



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**  
2608 Government Center Drive  
Manistee, MI 49660

**Resolution #18-1010-296**

*Authorizing Re-Setting Commission Compensation and Maximum Number of  
Monthly Meetings Allowed*

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Aníshinaábek* (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 Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on July 11, 2016 which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on August 24, 2016; 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 to create regulatory commissions, and has adopted the Commissions Ordinance to govern the development and operations of commissions; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council adopted emergency amendments to the Commissions Ordinance on January 7, 2009, which provide that Tribal Council shall set the amount and maximum number of stipends to be paid per month to Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council recognizes that each Commission is valuable and holds a critical role in the structure of Tribal Government; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council approved Resolution #10-0106-003 – *Setting Commission Stipends and Maximum Number of Monthly Stipends Allowed; Setting Stipend Level for Elders Committee*; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council recognizes it is in the best interest of the Tribe to re-authorize the compensation levels and meeting frequencies for each commission by Resolution beginning FY2019, and

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT, in accordance with Section 9.02 of the Commissions Ordinance, monthly compensation and monthly meeting frequencies are set for each Commission as follows beginning FY2019:

Natural Resources Commission-	1 meetings per month	- \$125.00
Health Commission	- 1 meeting per month	- \$125.00
Binojeeuk Commission	- 2 meetings per month	- \$150.00
Enrollment Commission	- 1 meetings per month	- \$125.00
Gaming Commission	- 4 meetings per month	- \$150.00
Housing Commission	- 2 meeting per month	- \$125.00

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the compensation paid is on a per meeting basis beginning in January 2019. Each Commission member that is duly sworn in and holding office that attends a meeting in accordance with each body's By-laws is eligible to be paid compensation set forth in this resolution.

IT IS ADDITIONALLY RESOLVED THAT the Little River Band Gaming Commission is hereby authorized to hold an additional two (2) meetings per month for the purpose of conducting licensure, hearings or vendor approvals without requiring the Gaming Commission to make an independent request to authorize additional meetings.


IT IS ADDITIONALLY RESOLVED THAT the Little River Band Binojeeuk Commission is hereby authorized to hold two (2) additional monthly meetings as needed to provide for the welfare, care and protection of the Indian children and families of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians.

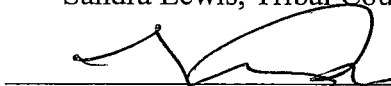
IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT each Commission remains accountable to submit monthly reports to the Tribal Council no later than the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month for business transacted in the prior month in accordance with the Commissions Ordinance. Failure to timely file and submit the monthly reports may result in a suspension of compensation payment until such time as the past due reports are submitted.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT nothing in this Resolution shall prohibit a Commission from making a written request to Tribal Council for approval, by Resolution, requesting additional meetings provided that the proposed Resolution shall clearly identify the circumstances that require the additional meeting(s). Any Commission that exceeds the number of meetings authorized by this Resolution without prior written consent of the Tribal Council shall not be eligible to receive compensation for the additional meeting(s). All Commission meetings conducted in accordance with the Commission's By-laws and Ordinance shall be held valid even if the meeting exceeds the number authorized by this Resolution.

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 8 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, and at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on October 10, 2018, at the Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

  
Sandra Lewis, Tribal Council Recorder

  
Joseph Riley II, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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