



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7th, 2026
LITTLE RIVER BAND
GOVERNMENT CENTER**

**OPEN SESSION
MINUTES**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting at the Little River Band Government Center on January 7th, 2026. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Speaker Crampton:

I. Opening Prayer

Speaker Crampton: Stated Opening Prayer

Speaker Crampton:

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

At 10:09 a.m.

B. Roll Call

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call

T. Burmeister - Present	G. DiPiazza - Present	M. Silvis - Present
R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe - Present	A. Metzger - Present
S. Crampton – Present	C. Waitner- Present	S. Thull - Present

We do have quorum. (8-0-0-1)

C. Approval of Agenda

Motion to Approve the Agenda for January 7th, 2026

By: J. Wolfe Support: S. Thull

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call #1

T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes
R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton – Yes	C. Waitner- Yes	S. Thull - Yes

Motion Carried. (8-0-0-1)

Add. D. Tribal Council Minutes

12/10/25

Corrected 12/17/25

Motion to Approve the Tribal Council Minutes for 12/10/25 and Corrected 12/17/25

By: A. Metzger Support: T. Burmeister

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call #2

T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes
R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton – Yes	C. Waitner- Yes	S. Thull - Yes

Motion Carried. (8-0-0-1)

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

1. Approval of Grant Submission: MDHHS Medicare Program 2026

Presented By: J. Gannon

Motion to Approve Resolution #26-0107-001 Approval of Grant Application to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, MDHHS Health and Aging Services Senior Medicare Patrol Program 2026.

By: A. Metzger Support: M. Silvis

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call #3

T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes
R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton – Yes	C. Waitner- Yes	S. Thull - Yes

Motion Carried. (8-0-0-1)

B. Budget Modifications

C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

IV. Old Business

Add. A. Operations Report November 2025

Motion to Approve Accept the November 2025 Operations Report.

By: T. Burmeister Support: M. Silvis

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call #4

T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes
R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - No
S. Crampton – Yes	C. Waitner- Yes	S. Thull - Yes

Motion Carried. (7-1-0-1)

V. New Business

VI. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, January 14, 2026**
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**
- C. Legislative Affairs Update**
- D. Public Comment Period**

Motion to End 1st Open Session at 10:45AM

By: A. Metzger Support: J. Wolfe

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call #5

T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes
R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner- Yes	S. Thull - Yes

Motion Carried. (8-0-0-1)

VIII. Open Session

Motion to Start 2nd Open Session at 11:40AM

By: A. Metzger Support: T. Burmeister

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call #6

T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes
R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner- Yes	S. Thull - Yes

Motion Carried. (8-0-0-1)

- A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session-Minutes and Materials Remain Confidential**

IX. Adjourn

Motion to End 2nd Open Session at 11:43AM

By: A. Metzger Support: T. Burmeister

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call #7

T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes
R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner- Yes	S. Thull - Yes

Motion Carried. (8-0-0-1)

Respectfully Submitted,

Kateri Ceplina,
Legislative Assistant

Susan Thull,
Tribal Council Recorder