



SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 08-36

of the

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Tribe, its members, its lands, its enterprises and its agencies by the authority of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Squaxin Island Tribe, as approved and adopted by the General Body and the Secretary of the Interior on July 8, 1965; and

WHEREAS, under the Constitution, Bylaws and inherent sovereignty of the Tribe, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is charged with the duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of the tribal members, and with protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources and rights of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has been entrusted with the creation of ordinances and resolutions in order to fulfill their duty of protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Gaming Commission is a Commission of the Squaxin Island Tribe duly created by Ordinance No. 93-1, § 6.08.090, as amended, most recently approved and adopted by the Squaxin Island Tribal Council on July 8, 2004 by Resolution 04-48; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Gaming Commission exercises authority delegated to it by the Tribal Council to act as an independent agency authorized to govern and regulate the operation, conduct and playing of Class I, II and III gaming on Squaxin Island lands, and is charged with the duty of protecting and preserving the gaming related assets of the Tribe, produced for the support of tribal government programs which promote economic development and for the health education and welfare of the Tribe and its members, including those authorities expressed in Section 6.08.090 (E) and (F); and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Gaming Commission is the primary onsite regulatory agency for gaming issues on the Squaxin Island Reservation; and

WHEREAS, The Squaxin Island Tribal Gaming Director, Mr. Desmond A. Smith, is a highly qualified and professional gaming regulator who has worked for the Squaxin Island Gaming Commission since October 2004;

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith is a Squaxin tribal member raised on the reservation and dedicated to the welfare of his people;

WHEREAS, the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) has found it useful and helpful to assemble a tribal advisory committee to assist in its efforts to promulgate meaningful and effective regulations in support of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA);

WHEREAS, NIGC seeks nominations for a tribal advisory committee to assist in further refining and updating Minimum Internal Controls (MICS) regulations relative to 25 CFR Parts 542 and 543;

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith has seven and a half years of experience in the tribal gaming industry, including three and a half years experience in tribal gaming regulation, and four years Surveillance Management experience;

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith through his experience is highly versed in the creation, revision, assessment, interpretation, and implementation of Tribal Internal Controls (TICS), NIGC Minimum Internal Control Standards (MICS), and the Tribal/State Compact. Mr. Smith has drafted numerous revisions to cage internal controls and amendments to TLS internal controls. In addition, Mr. Smith's surveillance experience leads to a better understanding of the Risk Based Assessment of a Tribal Gaming Operation. For example, Mr. Smith was instrumental in instituting security key controls at all Little Creek Casino security locations;

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith has the responsibility for and authority to review, edit, and approve any and all proposed revisions or additions to the Internal Controls for Little Creek Casino Resort and is currently responsible for creation and implementation of the accounting internal controls specific to 25 CFR 542.19;

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith has a degree in Accounting from Rockville University, and has seven years of experience in Governmental Accounting;

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith has been proactive in organizing and participating in the Tribal Gaming Regulators working group here in the State of Washington for the last four years and has attended the Washington State Gaming Commission meetings and Washington State Indian Gaming Association meetings on behalf of the Squaxin Island Tribe;

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith is willing and able to travel to the MICS Advisory Committee meetings and able to conduct the requisite research and study;

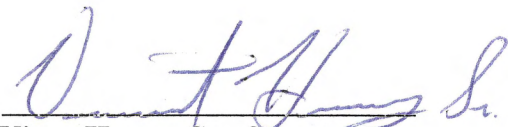
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council nominates Mr. Desmond A. Smith as the Squaxin Island Tribal representative to the MICS Advisory Committee;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council certifies that Mr. Smith is currently a tribal employee and official, who is authorized to act in his official capacity on behalf of the Squaxin Island Tribe, relative to the MICS Advisory Committee matters.


CERTIFICATION



David Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by: 

Vince Henry, Sr., Secretary



Arnold E. Cooper, Vice Chairman