



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
2608 GOVERNMENT CENTER DRIVE
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.
VIA ZOOM
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

T. Burmeister

B. Roll Call

P. Johnson

C. Approval of Agenda

D. Tribal Council Minutes □ 02/12/2025

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

Updated 1. Ratification of 60 Month Lease Agreement with Pitney Bowes

**Tribal Ogema
M. Lucas**

Current lease for mail machine expires on April 20th, 2025.

2. Modification to Custer Culvert Replacement Contract With U.S Department of Agriculture (USDA)

**Tribal Ogema
B. May**

For the Custer Replacement USDA-NRCS has requested to remove an amount under "obstruction removal." They also requested to extend the end date of the contract to 12-31-25.

The Ogema's signature is required to do this contract modification this will allow us to complete the final steps for the grant.

Updated 3. Ratification of Gosling Czubak Contract for a water/ Sewer rate study in the amount of \$17,120

**Tribal Ogema
G. Lewis**

Enter into a contract with Gosling Czubak to perform a rate study and update the water and sewer rates.

4. Ratification of Master Services Agreement with Northwest Michigan Invasive Species Network

**Tribal Ogema
A. DeGabriele
S. Hollowell**

NRD has received funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs Great Lakes Restoration Initiative program to survey and treat invasives in the Manistee River State Game Area- primarily invasive cattail and phragmites which are encroaching

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on Manoomin (Wild Rice) beds. NRD will fund ISN to survey 500 acres, treat 300 acres, and test treatment methods to protect Manoomin.

B. Budget Modifications

1. **Acceptance of grant funds from Michigan Department Of Health and Human Services (MDHHS)-2025 Tribal Opioid Settlement Fund (TOSF) Grant and approving A modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-__ In the amount of \$153,846** **Acceptance of funds.** Tribal Ogema
D. Batchelder- Streeter

C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

IV. Old Business

- Remains A. **Approval of Budget Modification MB2025-__ ; Authorizing A modification to the 2025 Tribal Victim Services Grant.** Tribal Ogema
Postponed Budget modifications to a line item within a department, fund K. Bowers
Or program budget and modifications in excess of 10% of the M. Ludwig
total original program budget requires Tribal Council approval.

V. New Business

- A. **Authorization to Amend Resolution #24-1023-197 to assist Tribal Members with Well and Septic Needs.** Tribal Ogema
Amend resolution to be able to assist all tribal members with well D. Kerr
and septic needs and not restricted to 2 wells, 2 septic, and 2 tribal G. Lewis
members
- B. **Financial Report** 1. ☐ May 2024
Removed 2. ☐ June 2024
Removed 3. ☐ July 2024
- C. **Adopting the LRBOI Internet Gaming Revenue Distribution Ordinance # 25-100-12** S. Crampton
Defining procedure for internet gaming distribution.
- D. **Approval for Councilor Wolfe to Tribal consultation on the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) with the FDPIR Tribal Leaders Consultation Work Group.** J. Wolfe
Approve Travel
- ADD E. **Approval to Submit to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) the FY2024 Annual Performance Report for the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians as developed by the Housing Department** Tribal Ogema
The Tribe is required to submit the Annual Performance Report (APR) T. Bailey
to HUD on an annual basis which provides the basis of expenditures of
funding through the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG)

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VI. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, April 02, 2025**
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**
- 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.

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)**
 - 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**
 - Removed 1. Approving Tribal Ogema's Execution of Employment Contract with William Cataldo as Tribal Prosecutor** Tribal Ogema
Approval of employment contract for Prosecutor. A. Goff
- D. Acceptance of Submission from Tribal Entities requiring action in Closed Session**
- E. Litigation**
 - 1. Stone et al (Burmeister, Walter, Waitner, Iverson, Saunders) Ogema vs Tribal Council Case #22-164-AP**

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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. **Puflett Jr, Chapman v. LRBOI Executive Branch Duty Bearer and**
Promisor Larry Romanelli
Case # 24-192-GC
6. **Case #25-25 GC Tribal Council V. Ogema, etal**

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

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A. Goff |
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IX. Adjourn

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