

# 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, September 15, 2021 – 5:30p.m. -8:00p.m. Also Available via ZOOM

#### Minutes

(Approved 10/13/2021)

# **Call to Order**

Chairman Brian Weeden called to order the Regular Tribal Council Meeting on September 15, 2021 at 5:39p.m. Regular session began at 5:39p.m. Entered into executive session at 6:58p.m. Exited executive session at 7:57p.m. Regular session extended to 8:15p.m. Entered into executive session at 7:58p.m. Exited executive session at 8:15p.m. Regular session ended at 8:15p.m.

# Members in attendance

Chairman Brian Weeden, Vice Chairman Carlton Hendricks, Jr., Secretary Cassie Jackson, Treasurer Marie Stone, Councilwoman Edwina Johnson-Graham, Councilman Domingo Tiexeira (via zoom), Councilwoman Rita Gonsalves, Councilman Nelson Andrews, Jr., Councilman David Weeden, Councilman Aaron Tobey, Jr., Councilwoman Yvonne Avant (arrived at 5:52p.m.) Guest: Attorney Rebekah Salguero

# **Opening Prayer**

Rabbit Clan Mother Marlene Lopez

# Commencement

Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2<sup>nd</sup> by Secretary Jackson to commence tonight's Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Regular Tribal Council meeting held at the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Community and Government Center at 483 Great Neck Rd S – Mashpee, MA 02649 on Wednesday, September 15, 2021. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present. (Councilwoman Avant not present during vote). Motion passed.

# **Approval of Agenda**

Motion made by Councilman Weeden 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Andrews to accept and approve the meeting agenda of 9/15/2021 with edits to reflect the addition of NCAI resolution under new business under CDC shareholders discussion.

All those in favor: unanimous by all present. (Councilwoman Avant not present during vote). Motion passed.

# **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Motion made by Treasurer Stone 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Gonsalves to accept and approve the meeting minutes of September 8, 2021. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present. (Councilwoman Avant not present during vote). Motion passed.

**Public Comment** Michelle Tobey, Rosalie Newcomb

#### **Committees, Commissions, Appointments**

Motion made by Councilwoman Gonsalves 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice Chairman Hendricks to accept the resignation of Yvonne Tobey submitted 9/14/2021 from the election committee. All those in favor: Unanimous by all(Councilwoman Avant was not present for vote) **Motion passed.** 

**OLD BUSINESS** 

Emergency Votes/ Ratifications None

Andrew Mellon Foundation Grant Submittal

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Andrews to accept and approve 2021-RES-064 Andrew W. Mello Foundations (Public Knowledge Program) call for Proposal to Community-Based Archives with edits. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present. Motion passed.

Financial Update Discussed.

Operations Update Discussed.

Education Update

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Andrews to approve 186 Meetinghouse Rd., Mashpee, MA 02649 as the official address for the Child Care Facility. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present. Motion passed.

#### Enrollment Committee

Motion made by Treasurer Stone 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Avant to add the Enrollment Committee moratorium to November 10, 2021 agenda. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present. Motion passed.

<u>Election Committee Follow Up</u> Motion made by Treasurer Stone 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice Chairman Hendricks to suspend Francis Dottin for 90 days preventing her eligibility from any committees. Motion died. Motion made by Treasure Stone 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Avant to rescind previous motion to suspend Francis Dottin for 90 days preventing her eligibility from any committees. All in favor: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant, Treasurer Stone. All those opposed: Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks All those recused: Councilman Tiexeira, Motion passed.

**Base:** Motion made by Treasurer Stone 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Gonsalves to issue the formal Chairwoman Francis Dottin a notice regarding improper conduct. (Accessing ballots after resignation).

Amendment: Motion made by Councilman Tobey 2<sup>nd</sup> by Treasurer Stone to amend the previous motion to include all election committee members of the election committee to include Allyssa Hathaway, Darlene Scott, Elsie Pocknett, and Francis Dottin. All those in favor: Secretary Jackson, Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey, Treasurer Stone. All those opposed: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Vice Chairman Hendricks All those abstained: Councilwoman Avant All those recused: Councilman Tiexeira

**Final:** Motion made by Treasurer Stone 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Gonsalves to issue all former Election Committee members which includes Allyssa Hathaway, Darlene Scott, Elsie Pocknett, and Francis Dottin a notice regarding improper conduct.(Accessing ballots after resignation) All those in favor: Councilwoman Gonsalves, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Weeden, Councilman Tobey, Councilwoman Avant, Treasurer Stone. All those opposed: Councilwoman Johnson-Graham, Secretary Jackson, Vice Chairman Hendricks. All those recused: Councilman Tiexeira. Motion passed.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Building Official Extension**

Motion made by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to accept and approve 2021-RES-063 Approval of Temporary Appointment of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Building Official with edits (to identify the specified buildings and dates for which the official will inspect). All in favor: Unanimous by all present. Motion passed.

#### CDC/Shareholders Discussion

Motion made by Treasure Stone 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham to call Special Shareholders meeting at September 22, 2021 at 5:30-8p. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present. Motion passed.

Motion made by Treasurer Stone 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Johnson-Graham accept and approve 2021-RES-065 NCAI Resolution in Support of Nantucket Sound National Register Listing as a Traditional Cultural Property. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present. Motion passed.

#### EXECUTIVE

Motion made by Treasure Stone 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Gonsalves to enter into executive session at 6:58p.m. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present. Motion passed.

Exited executive session at 7:57p.m.

Motion made by Treasurer Stone 2<sup>nd</sup> by Secretary Jackson to extend the meeting to 8:15p.m. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present. Motion passed.

Motion made by Treasurer Stone 2<sup>nd</sup> by Secretary Jackson to enter into executive session at 7:58p.m. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present. Motion passed.

Exited executive session at 8:15p.m.

#### 9 Deborah Bottle Rd. Discussion

Motion made by Councilwoman Avant 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Tiexeira to serve tenants at 9 Deborah Bottle Rd., Mashpee, MA 02649 with notice to vacate. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present. Motion passed.

Housing Commission Discussed.

Gaming Authority Follow Up Discussed.

<u>Tribal Council Issues Follow Up</u> Tabled.

#### Adjournment

Motion made by Treasurer Stone 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Avant to adjourn the meeting at 8:15p.m. All those in favor: Unanimous by all present. (Councilwoman Johnson-Graham not present during vote) Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted, **Cassie D. Jackson** MWTC Secretary