



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS  
2608 GOVERNMENT CENTER DRIVE  
TRIBAL COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 07, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.  
VIA ZOOM  
AGENDA**

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

**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 ☐ 04/28/25 Emergency Meeting**

**III. Continuing Business**

**A. Grants & Contracts**

**B. Budget Modifications**

- 1. Approval of Supplemental Appropriation 2025- 2<sup>nd</sup>  
QTR to fund the 2024/2025 National Congress of  
American Indians (NCIA) in the amount of \$20,000.00  
To capture interest at market rates**

**B. Pringle**

**C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**

**IV. Old Business**

**A. Ratification of 2025-2029 MOA Between the Michigan  
Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy  
And the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians.**

**Tribal Ogema**

**F. Beaver**

**J. Vaquera**

NRD request to ratify the 2025-2029 MOA between  
The Michigan Dept of Environment, Great Lakes, and  
Energy and the LRBOI

**B. Enrollment Commission Minutes**

**March 2025**

**V. New Business**

**A. Approve adoption of amendment to chapter 3 Milage  
Reimbursement Regulation**

**Tribal Ogema**

**M. Lucas**

Updates to chapter to mirror changed to Chapter 2

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*1<sup>st</sup> supplemental appropriation 2025-04 – 2<sup>nd</sup> QTR*

*1<sup>st</sup> budget modification MB-2025-16*

- Travel Regulation and changes made by budget  
Appropriations Ordinance.
- B. Authorize Signatories for Wolfe River Golf Parks Liquor License Application to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission and Authorizing the Required Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity needed to apply for said License.** Tribal Ogema  
M. Schrader  
Authorization required of limited waiver of sovereign Immunity to apply for Liquor License at the golf course.
  - C. Approval by motion of the 2025 LRBOI Strategic Plan** B. Pringle  
Motion approval of 2025 Strategic Plan
  - D. June Financial Report**
  - E. July Financial Report**
  - F. August Financial Report**
  - G. Approval of Continuing the Compensation for Election Board Members** T. Burmeister  
Each Election period a resolution has to be voted on by TC to establish compensation.
  - H. Approval of Continuing the Compensation for Tribal Council** T. Burmeister  
Each Election period a resolution has to be voted on by TC to establish compensation.
  - I. Approval of Continuing the Compensation for Tribal Courts Judges** T. Burmeister  
Each Election period a resolution has to be voted on by TC to establish compensation.
  - J. 1. Biskaabiiyaang Commission appointment seat of Brenda Cogswell.** P. Johnson
  - 2. Biskaabiiyaang Commission appointment seat of Cicilee Chivis** P. Johnson
  - 3. Biskaabiiyaang Commission appointment seat of Kristi Fowler.** P. Johnson
  - 4. Biskaabiiyaang Commission appointment seat of Shawwna Gonzalez.** P. Johnson
  - 5. Biskaabiiyaang Commission appointment seat of Spring Howe.** P. Johnson
  - 6. Biskaabiiyaang Commission appointment seat of Marie Scheerer.** P. Johnson
  - K. February 2025 Operations Report**
  - L. March 2025**

## **VI. Concluding Business**

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, May 14, 2025**
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**
- C. Legislative Affairs Update**
  - 1. Tammy Burmeister**
  - 2. Pam Johnson**
  - 3. Julie Wolfe**

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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. Wells Fargo 1pm
2. Approval of 2024 Audit Services Engagement Letter From Rehmann Robson. Tribal Ogema  
G. Lewis  
A. Rabb  
Approval of 2024 audit services engagement letter from Rehmann Robson so that audit testing and field work can Begin as soon as possible after Tribal Council approves.

**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
2. Romanelli vs LRBOI Tribal Council, Bordeaux, Crampton

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- Case # 23-175-GC**
- 3 Romanelli vs LRBOI Tribal Council**  
**Case # 23-235-GC/24-072-AP**
- 4. Ogema vs LRBOI Tribal Council**  
**Case #24-010-GC**
- 5. Puflett Jr, Chapman vs LRBOI Executive Branch Duty Bearer and Promisor Larry Romanelli**  
**Case # 24-192-GC**
- 6. Case #25-25 GC Tribal Council vs Ogema, etal**
- 7. Case #25-089 GC Enrollment Commission vs 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 2024 Audit Services Engagement Letter From Rehmann Robson.**

**IX. Adjourn**

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