

## 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, November 10, 2021 – 5:30p.m. -8:00p.m. Available via ZOOM

# Minutes (Approved with edits 12/1/2021)

#### Call to Order

Chairman Brian Weeden called to order the Regular Tribal Council meeting on November 10, 2021 at 5:41p.m. Regular session began at 5:41p.m.

Entered into Executive session at 7:10p.m.

Exited executive session at 7:57p.m.

Regular session ended at 8:01p.m.

#### **Members in attendance**

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

#### **Opening Prayer**

Treasurer Marie Stone

#### **Approval of Agenda**

Motion made by Councilman Weeden  $2^{nd}$  by Secretary Jackson to accept and approve the agenda of November 10, 2021.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

#### **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Motion made by Councilman Weeden  $2^{nd}$  by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to accept and approve meeting minutes of 10/13/2021 with edits.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Hendricks  $2^{nd}$  by Councilman Weeden to accept and approve meeting minutes of 11/3/2021 with edits.

All those in favor: Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey, Treasurer Stone All those abstained: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham Motion passed.

#### **Public Comment**

Crystal Tobey, Walter Frye, Shauna Newcomb, Michelle Mendes, Raymond Peters, Stephanie Tobey-Roderick, Rosalie Newcomb, Kimberly Frye

## Appointments/Resignations

**Base Motion:** *Motion made by Councilman Weeden*  $2^{nd}$  *Councilman Tiexeira to ratify the approval of George Green appointment to the Housing Commission.* 

All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson

All those opposed: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, and Councilman Tobey.

All those not voting: Treasurer Stone

**Amended Motion:** Motion made by Treasurer Stone 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Gonsalves to amend the previous vote to table the ratification of the approval of George Green appointment to the Housing Commission. All those in favor: Edwina Johnson-Graham, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Treasurer Stone All those opposed: Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilman Weeden, and Councilman Tobey
Motion failed

**Final Motion:** Motion made by Councilman Weeden  $2^{nd}$  Councilman Tiexeira to ratify the approval of George Green appointment to the Housing Commission.

All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson

All those opposed: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, and Councilman Tobey.

All those not present: Treasurer Stone

Motion failed.

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham  $2^{nd}$  by Councilman Andrews to accept Nancy Rose resignation from CDC.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

All those not present: Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

#### Gaming Authority

Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to appoint Cassie Jackson to Gaming Authority.

All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira,

Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey

All those not present: Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### Emergency Votes/ Ratifications

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2<sup>nd</sup> by Secretary Jackson to ratify of the consensus approval circulated on 10/13/2021 to allocate \$4k to assist with final arrangements for tribal member B-001-33.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

All those not present: Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson  $2^{nd}$  by Councilman Weeden to ratify the approval on 11/3/2021 of Nutrition grant as presented with edits.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson  $2^{nd}$  by Vice Chairman Hendricks to ratify the approval on 11/3/2021 of 477 grant as presented with edits.

All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman

Tiexeira, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey, Treasurer Stone

All those abstained: Councilwoman Gonsalves.

Motion passed.

## **Operations Update**

Motion made by Councilman Tobey 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Gonsalves that resolution 2013-RES-033 pertaining to the Tribal Administrator will not include interim Tribal Administrator.

All those in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Tobey

All those opposed: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

All those abstained: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Councilman Weeden

*Motion failed.* 

## Finance Update

Update will be provided at November 2021 General Membership Meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## Judge Robert Mills

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2<sup>nd</sup> by Secretary Jackson to accept and approve 2021-RES-074 Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Approval of Supreme Court Judge Contract.

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

All those opposed: Vice Chairman Hendricks

Motion passed.

## Judge J. Morris Contract

**Base Motion:** Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2<sup>nd</sup> by Secretary Jackson to approve 2021-RES-075 Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Contract with Alternate District Court Judge Jan W. Morris.

**Amended Motion**: Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2<sup>nd</sup> by Secretary Jackson to amend the previous motion and table 2021-RES-075 Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Contract with Alternate District Court Judge Jan W. Morris to be able to review information and conduct and interview.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

**Final Motion:** Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2<sup>nd</sup> by Secretary Jackson to table 2021-RES-075 Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Contract with Alternate District Court Judge Jan W. Morris to be able to review information and conduct and interview.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

## Additional meeting dates

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Graham to schedule a Special Tribal Council meeting Tuesday, November 23, 2021 @ 5:30 to take place at the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe, 483 Great Neck Road South, Mashpee, MA 02649 in the Council Chambers for the appointment of the Tribal Administrator and Housing Commission meeting where disciplinary action had taken place.

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

All those abstained: Councilwoman Gonsalves

Motion passed.

## **EXECUTIVE**

Motion made by Councilman Weeden  $2^{nd}$  by Vice Chairman Hendricks to enter into executive session at 7:10p.m.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present

Motion passed.

Exited executive session at 7:57p.m.

# **Enrollment Update**

Motion made by Councilman Tobey  $2^{nd}$  by Councilman Tiexeira that the only time you can request DNA in accordance with ordinance is in the initial application phase.

All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Tobey, Treasurer Stone.

All those opposed: Secretary Jackson, Councilman Weeden

Motion passed.

# Adjournment

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham  $2^{nd}$  by Councilman Tiexeira to adjourn the meeting at 8:01p.m.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cassie D. Jackson

**MWTC Secretary**