



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, April 8th, 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 April 8th, 2026. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

I. Opening Prayer

Councilor Wittenberg; stated Opening Prayer

II. General Business

A. Call to Order 1

10:15AM

S. Crampton

B. Roll Call

A. Metzger

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 1

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

We have quorum (7-0-0-2)

C. Approval of Agenda

Councilor Silvis: Motion to Approve April 8th, 2026, Agenda.

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call #2

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

D. Tribal Council Minutes 3/4/26 3/11/26 3/25/26

Councilor Silvis: Motion to approve 3/4/26 Meeting Minutes

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 3

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

Motion carried (4-3-0-2)

Councilor Silvis: Motion to approve 3/11/26 Meeting Minutes

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 4

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Councilor Silvis: Motion to approve 3/25/26 Meeting Minutes

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 5

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

III. Continuing Business

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

IV. Old Business

V. New Business

Add: A. Adopting the Membership Meetings Ordinance, S. Crampton
Ordinance #26-200-05

Councilor Metzger: Motion to approve Adopting the Membership Meetings Ordinance, Ordinance #26-200-05

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 6

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

Motion FAILED (3-4-0-2)

VI. Acceptance of Reports

A. Report of Tribal Ogema

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| 1. Operations Report | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
| 2. Financial Report | <input type="checkbox"/> October 2025 |

Councilor Silvis: Motion to Approve the Financial Report for October 2025

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 7

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

VII. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, April 15th, 2026
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update
- C. Legislative Affairs Update
- D. Public Comment Period

Councilor Silvis: Motion to End 1st Open at 11:48AM

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 8

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

Motion carried (6-1-0-2)

1st Open Session Ended at 11:48AM

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.

IX. Open Session

Councilor Silvis: Motion to End Closed and Go into 2nd Open Session at 12:24PM
Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Metzger:

Roll Call # 9

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

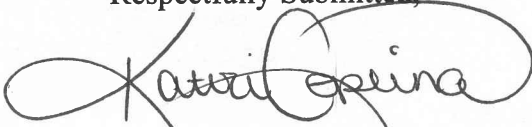
Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Quorum was not met in 2nd open.

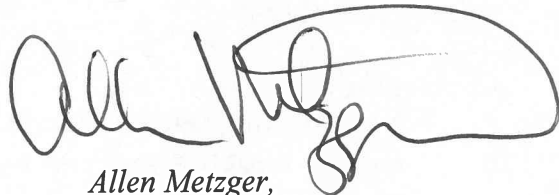
A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session-Minutes and Materials Remain Confidential

X. Adjourn

Respectfully Submitted,



*Kateri Ceplina,
Legislative Assistant*



*Allen Metzger,
Tribal Council Recorder*