



Republic of the Philippines  
CARAGA Region XIII  
Province of Surigao del Norte  
**Municipality of San Benito**



## **Office of the 10<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Bayan**

AN EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 6<sup>th</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE 10<sup>TH</sup> SANGGUNIAN BAYAN MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN BENITO, SURIGAO DEL NORTE HELD AT SANGGUNIAN BAYAN SESSION HALL ON FEBRUARY 13, 2023 AT EXACTLY 9:00 O' CLOCK IN THE MORNING

### **PRESENT:**

Hon. Wellybel A. Requirme  
Hon. Cindy R. Agati  
Hon. Puyat P. Sumando  
Hon. Charlito E. Mendavia  
Hon. Aldrein C. Glimane  
Hon. Felix B. Sumando Sr.  
Hon. Delfin P. Labola  
Hon. William A. Polican  
Hon. Jayrom P. Caballejos  
Hon. Ruella T. Rulete  
Hon. Delcy Rose S. Plandano

Mun. Vice Mayor/ Presiding Officer  
Sangguniang Bayan Member  
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Ex-Officio / SKF President

### **ABSENT:**

Hon. Puyat P. Sumando

SB Member / On Official Travel

### **RESOLUTION NO. 024** Series of 2023

**“A RESOLUTION EARNESTLY REQUESTING HONORABLE MARK T. LAPID, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER (COO) OF THE TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE & INTERPRISE ZONE AUTHORITY (TIEZA) TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS AS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY - FIVE MILLION PESOS (₱ 25,000,000.00) TO BE USED IN THE PONEAS HIDDEN LAKE ECO-TOURISM DEVELOPMENT (CONSTRUCTION OF PATHWAY, FOOT TRAIL, LANDING SHED, COMFORT ROOMS, DOCKING AREA, RECEPTION COTTAGES & FLOATING COTTAGES) AT BARANGAY MARIBOJOC, SAN BENITO, SIARGAO ISLAND, SURIGAO DEL NORTE”**

**WHEREAS**, the Municipality of San Benito is one of the nine municipalities of Siargao located at the northern portion of the island and is being known as the Siargao's Jewel of the North;

**WHEREAS**, the municipality of San Benito offers several tourism products such as white beaches, virgin islands and islets, vast hectarage of about 280 hectares fair condition (reef status) Marine Fish Sanctuaries which is best for scuba diving in this part of Siargao, fireflies sanctuary best for firefly watching, and Poneas Hidden Lake best for mountain climbing, nature trekking, kayaking and other several activities that San Benito can offer;

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Government of San Benito envisioned to promote the tourism potentials found in the locality that would in turn provide livelihood opportunities to our people,

by not sacrificing the God's given natural resources and its wonders through protection, preservation and conservation of the environment, being the source of tourism industry of the municipality;

**WHEREAS**, this Poneas Hidden Lake is a major eco-tourism destination of the municipality that needs to be enhanced and developed further in order to produce the best that it could offer such as: Construction of Pathway, Foot Trail, Landing Shed, Comfort Rooms, Docking Area, Reception Cottages & Floating Cottages; once in placed, this Poneas Lake Development Project is seen to be a major driver of development in Barangay Maribojoc for it will surely generate income to the people in that area, especially the people's organization organized and trained to manage, protect and preserve the whole island;

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Poneas Hidden Lake Eco-Tourism Development Project is align with the National Tourism Development Plan (NTDP);

**WHEREAS**, the Tourism Infrastructure & Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA) is mandated to develop, manage and supervise tourism infrastructure projects all over the country pursuant to Republic Act No. 9593;

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Government of San Benito being a 6<sup>th</sup> class LGU definitely could not finance the construction of this project using only the very limited resources of the municipality, thus financial intervention from the Office of Honorable Mark T. Lapid, COO of the Tourism Infrastructure & Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA) is very vital and of paramount importance;

**WHEREFORE**, foregoing premises considered and upon the motion of Sangguniang Bayan Member Cindy R. Agati duly seconded by Sangguniang Bayan Member Jayrom P. Caballejos, be it:

**RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** to earnestly request Honorable Mark T. Lapid, Chief Operating Officer (COO) of the Tourism Infrastructure & Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA) to appropriate funds as financial assistance in the amount of **Twenty - Five Million Pesos (P 25,000,000.00)** to be used in the Poneas Hidden Lake Eco-Tourism Development (Construction of Pathway, Foot Trail, Landing Shed, Comfort Rooms, Docking Area, Reception Cottages & Floating Cottages) at Barangay Maribojoc, San Benito, Siargao Island, Surigao del Norte;

**RESOLVED FINALLY** to furnish copies of this resolution the Office of COO Mark T. Lapid, 6/F & 7/F Tower 1 Double Dragon Plaza, Double Dragon Meridian Park Macapagal Avenue corner EDSA Extension, 1302, Bay Area, 1200 Pasay City, Department of Tourism (DOT) Caraga Region XIII, Butuan City and all other concerned agencies for information and favorable action;

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this, 13<sup>th</sup> day of February 2023.

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*We hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.*

  
**HON. CINDY R. AGATI**  
SB Member

  
**HON. CHARLITO E. MENDAVIA**  
SB Member


  
**HON. ALDREIN C. GLIMANE**  
SB Member

  
**HON. FELIX B. SUMANDO, SR.**  
SB Member




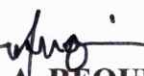
  
**HON. DELFIN P. LABOLA**  
SB Member

  
**HON. WILLIAM A. POLICAN**  
SB Member

  
**HON. JAYROM P. CABALLEJOS**  
SB Member

  
**HON. RUELLA T. RULETE**  
Ex-Officio / LNMB President

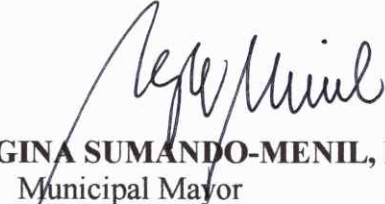
  
**HON. DELCY ROSE S. PLANDANO**  
Ex-Officio / SKF President

  
**HON. WELLYBEL A. REQUIRME**  
Municipal Vice Mayor / Presiding Officer

Attested:

  
**MELQUIADES G. MANTILLA, MA, MPA**  
Sangguniang Bayan Secretary

**APPROVED:**

  
**HON. Ma. GINA SUMANDO-MENIL, LCB**  
Municipal Mayor