



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution No. #01-1212-03

Authorizing the Tribal Ogema, or in his absence, the Tribal Council Speaker to Execute an Agreement with A.J. Veneklasen for Construction Services for the Little River Station Store in an Amount Not to Exceed \$10,922.00 and Consenting to Have Disputes Resolved in the Commercial Division of the Tribal Court

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians has a long and proud history as a Nation which pre-dates the establishment of the government of the United States of America, and

WHEREAS, the Tribe's status as a federally-recognized Indian tribe was reaffirmed and restored by Congress pursuant to Public Law 103-324, 108 Stat. 2156 (25 U.S.C. ' 1300k et seq.)(hereinafter "Little River Act"); and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a 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, pursuant to Article IV, Section 5 (a)(4) and Article V, Section 5(a)(3) and (8) of the Tribal Constitution, the Tribal Ogema, or in his/her absence, the Tribal Council Speaker, is authorized to represent the Tribe in its relations with other organizations and manage the economic affairs/enterprises of the Tribe, in a manner consistent with the Tribal Constitution and resolutions of the Tribal Council; 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 the Tribal Ogema; and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians intends to develop a gas station and convenience store on Tribal trust lands near Little River Casino Resort; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe's Economic Development Department has prepared contract specifications and terms; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has negotiated the final terms of the Agreement, which include a AIA A101, A201, and Supplemental Conditions to the Contract, with A.J. Veneklasen, which include dispute resolution under which the parties would attempt to mediate any disputes and by which the Tribe would agree to have disputes resolved in the Commercial Division of the Tribal Courts; and

WHEREAS, Article IX, Section 1 of the Constitution preserves the Tribe's immunity from suit except as authorized by resolution or in furtherance of tribal business enterprises; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that execution of a contract with A.J. Veneklasen will advance important Tribal purposes and tribal business enterprises.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Tribal Ogema, or in his absence, the Tribal Council Speaker, to execute an Agreement for Construction Services (AIA form A101 and A201, as modified), with A.J. Veneklasen for excavation work and other site/building elements of the Little River Station Store.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council consents to the jurisdiction of the Commercial Division of the Tribal Court to resolve disputes with A.J. Veneklasen, arising under the Agreement.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 7 FOR, 1 AGAINST, 1 ABSENT, and 0 ABSTAINING, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held at the Little River Band Community Center on December 12, 2001, in Manistee, Michigan. A quorum of the Tribal Council being present for such vote.



Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder

Attest:



Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

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