### Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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#### **Resolution # 05-1221-707**

Establishing the Schedule of Regular Meetings for the Tribal Council for Calendar Year 2006

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhing Ziibi Daáwaa Anišhinaábek* (Little River Band of Ottawa Indians) as a sovereign and Treaty-making power is confirmed in numerous treaties, from agreements with the initial colonial powers on this land, to various treaties with the United States; and
- WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (Tribe) is descended from, and is the political successor to, the Grand River Ottawa Bands, signatories of the 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491) with the United States, as reaffirmed by federal law in P.L. 103-324, enacted in 1994; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a new Constitution, pursuant to a vote of the membership on May 27, 1998, which Constitution became effective upon its approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on July 10, 1998; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on April 26, 2004, which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on May 13, 2004; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(a) to provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 6(a) of the Constitution is required to meet in regular session at least once every month at a time and place to be set by the Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, the Constitution provides that the "schedule of meetings for regular sessions of the Tribal Council for [each succeeding] calendar year shall be set by resolution of the Tribal Council at the last regular session of each calendar year" and that such schedule "shall be published and made available to the General Membership;" and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council met to discuss and agreed upon a schedule for regular sessions of the Tribal Council for calendar year 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council desires to have the greatest input from the General Membership in all considerations of government action such that meetings should be regularly scheduled that allow for comment and discussion with the General Membership; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article IV, section 6(e) of the Constitution, the Tribal Council desires to set quarterly meetings on the third Saturday beginning in March 2006, beginning at 10:00 a.m. as a regular meeting of the Tribal Council to conduct general business of the Tribe, to present information from the Tribal Council to the membership, to receive comments, and to hold discussions with the General Membership on legislation and other activities of the Tribal Council during the previous quarter or as part of the upcoming quarter, including receiving departmental reports and minutes of entities of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Tribal Council that the General Membership benefits from the Tribal Council, which meets on a regular weekly basis and that regular meeting being on Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. until concluded, shall be the regular weekly agenda;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby set the schedule of regular meetings of the Tribal Council for the Calendar Year 2006 to be every Wednesday and quarterly meetings on the third Saturday beginning in March 2006 at 10:00 a.m.; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby sets the location of regular meetings to be held in the Little River Band Downtown Office Building in the Dome Room, with Closed Session of any Wednesday or Saturday meeting being reconvened and conducted at the Little River Band Downtown Office Building in the Tribal Council Conference Room; and

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council hereby directs that no meetings shall be scheduled on the following days – March 29, July 5 and December 27, 2005, and that the Saturday, September 23rd meeting shall be scheduled as the Tribal Council Re-Affirmation Day Recognition Feast provided for the membership.

#### **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 7 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, 1 ABSENT, and 1 VACANT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on December 21, 2005, at the Little River Band's Dome Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Janine M. Sam, Council Recorder

Stephen Parsons, Council Speaker

Attest:

# LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR 2006

Regular Tribal Council Meetings have been established for every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. with the exceptions of March 29, July 5 and December 27, 2005. In addition, the Council has established Regular Meetings to be held quarterly on the third Saturday beginning in March 2006, beginning at 10:00 a.m. with the exception of Saturday, September 23, which has been designated for the Tribal Council Reaffirmation Day Feast.

The Saturday Council Meetings have been scheduled to conduct regular business of the Tribe, to present information from the Tribal Council to the membership; to receive comments; and hold discussion with the general membership on legislative matters, and other activities of the Tribal Council during the previous and upcoming months. The meetings shall include receiving Departmental Reports and Minutes of various entities of the Tribe. Departmental Reports and Minutes of various entities of the Tribe will be accepted during the third Wednesday of each month when a Saturday meeting is not held.

## ALL REGULAR MEETINGS SHALL BE HELD AT THE LITTLE RIVER BAND DOME ROOM

Wed., January 4 Wed., January 11 Wed., January 18 Wed., January 25	Wed., May 3 Wed., May 10 Wed., May 17 Wed., May 24 Wed., May 31	Wed., September 6 Wed., September 13 Wed, September 20 Sat, September 23* Wed., September 27
Wed., February 1 Wed., February 8 Wed., February 15 Wed., February 22	Wed., June 7 Wed., June 14 Sat., June 17 Wed., June 21 Wed., June 28	Wed., October 4 Wed., October 11 Wed., October 18 Wed., October 25
Wed., March 1 Wed., March 8 Wed., March 15 Sat., March 18 Wed., March 22	Wed., July 12 Wed., July 19 Wed., July 26	Wed., November 1 Wed., November 8 Wed., November 15 Wed., November 22 Wed., November 29
Wed., April 5 Wed., April 12 Wed., April 19 Wed., April 26	Wed., August 2 Wed., August 9 Wed., August 16 Wed., August 23 Wed., August 30	Wed., December 6 Wed., December 13 Wed., December 20 Sat., December 23

<sup>\*</sup> Tribal Council Reaffirmation Day Feast