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BAD RIVER TRIBAL COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION NO. 11-5-80-135

BINGO OPERATIONS

- WHEREAS, The Bad River Tribal Council is the governing body of the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds that worthy civic and charitable projects are from time to time in need of financial support, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council desires the establishment of a bingo operation, conducted under the auspices of the tribal government, for the purpose of providing such support, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council deems it necessary and desirable to promulgate rules and regulations for the control of such a bingo operation, and
- WHEREAS, such a bingo operation is now functioning without adequate rules and regulations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bad River Tribal Council hereby enacts the following ordinance, establishing a Bingo Committee to operate under the rules and regulations prescribed herein.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin, hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of 7 members, of whom 6 members, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting hereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 5th day of Nov., 1980; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 5 members, 0 against, 0 abstaining, and that the said resolution has not been rescinded or amended.

Barbara Livingston
Barbara Livingston, Secretary
Bad River Tribal Council

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BINGO ORDINANCE

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

- (1) ALLOCATION means any expenditure of the Committee, other than to meet operating cost, made for the purposes enumerated in ARTICLE VII, Section IV.
- (2) BINGO means a game of chance in which players pay a consideration in order to participate, in which 75 numbered objects are available for selection, and those objects actually selected are selected on a random basis, and in which each player participates by means of cards sold, rented or used only at the time and place of the game, each card containing 5 rows of 5 spaces each, each space printed with a number from 1 to 75 except the central space, which is marked "FREE". Winners are determined and prizes awarded on the basis of possessing a bingo card on which some combination of numbers are printed and conform to the numbered objects selected at random based on a predetermined winning arrangement. "Bingo" as used in this chapter shall not mean any game using free cards and donated prizes, if any, for which no payment of consideration is made by players.
- (3) CALLER means an individual who by means of a mechanical device randomly selects numbers and announces them to players.
- (4) CHECKER means an individual who verifies a player's claim to have won a game.
- (5) COUNCIL means the Tribal Council of the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians.
- (6) RESERVATION means all lands within the exterior boundaries of the Bad River Reservation.
- (7) SESSION means a single gathering at which a series of bingo games is played.
- (8) TRIBE means the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians.

ARTICLE II NAME

Section I. A committee is hereby established which shall be known as the Bad River Bingo Committee.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

Section I. The Committee shall consist of seven voting members, all of whom shall be adult members of the Bad River Tribe.

Section II. Members shall serve terms of two years.

Section III. There shall be no limitation on the number of successive terms a member may serve.

Section IV. The Tribal Council shall, at the April Council meeting, make the annual appointments to the committee, beginning in 1981.

Section V. The present Committee shall serve until properly replaced by appointment. The Council shall appoint, upon enactment of this ordinance, a number of committee members sufficient to bring the present committee membership to seven.

Section VI. Seats on the Committee shall be numbered one through seven. After the Council shall have made appointments pursuant to ARTICLE III, Section 5, the Committee shall determine by lot the numbered seat which each member shall occupy. Seats one, two, and three shall be open for reappointment or replacement in 1982 and biennially thereafter. Seats four, five, six, and seven shall be open for reappointment or replacement in 1983 and biennially thereafter.

Section VII. Vacancies shall be filled within thirty days of their occurrence by the Tribal Council.

Section VIII. Removal of members for cause is expressly reserved to the Tribal Council, provided, that two consecutive unexcused absences from regular committee meetings shall constitute cause.

Section VIIII. All appointments shall be made in consultation with the Committee.

Section X. All Committee members shall be bonded, the cost of the bond to be paid from committee funds.

ARTICLE IV POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE

Section I. The Committee shall be the sole operator of Bingo games on the Reservation.

Section II. The Committee shall have full authority to hire incidental labor from time to time, and to appoint non-voting, working advisors as it shall deem necessary.

Section III. The Committee shall maintain financial records, which shall be available for inspection by tribal members upon request, showing gross receipts per bingo session, prize money awarded in each game and during each session, and net proceeds per session. At the close of each bingo session, the Committee shall count the net proceeds and immediately place them in possession of the Tribal Treasurer, who shall account for them as hereinafter provided.

Section IV. The Committee shall submit quarterly reports of all operations to the Council, said reports to include a statement of progress, financial records as provided in ARTICLE IV, Section III, above, and committee minutes. Reports shall be submitted to the Council at its February, March, August, and November meetings.

Section V. The Committee may make rules necessary for its operation such as do not conflict with any provision herein.

Section VI. In conjunction with bingo sessions the Committee may run concessions, novelty sales, and raffles and may authorize other organizations to do the same. X

Section VII. All activities of the Committee are subject to review by the Council.

ARTICLE V MEETINGS

Section I. The Committee shall conduct a regular meeting once a month in the first full week of each month, the day, place, and time to be established by the committee, such information to be transmitted to the Secretary or Chairman of the Tribal Community Center, at least five days before said meeting.

Section II. The Committee may hold emergency meetings as may be required, provided that no financial commitment exceeding \$300.00 shall be entered into at such a meeting.

Section III. The Bingo Committee shall maintain an accurate record of all meetings, and shall make all records available to the Tribal Council.

ARTICLE V MEETINGS (CONT)

Section IV. The Bingo Committee shall receive a per diem payment for each game session, such amount to be determined from time to time by the Tribal Council.

Section V. All records and minutes of meetings, shall be open to inspection by the public.

Section VI. All meetings shall be open to the public.

Section VII. Five members shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of Committee business.

ARTICLE VI OFFICERS AND DUTIES

Section I. Chairperson. The Bingo Committee shall select a chairperson annually, at the first meeting after annual appointments by the Tribal Council. The Chairperson shall serve for a term of one year, shall preside at all Committee meetings, shall be the supervisor for all staff, and shall be the official contact person for the Tribal Council. The Chairperson shall be responsible for the safekeeping of all bingo equipment.

Section II. Vice-Chairperson. The Bingo Committee shall select a vice-chairperson annually, at the first meeting after appointments by the Tribal Council. The vice-chairperson shall assume the responsibilities of the chairperson in his absence.

Section III. Secretary. The Bingo Committee shall select a secretary annually, at the first meeting after annual appointments by the Tribal Council. The secretary shall maintain all records of the Bingo Committee.

Section IV. Treasurer. The Bingo Committee shall select a treasurer annually, at the first meeting after annual appointments by the Tribal Council. The treasurer shall be responsible for all financial records of the committee and shall submit quarterly reports to the Tribal Council.

Section V. All Bingo Committee correspondence shall be signed by the chairperson and shall be made a part of board minutes.

ARTICLE VII FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

Section I. The Tribal Treasurer shall receive all net proceeds at the close of each bingo session, and shall maintain a separate ledger for the bingo operation. The Tribal Treasurer shall present to the Council a monthly financial report showing weekly receipts and itemizing monthly expenditures.

ARTICLE VII FINANCIAL OPERATIONS (CONT)

Section II. All proceeds from bingo games, novelty sales concessions, and raffles conducted by the Committee shall be treated as gross revenue.

Section III. All proceeds generated by the Committee shall be disbursed as hereinafter provided. No game or session shall be dedicated to a specific purpose.

Section IV. After providing for expenses necessary to maintain the bingo operations, proceeds generated by the Committee shall be allocated for the following purposes, provided, that nothing herein shall require the Committee to expend its funds within any particular period of time.

- (a) Civic improvement
- (b) Senior citizens projects
- (c) Charitable causes
- (d) Community athletics

Section V. All persons and organizations seeking allocations from Committee funds shall notify the Secretary of the Committee by informing the Secretary of the amount of funds requested and the purpose for which funds are requested. Requests for funds to purchase goods or services must be accompanied by a written estimate from the expected supplier. All requests properly made shall be placed on the agenda of the next regular meeting, provided, that under exigent circumstances funds may be allocated at an emergency meeting of the Committee.

Section VI. All expenditures of proceeds shall be with the advice and consent of the Council, provided, that all operating expenditures and all allocations of less than \$300.00 may be made without the prior approval of the Council.

ARTICLE VIII RULES OF OPERATION

Section I. Only persons who pay for bingo cards may play.

Section II. No person under age 18 shall play any bingo game unless accompanied by that person's parent, guardian, or spouse.

Section III. No single prize in a bingo game shall exceed \$500.00. The aggregate value of prizes at a single bingo session shall not exceed \$3,000.00.

Section IV. No person performing the duties of caller or checker may play in any game held during a session in which he performs such duties.

ARTICLE VIII RULES OF OPERATION (CONT)

Section V. No checker may check the cards of his mother, father, brother, sister, grandmother, or grandfather.

Section VI. No person under age 18 shall sell cards, or act as a caller or checker.