



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
SPECIAL SESSION, 12/30/97**

A standard Tribal Council Agenda format was used to bring two items before the Tribal Council at this noon special meeting. These items will be separately addressed below.

This meeting was held in Bob's office who called to the meeting to order at 12:28.

Although a formal roll call was not made by the Secretary, it was noted that Bob G., Chuck F., Kim K. and Don K. were physically present for the meeting (and also, that a quorum was present). A number of attempts were made to access both Steve P. and Bill M. via conference call. Due to some difficulty with this process, Steve P. was available for the entire meeting. Bill M. was originally accessed but subsequently lost (briefly) and then later rejoined the meeting, i.e., prior to the first vote. In this process, it was decided that Kathy B., the only Council member not present or accounted for, would be called after the meeting to get her input and vote.

It should also be noted that there were no agenda items under the title of "Old Business".

Council packets containing the specifics (and the associated resolutions) regarding both considerations of the day had been made available to all Tribal Council members. Generally, the two agenda items that brought the meeting together both involved the pursuit of support funding for the impending Treaty Rights litigation the Tribe will be involved in. The background and scope of the problem(s) as well as specifics regarding the nature of and other details/issues related to the problem(s) including budget information were highlighted in the materials presented to the Tribal Council for approval. Essentially, the two resolutions for approval addressed the two separate "pots of potential funding" that had been identified as being potentially available to meet the needs of the Tribe in the above named Treaty Rights litigation that is expected early in 1998.

More specifically, the first resolution involved the Council's authorizing the submission of request for appropriated funds for attorney fees for treaty rights litigation. After limited discussion/clarification, Bill Memberto moved to approve the resolution, this was supported by Kim Kequom, with the subsequent vote being 6-0 favoring this resolution.

The second agenda item involved the Tribal Council's approval by resolution to authorize the submission of a request for litigation support funds for attorney and consultant expenses for Treaty Rights litigation. After discussion, Kim Kequom moved to approve the resolution which was supported by Don Koon. The subsequent vote was 6-0 in favor of the second resolution.

There were no agenda items under the title of "Concluding Business".

The dates of the next Council meetings (January 10th and 11th) were clarified prior to the close of the meeting.

Kim Kequom moved to adjourn the meeting. This was supported by Steve Parsons. There was a 6-0 vote in favor of the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m., 12/30/97.

It should also be noted that Kathy Berentsen, Vice-Chairperson, was indeed subsequently called and voted with the rest of the tribal council with respect to both resolutions. The resolution records were subsequently signed with the voting record completed to reflect 7-0-0-0 (7 in favor: 0 opposed/abstaining/absent).

(Minutes respectfully submitted by C. Fisher).