Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



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Resolution #25-0618-138

Approval of 2024 Audit Service Engagement Letter from Rehmann Robson

- WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Anišhinaábek* (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 vested with the authority, under Article IV, Section 7(b), to ratify contracts to be entered into by the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has received a contract from Rehmann Robson to conduct the 2024 Financial Audit; and
- WHEREAS, the Rehmann will bill in three installments for progress in audit work, and at the end for the implementation of the mandatory GASB 101; and
- WHEREAS, if the Audit company is required to audit more than two (2) major programs, those additional costs will be billed to the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the contract has been reviewed by Executive Legal Department; and

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WHEREAS, the agreement was reviewed by Tribal Council with the Chief Financial Officer at a Work Session held on

WHEREAS, the terms of the engagement shall be construed under the laws of the State of Michigan and any dispute or controversy arising out of or relating to this engagement or contract shall be submitted to arbitration;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the Tribal Ogema to execute the contract with Rehmann Robson to provide accounting support services incorporating the contents of this resolution.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 5 FOR, 3 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Open Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on June 18, 2025, via ZOOM and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Government Center, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Julie Wolfe, Council Recorder Pro Temp

Susan Thull, Acting Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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Tribal Ogema