

MACPRA Meeting Minutes
March 23, 2005
Dancing Eagles Resort
Watersmeet, MI 49969

Roll Call: Meeting called to order by Chairman Pavalat at 9:15 a.m. Those present were as follows: Cecil Pavalat/SSM, Diane Charron/KBIC, Beverly Lussier/KBIC, Myrtle Tolonen/KBIC, Earl Meshigaug/ Hannahville, Marty Curtis Jr./KBIC, Paul Campbell, Calumet/Lac La Belle, Ruth Antone/LVD, Derek Bailey/ GTB, Summer Cohen/KBIC, Lisa Cronick/ Front 40, Stephenson, Roger LaBine/ LVD, Glen Lamberg/USDA-NRCS.

Opening: Smudge and Prayer by Cecil Pavalat/SSM

Welcome: By Roger LaBine, Vice-Chair, Lac Vieux Desert

Introductions: Those present introduced themselves.

Minutes from previous meeting were read and were changes as follows: Page 2, #3 to Jesse Luttenton to write grant instead of Summer Cohen. Motion by Summer Cohen/KBIC to make corrections, 2nd by Ruth Antone/LVD, minutes will be corrected.

Old Business:

Update on Novi Discovery:

- Second opinion was upheld
- Reburial will be in May at Mount Pleasant, possibly May 23rd.
- Remains are being cared for and in the possession of Joe Mitchell in Harbor Springs. Cecil, Earl, Joe received the remains
- Plans for PR and a Press Release are underway
- Suggested that we give a gift to landowner who turned over the remains
- Contact Cecil or Sharon re: gift

Non-Profit Status:

Update: Tabled at this meeting, but progress is being made, Donna Budnick and Winnay and Nick on working on this.

Secretary Position Change:

Sharon Detz who was our previous Secretary agreed to re-assume her position and will be able to be involved with MACPRA once again.

KBIC Update on Grant Application:

Grant was written for our training and submitted on March 1, 2005

Copies will be distributed to members

Asked for advice for articles left in office of former Chairman, the group referred the issue to Wes Andrews or Staff at MTU.

New Business:

Emerald Ash Borer/ Glen Lamberg: Spoke about this problem and his concerns about the Southern Tribes re: emerald ash borer. This covers black, white, green and blue ash. Spoke of seed collection for storage. Glen is encouraging Tribal interest and participation in the project. Jeff Kitchens at KBIC and Glen Lamberg could utilize the MACPRA website to distribute information re: emerald ash borer. Possibly adding links on the MACPRA website with the information on this issue.

Lac La Belle Issue: Paul Campbell/Calumet regarding Lac La Belle, See attached handouts. There is a request that MACPRA assist on this issue. Bernard Glieberman, Lonnie Glieberman, and KBIC to work together on their concerns. They will meet with KBIC Cultural Committee on March 30, 2005 regarding their concerns. Motion by Summer/KBIC to draft a resolution to request a consultation between KBIC and the Lake Superior Land Company/International Paper, Crosswinds Comm. 2nd by Roger LaBine. Motion Approved.

Menominee, MI, Lake Township issues: Front 40 representatives spoke about the development in that area and how the White Rapids Settlement, sacred sites, burial sites, and garden sites would be disturbed. Earl M./Hannahville said he knew of these sites as they are recorded in the Hannahville Potawatomi history and referred to as the 60 Islands property.

Next Meeting: Site to be determined.

Close Meeting: Motion by Myrtle Tolonen to adjourn and 2nd by Earl Meshigaug. Adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Meeting minutes taken by Roger LaBine, and transcribed by giiwegiizhigookway.