

MILLE LACS BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS

Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

RESOLUTION 03-01-35-89

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE MILLE LACS BAND HOUSING AUTHORITY'S REHABILITATION PROJECT PROPOSAL AND PLEDGE TO SATISFY THE CREDITORS SPECIFIED HEREIN.

- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians has an extreme need for the rehabilitation of housing on the Mille Lacs Reservation, and;
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Housing Authority has gone without funding for housing rehabilitation from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for over five years, and;
- WHEREAS, HUD has stated that it will only consider the application of the Mille Lacs Housing Authority if the creditors of the Mille Lacs Construction Company, a Minnesota Corporation, are satisfied, and;
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Construction Company was a Minnesota Corporation, was not in any way an arm of the tribal government and is now bankrupt, and;
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Housing Authority is involved in a lawsuit to attempt to recoup monies lost through potential malfeasance of the Construction Company, and;
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly played no role in the loss of any housing monies, and;
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly is the legislative branch of the Mille Lacs Bands' tribal government and in charge of fiscal matters, and;
- WHEREAS, the Band Assembly recognizes that the satisfaction of several creditors is the only obstacle for the people of the Band to obtain housing rehabilitation, and;

WHEREAS, the debts allegedly owed include:

Arrow Electric	\$ 7,480.00
Bartley Supply	5,561.00
Eagle Contracting	21,776.00
G.J. Construction	30,568.55
Northstar Well Drilling	38,162.26
Onamia Lumber	15,891.69
Phillip Blott	5,750.00
Pinz Sand & Gravel	371.88
Wiley Concrete	8,291.06

- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Band Assembly authorizes the Solicitor General to negotiate with each of the above creditors.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that on February 10, 1989, all of the creditors had been contacted and were willing to accept the following amounts in accord and satisfaction:

Arrow Electric	\$ 3,500.00
Bartley Supply	2,224.00
Eagle Contracting	10,888.00
G.J. Construction	litigation
Northstar Well Drilling	26,001.00
Onamia Lumber	10,945.00
Phillip Blott	litigation
Pinz Sand & Gravel	371.88
Wiley Concrete	

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Solicitor General shall continue the negotiations and shall adjust the above amounts downward.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Assembly pledges that each creditor above will be satisfied regarding this indebtedness and each shall be paid by the Band Assembly by March 1, 1989.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Housing Authority must reimburse the Band Assembly for these monies pending litigation.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mille Lacs Reservation is in dire need of several HUD Programs and, as a result of resolving this indebtedness, Mille Lacs should be restored to good standing with HUD, with regard to all HUD grants and contracts.
- BE IT FURTHER & FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Band Assembly takes these actions in the interest of provisions of safe and decent housing for Band Members and gives its full support to this application for rehabilitation funding and urges HUD to consider all of its applications for HUD funding.
- WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a regular session of the Band Assembly in Legislative Council assembled, a quorum of legislators being present held on the 9th day of February, 1989 at Vineland, Minnesota by a vote of 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 SILENT.
- IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the Band Assembly hereunto cause to have set the hand of the Speaker of Assembly to be affixed to this resolution.

Margie Anderson, Speaker of Assembly

In concurrence with the action of the Speaker of Assembly, we, the Administrative Policy Board hereunto recommend to set the signature of the Chief Executive to this resolution.

Arthur Gahbow, Chief Executive