

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

2608 Government Center Drive Manistee, MI 49660

Moved to Open Session 11/09/16

Resolution #16-0810-233

- Approve Tribal Ogema to complete the 80 Acre Custer property purchase on behalf of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziíbi Daáwaa Aníšhinaábek* (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 is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(b) to approve contracts negotiated by the Ogema on behalf of Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council and Ogema agree that acquiring the 80 acres of vacant land at the agreed upon price is in the best interest of the Tribe; and

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NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little Moved to Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Ogema upon favorable due description execute the Purchase Agreement and authorize the payment of \$124,000.00 plus related closing costs.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians authorizes all funds for this property purchase to come out of Reservation Restoration budget #6020-000-6100 and to be paid according to the contract documents as executed by the Ogema.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby expressly denies any waiver of Sovereign Immunity; also denies any implied waiver of Sovereign Immunity in connection with authorization of this contract.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with <u>7</u> FOR, <u>1</u> AGAINST, <u>0</u> ABSTAINING, <u>1</u> ABSENT, at a Regular Closed Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on August 10, 2016, at the Little River Band's Conference Room in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Joseph Riley, Council Recorder

Virgil Johnson, Council Speaker

Attest:

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Tribal Council Tribal Ogema

Commerce Department