Resolution # 09-0916-265

Removing two members of the Governmental Center Project Task Force

WHEREAS, the status of the Gaá Čhing Ziibi Daáwaa Aníshinaábek (Little River Band of Ottawa Indians) as a sovereign and Treaty-making power is confirmed in numerous treaties, from agreements with the initial colonial powers on this land, to various treaties with the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (Tribe) is descended from, and is the political successor to, the Grand River Ottawa Bands, signatories of the 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491) with the United States, as reaffirmed by federal law in P.L. 103-324, enacted in 1994; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a new Constitution, pursuant to a vote of the membership on May 27, 1998, which Constitution became effective upon its approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on July 10, 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on April 26, 2004, which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on May 13, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(a) to provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized to establish subordinate bodies and to delegate decision-making authority to such bodies in accordance with Article IV, Section 7(f); and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council approved Resolution #09-0617-169 – To authorize and appoint a Governmental Project Task Force to oversee the design, development and construction management process for a new Governmental Center; and

WHEREAS, six Tribal Council members and the Oğema or his designee were appointed to the Governmental Project Task Force; and

WHEREAS, Resolution #09-0617-169, stated that member attendance is mandated. Absences are excused only due to business related travel. Any member of this Committee that misses three meetings shall be removed from the Committee and a replacement shall be named at the next Council meeting.

WHEREAS, Councilor Robert Hardenburgh and Councilor Norbert Kelsey have missed three Governmental Center Project Task Force Meetings, necessitating removal in accordance with the Resolution creating the task force.
NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council does hereby remove Councilor Robert Hardenburgh and Councilor Norbert Kelsey from the Governmental Center Project Task Force.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council finds that based on the activity of the Task Force, despite the attendance of the two appointees or lack thereof, a five (5) member task force is able to fulfill the identified needs of the Tribe that resulted in the creation of this Task Force.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the current members from the date of adoption of this Resolution shall be: Virgil Johnson, Patricia Ruiter, Robert Whiteloon, Candace Chapman and Larry Romanelli and/or his designee.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the authority given to the Governmental Center Project Task Force shall remain in effect under Resolution # 09-0617-169.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with _8_ FOR, _0_ AGAINST, _0_ ABSTAINING, and _1_ ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on September 16, 2009 at the Little River Band’s Dome Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder
Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

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