



MASHPEE WAMPANOAG TRIBAL COUNCIL  
483 Great Neck Rd. South  
Mashpee, MA 02469  
Via Teleconference call  
Regular Tribal Council Meeting  
March 25, 2020  
Minutes Approved on 4/8/20

**CALL TO ORDER-** Chairman Cromwell    **OPEN PRAYER-** Cedric Cromwell  
Chairman Cedric Cromwell called to order the Regular Tribal Council Meeting of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council at 6:06 pm  
Regular Session began 6:06 pm  
Executive Session at 7:55 pm  
Out of Executive Session at 8:06 pm  
Adjourned at: 8:07pm

**I. HOUSEKEEPING**

Attendance: Cedric Cromwell, , Brian Weeden, Jessie Baird, Gordon Harris, Rita Gonsalves, Carlton Hendricks Jr., Dave Weeden, Aaron Tobey Jr., Yvonne Avant, and Ann Marie Askew (Quorum 10)  
Excused Absence: Winnie Johnson Graham  
Guests: Rebekah Salguero & Kevin Jones

Motion made by Secretary Askew and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice Chair Baird to commence today's Regular Tribal Council meeting on March 25, 2020 at 6:06 pm via teleconference Unanimous by all those present. All those in favor were Secretary Askew, Vice Chair Baird, Treasurer Harris, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman D. Weeden, Councilman Tobey, and Councilwoman Avant. All those opposed were Councilman B. Weeden and Councilman Hendricks. Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilman D. Weeden and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Secretary Askew to accept and approve with edits today's regular Tribal Council meeting agenda on Wednesday March 25, 2020. All those in favor were Secretary Askew, Vice Chair Baird, Treasurer Harris, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman D. Weeden, Councilman Tobey, and Councilwoman Avant. All those opposed were Councilman B. Weeden and Councilman Hendricks. Motion passed.

Discussion was that Tribal Council needs to pass an emergency Ordinance (2009 ORD-009 Sec 8) that would allow Tribal Council to have an emergency meeting via conference call or skype. This will give Tribal Council the ability to conduct the meeting during a crisis.

Attorney Salguero will put together a Resolution for temporary emergency procedure Ordinance will be amended.

The current consensus vote needs to be ratified.

#### Meeting minutes

Motion made by Secretary Askew and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman D. Weeden to accept and Approve with edits meeting minutes for Wednesday 3/6/20. All those in favor were Secretary Askew Vice Chair Baird, Councilman B. Weeden, Treasurer Harris, Councilman D. Weeden, Councilman Tobey, and Councilwoman Avant. All those who abstained were Councilwoman Gonsalves, and Councilman Hendricks.

Public Comment- None

Committees, Commissions & Resignations- None

#### II. Old Business- Ratifications

Motion made by Secretary Askew and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman D, Weeden to accept and approve 2020-RES-023 Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Declaration of a State Of Emergency to respond to COVID-19. Unanimous by all present. Motion passed.

Motion made by Vice Chair Baird and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Secretary Askew to ratify consensus vote for Tribal Council to meet Wednesday 3/25/20 via Tele conference call or skype. Unanimous by all present. Motion passed.

Motion made by Vice Chair Baird and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Gonsalves to remove consensus vote from the table. Unanimous by all those present. Motion passed.

Motion made by Vice Chair Baird and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman D. Weeden to accept and approve with edits 2020-RES-024 approval of Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Emergency procedures for meetings of the Tribal Council General Body. Unanimous by all those present. Motion passed.

III. New Business

Meeting Schedule-

Motion made by Vice Chair Baird and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman D. Weeden to accept and approve Tribal Council Meeting on Wednesday 4/1/20 via teleconference call from 5:00-8:00 pm. Unanimous by all those present. Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Askew and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman B. Weeden to accept and approve Regular Tribal Council meeting on Wednesday 4/8/20 from 5:00-8:00 pm. Unanimous by all those present. Motion passed.

Emergency Management Update (Nelson Andrews)

Nelson Andrews (Director Emergency Management) provide information regarding Reimbursement funds (Stafford).

Adam Burpee was introduced from FEMA and he has been assigned as the federal coordinating officer Region I to the tribe. Mr. Burpee will assist the tribe with securing federal assistance, and provide community support.

Motion made by Vice Chair Baird and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman B. Weeden to accept and approve 2020-RES-025 Approval Of Agreement between Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe and FEMA for State Of Emergency Declaration. Unanimous by all those present. Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Askew and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Avant to accept and approve 2020-RES-026 Amendment to MOU between the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe and the Town Of Mashpee (6 month extension). All those in favor were Councilman B. Weeden, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Hendricks, and Councilwoman Avant. All those who opposed were Vice Chair Baird. All those who abstained were Secretary Askew, Treasurer Harris, and Councilman Tobey. All those who recused were Councilman D. Weeden. Motion passed.

Motion made By Secretary Askew and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Avant to turn recorders off during executive session. All those opposed were Secretary Askew, Vice Chair Baird, Councilman B. Weeden, Treasurer Harris, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Hendricks, Councilman D. Weeden, and Councilman Tobey. All in favor was Councilwoman Avant. Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Askew and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice Chair Baird to go into executive session at 7:55 pm. All those in favor by the sign of "ayes" was unanimous. Motion passed.

**Out of Executive session at 8:06 pm**

Motion made by Vice Chair Baird and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Secretary Askew to extend today's regular Tribal Council meeting until 8:12 pm. Unanimous by all those present. Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Askew and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman B. Weeden to adjourn tonight's meeting at 8:07 pm. Unanimous by all those present by the sign of "ayes".