



**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 16, 2021
5:30p.m.-8:00p.m.
Also Via ZOOM

**Meeting Minutes
(Revised and Approved 7/7/2021)**

Call to Order

Chairman Brian Weeden called to order the Regular Tribal Council Meeting on June 16, 2021 at 5:38p.m.
Regular session began at 5:44p.m.
Entered into executive session at 7:46p.m.
Exited executive session at 8:00p.m.
Regular session adjourned at 8:04p.m.

Opening Prayer

Councilman David Weeden

HOUSEKEEPING

Members in attendance: Chairman Brian Weeden, Vice Chairman Carlton Hendricks, Jr., Secretary Cassie Jackson, Treasurer Marie Stone, Councilwoman Rita Gonsalves, Councilman David Weeden, Councilman Aaron Tobey, Jr., Councilwoman Yvonne Avant, Councilwoman Edwina Johnson-Graham (Quorum 9)
Guest: Attorney Rebekah Salguero, John Mulvaney, Jr., Mike Smith

Meeting Commencement

Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2nd by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to commence the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Regular Tribal Council Meeting held at the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Community and Government Center located at 483 Great Neck Road South, Mashpee, MA 02649 on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 5:38p.m.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Accept Agenda

Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2nd by Secretary Jackson to approve the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council Regular Tribal Council agenda for June 16, 2021.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Councilwoman Avant 2nd by Councilman Weeden to approve with edits the emergency meeting minutes of January 7, 2021.

All those in favor: Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All those opposed: Vice Chairman Hendricks

All those abstained: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone.

Motion passes.

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2nd by Councilwoman Avant to approve with edits the regular meeting minutes of January 11, 2021.

All those in favor: Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All those opposed: Vice Chairman Hendricks

All those abstained: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilwoman Avant 2nd by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to approve with edits the emergency meeting minutes of January 25, 2021.

All those in favor: Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All those opposed: Vice Chairman Hendricks

All those abstained: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion Failed.

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2nd by Councilwoman Avant to approve with edits the special meeting minutes of March 18, 2021.

All those in favor: Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All those opposed: Vice Chairman Hendricks

All those abstained: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilwoman Gonsalves 2nd by Councilwoman Avant to approve with edits the emergency meeting minutes of March 22, 2021.

All those in favor: Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All those opposed: Vice Chairman Hendricks

All those abstained: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Materials Submitted

I.H.S. NOFA, 2021-RES-029 with attachments, 2021-RES-030 with attachments, 2021-RES-031 with attachments, 2021-RES-032 with attachments, 2021-RES033 with attachments, 2021-RES-034 with attachments, 2021-ORD-003

Public Comment

David Pocknett, Laura Miranda,

Committees/Commissions-Appointments, Resignations & Removals

Enrollment Committee

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to appoint Gina Marcellino to the Enrollment Committee for a 3 year term.

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

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

Tie vote broken by Chairman Weeden voting in opposition.

Motion failed.

Motion made by Councilman Tobey 2nd Councilwoman Gonsalves to appoint Daryl Frye to the Enrollment Committee for a 3 year term.

All those in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Treasurer Stone, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Tobey

All those opposed: Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Councilman Weeden.

All those abstained: Secretary Jackson

Tie vote broken by Chairman Weeden voting in favor.

Motion passes.

Election Committee

Motion made by Councilman Tobey 2nd by Vice Chairman Hendricks to appoint Karen Siegel to the Election Committee.

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

All those opposed: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Johnson-Graham.

Tie vote broken by Chairman Weeden voting in favor.

Motion passes.

Motion made by Councilwoman Avant 2nd by Councilman Weeden to appoint Yvonne Tobey to Election Committee.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passes.

Community Development Corporation

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2nd by Councilwoman Avant to appoint Vanessa Lopes to the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Community Development Corporation.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Announcement:

Councilman Weeden announced that there are open seats on the Housing Commission.

OLD BUSINESS

Ratifications/Consensus Votes

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2nd by Councilwoman Avant to accept and approve the consensus vote taken to approve a waiver request for Councilman Weeden to receive a stipend from the Education Step Grant associated with providing an interpretive tour to a group from Lee University on 5/15/2021.

Ratifications/Emergency votes

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2nd by Councilwoman Avant to Ratify March 22, 2021 approval of Bridges to Colleges Grant Submittal.

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

All those abstained: Treasurer Stone, Councilman Weeden.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilwoman Gonsalves 2nd by Vice Chairman Hendricks to Ratify March 22, 2021 approval of Recission of 2021-ORD-001 Emergency Election.

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

All those abstained: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Hendricks 2nd Councilwoman Gonsalves to Ratify March 22, 2021 approval of Tribal Election Date Change to May 16, 2021.

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

All those abstained: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilwoman Gonsalves 2nd by Councilwoman Avant to Ratify March 30, 2021 approval of Councilman Hendricks as Signatory.

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

All those abstained: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone, Councilwoman Johnson-Graham.

All those recused: Vice Chairman Hendricks

Tie vote broken by Chairman Weeden in favor.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Hendricks 2nd by Councilwoman Avant to Ratify March 30, 2021 approval of Councilman Brian Weeden as Signatory.

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

All those abstained: Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone

Motion passed.

Special Election Update

Motion made by Councilman Tobey 2nd by Vice Chairman Hendricks to extend nominations until Friday, June 18, 2021.

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

All those opposed: Treasurer Stone, Councilwoman Johnson Graham, Councilman Weeden.

Motion passes.

Engagement letter with Jacobson Law

Motion made by Councilwoman Avant 2nd by Secretary Jackson to approve 2021-RES-032, Approval of Engagement letter with Jacobson Law Group.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilman Tobey 2nd by Vice Chairman Hendricks to amend base motion to approve 2021 RES-032 Approval of Engagement letter with Jacobson Law Group to reflect “payment up to the amount of \$15k”.

All in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Emergency Tribal Ordinance

Motion made by Treasurer Stone 2nd by Councilwoman Gonsalves to table 2021-ORD-003, Emergency Tribal Ordinance Amending the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Election Ordinance for the 2021 Special Election.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Treasurer Stone 2nd by Councilwoman Gonsalves to approve for 2021-ORD-003, Emergency Tribal Ordinance Amending the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Election Ordinance for the 2021 Special Election to be written by the Election Attorney Jacobson Law.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone, Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Weeden

All those opposed: Councilman Tobey

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2nd by Councilwoman Avant to take from the table 2021-ORD-003, Emergency Tribal Ordinance Amending the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Election Ordinance for the 2021 Special Election.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilwoman Gonsalves 2nd by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to approve 2021-ord-003, Emergency Tribal Ordinance Amending the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Election Ordinance for the 2021 Special Election.

All in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

JAED Contract

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2nd by Councilman Weeden to approve 2021-RES-033, Approval of Agreement Between Tribe and Architect Studio JAED.

All in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Financial Assessment - Status

Discussed.

CBIZ Engagement Letter

Motion made by Vice Chairman Hendricks 2nd by Treasurer Stone to approve 2021-RES-029, Approval of Consultant Fee Agreement with CBIZ Accounting, Tax & Advisory of New York for Accounting Related Services.

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

All those abstained: Councilwoman Avant, Councilwoman Johnson-Graham.

Motion passed.

Jackson & Lewis Engagement Letter

Motion made by Vice Chairman Hendricks 2nd by Secretary Jackson to approve 2021-RES-030, Approval of Supplemental Engagement Letter with Jackson Lewis.

All those in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

I.H.S. Expansion Response

Discussed.

Approval of Clerk of the works contract Extension

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2nd by Councilman Weeden to approve 2021-RES-031, Approval of Agreement Between the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe and Miles Bernadett Peters for Clerk of Work Services.

All in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

TA Duties/Responsibilities

Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2nd by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to appoint Imani Frye as Interim TA.

All in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Job Descriptions

Tabled

Council Pay

Tabled

Judiciary Laws for Tribal Court

Tabled

EXECUTIVE

Cornerstone Proposal

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Treasurer Stone to enter into executive session at 7:46p.m.

All in favor: unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Exited executive session at 8:00p.m.

Meeting Extension

Motion made by Councilwoman Avant 2nd Vice Chairman Hendricks to extend regular meeting to 8:10p.m.

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

All those opposed: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham

Motion passed.

Motion made by Secretary Jackson 2nd by Vice Chairman Hendricks to approve 2021-RES-034, Approval of Service Agreement with Cornerstone Government Affairs.

All in favor: Vice Chairman Hendricks, Secretary Jackson, Treasurer Stone, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey.

All those opposed: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham

All those abstained: Councilwoman Avant

All those recused: Councilwoman Gonsalves

Motion passed.

184 Properties

Tabled

Motion made by Councilwoman Gonsalves 2nd by Secretary Jackson to adjourn regular meeting at 8:04p.m.

All in favor: Unanimous by all present.

Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cassie Jackson
Secretary

Approved with edits: July 7, 2021