



MASHPEE WAMPANOAG TRIBE
EMERGENCY TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Community/Government Center
Tribal Council Chambers – 483 Great Neck Rd S – Mashpee, MA 02649
Wednesday, May 26, 2021 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Via ZOOM

Meeting Minutes
(Approved 7/7/2021)

Call to Order:

Chairman Brian Weeden called to order the emergency Tribal Council meeting on May 26, 2021 at 6:23p.m.
Emergency session began at 6:23p.m.
Emergency session adjourned at 8:00p.m.

Opening Prayer:

Crystal Asiwe

HOUSEKEEPING

Members in attendance: Chairman Brian Weeden, Vice Chairman Carlton Hendricks, Jr. (arrived at 6:31p.m.), Secretary Cassie Jackson, Treasurer Marie Stone, Councilwoman Rita Gonsalves, Councilwoman Yvonne Avant, Councilman Aaron Tobey, Jr., Councilman David Weeden (Quorum 8)
Excused absence: Councilwoman Edwina Johnson-Graham
Guests: Attorney Rebekah Salguero, Attorney Reid LeBeau, Attorney Jeff Loeb

Meeting Commencement

Motion made by Treasurer Stone 2nd by Secretary Jackson to commence the Emergency Tribal Council meeting of May 26, 2021 at 6:23p.m.
All in favor: Unanimous by all present.
Motion passed.

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Treasurer Stone to the accept the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council meeting agenda of the May 26, 2021 Emergency Tribal Council Meeting.
All in favor: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilwoman Avant, Councilman Tobey, Councilman Weeden
All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.
Motion passes.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

None

Materials Submitted:

2021-RES-018 with attachments, 2021-RES-019 with attachments, 2021-RES-020 with attachments

Announcements:

- Tribal Council meetings will be phased in for in person meetings as early as next week in the gym
- Please be respectful

- Keep Hendricks family in prayer,
- Keep Pequot Tribal Nation in our prayers. Today is the 384th anniversary of the Mystic Mascre.
- Vice Chairman Hendricks called an Elders meeting Saturday, May 29, 2021 from 11-1p.m. at the Government Center in the gym.
- Tribal Council is planning the General membership June 13, 2021 from 2:00p.m. to 4:00p.m. on the powwow field and taking nomination for Special Tribal Council Elections.

Public Comment

Nancy Rose, David Pocknett, Karen Siegel , Donna Widdis, Jody Keegan, Treasurer Stone

Committees, Commissions, Appointments, Resignations & Removals

None

OLD BUSINESS

Emergency Votes – Extensions-March Emergency Meeting Votes (Last extended on 4/28/2021)

Motion made by Councilwoman Avant 2nd by Councilwoman Gonsalves to Extend Approval of Bridges to Colleges Grant Submittal for an additional 30 days.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All abstentions: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd Councilwoman Avant to Extend Approval of Rescission of 2021-ORD-001 Emergency Election Ordinance for an additional 30 days.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All Abstentions: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilwoman Gonsalves to Extend Approval of Tribal Election Date Change to May 16, 2021 for an additional 30 days.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All Abstentions: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Weeden to Extend Approval of Councilwoman Yvonne Avant as Signatory for an additional 30 days.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Hendricks 2nd by Treasurer Stone to rescind base motion to extend approval of Councilwoman Yvonne Avant as Signatory for an additional 30 days.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All recused: Councilwoman Avant

All Abstentions: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilman Tobey 2nd by Councilwoman Gonsalves to Extend Approval of Councilman Hendricks as Signatory for an additional 30 days.

All in favor: Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilwoman Avant, Councilman Tobey.

All Recused: Vice Chairman Hendricks.

All abstentions: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by ___ 2nd by ___ to Extend Approval of Councilman Brian Weeden as Signatory for an additional 30 days.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All recused: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by ___ 2nd by ___ to Extend Acceptance and Approval of Resignation of Darlene Scott from Election Committee for an additional 30 days.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All abstentions: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2nd by Councilwoman Gonsalves to Extend Acceptance and Approval of Resignation of Allyssa Hathaway from Election Committee for an additional 30 days.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All abstentions: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilman Tobey 2nd by Vice Chairman Hendricks to Extend Acceptance and Approval of Removal of Elsie Pocknett from Election Committee for 2021 Tribal Election for an additional 30 days.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All abstentions: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Vice Chairman Hendricks to Extend Acceptance and Approval of Ariel Perry to Election Committee for an additional 30 days.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All abstentions: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Weeden to Extend Acceptance and Approval of Domingo Tavares to Election Committee for an additional 30 days.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All abstentions: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilwoman Gonsalves to Extend Acceptance and Approval of Robin Tobey to Election Committee for an additional 30 days.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All abstentions: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd Councilman Weeden to Extend Acceptance and Approval of Walter Frye to Election Committee for an additional 30 days.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All abstentions: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Extension of Town of Mashpee Public Services MOU

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd Treasurer Stone to accept and approve 2021-RES-018 Emergency Approval of Sixth Extension to Memorandum of Understanding with Town of Mashpee.

All in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Housing Update-RGB

Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2nd by Secretary Jackson to vote and approve payment not to exceed \$149,175 for services rendered.

All in favor: Secretary Jackson, Councilman Weeden

All opposed: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Tobey.

All abstentions: Treasurer Stone

Motion fails.

Special Election Update

Discussed.

Approval of NAAF Grant Submission

Motion made by Councilman Tobey 2nd by Treasurer Stone to approve 2021-RES-019 Approval of Native American Agriculture Fund Grant.

All in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passes.

Approval of Contract with Rich May (Gooseberry Trust v Tribe)

Motion made by Treasurer Stone 2nd by Secretary Jackson to approve 2021-RES-020 Emergency Resolution Approving Engagement Letter with Rich May.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Tobey.

All recused: Councilman Weeden

Motion passes.

Financial Assessment - Status

Discussed.

Next Tribal Council meeting

June 2, 2021

Adjournment

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilman Tobey to adjourn the Emergency Tribal Council meeting at 8:00p.m.

All in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cassie Jackson
Secretary

Approved with edits: July 7, 2021