



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25th, 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 25th, 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 10:10 a.m.

B. Roll Call

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call

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

We have Quorum (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

C. Approval of Agenda

Councilor Thull: **Motion to approve the Agenda for March 25th, 2026 with the following updates; III.A.1, III.A.2., III.A.3., III.A.4., and VIII.C.**

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 1

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

Motion carried (5-3-0-1)

D. Tribal Council Minutes None Submitted

Speaker Crampton:

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

Removed:

1. Enter into a contract with Gosling Czubak for infiltration bed/phosphorus removal report and authorization to apply for RD grant **G. Lewis**
2. Enter into a contract with Gosling Czubak for a water/sewer rate study, continuation from 2025, **G. Lewis**
3. Dixon Engineering & Inspection services Contract warranty inspection from one year of completing water tower painting in the amount of \$3,750 **G. Lewis**
4. Enter into a 5-year contract with Corrpro Companies **G. Lewis**

Removed:

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B. Budget Modifications

C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

Speaker Crampton:

IV. Acceptance of Reports

A. Report of the Tribal Ogema

B. Financial Report

1. Govt. Financial Report September 2025 **B. Pringle**

Councilor Thull: Motion to Accept the Government Financial Report for September 2025

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 2

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

V. Acceptance of Commission Reports

A. Binojeuk Commission

None Submitted

- B. Enrollment Commission** None Submitted
- C. Gaming Commission** Open February 2026

Councilor Silvis: **Motion to Accept the Gaming Commission Report for February 2026**

Councilor Waitner: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 3

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

- D. Health Commission** None Submitted
- E. Housing Commission** None Submitted
- F. Natural Resource Commission** None Submitted
- G. Biskaabiiyang Commission** None Submitted

Speaker Crampton:

VI. Acceptance of Committee Minutes and Other Entities

- A. Natural Resources Commission** February 2026

Councilor DiPiazza: **Motion to Accept the Natural Resources Commission Report for February 2026**

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 4

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

VII. Old Business

Speaker Crampton:

VIII. New Business

- A. Appointment of Stephen Parsons to the Gaming Commission** Ogema

Councilor Burmeister: **Motion to Accept Appointment of Stephen Parsons to the Gaming Commission**

Councilor Silvis: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 5

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

Motion Failed (4-4-0-1)

B. Appropriating Funds for Continuing Budget Resolution for Expenditures during the month of April FY2026 B. Pringle

Recorder Metzger: **Motion to Accept Resolution #26-0325-016; Appropriating Funds for Continuing Budget Resolution for Expenditures during the month of April FY2026**

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 6

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

Motion carried (5-3-0-1)

Removed C. Addendum to the RK Davis – Headworks infrastructure, originally approved by resolution 24-1211-245 G. Lewis

D. Approval to Submit to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the FY2025 \ Annual Performance Report for the Little River and of Ottawa Indians as developed by the Housing Department T. McCollum

Councilor Silvis: **Motion to Accept Resolution #26-0325-017; Approval to Submit to the United States Department Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the FY2025 \ Annual Performance Report for the Little River and of Ottawa Indians as developed by the Housing Department**

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call #7

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

E. Authorizing permanent adoption of Amendments to the Camping Regulations #R500-01: NRC-04 G. DiPiazza

Councilor DiPiazza: Motion to Accept Resolution #26-0325-018; Authorizing permanent adoption of Amendments to the Camping Regulations #R500-01: NRC-04

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call #8

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

Motion carried (6-2-0-1)

F. Adopting Amendments to the Purchasing and Procurement Regulations S. Crampton

Councilor Thull: Motion to Accept Resolution #26-0325-019; Adopting Amendments to the Purchasing and Procurement Regulations

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 9

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

Motion Failed (4-4-0-1)

G. LAW & ORDER – CRIMINAL OFFENSES – ORDINANCE #11-400-03 S. Crampton

Councilor Thull: Motion to Postpone LAW & ORDER – CRIMINAL OFFENSES – ORDINANCE #11-400-03; Until 2nd Open

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 10

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

Motion carried (6-2-0-1)

H. Membership Meetings Procedures Ordinance – Ordinance # S. Crampton

Councilor Thull: Motion to Postpone Membership Meetings Procedures Ordinance – Ordinance #; Until 2nd Open

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 11

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

Motion Failed (4-4-0-1)

Councilor DiPiazza: **Motion to Remove Membership Meetings Procedures Ordinance – Ordinance #**

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 12

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

Motion carried (6-2-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

IX. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) – Wednesday, April 1st, 2026
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update
- C. Legislative Affairs Update
- D. Public Comment Period

Councilor DiPiazza: **Motion to end 1st open at 11:47AM**

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 13

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

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

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

Councilor Silvis: **Motion to end closed and go into 2nd open at 1:02PM**

Councilor Thull: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 14

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

1. Gaming Commission Closed February 2026

Councilor Burmeister: **Motion to Accept the Gaming Commission minutes for February 2026**

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 15

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

2. Contract with Freedom Training Solutions to provide training to officers

Councilor Thull: **Motion to Accept Resolution #26-0325-020; Contract with Freedom Training Solutions to provide training to officers**

Councilor Waitner: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call #16

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

3. Spectrum Internet for 2608 Government Center Dr and 310 9th St.

Councilor Thull: **Motion to Accept Resolution #26-0325-021; Spectrum Internet for 2608 Government Center Dr and 310 9th St.**

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call #17

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Councilor Thull: Motion to Remove VIII.G. LAW & ORDER – CRIMINAL OFFENSES – ORDINANCE #11-400-03; until next week

Councilor DiPiazza: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 18

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton: Motion to Amend the Agenda

Councilor Thull: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 19

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton: Motion to have Attorney Frias obtain a title search, not to exceed the amount of \$500.00 from the legislative budget professional fees, for the Bear Lake property that had been offered as a gift to the tribe

Councilor Thull: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call #20

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

IX. Adjourn

Councilor Silvis: Motion to End 2nd Open at 1:17PM

Councilor DiPiazza: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call #21

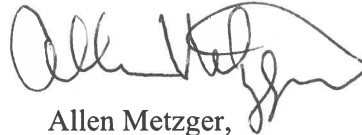
G. DiPiazza	- Yes	M. Silvis	- Yes	T. Burmeister	- Yes
J. Wolfe	- Absent	A. Metzger	- Yes	R. Wittenberg	- Yes
C. Waitner	- Yes	S. Thull	- Yes	S. Crampton	- Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Respectfully Submitted,



Kateri Ceplina,
Legislative Assistant



Allen Metzger,
Tribal Council Recorder

