



LITTLE RIVER BAND
OF OTTAWA INDIANS

LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 21, 1995

Present: Margaret Chandler, Marcella Leusby, Bonnie Kenny, Anne Avery
Bob Guenthardt, Kathy Berentsen, Jim McClurken, Bill Brooks
and Mark Dougher. Absent: Dan Bailey

Mark Solune is with a law firm who has worked with numerous tribes.
Bill and Jim recommended that we work with Mark on his experience with
hunting and fishing rights. Probably land in the future. Mark has
received information on our tribe.

Mark's experience with a firm in Seattle, founded in the early mid 60's.
He joined the law firm after law school 1981-1986. He still works with
Pearl Morset and their firm. He stays in touch with Fran and Patty.

2/3-3/4 have been for Indian tribes general council work and training
tribal judges. He's involved with larger projects as Natural Resources,
Hunting & Fishing, Treaty rights, on going litigation hunting and fishing.
Most partners work together on Indian projects. Therefore, they can do a
better job.

Contracts with tribes state payment on tribes financial status. Really
understanding on financially. Very serious on representation of tribes
long term.

Mark has heard about a lot of work from Jim. Mark would like to work
with tribe in anyway he can be of assistance to us. Set priorities.

Stay away from litigation if possible.

Jim likes the way Mark works with expertise, has analytical mind, can
negotiate.

Mark saw results from strategic planning workshop.

Rates: 110/partners, 190/Associates. Travel days 8 hours maximum annual
sealing fees on budget start modest amount. Contract 2 or 3 years, Also
subject to termination by council. Avoid writing codes to write codes,
no objective for them.

Very important have opportunities to talk.

FUNDING LITIGATION

1. Litigation support coverage BIA litigation expense no attorney fees
2. Attorney fees program - less monies available have to push way through to get funding.

Marks firm does work with other attorney's. Primary rights-do with ones tribe issues vs. another.

Bill asked Bonnie to make a motion in Dan's absence for 1 contract with Mark to cover Natural Resources and what might come up.

Have Mark contact Zions & Chestnut to submit a contract proposal to us. In contract leave blanks on seal and expenses. Anne accepted, Marcella seconded, all in favor I, passed.