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**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS  
TRIBAL COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 18, 2001**

**OPEN SESSION  
MINUTES**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting at the Little River Band Community Center on July 18, 2001. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

**I. Opening Prayer**

The Tribal Council engaged in a silent prayer.

**II. General Business**

**A. Call To Order:**

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting of Wednesday, July 18, 2001, was called to order at 1:07 p.m.

**B. Roll Call**

C. Bennett – Present	C. Fisher – Present	T. Kleeman – Present
L. McCatty – Present	P. Medahko – Absent	S. Parsons – Present
E. Porter – Present	P. Ruiter – Present	J. Sam – Present

Quorum established.

Others Present: Joan Spaulding, Connie Waitner, Matt Stratton, Pat Morris, John Bussey, Dan Shepherd, Kathy Berentsen, Candace Chapman, Bridget Cole, Mark Knee, Stephanie Ogren, Bill Parsons, Denise Koon

Pamela Medahko arrived at 1:10 p.m.

**C. Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA WITH ADDITION OF NEW BUSINESS, REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP MAILING INFORMATION FOR MAILING, AND UNDER CMT BUSINESS, BULLETIN #8 FOR GAS SYSTEM FOR FIRE PROTECTION;** by Porter; support by Ruiter.

**Roll Call**

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – No

Motion carried. (8-1-0-0)

**D. Tribal Council Minutes: May 9, 2001**

**MOTION TO TABLE TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF 5/9/01 FOR APPROVAL UNTIL 7/25/01; by Fisher; support by McCatty.**

**Roll Call**

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried. (9-0-0-0)

**E. Public Comment Period**

Parsons stated that when speaking during public comment to please state your name for the record.

It was stated by Council that Little River paid \$5,000 for sponsorship fee for the Forest Festival, the booth space was free and so was entry to the parade.

The question was raised why a Council member would “abstain” from voting during a meeting. This was explained that if there are personal issues involved that a Council member may abstain from voting.

There was a discussion of who can drive company vehicles. It was stated that a person needs to be GSA eligible.

**III. Continuing Business**

**A. Grants**

None to review.

**B. CMT Business**

**1. Bulletin #8**

**MOTION TO TABLE CMT BUSINESS, BULLETIN #8 UNTIL 7/25/01; by Kleeman; support by Ruiter.**

**Roll Call**

C. Bennett – No	C. Fisher – No	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – No	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried. (6-3-0-0)

**MOTION TO ADD #2 UNDER CMT, MATTER OF CONTRACT REVIEW TO CMT PORTION;** by Fisher; support by McCatty.

**Roll Call**

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried. (9-0-0-0)

Informational material only – no action required.

**IV. Old Business**

**A. Painting Contract Bids**

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #01-0718-01, PAINTING CONTRACTOR BIDS;** by Sam; support by Porter.

**Roll Call**

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – No	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried. (8-1-0-0)

**B. Council Salary Resolution**

**MOTION TO DENY COUNCIL SALARY RESOLUTION;** by Sam; support by Porter.

**Roll Call**

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – No
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – No	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried. (7-2-0-0)

**C. Tribal Property Signs**

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE SIGNS WITH CORRECT MAILING ADDRESS OF 1780 US 31; AND ADDITION OF THE LINE READING “A PORTION OF” BEFORE MANISTEE RESERVATION;** by Sam; support by Kleeman.

**Roll Call**

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried. (9-0-0-0)

**V. New Business**

**A. Water Quality Lab**

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #01-0718-02,  
WATER QUALITY LAB; by Fisher; support by Medahko.**

**Roll Call**

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried. (9-0-0-0)

**B. Kathy Bowen to Election Board**

**MOTION TO CONFIRM KATHY BOWEN TO THE  
ELECTION BOARD, EFFECTIVE TODAY UNTIL MAY 22,  
2004; by Sam; support by Kleeman.**

**Roll Call**

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Abstain	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried. (8-0-0-1)

**C. Acceptance of Resignation for Tom Guenthardt from Gaming  
Commission**

**MOTION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION LETTER FROM  
TOM GUENTHARDT; by Sam; support by Ruiter.**

**Roll Call**

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried. (9-0-0-0)

**D. Request for Membership Mailing Information**

**MOTION TO MOVE MEMBERSHIP MAILING INFORMATION TO TABLE UNTIL AFTER WORK SESSION ON TUESDAY, JULY 31 AT 1:00 P.M.;** by Kleeman; support by Sam.

**Roll Call**

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried. (9-0-0-0)

**VI. Concluding Business**

**A. Next Meeting Date – July 25, 2001**

**B. Public Comment Period**

It was stated that dates are incorrect on the certificates for the National Center for Indian Justice class. Stratton is aware of this.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN OPEN SESSION;** by Kleeman; support by Sam.

**Roll Call**

C. Bennett – Yes	C. Fisher – Yes	T. Kleeman – Yes
L. McCatty – Yes	P. Medahko – Yes	S. Parsons – Yes
E. Porter – Yes	P. Ruiter – Yes	J. Sam – Yes

Motion carried. (9-0-0-0)

Respectfully Submitted,



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Transcribing Assistant



Janine Sam  
Tribal Council Recorder