda of June 14, 2023 with edits.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Weeden to accept and approve the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council Regular meeting minutes of Wednesday, May 24, 2023 with edits.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Note: Revise Councilwoman Greendeer name in vote to extend meeting.

Public Comment

Karen Siegel, Michelle Mendes, Robyn Sweeting

Appointments/Resignations

Motion made by Councilman Tiexeira 2nd by Medicine Man Cash to accept and approve the appointment of Nancy Rose to the Finance Committee.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all those present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilman Tiexeira 2nd by Councilman Weeden to accept and approve the appointment of Crystal Tobey to the MWT Broadband Task Force.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Medicine Man Cash 2nd by Councilwoman Brown to accept and approve the appointment of Fenton Soliz to the MWT Broadband Task Force.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Medicine Man Cash 2nd by Councilman Weeden 2nd by Medicine Man Cash to accept and approve the appointment of Selena Hendricks to the MWT Broadband Task Force.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Public Comment

Karen Siegel, Robyn Tobey,

OLD BUSINESS

Emergency Votes/Ratifications

Motion Treasurer Foster 2nd by Secretary Jackson to take from the floor 2023-RES-053 Termination of Declaration of a State of Emergency to Respond to Covid 19.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Chief Mills to accept and approve 2023-RES-053 Termination of Declaration of a State of Emergency to Respond to Covid 19.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Treasurer Foster 2nd by Medicine Man Cash to ratify the consensus vote circulated on May 26, 2023 to approve burial assistance up to \$4000 for tribal member O-001-82.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Medicine Man Cash 2nd by Treasurer Foster to accept and approve 2023-RES-063 Ratification of 2023-RES-062 Authorization to Incorporate and Establish Law Enforcement Program Within Public Law 93-638 Consolidated Tribal Government Program.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2nd by Councilwoman Brown to ratify the consensus vote to accept and approve burial assistance in the amount up to \$4000 for tribal member H-128-03.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2nd by Secretary Jackson to ratify the consensus vote to accept and approve burial assistance in the amount of up to \$4000 for the Bynum Family.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Meeting Dates

Motion made by Treasurer Foster 2nd by Councilman Tiexeira to accept and approve the budget review date of July 12, 2023.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilman Tiexeira 2nd by Councilwoman Greendeer to propose Saturday, July 22, 2023 for the joint meeting with Aquinnah.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

2024 Annual Calendar

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Medicine Man Cash to accept and approve 2023-RES-064 Approving Annual Tribal Council Regular Meeting Calendar 2024.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Weeden to accept and approve 2023-RES-065 Approving 2024 Calendar of Mashpee Wampanoag Recognized Holidays.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Coastline Elderly Services Grant

Motion made by Treasurer Foster 2nd by Chief Mills to accept and approve 2023-RES-066 Approving Coastline Elderly Service, Inc. Title III of the Older Americans Act Grant.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Older Americans Grant

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Vice Chairman Hendricks to accept and approve 2023-RES-067 Approving Elder Services of Cape Cod and the Islands Title III of the Older Americans Act Grant.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

EPA Grant Approval

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Tiexeira to accept and approve 2023-RES-068 Approving Environmental Protection Agency Climate Pollution Reduction Grant.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Archaeological Services Corporation

Motion made by Medicine Man Cash 2nd by Treasurer Foster to accept and approve 2023-RES-069 MWT Historic Preservation Departments Establishment of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribally Chartered Archaeological Services Corporation.

All those in favor: None

All those Opposed: Medicine Man Cash, Chief Mills, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilwoman Greendeer, Councilwoman Brown

All those Abstains: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Foster.

All those Recused: Councilman Weeden.

Motion failed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Treasurer Foster 2nd by Councilman Tiexeira to enter into of executive session at 6:40p.m.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Exited executive session at 7:59p.m.

Motion made by Councilman Tiexeira 2nd by Councilwoman Greendeer to extend meeting to 8:30p.m.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilwoman Greendeer 2nd by Chief Mills to enter into executive session at 8:00p.m.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Exited executive session at 8:29p.m.

Housing Department Follow Up

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Weeden to direct Housing Commission to reconsider the motion to allow F-001-052 to receive housing services if eligible.

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

All those Recused: Treasurer Foster

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Tiexeira to send Director Michelle Tobey a correspondent demanding her presence at the next regular meeting Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 5:30p.m. Failure to appear will result in disciplinary actions.

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

All those recused: Treasurer Foster

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilman Tiexeira 2nd by Vice Chairman Hendricks to approve 2023-RES-070 Approving Proposal from Catalyst Architecture for design of Community Building.

Al those in favor: Medicine Man Cash, Chief Mills, Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Treasurer Foster, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, Councilwoman Greendeer,

All those opposed: Councilwoman Brown

Motion passed.

Tribal Council Matters

Discussed.

Tribal Council Compensation

None

TA/Operational Follow-Up

None

Haz Pay Follow

None

Litigation Update

None

Adjournment

Motion Made by Councilman Weeden 2nd by Councilman Tiexeira to adjourn the meeting at 8:30p.m.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cassie D. Jackson

MWTC Secretary

