

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Moved to
Open Session
11/5/14

Resolution # 14-1105-350

Approval of Engagement and Agreement with Steel Buffalo, LLC., to Provide Consulting Services to the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Public Safety Division

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng 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, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7(i) (2) of the Constitution, has the power to manage any funds within the exclusive control of the Tribe and to appropriate such funds for the benefit of the Tribe and its' members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 (b) of the Constitution, has the power to authorize and ratify agreements and contracts negotiated by Tribal Ogema on behalf of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; and

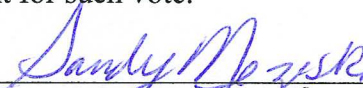
WHEREAS, the Ogema has negotiated an engagement agreement with Steel Buffalo, LLC., to provide consulting services to the Office of the Tribal Ogema, regarding the management of the Public Safety Division of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; and

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians does hereby approve the Engagement Agreement with Steel Buffalo, LLC., for the benefit of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians membership, and authorizes the Tribal Ogema to execute the contract; and

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT nothing in this resolution to approve this Engagement Agreement with Steel Buffalo shall be identified as authorization of a waiver of sovereign immunity of the Tribe.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 5 FOR, 3 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on November 5, 2014, at the Little River Band's Tribal Council Conference Room at the Government Center, located at 2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Sandy Mezeske, Council Recorder



Virgil Johnson, Council Speaker

Attest:

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