



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2025
LITTLE RIVER BAND
GOVERNMENT CENTER AND VIA ZOOM
OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting at the Little River Band Government Center on December 10, 2025. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Speaker Crampton:

I. Opening Prayer

Speaker Crampton offered the Opening Prayer.

Speaker Crampton:

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m.

B. Roll Call

Recorder Thull:

T. Burmeister - Present	G. DiPiazza - Present	M. Silvis - Absent
R. Wittenberg - Present	J. Wolfe - Present	A. Metzger- Present
S. Crampton - Present	C. Waitner - Present	S. Thull - Present

Quorum established. (8 Present 1 Absent)

Speaker Crampton:

C. Approval of Agenda

Recorder Thull: **MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2025, WITH THE FOLLOWING UPDATES, UNDER V. A. RATIFICATION of Schindler Elevator Corporation Contract updated.** Support: Councilor Metzger.

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call # 1

R. Wittenberg - Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner - Yes	S. Thull - Yes
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Absent	T. Burmeister - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

- D. Tribal Council Minutes** 12/03/2025 10/22/2025
 10/10/2025 Emergency Meeting
 09/29/2025 Emergency Meeting
 09/24/2025

Councilor Burmeister: **Motion to Accept Tribal Council Minutes 12/03/2025, 10/22/2025, 10/10/2025 Emergency Meeting, 09/29/2025 Emergency Meeting, 09/24/2025.** Support: Councilor Metzger.

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call # 2

S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner - Abstain	S. Thull - Yes
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Absent	T. Burmeister - Yes
J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg - Yes

Motion carried (7-0-1-1)

Speaker Crampton:

III. Continuing Business

A. Budget Modifications

- 1. Acceptance of contract funds from the Department of Health and Human Services – 2026 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP) Infrastructure and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-__ in the amount of \$6,602**

K. Bowers and J. Gannon represented the item.

Councilor Burmeister: **Motion to approve Resolution #25-1210-280 Acceptance of contract funds from the Department of Health and Human Services – 2026 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP) Infrastructure and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-78 in the amount of \$6,602.** Support: Councilor Waitner.

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call # 3

G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Absent	T. Burmeister - Yes
J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg - Yes
C. Waitner - Yes	S. Thull - Yes	S. Crampton - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

- 2. Acceptance of contract funds from the Department of Health and Human Services – 2026 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP) and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-__ in the amount of \$223,008**

K. Bowers and J. Gannon represented the item.

Councilor Burmeister: **Motion to approve Resolution #25-1210-281 Acceptance of contract funds from the Department of Health and Human Services – 2026 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP) and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-79 in the amount of \$223,008.** Support: Councilor Metzger.

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call # 4

J. Wolfe	- Yes	A. Metzger	- Yes	R. Wittenberg	- Yes
C. Waitner	- Yes	S. Thull	- Yes	S. Crampton	- Yes
M. Silvis	- Absent	T. Burmeister	- Yes	G. DiPiazza	- Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

3. **Acceptance of grant funds from the Department of Health and Human Services – 2026 Child Care and Development Block Grant and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-__ in the amount of \$76,909**

K. Bowers and J. Gannon represented the item.

Councilor Burmeister: **Motion to approve Resolution #25-1210-282 Acceptance of grant funds from the Department of Health and Human Services – 2026 Child Care and Development Block Grant and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-80 in the amount of \$76,909.** Support: Councilor Wittenberg.

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call # 5

C. Waitner	- Yes	S. Thull	- Yes	S. Crampton	- Yes
M. Silvis	- Absent	T. Burmeister	- Yes	G. DiPiazza	- Yes
A. Metzger	- Yes	R. Wittenberg	- Yes	J. Wolfe	- Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

- B. **Grants & Contracts**
- C. **Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**
- IV. **Old Business**
- V. **New Business**

Updated A. Ratification of Schindler Elevator Corporation Contract

D. Underwood represented the item.

Councilor Burmeister: **Motion to Approve Resolution #25-1210-283 Ratification of Schindler Elevator Corporation Contract.** Support: Councilor Metzger

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call # 6

M. Silvis - Absent	T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes
A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg - Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes
S. Thull - Yes	S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

B. Appropriating funds for Continuing Budget Resolution For Expenditures during the month of January FY 2026

Bradley Pringle represented the item.

Councilor Metzger: **Motion to Approve Resolution #25-1210-284 Appropriating funds for Continuing Budget Resolution For Expenditures during the month of January FY 2026.** Support: Councilor Wittenberg.

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call # 7

A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg - Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes
S. Thull - Yes	S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner - No
T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza - No	M. Silvis - Absent

Motion carried (6-2-0-1)

VI. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, December 17, 2025**
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**
- C. Legislative Affairs Update**
- D. Public Comment Period**

The purpose of closed session is to discuss business matters considered privileged or confidential involving consideration of bids/contracts, pending legal issues, and/or personnel matters.

Councilor Wittenberg: **MOTION TO ADJOURN THE FIRST OPEN SESSION at 10:39 a.m.** Support: Councilor Metzger.

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call #

S. Thull - Yes	S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner - Yes
T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Absent

R. Wittenberg - Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
Motion carried (8-0-0-1)		

VIII. Open Session

Councilor Metzger: **MOTION TO END CLOSED AND GO BACK INTO OPEN SESSION AT 11:45 a.m.** Support: Councilor Wittenberg.

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call #

T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Absent
R. Wittenberg - Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner - Yes	S. Thull - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

- A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session-Minutes and Materials Remain Confidential.**

There were no items to be moved from Closed to Open Session.

IX. Adjourn

Councilor Metzger: **MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING at 11:47 a.m.**
Support: Councilor Wittenberg.

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call #

R. Wittenberg - Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner - Yes	S. Thull - Yes
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Absent	T. Burmeister - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Respectfully Submitted,



Susan Thull
Tribal Council Recorder