



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4th, 2026
LITTLE RIVER BAND
GOVERNMENT CENTER**

**OPEN SESSION
MINUTES**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting at the Little River Band Government Center on March 4th, 2026. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Speaker Crampton:

I. Opening Prayer

Councilor Wittenberg: Stated Opening Prayer

Speaker Crampton:

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

At 10:02 a.m.

B. Roll Call

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call

T. Burmeister - Present	G. DiPiazza - Present	M. Silvis - Present
R. Wittenberg - Present	J. Wolfe - Present	A. Metzger - Present
S. Crampton - Present	C. Waitner - Present	S. Thull - Present

We have Quorum (9-0-0-0)

Speaker Crampton:

C. Approval of Agenda

Councilor Thull: Motion to Approve the Agenda; Removal of V.B. Ratification of Certified Treasury Management and Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity with PNC Bank.

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 1

R. Wittenberg - Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner - Abstain	S. Thull - Yes
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - No	T. Burmeister - Yes

Motion carried (7-1-1-0)

Speaker Crampton:

D. Tribal Council Minutes 2/25/26

Councilor Thull: **Motion to Approve the Minutes for 2/25/26.**

Councilor Burmeister: **Support**

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 2

G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister - Yes
J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg - Yes
C. Waitner - Abstain	S. Thull - Yes	S. Crampton - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-1-0)

Speaker Crampton:

III. Continuing Business

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

IV. Old Business

- A. Housing Commission** January 2026

Councilor Burmeister: **Motion to Approve the Housing Commission Report for January 2026**

Councilor Silvis: **Support**

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call #3

J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg - Yes
C. Waitner - Abstain	S. Thull - Yes	S. Crampton - Yes
M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-1-0)

V. New Business

- A. Approval of Updates to the Little River Band of Ottawa** M. Richards

Indians approved TTP Roads Inventory and Long Range Transportation Plan.

Councilor Metzger: Motion to Postpone until proper paperwork is submitted; Adding New Parking Lot Section P112 to BIA Inventory.

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call #4

C. Waitner	- Abstain	S. Thull	- Yes	S. Crampton	- Yes
M. Silvis	- Yes	T. Burmeister	- Yes	G. DiPiazza	- Yes
A. Metzger	- Yes	R. Wittenberg	- Yes	J. Wolfe	- Yes

Motion carried (8-0-1-0)

Removed **B. Ratification of Certified Treasury Management and Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity with PNC Bank**

Speaker Crampton:

VI. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, March 11th, 2026**
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**
- C. Legislative Affairs Update**
- D. Public Comment Period**

Councilor Silvis: Motion to End 1st Open Session at 10:36AM.

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 5

T. Burmeister	- Yes	G. DiPiazza	- Yes	M. Silvis	- Yes
R. Wittenberg	- Yes	J. Wolfe	- Yes	A. Metzger	- Yes
S. Crampton	- Yes	C. Waitner	- Abstain	S. Thull	- Yes

Motion carried (8-0-1-0)

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.

Speaker Crampton:

VIII. Open Session

Councilor Metzger: **Motion to End Closed Session and Go into 2nd Open at 12:27PM.**
Councilor Burmeister: **Support**

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 6

R. Wittenberg - Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner - Yes	S. Thull - Absent
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

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

Speaker Crampton: **Motion to Amend the Agenda.**
Councilor Wittenberg: **Support**

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 7

M. Silvis - No	T. Burmeister - No	G. DiPiazza - No
A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg - Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes
S. Thull - Absent	S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner - Abstain

Motion carried (4-3-1-1)

Speaker Crampton: **Motion to file an appeal in case #26-002-EM.**
Councilor Wolfe: **Support**

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call #8

J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg - Yes
C. Waitner - Abstain	S. Thull - Absent	S. Crampton - Yes
M. Silvis - No	T. Burmeister - No	G. DiPiazza - No

Motion carried (4-3-1-1)

Speaker Crampton: **Motion to have Attorney Frias forward an Ogema's letter to the
NIGC expressing our concerns.**
Councilor Wittenberg: **Support**

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 9

S. Thull - Absent	S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner - Abstain
T. Burmeister - No	G. DiPiazza - No	M. Silvis - No
R. Wittenberg - Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes

Motion carried (4-3-1-1)

Speaker Crampton: **Motion to have Attorney Frias file charges against the Ogema on
behalf of council.**

Councilor Wittenberg: **Support**

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 10

T. Burmeister - No	G. DiPiazza - No	M. Silvis - No
R. Wittenberg - Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner - Abstain	S. Thull - Absent

Motion carried (4-3-1-1)

Speaker Crampton: **Motion to have Attorney Pitchlynn file against the Ogema for obstructing council's performance of their duties in the enrollment audit matter.**

Councilor Wittenberg: **Support**

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 11

R. Wittenberg - Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner - Abstain	S. Thull - Absent
G. DiPiazza - No	M. Silvis - No	T. Burmeister - No

Motion carried (4-3-1-1)

IX. Adjourn

Councilor Silvis: **Motion to End 2nd Open Session at 12:45PM.**

Councilor Burmeister: **Support**


Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 12

S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner - Yes	S. Thull - Absent
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister - Yes
J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Respectfully Submitted,


Kateri Ceplina,
Legislative Assistant


Allen Metzger,
Tribal Council Recorder

