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**SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL
ISLAND ENTERPRISES/LITTLE CREEK CASINO
September 12, 2007**

Attendance:

Tribal Council	Jim Peters	Chairman
	Arnold Cooper	Vice Chairman
	Vince Henry, Sr.	Secretary
	Russell Harper	Treasurer (vacation)
	Will Penn	1st Council Member
	Pete Kruger	2nd Council Member
	Charlene Krise	3rd Council Member (absent)
Executive Director	Ray Peters	
Deputy Director	Whitney Jones	
Legal Counsel	Kevin Lyon (arrived at 10:30 a.m.)	
Island Enterprises (9:00 - 11:30 a.m.)	Bob Whitener, Jr.	
Salish Seafoods	Bryan Johnson	
	Dave Johns	
	Rod Schuffenhauer	
Little Creek Casino (11:30 – 1:00 p.m.)	Mark West	David Black
	Mark Chandler	Desi Smith
	Toby Villines	Terry Mehl
Recording Secretary	Melissa Puhn	

Bobby reported on vandalism at KTP, law enforcement is reviewing surveillance tapes. Looking in to increased security; move security staff to KTP and looking in to ways to protect the cameras and computers better. Will be looking in to ways to increase security. Discussed security and alarm options. Would like to look at next years budget to expand IEI security.

Bobby reported on Franks Landing, still working with them. BW is spending more time at the factory checking it out.

Vince asked about the scheduling problem at KTP; Bryan clarified that he will communicate clearly with new employees regarding their schedule. Bryan explained most of the scheduling is due to employees not showing up for work; then needing to call in other employees on their time off.

Dave and Rod from HOC presented an update on their operation. Dave reported their strategy of keeping the fish prices up for tribal fisherman. Dave stated that this year, the market is demanding right now for fish. HOC is not at this time, because their competition is tough, and it is not worth it financially to compete with the larger companies. If need be, they are willing to buy if there is no buyer. They bought a scow from Jamestown with the intention of buying fish, so they are ready to do so.

Council inquired about why it seems that HOC was only purchasing from family. Rod explained that they had to limit what they bought; thus picking randomly. They had to go purchase and compete with a buyer who paid more. So they bought from groups where they knew they could buy. Bob stated that HOC has two missions; make money and to get buyers out there at digs. Ensuring

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that tribal members can sell at digs. Looking at the best way to communicate their buying limit to the diggers; 6000 pounds.

Discussion of security on the beaches.

Discussed nursery beaches, Ray and Erik went out and checked out Don Dahmans nursery. They will contact Ray when they are ready to sell.

Dave shared they have a good line of frozen seafood, they are looking in to pursuing the 8A status of gaining government contracts.

Ray would like to see NR work with the HOC regarding the shellfish settlement dollars. Ray will remind Andy to work with HOC.

Discussed the potential options of harvesting geoduck. Bobby dropped the idea out of the annual operating plan. Ray added it back on to the agenda at one time, Council has not agreed or disagreed at this time.

Jim would like to discuss geoduck and kumho seed at the next Council meeting.

Bobby presented the annual operating plan; no changes were made. It was opened to community comment, which went well. The community wanted to see more assistance for tribal members looking to start their own business. Bobby will be looking for a motion of approval for the operating plan at the meeting tomorrow.

Bobby presented the contract for construction and operation of a RR spur and propane (Petrosol) company. The resolution included authorizes IEI to sign document as recommended by the BIA. The draft resolution is included with the packet. Kevin will review the resolution. Will be presented tomorrow as well.

Both of these have been approved by the IEI board. Upon approval of Council the spur will be built by the end of November. IEI will train tribal members and contract them to work there.

Island Optics, Bobby introduced John Eriks and Sonny Davis. Seeking concurrence from Council tomorrow on moving forward with Solar Flex.

Bobby presented a RFP draft for joint cooperative business ventures. Kevin drafted and briefed on. Still working on refining.

Sonny went over their project; they have a patent for flex titanium used in the glasses. Partnering with the tribe would give them 8A status, allowing them to gain government contracts. The tribe would be 51% owner of this company.

LITTLE CREEK CASINO

Desi, Mark Chandler, Cameron, Terry, Mark West, Jim, Pete, Arnold, Will, Vince Ray, Kevin.

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Cameron handed out a comparison of pre-discussion and post-discussion items in regards to the bingo/MGAM X2 Contract. Mark and Cameron went over the chart and discussed the differences in financials of the bingo manager versus the LCC Finance records.