



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS  
2608 GOVERNMENT CENTER DRIVE  
TRIBAL COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.  
VIA ZOOM  
AGENDA**

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

**Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://zoom.us/j/99705796129?pwd=OWY5SVVnUis4Y0d1aGdqMXBjRjdxZz09>

**Meeting ID: 997 0579 6129**

**Passcode: 1836**

**Call in numbers**

**1 929 436 2866    Meeting ID 99705796129    # CODE 1836 #**

**1 301 715 8592    Meeting ID 99705796129    # CODE 1836 #**

**I.    Opening Prayer**

**II.   General Business**

**A.    Call to Order**

**T. Burmeister**

**B.    Roll Call**

**P. Johnson**

**C.    Approval of Agenda**

**D.    Tribal Council Minutes    ☐ 10/25/2023    ☐ 02/21/2024**

**III.   Continuing Business**

**A.    Grants & Contracts**

**B.    Budget Modifications**

- 1.    Acceptance of contract funds from the Indian Health Services- Office of Self-Governance and approving a Modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-\_\_in The amount of \$2,487,036**

**K. Bowers**

Acceptance of funds

- 2.    Approval of supplemental appropriations 2025-\_\_1<sup>st</sup> QTR to fund the Elders Meal Program in the amount Of \$13,885.**

**Tribal Ogema**

**V. Sam**

A supplemental appropriation is needed to provide lunch For Tribal elders for the next two months until new funding Is available and accepted by Tribal Council.

- 3.    Approval of Supplemental Appropriation to fund the Catastrophic Disaster Relief Assistance Program in the amount of \$45,000.00**

**J. Wolfe**

Tribal Council finds it necessary to make a supplement appropriation to fund the Catastrophic Disaster Relief Assistance Program under the Member Assistance department.

**C.    Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**

*NOTE: Resolution number for the first resolution adopted for this meeting is 25-0226-041*

*1<sup>st</sup> supplemental appropriation 2025-01 – 1<sup>st</sup> QTR*

*1<sup>st</sup> budget modification MB-2025-06*

**1. Appropriating Funds for Expenditures during the  
Second Quarter of FY2025**  
Quarterly Appropriations of funds

**B. Pringle**

**IV. Old Business**

**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

**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

**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.

Postponed **D. Enrollment Commission** ☐ **December 2024**

Postponed **E. Natural Resource Commission** ☐ **January 2025**

**V. New Business**

**A. Approval of Revised Gaming Commission Regulation  
#R400-04: GC-06-Chapter 6-Gaming Vendor Licensing**

**J. Wolfe**

Gaming Commission Ordinance #04-400-04 requires all Gaming Commission Regulations be adopted by the Gaming Commission by written resolution and filed with the Tribal Council Recorder, which shall then be placed on the Tribal Council agenda for acceptance.

**B. Approval for the Housing Department to apply an application  
To MSHDA Tribal Nations Housing Development Assistance  
Program Pre-Development**

**T. Bailey**

Pre-development assistance for a maximum of \$75,000.00

**C. Ratification of Contract with Grand Valley Automation Inc**

**T. Bailey  
D. Underwood**

On Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> received the 2025 PM contract for the Government Center building automation control system. Contract expired at The end of February.

**VI. Concluding Business**

**A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, March 05, 2025**

**B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**

**C. Legislative Affairs Update**

**1. Tammy Burmeister**

**2. Pam Johnson**

**3. Julie Wolfe**

*NOTE: Resolution number for the first resolution adopted for this meeting is 25-0226-041*

*1<sup>st</sup> supplemental appropriation 2025-01 – 1<sup>st</sup> QTR*

*1<sup>st</sup> budget modification MB-2025-06*

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.*

**VII. 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)
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**

**D. Acceptance of Submission from Tribal Entities requiring action in Closed Session**

1. Wells Fargo ☐ 1pm

**E. Litigation**

1. Stone et al (Burmeister, Walter, Waitner, Iverson, 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. Puffett 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

*NOTE: Resolution number for the first resolution adopted for this meeting is 25-0226-041*

*1<sup>st</sup> supplemental appropriation 2025-01 – 1<sup>st</sup> QTR*

*1<sup>st</sup> budget modification MB-2025-06*

**Case #24-187-GC**

**F. Personnel**

**G. Discussion for Items moved from Closed to Open Session**

**VIII. Open Session**

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

**IX. Adjourn**

*NOTE: Resolution number for the first resolution adopted for this meeting is 25-0226-041  
1<sup>st</sup> supplemental appropriation 2025-01 – 1<sup>st</sup> QTR  
1<sup>st</sup> budget modification MB-2025-06*