

# LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS 2608 GOVERNMENT CENTER DRIVE

TRIBAL COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

# WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. VIA ZOOM AGENDA

# Join Zoom Meeting

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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 □ None Submitted
- **III.** Continuing Business
  - A. Grants & Contracts
    - 1. Ratification of Elevate Technology Partners Contract
      For Veeam Cloud connect Repository Services
      Elevate will provide and continue to meet the Tribes

      Tribal Ogema
      J. Peterson

Immediate needs for data retention and disaster readiness.

- **B.** Budget Modifications
  - 1. Acceptance of grant funds from the U.S Environmental Protection Agency- Air Quality Project Grant and K. Bowers Approving a modification to the Operating Budget J. Vaquera MB2025— in the amount of \$107,000.00 Acceptance of funds.
  - 2. Acceptance of grant funds from the Inter- Tribal
    Council of Michigan-2025-2026 Healthy Start
    Initiative and approving a modification to the
    Operating Budget MB2025-\_\_in the amount
    Of \$30,000.00
    Acceptance of funds.

    Tribal Ogema
    K. Bowers
    H. Lindsey
  - C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure
- IV. Old Business

<sup>\*</sup>This agenda is subject to adoption or amendment by vote of the Tribal Council\*

# A. Ratification of Agreement with Byztrav Consultants Inc for Travel Agent Services.

Tribal Ogema M. Lucas

Current travel agent has increased prices

B. Ratification of Gosling Czubak Contract for Infiltration Bed/ Phosphorus Removal Report in the amount of \$29,000, IHS grant funded Resolution# 24-1113-214

Tribal Ogema G. Lewis

Enter into a contract with Gosling Czubak for infiltration Bed/ phosphorus removal report for alternative to SBR/ Lagoon.

#### V. New Business

# A. Accepting for Filing the 2025 Binojeeuk Commission By laws

J. Wolfe

Tribal Council has received the 2025 Binojeeuk Commission by laws from the Binojeeuk Commission which was adopted by the commission, Resolution #BC-25-0203-25 executive, per Commission Ordinance and Tribal Council delegated to Membership Assistance Department the authority to create and implement by-laws. The regulations shall be accepted for filing to update the by-laws, such by-laws shall be effective only after approval by the commission and presentation to and approval by the Tribal Council.

# VI. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) Wednesday, May 07, 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
  - g) Baldwin Property
  - h) Bear Lake Property

## C. Bids & Contracts

1. Approval of 2023 Rehmann Financial Audit Change Tribal Ogema Order

The 2023 Financial audit was approved via Resolution 24-0414-012. Due to the unexpected number of work hours then originally estimated to complete the 2023 audit services the firm has provided an updated change order form.

2. Approval of Rehmann Robson to provide Accounting Support Services.

G. Lewis

Rehmann will provide 500 support hours to assist the Accounting Department.

3. Approval of Rehmann Robson to provide Human Resources Consulting Services.

Tribal Ogema G. Lewis

Tribal Ogema

Rehmann will assist in the recruiting efforts to staff The accountant positions.

- D. Acceptance of Submission from Tribal Entities requiring action in Closed Session
- E. Litigation
  - 1. Stone et al (Burmeister, Walter, Waitner, Ivinson, Saunders) Ogema vs Tribal Council Case #22-164-AP
  - 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
  - 7. Case #25-089GC Enrollment Commission V. Tribal Council

- 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
  - 1. Approval of 2023 Rehmann Financial Audit Change Order
  - 2. Approval of Rehmann Robson to provide Accounting Support Services.
  - 3. Approval of Rehmann Robson to provide Human Resources Consulting Services.
- IX. Adjourn