



LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.
Little River Band Government Center
VIA ZOOM & LODGE
AGENDA

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**
- B. Selection of Pro Temp Recorder** **G. DiPiazza**
- C. Roll Call** **P. Johnson**
- D. Approval of Agenda**
- E. Tribal Council Minutes** ☐ None Submitted

III. Continuing Business

- A. Grants & Contracts**
- B. Budget Modifications**
- C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**

IV. Acceptance of Reports

- A. Report of the Tribal Ogema** **Tribal Ogema**
- 1. Operations Report** ☐ January 2025
- 2. Financial Report** ☐ None Submitted

V. Acceptance of Commission Reports

- A. Binojeeuk Commission** ☐ None Submitted
- B. Enrollment Commission** ☐ December 2024
- C. Gaming Commission** ☐ January 2025
- D. Health Commission** ☐ None Submitted
- E. Housing Commission** ☐ December 2024, January 2025
- F. Natural Resource Commission** ☐ January 2025
- G. Biskaabiiyaang Commission** ☐ None Submitted

VI. Acceptance of Committee Minutes and Other Entities

- A. Little River Casino Resort Preference Report** ☐ January 2025

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B. Elders Committee

☐ None Submitted

VII. Old Business

- Postponed **A. Supplemental Payment of General Welfare Assistance Program 2022 COVID-19 Pandemic Assistance Program utilizing the remaining ARPA funding of \$894,287.94** **J. Wolfe**
Tribal Members, continue to suffer and experience financial hardships related to the COVID-19 pandemic and Tribal Council deems it in the best interest of the nation and its members to provide a supplemental payment to the 2022 COVID -19 General Welfare Program
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VIII. New Business

- A. Approval for Councilor Wolfe to attend 43rd annual Protecting our children conference March 30th-April 2nd, 2025** **J. Wolfe**
Approve travel.
- Postponed **B. Ratification of Real Estate Purchase Agreement with J. Phillips.** **Tribal Ogema**
E. McGowen-Cuellar
J. Phillips approached the tribe to sell a five (5) acre parcel In Baldwin, Michigan for \$1.00
- Postponed **C. Approval of State of Colorado PR Tax Withholding for Legislative Employee.** **Tribal Ogema**
C. Dunham- Tozer
To abide by the State of Colorado's Payroll Tax Withholding Account application.
- D. Approving Gaming Industry Tip Compliance Extension Agreement with the IRS.** **Tribal Ogema**
M. Schrader
This agreement establishes tip rates for all participating team Members with the Little River Casino Resort.
- E. Comprehensive and complete Enrollment Audit of all active And/or open Tribal members enrollment files and all enrollment Files where a individual has said membership in the Tribe.** **S. Crampton**
Severe issues identified in the LRBOI enrollment warrant an audit to Ensure accuracy in our files and avoid irreparable harm to the tribe.
- F. Acceptance of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Internal Audit summary for the Natural Resources 4130 Department Budget.** **B. Pringle**
Acceptance the Internal Audit Results.
- G. Acceptance of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Internal Audit summary for the Planning 1070-147 Department Budget.** **B. Pringle**
Acceptance the Internal Audit Results.
- H. Acceptance of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Internal Audit summary for the Housing 1035-124** **B. Pringle**

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Department Budget.

Acceptance the Internal Audit Results.

- I. Acceptance of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Internal Audit summary for the Gaming Commission Surveillance 1030-120 Department Budget.** **B. Pringle**

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- J. Appropriating Funds for Expenditures during the Second Quarter of FY2025** **B. Pringle**
- Quarterly Appropriations of funds

IX. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, February 26, 2025**

- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business**

- C. Legislative Affairs Update**

1. Tammy Burmeister
2. Pam Johnson
3. Julie Wolfe
4. Gary Di Piazza
5. Shirley Wever
6. Al Metzger
7. Ron Wittenberg
8. Misty Silvis
9. Shannon Crampton

- 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

- C. Bids & Contracts**

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- D. Acceptance of Submission from Tribal Entities requiring action in Closed Session**
- 1. Binojeeuk Commission Closed Session Minutes ☐ December 2024**
 - 2. Gaming Commission Closed Session Report ☐ January 2025**
 - 3. Little River Holdings, LLC Minutes ☐ None Submitted**
- E. Litigation**
- 1. Stone et al (Burmeister, Walter, Waitner, Ivinson, Saunders) Ogema vs Tribal Council Case #22-164-AP**
 - 2. Romanelli v LRBOI Tribal Council, Bordeaux, Crampton Case # 23-175-GC**
 - 3. Romanelli v LRBOI Tribal Council Case # 23-235-GC/24-072-AP**
 - 4. Ogema v LRBOI Tribal Council Case #24-010-GC**
 - 5. Pufflett Jr, Chapman v. LRBOI Executive Branch Duty Bearer and Promisor Larry Romanelli Case # 24-192-GC**
 - 6. MRG Acquisition LLC, d/b/a/Marketing Resource Group v. LRBOI Case #24-187-GC**

F. Personnel

XI. Open Session

- A. Items from Closed to Open Session – Minutes and Materials Remain in Closed**
- 1. Binojeeuk Commission Closed Session Minutes ☐ December 2024**
 - 2. Gaming Commission Closed Session Report ☐ January 2025**

XII. Adjourn

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