



**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 December 1, 2021 – 5:30p.m. -8:00p.m.
Available via ZOOM

Minutes
(Approved 12/8/2021)

Call to Order

Chairman Brian Weeden called to order the Regular Tribal Council meeting on December 1, 2021 at 5:33p.m.
Regular session began at 5:33p.m.
Entered into executive session at 7:13p.m.
Exited executive session at 7:56p.m.
Regular meeting extended to 8:15p.m.
Entered into executive session at 7:57p.m.
Exited executive session at 8:10p.m.
Regular session adjourned at 8:15p.m.

Members in Attendance

Chairman Brian Weeden, Vice Chairman Carlton Hendricks, Jr., Secretary Cassie Jackson, Treasurer Marie Stone, Councilwoman Edwina Johnson, Councilman Domingo Tiexeira, Councilwoman Rita Gonsalves, Councilman Nelson Andrews, Jr., Councilman David Weeden, Councilman Aaron Tobey, Jr., Councilwoman Avant Quorum (11)
Guests: Attorney Rebekah Salguero, Judge Jan Morris, Jennifer Fryar-Sullivan Insurance,

Opening Prayer

Crystal Asiwe

Commencement

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Tiexeira to commence the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Regular Tribal Council Meeting held via zoom on Wednesday, December 1, 2021 @ 5:33p.m.
All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant, Treasurer Stone.
All those not voting: Councilman Weeden
Motion passed

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Tiexeira to accept and approve meeting agenda of December 1, 2021.
All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant, Treasurer Stone.
All those not voting: Councilman Weeden

Motion passes

Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Councilman Andrews 2nd by Vice Chairman Hendricks to accept and approve the meeting minutes of November 10, 2021 with edits.

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

All those abstained: Councilwoman Avant

Motion passes

Motion made by Councilwoman Graham 2nd by Councilman Tiexeira to accept and approve the meeting minutes of November 23, 2021 with edits.

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

All those not voting: Councilman Weeden

Motion passes

Public Comment

Crystal Asiwe, Rosalie Newcomb, Dr. Edward Avant,

Appointments/ Resignations

None

OLD BUSINESS

Emergency votes/Ratifications

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2nd by Councilman Tiexeira to ratify the approval of the recommendation of the MWTGA Board of Directors to appoint Cassie Jackson as Secretary to the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Gaming Authority.

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

All those recused: Secretary Jackson

Motion passed.

Judge J. Morris Contract

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

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

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

Motion passes.

NEW BUSINESS

IT Services

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Tiexeira to lay the IT Services item on the table.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Finance Update

Motion made by Councilman Tiexeira 2nd by Councilman Weeden to approve Funeral Request for Tribal member R-001-42 in the amount of \$4,000.00.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Sullivan Insurance

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Andrews to accept and approve 2021-RES-076 Approval of 2022 Employee Benefits Proposal.

All those in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant, Treasurer Stone

All those Opposed: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Weeden

All those abstained: Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Andrews recommending that we renew our current employee benefits plan.

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

All those opposed: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilman Weeden.

All those abstained: Councilman Tiexeira, Councilwoman Gonsalves.

Motion passed.

Microx Discussion

Tabled

Letter of Support/NPS

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2nd by Councilman Weeden to approve 2021-RES-077 Approval of Letter of Support for the NPS-NCBN Seagrass Research Projects.

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

All those abstained: Councilwoman Gonsalves

Motion passed.

Letter of Support/NSF

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2nd by Councilman Weeden to accept and approve 2021-RES-078 Approval of Letter of Support for the NSF Coastline & People (COPE) Program.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

All those not present: Treasurer Stone.

Motion passed.

Letter of Support/Lumbee Tribe

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Tobey to accept and approve 2021-RES-079 Approval of Letter of Support for the Passage of the Lumbee Tribe Recognition Act.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

All those not present: Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to enter into executive session at 7:13p.m.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

All those not present: Treasurer Stone.

Motion passed.

Enrollment Follow up

Discussed.

Operations Update

Discussed.

Exited executive session at 7:56p.m.

Motion made by Councilman Tiexeira 2nd by Councilman Tobey to extend the regular Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal meeting to 8:15p.m.

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

All those opposed: Secretary Jackson

All those not present: Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Hendricks 2nd by Councilman Tiexeira to enter into executive session at 7:57p.m.

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

All those opposed: Secretary Jackson

All those not present: Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Exited executive at 8:10p.m.

Tribal Administrator

Base Motion: *Motion made by Councilman Tiexeira 2nd by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to accept the appointment of hiring David Greendeer as Tribal Administrator with the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe with a salary up to \$150,000.*

Amendment: *Motion amendment made by Councilman Tobey 2nd by Secretary Jackson to compensate David Greendeer at up to \$160,000.*

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

All those opposed Councilwoman Gonsalves.

Final Motion: *Motion made by Councilman Tiexeira 2nd by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to accept the appointment of hiring David Greendeer as Tribal Administrator with the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe with a salary up to \$160,000.*

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

All those not present: Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Comptroller

Tabled

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:15p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cassie Jackson

MWTC Secretary