



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18th, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.
Little River Band Government Center
VIA ZOOM & LODGE**

This agenda is subject to adoption or amendment by vote of the Tribal Council

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I. Opening Prayer

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

S. Crampton

B. Roll Call

S. Thull

C. Approval of Agenda

D. Tribal Council Minutes 2/11/26 2/4/26 6/12/24

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

1. Approval to Submit the Application to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) for grant Available from the State of Michigan Tribal Opioid Settlement Funds (OSF) for FY2026 in the amount of \$533,382 **D. Batchelder**

Approval and Acceptance of “Grant Funds”.

B. Budget Modifications

1. Acceptance of Contract Funds from the Indian Health Service – Office of Self-Governance and Approving a Modification to the “Continuing Budget **K. Bowers**

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for Fiscal Year 2026” #_ in the Amount of \$2,281,345
Acceptance of Funds

2. **Approving Amendment #1 to the Memorandum of Agreement for the Lift Station Generator and Safety Grate and Approving a Modification to the “Continuing Budget for Fiscal Year 2026” #_ for Cash Match Increase of \$757.14 from the Utility Department – Waste Water (7500-702) for the Backup Generator Project (4576)**
Approval of amendment with budget modification.
K. Bowers
D. Kerr
3. **Acceptance of Contract Funds from the Indian Health Service – Office of Self-Governance for Contract Support Costs – Direct and Approving a Modification to the “Continuing Budget for Fiscal Year 2026” #_ in the Amount of \$201,675**
Acceptance of Funds
K. Bowers
4. **Approval of Modification to the “Continuing Budget for Fiscal Year 2026” #_, Authorizing a Modification to the 2017 BIA GLRI Budget**
Modification to the “Continuing Budget for Fiscal Year 2026”
K. Bowers
F. Beaver
5. **Acceptance of Contract Funds from the U.S. Department of Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs-and Approving a Modification to the “Continuing Budget for Fiscal Year 2026” MB 2026-_ in the Amount of \$740,442**
Acceptance of Funds
K. Bowers
R. Medacco
F. Beaver

C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

IV. Acceptance of Reports

- A. **Report of the Tribal Ogema**
1. **Operations Report** January 2026
B. **Financial Report** None Submitted
Tribal Ogema

V. Acceptance of Commission Reports

- A. **Binojeeuk Commission** None Submitted
- B. **Enrollment Commission** None Submitted
- C. **Gaming Commission** January 2026
- D. **Health Commission** None Submitted
- E. **Housing Commission** None Submitted
- F. **Natural Resource Commission** December 2025 January 2026

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G. Biskaabiiyang Commission None Submitted

VI. Acceptance of Committee Minutes and Other Entities

- A. Little River Casino Resort Preference Report January 2025
B. Elders Committee None Submitted

VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business

- A. Authorizing the Use of a Modified Version of the Tribal Seal to Tribal Member Venus Battaglia V. Battaglia
S. Crampton

IX. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) – Wednesday, February 25th, 2026
B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update
C. Legislative Affairs Update
D. Public Comment Period

The purpose of closed session is to discuss business matters considered privileged or confidential involving consideration of bids/contracts, pending legal issues, and/or personnel matters.

X. Closed Session

- A. Tribal Council Closed Session Minutes None Submitted
- B. Submissions for business matters that are Confidential
1. Enterprise and/or Reservation Development matters
 - a) 2020 Great Lakes Decree Negotiations (Treaty Rights)
 - b) Land into Trust
 2. Legal Updates
 - a) Delisting of the Gray Wolf
 - b) Line 5 Update
 - c) Line 5 Tunnel Update
 - d) Opioid Litigation Settlement
 - e) Ludington Property
 - f) Baldwin Property
 - g) Bear Lake Property
- C. Bids & Contracts
- D. Acceptance of Submission from Tribal Entities requiring action in Closed Session
1. Gaming Commission Closed Session Report January 2026

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E. Litigation

1. **Romanelli v LRBOI Tribal Council, Bordeaux, Crampton
Case # 23-175-GC**
2. **Romanelli v LRBOI Tribal Council
Case # 23-235-GC/24-072-AP**
3. **Romanelli v. Tribal Council Case #25-253-GC**
4. **Puflett Jr, Chapman v. LRBOI Executive Branch Duty Bearer and
Promisor Larry Romanelli
Case # 25-223-AP**
5. **Tribal Council V. Ogema, et al Case #25-25 GC**

F. Personnel

XI. Open Session

- A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session-Minutes and Materials Remain
Confidential**
1. **Gaming Commission Closed Session Report** **January 2026**

XII. Adjourn

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