



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution #19-0327-073

Discontinue Payment of Stipends to the Natural Resource Commission until in compliance with the Commissions Ordinance regarding Monthly Reporting

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 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(f) to create by ordinance regulatory commissions or subordinate organizations and to delegate to such organizations the power to manage the affairs and enterprises of the Little River Band, provided that no such commission or subordinate organization shall exercise powers of the Tribal Council unless they are expressly delegated by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(h) To approve appointments to the Tribal Court, regulatory commissions and heads of subordinate organizations created by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council adopted the Commissions Ordinance, Ordinance #04-150-01; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council approved the creation of the Natural Resource Commission Ordinance by Resolution #06-500-01; and

WHEREAS, under Section 9.05 of the Commissions Ordinance, if a Commission fails to report as required under Section 8.04, at the discretion of the Tribal Council, may have stipends and/or salary withheld until such time as the commission complies with Section 9.01; and

WHEREAS, the last monthly report from the Natural Resource Commission submitted to the Tribal Council was dated December 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council believes it is imperative that the Tribal Council receive the Commission reports to be accepted by the Council on a monthly basis.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council directs that the Commission submit their monthly reports in a timely fashion for acceptance on the Tribal Council's agenda.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Natural Resource Commission shall not receive further stipends until their monthly report has been submitted for September 2018, January & February 2019 in order to receive their stipends.

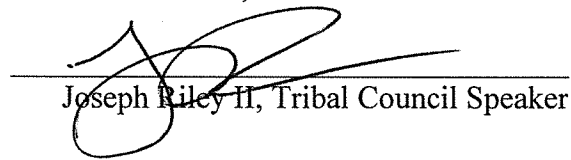
IT IS ADDITIONALLY RESOLVED THAT the Natural Resource Commission shall submit their monthly report each month to the Tribal Council Recorder on the second Tuesday of each month so that it will appear on the agenda during the third week of the month for acceptance in order to receive their stipends in a timely manner.

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 at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on March 27, 2019 at the Little River Band's 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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