



MASHPEE WAMPANOAG TRIBAL COUNCIL

483 Great Neck Rd. South

Mashpee, MA 02469

Tribal Council Chambers

Regular Meeting

August 12, 2020

Via Zoom Conference

5:30-8:00 pm

I. CALL TO ORDER- Chairman Cromwell OPEN PRAYER- Winnie Johnson Graham

Chairman Cedric Cromwell called to order the Regular Meeting of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council.

Regular Session began at: 5:44 pm

Executive Session began at: 7:53 pm

Out of Executive session at 7:59 pm

Adjourned at: 8:03 pm

II. HOUSEKEEPING

Attendance: Cedric Cromwell, Winnie Graham, Brian Weeden, Gordon Harris, Rita Gonsalves, Carlton Hendricks, David Weeden, Aaron Tobey Jr., Yvonne Avant, and Ann Marie Askew Quorum (10)

- a. Excused Absence: Jessie Baird
- b. Guests were: Attorney's Rebekah Salguero, Shellie Tobey (Housing Director) Tom Friend & Corrine Wilson (REDW), Ben Wish (Todd & Weld).
- c. Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson Graham and 2nd by Secretary Ann Marie Askew to commence today's Regular Tribal Council Meeting at 5:44 pm on Wednesday August 12, 2020. All those in favor were Councilwoman Johnson Graham, Treasurer Harris, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Hendricks, Councilman D. Weeden, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant, and Secretary Askew. All those who opposed were Councilman B. Weeden. Motion passed.
- d. Motion made by Secretary Askew, and 2nd by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to accept today's regular Tribal Council meeting agenda with edits on Wednesday 8/12/20. Unanimous by all those present. Motion passed.
- e. Motion to amend the agenda made by Secretary Askew and 2nd by Councilwoman Johnson Graham to add Damien Anderson's funeral to the

agenda to ratify a consensus vote that was previously taken. Unanimous by all those present. Motion passed.

III. MEETING MINUTES

Motion made by Secretary Askew and 2nd by Councilman B. Weeden to accept and approve with edits meeting minutes for Wednesday 6/24/20. All those in favor were Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Councilman B. Weeden, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman D. Weeden, Councilman Tobey, and Secretary Askew. All those who abstained were Treasurer Harris, Councilman Hendricks, and Secretary Askew. Motion passed.

Motion made Councilman B. Weeden and 2nd by Councilwoman Johnson Graham to accept and approve with edits meeting minutes for Wednesday 7/1/20. All those in favor were Councilwoman Jonson Graham, Councilman B. Weeden, Treasurer Harris, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman D. Weeden, and Councilman Tobey. All those who abstained were Councilman Hendricks, Councilwoman Avant, and Secretary Askew. Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilman B. Weeden and 2nd by Councilwoman Johnson Graham to accept and approve with edits meeting minutes for Wednesday 7/8/2020. All those in favor were Councilwoman Johnson Graham, Councilman B. Weeden, Treasurer Harris, Councilman D. Weeden, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant, and Secretary Askew. All those who abstained were Councilwoman Gonsalves, and Councilman Hendricks. Motion passed.

Public Comment –None

Committees, Commissions & Resignations

Motion made by Councilman B. Weeden and 2nd by Secretary Askew to accept and approve Winona Pocknett to the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe's Housing commission. All those in favor were unanimous. Motion passed.

There still remains 1 open seat on the housing commission.

IV. Old Business Ratifications

Motion made Councilwoman Johnson Graham and 2nd by Councilman B. Weeden to accept and approve for Damien Anderson to be buried at the Mashpee Wampanoag

Old Indian Meeting House cemetery. All those in favor were Councilwoman Johnson Graham, Councilman B. Weeden, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Hendricks, Councilman D. Weeden, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant, and Secretary Askew. All those abstained were Treasurer Harris. Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson Graham and 2nd by Councilwoman Gonsalves to ratify the General Welfare dispersement for tribal members 17 years and under. All those in favor were by Councilwoman Johnson Graham, Councilman B. Weeden, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Hendricks, Councilman D. Weeden, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant, and Secretary Askew. All those opposed were Treasurer Harris. Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson Graham and 2nd by Secretary Askew to amend motion to ratify 2nd dispersement for Tribal members 18 years and over for an additional \$700.00 and totaling the amount to \$2500.00. All those in favor were Councilwoman Johnson Graham, Councilman Hendricks, Councilwoman Avant, and Secretary Askew. All those opposed were Councilman D. Weeden, and Councilman Tobey. All those abstained were Councilman B. Weeden and Treasurer Harris. Motion passed.

Motion to accept and approve 2020-RES-048 approval of MW Tribal Covid-19 Emergency assistance program and general welfare benefit program.

Motion made by Councilman B. Weeden and 2nd by Secretary Askew to table the resolution. Unanimous by all present. Motion passed.

V. Schedule Tribal Council Meetings

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson Graham and 2nd by Councilman D. Weeden to accept and approve Wednesday 8/19/2020 a regular scheduled Tribal Council meeting via zoom from 5:30-8:00 pm. All those in favor were Councilwoman Johnson Graham, Councilman B. Weeden, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman D. Weeden, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant, and Secretary Askew. All those opposed were Councilman Hendricks. All those abstained were Treasurer Harris. Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson Graham and 2nd by Secretary Askew to accept and approve a regular scheduled tribal council meeting on Wednesday 8/26/20 via zoom from 5:30-8:00 pm. All those in favor were Councilwoman Johnson

Graham, Councilman B. Weeden, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman D. Weeden, Councilman Tobey, and Councilwoman Avant. All those opposed were Councilman Hendricks and Secretary Askew. All those abstained were Treasurer Harris. Motion passed.

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson Graham and 2nd by Councilman B. Weeden to accept and approve a regular scheduled tribal council meeting on Wednesday 9/9/20 via zoom from 5:50-8:00 pm. All those in favor were Councilwoman Johnson Graham, Councilman B. Weeden, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman D. Weeden, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant, and Secretary Askew. All those opposed were Treasurer Harris. All those who abstained were Councilman Hendricks. Motion passed.

VI. **Housing Update- Shellie Tobey (Housing Director)**

- Construction- water on floors- rectified
- Mold in Houses- was rectified
- Question presented for clarification- Dave Green working under John Racine or RGB
- Who's the general manager- what they're receiving for pay
 - RGB's role

Housing director Shellie Tobey will send a copy of RGB's contract to Tribal Councilors For review.

Motion made by Councilwoman Avant and 2nd by Councilman D. Weeden to extend Tonight's meeting until 8:30 pm. All those in favor were Councilwoman Johnson Councilman D. Weeden, Councilman Tobey, and Councilwoman Avant. All those Opposed were Councilman B. Weeden, Treasurer Harris, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Hendricks, and Secretary Askew. Motion failed.

Motion made by Secretary Askew and 2nd by Councilwoman Jonson Graham to go Into executive session at 7:53 pm. All those in favor were Councilwoman Johnson Graham, Treasurer Harris, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Hendricks, Councilman D. Weeden, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant, and Secretary Askew. All those who opposed were Councilman B. Weeden. Motion passed.

Out of Executive at 7:59 pm

Motion made by Councilman D. Weeden and 2nd by Councilwoman Avant to accept and approve Todd & Weld to accept service of the grand jury subpoena .

All those in favor were Councilwoman Johnson Graham, and Councilman D. Weeden.

All those who oppose were Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Hendricks, Councilman Tobey, and Councilwoman Avant. All those who abstained were Councilman B. Weeden, Treasurer Harris, and Secretary Askew. Motion failed.

Motion made by Councilman B. Weeden and 2nd by Secretary Askew to reconsider the last vote taken at the next Tribal Council meeting regarding Todd & Weld accepting service for the grand jury subpoena . All those in favor were Councilwoman Johnson Graham, Councilman B. Weeden, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman D. Weeden, Councilwoman Avant, and Secretary Askew. All those who opposed were Councilman Hendricks, and Councilman Tobey, All those who abstained were Treasurer Harris. Motion passed.

Motion made By Secretary Askew and 2nd by Councilman B. Weeden to adjourn at 8:03 pm. All in favor by the sign of "ayes". Motion passed.