



**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 6/12/14

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

1. State of Michigan Opioid Settlement Monies to the Tribes of Michigan

L. Romanelli

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

K. Bowers

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1st supplemental appropriation 2026-01 – 1st QTR
1st budget modification MB-2026-01*

- 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)** K. Bowers
Approval of amendment with budget modification.

- 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** K. Bowers
Acceptance of Funds

- 4. **Approval of Modification to the “Continuing Budget for Fiscal Year 2026” #_, Authorizing a Modification to the 2017 BIA GLRI Budget** K. Bowers
Modification to the “Continuing Budget for Fiscal Year 2026”

- 5. **Acceptance of Contract Funds from the U.S. Department of Interior – Bureau of Indian Affairs – and Approving a Modification to the Operating Budget MB2026-_ in the Amount of \$740,442.00** K. Bowers
Acceptance of Funds

C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

IV. Acceptance of Reports

- A. **Report of the Tribal Ogema** Tribal Ogema
 - 1. **Operations Report** None Submitted
 - 2. **Financial Report** None Submitted

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 Department Report** None Submitted
- F. **Natural Resource Commission** 1/12/26 12/8/25

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VI. Acceptance of Committee Minutes and Other Entities

- A. Little River Casino Resort Preference Report January 2025
- B. Biskaabiiyang Commission January 2025
- C. Elders Committee None Submitted
- 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 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) Maverick Gaming LLC v United States
 - f) Ludington Property
 - g) Baldwin Property
 - h) Bear Lake Property
- C. Bids & Contracts
- D. Acceptance of Submission from Tribal Entities requiring action in Closed Session
 - 1. Binojeuk Commission Closed Session Minutes None Submitted

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2. **Gaming Commission Closed Session Report** **January 2026**

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. **Ogema v LRBOI Tribal Council**
Case #24-010-GC
4. **Pufflett Jr, Chapman v. LRBOI Executive Branch Duty Bearer and Promisor Larry Romanelli**
Case # 24-192-GC
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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