

**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS  
TRIBAL COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2018  
LITTLE RIVER BAND  
GOVERNMENT CENTER**

**OPEN SESSION  
MINUTES**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting at the Little River Band Government Center on April 25, 2018. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said to Speaker Riley that the recorder is on.

Speaker Riley thank Acting Recorder Di Piazza. Riley said he would like to welcome everybody this morning to their regularly scheduled Tribal Council Meeting for April 25<sup>th</sup>. Riley said they are going to get started with their Opening Prayer and Councilor Pete is going to do that for them.

**I. Opening Prayer**

Ron Pete, Tribal Elder, offered the Opening Prayer.

Our Heavenly Father, our Creator.  
Thank you for bringing us together again today.  
Thank you for this beautiful and glorious day outside.  
Thank you for watching over us in our travels today and please watch over us as our final destination today wherever that may be.  
Bless all of our Tribal members wherever they are.  
Bless this Nation.  
Bless our Troops.  
Bless our First Responders and our Police Officers that they may come home safe to their families.  
In Thy Name. Amen.

Speaker Riley thanked Councilor Pete.

**II. General Business**

**A. Call to Order**

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m.

**B. Roll Call**

Speaker Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

J. Riley - Present	J. Friedel - Present	F. Medacco - Present
S. Crampton - Present	G. DiPiazza - Present	R. Pete - Present
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Quorum established.

Others Present: Kelly Maser, Spring Medacco, Jim Grabowski, Alan Tyler, Shanaviah Canales, Margaret Scott, Darleen Martin, Kathy Sam, Jennifer Crampton, Tom St. Dennis, Frank Figgels, Boo Battice, Matt Battice.

Others Present That Did Not Sign In: Grace Hendler, George Le Vasseur, Mary Thomas, Ogema Romanelli, Officers Michael Brown and Paul Aksamitowski, Rebecca Liebing, Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar, Caitlin Rollins.

Speaker Riley said before they approve the agenda he just wanted to make a note that both Sandy Lewis and Ron Wittenberg are in New Mexico at a Self-Governance Conference. Riley said that was the word he was looking for. Riley said Diane Lonn is out because she is having surgery so please keep her in their thoughts and prayers.

**C. Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION TO APPROVE WEDNESDAY AGENDA WITH THE FOLLOWING ADDS; V D, ALSO VII OLD BUSINESS C IS REMOVED WHICH IS THE PREFERENCE REPORT, VIII G. IS AN ADD, X C.1. IS REVISED;** by Di Piazza; supported by Medacco.

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked any discussion on the agenda today. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #1**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said the agenda has been approved for April 25, 2018.

**D. Tribal Council Minutes  4/11/18**

**MOTION TO ACCEPT TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 4/11/18 FOR FILING;** by Medacco; supported by Friedel.

Speaker Riley asked is there any discussion on the minutes. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #2**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said the minutes for 4/11/18 are filed.

**III. Continuing Business**

**A. Grants & Contracts**

Speaker Riley said they have nothing under Grants & Contracts.

**B. Budget Modifications**

**1. Approval of Supplemental Appropriation 2018-\_\_-2<sup>nd</sup> QTR to fund cost associated with investing in the building of the Elder Center**

Tribal Council has received a Certification of Availability of Funds #2018-008 from the Accounting Department signed by the Chief Financial Officer.

Speaker Riley asked Tom St. Dennis if he was representing that one.

Tom St. Dennis said he can.

Speaker Riley said would he please because he probably has the most knowledge on the subject.

Tom St. Dennis, Commerce Department, represented this agenda item. St. Dennis said good morning Tribal Council. St. Dennis said they have been on this journey for about a year. St. Dennis said they started looking at an Elder Center and various ways to build it and finance it. St. Dennis said they met with the Housing Commission and met with the Housing Department, Architects and them. St. Dennis after all that time they have come up with a plan for Phase 1 of three phases for an Elder Center to be built at Aki. St. Dennis said the first phase is approximately 13,200 feet and consists of 10 one bedroom units, community space including a kitchen, meeting room, and a multi-purpose room as well as a large center gathering room. St. Dennis said he thinks he would be open for questions after that.

Speaker Riley said okay. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete thanked Tom St. Dennis. Pete said from his understanding from discussions with him on this center that although they are not going to do it right away, he means the 10 they are, but the center will also have.....the availability to have 18 more units to it so when it would be done it would be a total of 28 Elder Apartments or however they may want to describe it. Pete asked is that correct.

Tom St. Dennis replied correct.

Councilor Pete said also there could be a possibility still of looking for some grants or funds to help with this, correct.

Tom St. Dennis said he was in Lansing last week as a matter of fact he was stirring that pot looking for some additional dollars.

Councilor Pete thanked Tom St. Dennis.

Speaker Riley said he has a question. Riley said during the planning of this probably close to a year ago when one of the things that was a request to the Elders is that the units have two bathrooms. Riley said one onto the Master Bedroom so they can keep their meds private from the public or anybody that they invite in that uses the restroom or whatever. Riley asked is that still the plan to have the two bathrooms.

Tom St. Dennis said yes. St. Dennis said it is a bath and a half actually.

Speaker Riley said alright. Riley asked do they have any Elders that would like to comment or ask questions. Riley recognized Darleen Martin.

Darleen Martin said she would like to ask Tom St. Dennis he said these are supposed to be one bedroom units then how come one bedroom unit would have to have a bath and a half. Martin said there is no second bedroom so why would it have to have a bath and a half.

Tom St. Dennis said they are very concerned about privacy and they wanted to make sure that an Elder was able to have their own private bathroom in case they have people stay with them or something like that so they incorporated a half bath as well. St. Dennis said so that the Elder would have their space and if they had a Caregiver or somebody coming over with them for the weekend they would have their separate space. St. Dennis said so the idea was privacy.

Darleen Martin said that was why she was wondering because he did say one bedroom. Martin thanked Tom St. Dennis.

Tom St. Dennis said he has pictures too if she would like to take a look.

Speaker Riley said to Darleen Martin they actually specifically reached out to some Elders with questions about what it was they wanted. Riley said one of the things they specifically mentioned was a half bath or an area that they didn't have to worry about it if they had Grandkids over getting into their medications or anything like that so that was part of it. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said if there is no discussion he will make that motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0425-121;  
APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION 2018-08-2<sup>nd</sup>  
QTR TO FUND COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE  
BUILDING OF THE ELDER CENTER;** by Medacco; supported by  
Pete.

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked is there any further discussion or questions on the supplemental appropriation. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #3**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0425-121 has passed.

Speaker Riley thanked Tom St. Dennis.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said he just wanted to say Miigwech for everybody voting on this that was brought up a long time ago even when Mr. Memberto was here. Di Piazza said to get the Elders Center going and get it done. Di Piazza said that is another notch in his belt.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said that is exactly what he wanted to do is acknowledge former Council Members who were here in the inception: Sandy Mezeske, Virgil Johnson, Mike Ceplina and Pat Ruitter.

**C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**

- 1. Approval for Ron Pete to attend the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Partners In Action-New Horizons, Honored Past Conference in Milwaukee, WI July 17-19, 2018**

The conference is hosted by the Bureau of Indian Affairs-Midwest Region and Forest County Potawatomi Community and being held at the Potawatomi Casino & Hotel.

Speaker Riley asked are there any questions or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said he will make that motion.

**MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF RON PETE TO ATTEND THE 7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL PARTNERS IN ACTION-NEW HORIZONS, HONORED PAST CONFERENCE IN MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN FROM JULY 17-19, 2018; by Medacco; supported by Di Piazza.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked is there any discussion on this one. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #4**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said motion has carried for Ron Pete to travel.

Speaker Riley said okay item.....

Councilor Pete said he would just like to make a comment and say that this meeting.....he attended this last year in Minneapolis when Speaker Riley couldn't attend. Pete said it is strictly all day and all times with the BIA. Pete said he attended that with the Ogema and believed the Ogema is going to be coming this time to it with him.

Speaker Riley said question. Riley asked if they were aware if John Studea will be there.

Councilor Pete replied he is not aware of that yet and hasn't seen the.....

Speaker Riley said he thinks they still need to visit with him.

Councilor Pete said if he is there they will.

- 2. Approval for Jamie Friedel, Diane Lonn and Ron Wittenberg to attend the Tribal Action Plan Development Workshop in Columbia, South Carolina on May 7-10, 2018**

These travels will be reimbursed by the Department of Justice's Office of Legal Education.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said if there is.....well before he makes a motion he would like to just say from his understanding that this is all grant funded. Pete said he really applauds this happening with the Opioid thing. Pete said for that if there is no other discussion he will make a motion.

**MOTION FOR APPROVAL FOR JAMIE FRIEDEL, DIANE LONN AND RON WITTENBERG TO ATTEND THE TRIBAL ACTION PLAN DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP IN COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA ON MAY 7-10, 2018; by Pete; supported by Di Piazza.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley said Councilor Friedel is going to abstain. Riley said alright and any other discussion on this item. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #5**

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Abstain	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Absent	D. Lonn -	Absent	S. Lewis -	Absent

Motion carried (5-0-1-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said travel has been approved.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said he would also want to add that the reason he was added to this and it was Shayne Machen that was supposed to have gone but she has other dates that she has to be at so she asked him to attend in her spot given the voice for the group. Friedel said he has asked Jason Cross to take the voice of the group for him instead so he will be attending but he will be their Spokesperson.

Speaker Riley thanked Councilor Friedel. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza that they already passed that right.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said yes.

**3. Approval for Ron Pete and Diane Lonn to attend The Gulf Coast Elder Abuse Conference in Slidell, Louisiana on June 25-26, 2018**

The Event is being held at the Northshore Harbor Center.

Speaker Riley asked is there any discussion or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete thanked Speaker Riley. Pete said this was brought to his attention actually by Shanaviah Canales and that.....speaking with Diane Lonn he first said that she.....why doesn't she.....he wished she would just go to this and then they found out from.....thanked Shanaviah Canales.....that she got one of their trips totally grant funded so he will be attending with Diane Lonn if this is approved. Pete thanked them.

Speaker Riley recognized Acting Recorder Di Piazza or Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said yeah he just thought about maybe incorporating one of the Commissioners to go to for the Elders Commission.....Committee. Friedel said one of those maybe would like to attend something that.....just a question. Friedel said he means they passed those guys but it is just something to look out to.....maybe something for them to pass onto the Elders.

Speaker Riley said yeah he thinks one of the Liaisons should probably bring that up at the May Elders Meeting. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said if there is no more discussion he would like to make a motion.

**MOTION FOR APPROVAL FOR RON PETE AND DIANE LONN TO ATTEND THE GULF COAST ELDER ABUSE CONFERENCE IN SLIDELL, LOUISIANA ON JUNE 25-26, 2018; by Crampton; supported by Friedel.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked any further discussion on this item. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #6**

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Yes	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Absent	D. Lonn -	Absent	S. Lewis -	Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said motion for travel has been approved.

- 4. Approval for Sandra Lewis to travel to Washington, D.C. to attend the House Committee on Appropriations on May 9-10, 2018**  
Sandra Lewis is providing Testimony to the Subcommittee.



Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said if there is no discussion he would like to make a motion.

**MOTION FOR APPROVAL FOR SANDRA LEWIS TO TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON, D.C. TO ATTEND THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS ON MAY 9-10, 2018; by Crampton; supported by Friedel.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked is there any further discussion or questions on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said yes Ms. Lewis will be providing testimony to the House Subcommittee.

Councilor Medacco said he believed their attorneys are helping her write that.

Speaker Riley said yeah they are.

Councilor Crampton said he hopes so.

Speaker Riley said he doesn't think they are even paying attention right now. Riley said oh, okay one of them is. Riley said alright if there is no further discussion. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #7**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said travel has been approved.

**IV. Acceptance of Reports**

**A. Report of the Tribal Ogema**

- 1. Operations Report  March 2018
- 2. Financial Report  None Submitted
- 3. Accounting Report  None Submitted

**V. Acceptance of Commission Reports**

- A. Binojeuk Commission  None Submitted
- B. Enrollment Commission  None Submitted
- C. Gaming Commission  March 2018
- D. Health Commission  March 2018
- E. Housing Commission  March 2018

**F. Natural Resource Commission**       **None Submitted**

**VI. Acceptance of Committee Minutes and Other Entities**

- A. Elders Committee Minutes**       **March 2018**
- B. Little River Casino Resort Preference Report**       **March 2018**
- C. LRBOI Tribal Government Preference Report**       **Included in  
Operations  
Report  
March 2018**

Speaker Riley noted that they have the Operations Report for March 2018. Riley said for the Commission Reports they have Gaming Commission for March, Health Commission for March, and Housing Commission for March. Riley said Acceptance for Committee Minutes and Other Entities they have the Elders Committee for March, the Little River Casino Resort Preference Report for March and the Preference Report for the government is included in the March Operations Report. Riley asked is there any discussion or questions regarding these reports.

**VII. Old Business**

**Reports that are due:**

**Reports received:**

- A. Binojeeuk Commission  
January & February 2018**       **None Submitted**
- B. Natural Resource Commission  
February 2018 Due**       **None Submitted**
- C. LRBOI Tribal Government Preference Report**       **None Submitted**

Speaker Riley said onto Old Business and they got some reports that are still due. Riley said it looks like Binojeeuk for January and February, Natural Resources for February, the Preference Report for the government was removed because that was submitted.

**D. Approving Override of Tribal Ogema's Disapproval of Supplemental Appropriation 2018-07-2<sup>nd</sup> QTR**

The Tribal Ogema's Veto or disapproval of a modification of the Tribal Budget by Tribal Council may be reconsidered and reinstated by Tribal Council on the affirmative vote of 6 of the 9 Members.

Speaker Riley asked is there a motion or any discussion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said to Speaker Riley okay he has some.....for the discussion part.....wants some clarification. Pete said clarification be that this appropriation for.....to override the veto.....two things. Pete said one are these funds being appropriated for bills that are already incurred by the attorneys.

Speaker Riley replied yes.

Councilor Pete said so these.....they are billed already for this so these bills need to be paid, correct.

Speaker Riley said right.

Councilor Pete said okay he needed that clarification because he wanted to know if this was just extra money being put in there in case bills were coming up but these bills are incurred for that is that correct.

Speaker Riley said not for the complete amount.....

Councilor Pete said no but for portions of this money is already encumbered is that correct.

Speaker Riley said that is correct.

Councilor Pete said okay that is one thing he wanted to know. Pete said there is another thing and he will just tell them that right now it just escaped his head.

Speaker Riley said okay.

Councilor Pete said so he apologize for the second part and if he remembers he will ask.

Speaker Riley recognized Ogema Romanelli.

Ogema Romanelli thanked Speaker Riley. Romanelli said actually what he did was he wrote on the item his disapproval of the \$50,000 additional monies he believed is what it is. Romanelli said he may be wrong here so please correct him.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said it is 30.

Ogema Romanelli said it is \$30,000.

Speaker Riley agreed.

Ogema Romanelli said he didn't actually veto it but they can call it a veto or disapproval. Romanelli said he just thinks it is an awful lot of money because they have already appropriated other monies in this suit both for the Ogema and for the Council but it seems as though the Council is spending 2 ½ to 3 times what the Ogema is spending in Attorney Fees. Romanelli said he thinks it is unfortunate that they have to go to court anyway. Romanelli said Unified Legal

was in part put together to stop Ogema v. Council or Council v. Ogema continually going to court which has been the norm over the years but there is a reason why they have a third branch of government is to do that very thing. Romanelli said it is when they can't work something out between the two branches that it needs to go to the third branch. Romanelli said unfortunately a lot of these cases take.....this one is going on two years and thinks it was about August or September of 2016. Romanelli said so that is a long period of time. Romanelli said he just thinks it is unfortunate that they spend so much money on attorneys and he just....from him he believed in this case he has one attorney. Romanelli said one local attorney that is working on the case. Romanelli said Tribal Council has a local attorney and one from out of state so they have doubled up on their attorneys and the costs are reflected in these requests. Romanelli said he just thinks that is unacceptable and think that they should, they know, get an attorney and go forth.

Speaker Riley said so he just wanted to be clear here. Riley said he is vetoing something or disapproving or whatever of something that could potentially interfere with the outcome of this case because he is not willing to allow Council to have the money to pay for their legal bills.

Ogema Romanelli said in part yes. Romanelli said the other fact then he can say okay so then why doesn't he get a second attorney which could also affect the outcome of this case and say let's be fair and let's both double up....double down on attorneys and spend even more money. Romanelli said if he had his way on many of these things he would go to their membership and say let's get a group of their members and let them decide and they wouldn't spend two years in court. Romanelli said they would spend a hell of a lot less time and a lot less money.

Speaker Riley said if he is willing he would have no problem setting up some sort of arbitration or mediation clause within the ULD thing and they can go out and figure things out that way so it doesn't cost money.

Ogema Romanelli said right. Romanelli said he thinks they are too far into this case for this one but for future ones he would absolutely recommend that they do that. Romanelli said that they put together a.....some kind of Arbitration Committee because this is ridiculous but he thinks.....he also thinks it is a bit much to double down on their attorneys and that is why he thinks the amount of money that they are spending is a bit too much. Romanelli said he thinks that, he guessed, if they go through this and they probably will then he will probably ask to get another attorney and he doesn't assume this Council would be objecting to that if he went out and got an outside attorney so they can do that.

Speaker Riley said he personally wouldn't make any decision that would come across as, he knows, them being unfair to him on his side of the case. Riley said he can't speak for everybody else or the way their vote would go but that is his.....

Ogema Romanelli said he only stayed with one attorney because he was trying to save the Tribe money. Romanelli thanked Speaker Riley.

Speaker Riley thanked the Ogema. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said to Speaker Riley that he remembered the second part of his question. Pete apologized. Pete said to Speaker Riley that he is having trouble figuring this thing out so if he could please tell him if he votes yes on this what does that vote mean.

Speaker Riley said that means he is approving more money to go into Council's Budget.

Councilor Pete said if he votes no then.....so he guesses a yes vote is he is approving the \$30,000 to go into Tribal Council's Budget. Pete said if he would vote no he is not supporting that and is that correct.

Speaker Riley said correct.

Councilor Pete said okay he just wanted to make sure this wasn't one of those like he has seen them on ballots before that they vote yes then they really mean no and if they vote no they really mean yes. Pete said okay he understands that now and thanked Speaker Riley.

Speaker Riley said they know he doesn't like this any better than anyone else that they have to continue to pay these bills but at this point when there are expenses already incurred their credit and their reputation is on the line so. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said just a few things left out here and he thinks it is important to note that Tribal Council did not bring this action and they are defending themselves. Crampton said this was brought by the Ogema. Crampton said secondly.....no, well he forgot what he was going to say too.

Speaker Riley said okay.

Councilor Pete said oops Councilor Crampton is like him.

Ogema Romanelli said he just wanted to.....he is not sure that if the Council could move money from within their Budget because they don't have a Comptroller position and he is just thinking to save a little bit of money possibly move money within their own.....within the Tribal Council Budget. Romanelli said just a thought.

Speaker Riley said actually that that is potentially not possible because when they budgeted for it they budgeted it at a lower pay grade than what they actually had

to post for because of interest within the position and the quality of candidates that were actually needed for the job. Riley said they are all asking for significantly more so they had to repost it at a higher grade because the market determines the price unfortunately they don't get to do that so. Riley said he is still looking for a motion resolution on this. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said yeah and thanked him.

**APPROVING OVERRIDE OF TRIBAL OGEMA'S DISAPPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION 2018-07-2<sup>nd</sup> QTR;** by Crampton.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza asked Councilor Crampton if he had a resolution number.

Speaker Riley said it doesn't require a resolution to override or is it just a motion.

Councilor Medacco said it is a resolution.

Speaker Riley said it is a resolution okay.

Councilor Crampton read into the record the resolution number.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0425-122; APPROVING OVERRIDE OF TRIBAL OGEMA'S DISAPPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION 2018-07-2<sup>nd</sup> QTR;** by Crampton; supported by Friedel.

Speaker Riley said okay is there any further discussion on this item. Riley recognized Darleen Martin.

Darleen Martin, Tribal #0575, said she would like to know.....it has been going on for two years. Martin asked how much money has actually been spent from their Tribe for both sides. Martin asked where is that money coming from. Martin asked is that coming out of the funds or where is it coming from.

Speaker Riley said it is coming out of.....when there is a supplemental appropriation it comes out the Unrestricted Account.

Darleen Martin said now what is an Unrestricted Account.

Speaker Riley said it is the General Fund.

Darleen Martin said that is what she wanted to know.

Speaker Riley said as far as dollars spent that really can't be disclosed at this point because.....

Darleen Martin said because of how much they have spent so far.

Speaker Riley said no, no, no. Riley said billing matters there is some difference of opinion specifically as to whether or not those are covered by confidentiality or not and he doesn't want to really get into another argument about whether or not.....

Darleen Martin said she just wanted to know where the money was from.

Speaker Riley said if there were to disclose how much the Ogema spent or if he were to disclose how much they spent potentially then it could be another question in court.

Darleen Martin asked so they are out of the General Fund and so is his.

Speaker Riley said correct.

Darleen Martin said it don't make sense.

Speaker Riley said he agrees it doesn't. Riley said he has Councilor Crampton then he has Ogema Romanelli.

Councilor Crampton said he thinks it is all online because the appropriations are under open session so the amounts should be online on the website. Crampton said if she just goes through and get all the resolutions then add them up.

Ogema Romanelli said he just wanted to.....from that yes, both sides are coming out the General Fund. Romanelli said he did ask the CFO if they could get some numbers, rough numbers, as to how much they spent between the two. Romanelli said if he could have that for this meeting unfortunately he doesn't see the numbers coming through. Romanelli said again, yes a lot of these appropriations are done in open session but it is almost impossible to go back and find each one of those when they go back two years. Romanelli said it is a lot of work and almost impossible but he does believe it is a significant amount of money and that is why he had the dis.....

*Darleen Martin made a comment from the audience and it wasn't picked up on tape.*

Ogema Romanelli said he would love to get it over with. Romanelli said he thinks two years is a long time to be in their courts, it really is, and if they figure during that time whenever the issue is is still going on so yeah. Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Riley asked anything further. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #8**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0425-122 has passed.

Speaker Riley said alright onto.....one more comment.

Councilor Pete said he wanted to make just one more comment. Pete said he just wanted to say this is probably one of the tougher votes that he had to make and he just wanted to say because he thought that is why they had ULD also. Pete said he don't.....if they hadn't incurred these bills already he knows how he would have voted.

**VIII. New Business**

**A. Accepting for Filing Gaming Commission Regulations**

The Tribe has received confirmation from the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) on April 3, 2018 that the Amendments to the Gaming Ordinance #10-400-01 has been approved and it is now being forwarded to Tribal Council for acceptance for filing according to the ordinance.

Speaker Riley said they have six new regulations. Riley said a lot of the stuff was taken out of the ordinance and moved into the regulations that gives them a lot more flexibility in how they manage their own affairs. Riley said he thinks it is a great exercise in their sovereignty. Riley asked Kelly Maser if she would like to come up and just answer any questions anybody might have on what these regulations might be.

Kelly Maser, Director of the Gaming Commission, represented this agenda item.

Councilor Medacco said make sure they do them in order.

Speaker Riley said to Kelly Maser that if she would just go down one and just.....he knows there is a lot of technical stuff but what each one is.

Kelly Maser said sure.

Speaker Riley said well it is kind of self-explanatory but does anybody have any questions on any of these items.



Acting Recorder Di Piazza said he doesn't no.

Kelly Maser said so essentially what the Gaming Commission was required to do was to revise some current regulations and also promulgate some new regulations based on the revisions to the Gaming Ordinance. Maser said so for instance the Tribe determined that they don't want anything related to non-gaming and the Gaming Ordinance which requires NIGC's approval they want to be able to do as Speaker Riley said do what they want to do as it relates to non-gaming areas of the Gaming Enterprise. Maser said they had to promulgate two new regulations related to non-gaming. Maser said non-gaming employees and non-gaming vendors. Maser said all those regulations for the most part were promulgated by pulling them out of two current regulations Chapter 6 and Chapter 7 and putting them in an independent one which is Chapter 3 and Chapter 19. Maser said so the only changes to those two regulations, if they will, Chapter 3 is for Non-Gaming Employees so one of the things that they changed in that particular regulation was allowing 16 and 17 year olds to obtain Non-Gaming Licenses to work at the Gaming Enterprise. Maser said all the responsibilities as it relates to monitoring and dealing with a 16 and 17 year olds from an employee perspective is on the Resort. Maser said the other change was to Chapter 19 which is Non-Gaming Vendor Licensing and that was increasing the service vendor threshold from a \$100,000 or from \$50,000 to a \$100,000. Maser said outside of that they changed the ability to suspend a license for investigative purposes it went from seven days to 30 days which it used to be many years ago. Maser said the remainder of the regulations were basically just revised to be compliant with the Gaming Ordinance changes.

Speaker Riley said okay he just wants to clarify one point on the Service Vendor thing. Riley said those are vendors over there that they do a lower amount of business with so they don't necessarily have to get licensed if they don't do anything that has to deal with gaming. Riley said the number \$50,000 is the same number they have had in place since 1999 so just accounting for inflation \$50,000 if they paste it would be close to \$80 some thousand so this number puts them in the ballpark of where the original intent was and then gives them a little bit of cushion to go a couple of years. Riley said make sure they are protecting themselves for the same amount of goods as they were in 1999. Riley said also he does have one question on the Prohibition on Gaming, he knows he is not allowed to game, but just for clarification could Kelly Maser go over who isn't allowed to game and what they are not allowed to do specifically as it relates to Elected Officials and Government Employees.

Kelly Maser said absolutely. Maser said actually this is the only regulation that she didn't participate in drafting Rebecca Liebing did all the drafting for that but she will go through the Prohibitions Section.

*Rebecca Liebing said from the audience that it is exactly what is in the ordinance.*

Kelly Maser said so it was a cut and paste.

*Rebecca Liebing made more comments from the audience but they were not picked up on the recording.*

Kelly Maser said so no attorneys working for Unified Legal are allowed to game, CFO is not allowed to game, the Controller is not allowed to game, Comptroller or any individuals working in what they would consider an Inter \_\_\_ Department for the Tribal Government are not allowed to game, Tribal Police, Information Technology and both of them with Support Staff, no Gaming Commissioner or Gaming Commission Employee is allowed to game and then Elected Officials are eligible to participate in gaming but they are not eligible to participate in any promotions, any drawings or promotional drawings, any tournaments or any Class II or Class III table or card game. Maser said then they also have employees at the Gaming Enterprise that can and cannot game. Maser said no key employee or primary Management Official can game so really it is Non-gaming Employees that can game and they fall under the same rules as Elected Officials do with respect to who can and cannot participate in.

Speaker Riley said right. Riley said Elected Officials and Non-gaming Employees are still allowed to use the Players Club Card but they can only use points and they can't earn complimentary services or anything.

Kelly Maser said value.....right, yeah.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said well he is kind of confused because when he was in the first term there was no gambling for Elected Officials. Crampton said when he goes to other Tribes they always tell him about how they have to get on the road to gamble at other casinos because they can't gamble at their own because they are Elected Officials and it is prohibited. Crampton said he doesn't know how that changed but he would like to see it where.....he knows it is probably not proper but Elected Officials could not game.

Kelly Maser said she really cannot answer that question outside of she thinks it's probably, and she does have actual concrete information on it, back at the office but she would say it is probably 50-50 with the Tribes that allow their employees or Elected Officials to game in any research that they have done. Maser said she does not remember why the change was made but it was put in the ordinance which the Gaming Commission doesn't approve the ordinance they only approve regulations so and she really can't speak on behalf of the commission or the past Tribal Council that made those changes. Maser said they haven't had any issues, if they will, that she is aware of but it is something that he is welcome to bring to the Gaming Commission and discuss with them as a body.

Councilor Crampton said he will discuss it with his colleagues first.

Kelly Maser said okay.

Councilor Crampton said he may get kicked a few times.

Speaker Riley said he has Councilors Di Piazza, Pete and Friedel.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said Councilor Pete was next.

Speaker Riley said oh and recognized Councilor Pete.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said he is down there all by himself.

Councilor Pete said he is all by him.....it is \_\_\_ he thinks.

Speaker Riley said he is so quiet they forget he is down there.

Councilor Pete said first of all he would like to say "*thank you*" to their Gaming Director and to ULD specifically Rebecca Liebing for the incredible hard work on this. Pete said he knows it was very tedious and took a long time. Pete said he does want to applaud the \$100,000 as someone who has been there before that they raised it to \$100,000 on those.....those particular vendors. Pete said also as someone who when he worked at the Resort why back in the beginning he didn't.....they were able to employ 16 and 17 year olds specifically he had a few that worked in F & B for the summer. Pete said it was very nice and they had a couple of Preference Employees that they had hired under there. Pete said he knows HR helped their department specifically and to make sure they didn't have any violations with 16 and 17 year olds. Pete said they made sure they had their breaks and whatever but they were great employees because they worked.....they wanted to work for the summer and they wanted that check so he thinks, he is hoping that it really benefits the Resort in filling summer positions over there where they will be allowed to work. Pete said just in general he wanted to say "*thank you*" so much for all that hard work.

Kelly Maser thanked Ron Pete.

Speaker Riley said alright now Councilor Di Piazza.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said he is kind of in agreeance of Elected Officials not gambling because it is going to be uncomfortable if he is over there and he is due for a big win here pretty soon. Di Piazza said if he won something massive it is going to be very uncomfortable for everybody and it is coming up. Di Piazza said he is just forewarning them.

Kelly Maser asked can he feel the win.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said he knows when he is going to win.

Speaker Riley said yeah if he feels it then just keep pumping that money in.

Councilor Crampton agreed.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said it is going to be uncomfortable when them bars line up. Di Piazza said he is just saying. Di Piazza said he would must rather see nobody, Elected Officials, not gambling but that is just him because he refrains from doing it over there just for that reason.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said either way it will save him a whole lot of money if they do that he means either way he can take his money and go up north. Friedel said he doesn't.....it is not a big deal to him so. Friedel said he is the only one who actually does game on this board and he plays the same two or three.....on a weekly basis.....

Councilor Pete said he gets a couple of hundred to payroll the other.

Councilor Friedel said either way it will save him a whole lot of money. Friedel said he would like to see it passed where they couldn't game because.....

Councilor Pete said he doesn't care.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said the fact of the actual issue would this will be adding an extra liability to the casino.

Kelly Maser asked would it be an extra liability.

Councilor Crampton said 15-17 year old employees.

Kelly Maser asked \_\_\_\_\_. Maser asked can they answer that in a legal perspective. Maser said she knows years ago the Gaming Commission had requirements to monitor a variety of things as it relates to 16 and 17 year olds and the Gaming Commission said they can't do that this time so the Resort's obligated to do monitoring of.....they know....when they get their breaks and what the laws are as it relates to the minors. Maser said they are not going to do that this time they will license them but she doesn't personally see it much more of a liability only because even a 20 year old that could have a criminal history that is a minor the criminal history is going to be sealed just as a minor would. Maser said again they would just have to hope they will tell them the truth when they are going

through the review process on their application. Maser said so she guessed.....is that what he is asking.

Councilor Crampton said kind of in a roundabout way. Crampton said he guessed what he is getting at is this about a 16 and 17 year old wants to hurt themselves.....

Kelly Maser said oh like.....that is probably good for Rebecca Liebing.

Speaker Riley said they know they are not going to have a.....they don't do legal opinions in a public meeting so would one of them work on that and get them something.

*Rebecca Liebing made comments from the audience and they were not picked up on the recording.*

Speaker Riley said okay and recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said he apologizes for a legal opinion but they did discuss these things but.....in front of the membership and he thinks it is important to get as much information as possible.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said with that being said he would like to make a motion. Di Piazza said Miigwech for Kelly Maser's synopsis on these changes.

**1) #R400-04:GC-03 Chapter 3--Non-Gaming Employee Licensing**

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0425-123;  
ACCEPTING FOR FILING GAMING COMMISSION  
REGULATION #R400-04:GC-03 CHAPTER 3-NON-GAMING  
EMPLOYEE LICENSING;** by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel.

Councilor Friedel asked are these all separate.

Speaker Riley said they are doing them all one by one.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said they are all one by one. Di Piazza said he was going to mention that. Di Piazza said all of them are resolutions.

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #9**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0425-123 has passed.

**2) #R400-04:GC-06 Chapter 6--Gaming Vendor Licensing**

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said if there are no questions he would like to make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0425-124;  
ACCEPTING FOR FILING GAMING COMMISSION  
REGULATION #R400-04:GC-06 CHAPTER 6-GAMING VENDOR  
LICENSING;** by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel.

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked any further discussion on Gaming Vendor Licensing.

Councilor Crampton said he didn't get that can he repeat it.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza asked does he want him to repeat it.

Speaker Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #10**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0425-124 has passed.

**3) #R400-04:GC-07 Chapter 7--Gaming Employee Licensing**

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said he will make another motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0425-125;  
ACCEPTING FOR FILING GAMING COMMISSION  
REGULATION #R400-04:GC-07 CHAPTER 7-GAMING  
EMPLOYEE LICENSING; by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked any further questions on Gaming Employee Licensing. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #11**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0425-125 has passed.

**4) #R400-04:GC-09 Chapter 9--Patron Complaints**

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said he would like to make one more motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0425-126;  
ACCEPTING FOR FILING GAMING COMMISSION  
REGULATION #R400-04:GC-09 CHAPTER 9-PATRON  
COMPLAINTS; by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked any further discussion on Patron Complaints Chapter 9. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #12**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0425-126 has passed.

**5) #R400-04:GC-19 Chapter 19--Non-Gaming Vendor Licensing**

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said he would like to make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0425-127;  
ACCEPTING FOR FILING GAMING COMMISSION  
REGULATION #R400-04:GC-19 CHAPTER 19-NON-GAMING  
VENDOR LICENSING; by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked any further discussion on Non-Gaming Vendor Licensing. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #13**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0425-127 has passed.

**6) #R400-04:GC-20 Chapter 20—Prohibitions on Gaming**

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said he would like to make one more motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTON #18-0425-128;  
ACCEPTING FOR FILING GAMING COMMISSION  
REGULATION #R400-04:GC-20 CHAPTER 20-PROHIBITIONS  
ON GAMING; by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked any further discussion on Prohibitions on Gaming. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #14**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0425-128 has passed.

Speaker Riley said yes.

Kelly Maser said to Speaker Riley that she thinks it might be important to point out in the Prohibition as it relates to Elected Officials that any Elected Official



that may sit on any Board, if they will, Oversight Board that those Elected Officials can't game.

Speaker Riley said yeah that is correct.

Kelly Maser said it is important for everybody to know. Maser said she is sorry she.....yeah she missed that in the process.

Tribal Council thanked Kelly Maser.

**B. Authorizing Modification of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Human Resources Department Organizational Chart and Job Descriptions**

The Tribal Ogema commissioned an Assessment from Blue Stone Strategy Group that identified HR was understaffed at key positions. It was determined a limited time position should be created in the HR to address special projects that are behind schedule and assist with issues in the Tribe's Human Resources Department.

Speaker Riley said there was an addition of Generalist Project Manager Position he believed.

*Rebecca Liebing said she was in there and asked do they want her to come up.*

Speaker Riley said yeah, yeah if she knows about it.

Rebecca Liebing, Unified Legal Department Attorney, represented this agenda item. Liebing said she thinks everybody is aware that they have had an understaffed HR for quite some time and they had some turn-over in the Director position also. Liebing said as it is some of these larger scale projects fall by the wayside when they are trying to keep up with the daily tasks. Liebing said they also had a study done by Blue Stone and one of the things they said was fully staffing the HR Department is going to help them in terms of adjusting all of their HR needs and this is just an idea of one way to get it accomplished. Liebing said it doesn't add head count forever and is a two year contract term giving somebody of a Generalist level specific on long-term projects to accomplish that would hopefully get them back up to speed.

Speaker Riley asked are there any questions or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said if there is no discussion he will make that motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0425-129;  
AUTHORIZING MODIFICATION OF THE LITTLE RIVER BAND  
OF OTTAWA INDIANS HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**

**ORGANIZATIONAL CHART AND JOB DESCRIPTION;** by Medacco; supported by Pete.

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked is there any discussion on this item. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #15**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0425-129 has passed.

Speaker Riley thanked both Councilor Di Piazza and Rebecca Liebing.

**C. Authorization to Post for 30 Day Public Comment Period the Proposed Victim's Bill of Rights**

Tribal Council recognizes the unique needs of crime victims in Indian Country and proposes the Victim's Bill of Rights to ensure that the rights of crime victims are protected.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said if there is no discussion he is prepared to make a motion.

Speaker Riley said it is just a motion.

**MOTION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO POST FOR 30 DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD THE PROPOSED VICTIM'S BILL OF RIGHTS;** by Pete; supported by Medacco.

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked any discussion on this item. Riley asked Councilor Friedel what he is doing with his hands. Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said he just wanted to let everybody know that Shayne Machen is out today but she would be here.....she is on training right now but all these rights for the victims.....everything is falling into place where they need to be prosecuting these people. Friedel said it is not an easy subject when it comes to the victims.....a lot of the victims.....they don't even want to come forward half the time so everything they are doing right now is going to be in the long run better for the Tribe and better for their membership. Friedel thanked Shanaviah Canales for everything they were doing.

Speaker Riley thanked Councilor Friedel.

Shanaviah Canales, Domestic Violence Coordinator, said she just wanted to say this was a work of their Victim Service Task Force that they met monthly for the last two years. Canales said Spring Medacco and Jim Grabowski are here as well. Canales said so they have all been working on it and Shayne Machen became Prosecutor she really helped them get going forward with it so. Canales thanked them.

Councilor Pete thanked Shanaviah Canales.

Councilor Medacco thanked the Task Force.

Speaker Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #16**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said the Victim's Bill of Rights is posted for a 30 Day Comment Period.

**D. Amending the Schedule of Regular Meetings for the Tribal Council for Calendar Year 2018 by the Cancellation of the Wednesday, May 9, 2018 Tribal Council Meeting**

Tribal Council wishes to cancel the meeting scheduled due to lack of quorum being able to be present.

Speaker Riley asked is there a motion or discussion. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said he just has a question. Medacco said since they are cancelling this one and the months that come up when they only have meeting four times a month when they are required five. Medacco asked can they switch it when it comes about to have a meeting on that day to make it up.

Speaker Riley said yeah he thinks that is a good idea.

Councilor Medacco said the reason they are doing this is they are going to have four people out on travel that day and they have three people going which is part of that TAP Program that requires a team to go to that training. Medacco said they have Sandy Lewis that is going to be out in Washington giving testimony

that day also during that week and that is the reasoning why they have to cancel this one.

Councilor Friedel said they have Diane Lonn on vacation as well.

Speaker Riley said no Diane Lonn is going.

Councilor Friedel said oh that is right.

Speaker Riley said alright does he have a motion. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said with that he will make that motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0425-130;  
AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS FOR  
THE TRIBAL COUNCIL FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2018 BY THE  
CANCELLATION OF THE WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2018 TRIBAL  
COUNCIL MEETING; by Medacco; supported by Di Piazza.**

Speaker Riley asked is there any discussion on this one. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #17**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - No	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (5-1-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0425-130 has passed.

- E. Resolution Declaring an Emergency Due to the Opioid Epidemic**  
The Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes (MAST) declared an Emergency in our Region due to the Opioid Crisis. Tribal Council agrees with the seriousness of the issue and supports the declaration including the Request for Consultation with the United States Government to develop a plan.

Speaker Riley said in order for them to be eligible for certain grant monies they have to declare the crisis he means it's not like it was not going on before they declared that it was here so. Riley asked any motion or comments. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said yeah when he was out at MAST he met a gentlemen from the Midwest Inter-Tribal Council named Tyler Pott who is an

Epidemiologist he was the one who informed him of this and they were asking all the Tribes to submit a resolution so that they can get on making a plan and have consultation. Crampton said the government has a lot of money to treat this issue except that the Tribes are the ones who have taken the brunt of this because they have the most per capita members that.....not their Tribe in general but all Tribes the most Native Americans are the ones getting hit the hardest. Crampton said if they can get their hands on most of that money where they might be able to treat a little bit of this.

Speaker Riley said when the Federal Government puts forward money he just kinds of sees this as odd because technically what is going on here is they sending people to get treatment and their children are footing the bill for it. Riley said it seems the opposite of the ways things really should be. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said he guessed if there is no further questions he will make the motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0425-131;  
RESOLUTION DECLARING AN EMERGENCY DUE TO THE  
OPIOID EPIDEMIC; by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked any comments on the declaring of an emergency. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #18**

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Yes	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Absent	D. Lonn -	Absent	S. Lewis -	Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0425-131 has passed.

**F. Approval to Post Amendment of the Law and Order Title 07  
Natural Resources-Law & Order-Civil Fine, Forfeiture, Penalty  
Act for a 30 Day Public Comment Period**

The ULD and Prosecutor present the following changes to strengthen the Tribal Law to prosecute criminal offenses involving Natural Resources.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said he was just going to say this is so their fines and penalties all line up between the courts and also their Hunting, Fishing and their

1836 because they don't seem to be lining up so this will straighten that out. Di Piazza said with that being said he will make the motion.

**MOTION FOR APPROVAL TO POST AMENDMENT OF THE LAW AND ORDER TITLE 07 NATURAL RESOURCES-LAW & ORDER-CIVIL FINE, FORFEITURE, PENALTY ACT FOR A 30 DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD;** by Di Piazza; supported by Pete.

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked any discussion on this one. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #19**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said the Law & Order Title 07 is posted for a 30 day comment period.

**G. Approval of Reimbursement to Little River Casino Resort for Sponsorship Donation in the amount of \$5,000 for the Manistee Chamber of Commerce Fireworks Display at the Forest Festival**  
LRBOI will be a joint sponsor with LRRCR for the Forest Festival Fireworks this year. The Chamber of Commerce is also requesting the use of the Tribal Seal in the advertising brochures.

Speaker Riley said this is just where they are pitching in with the Resort to do the fireworks in Manistee this year. Riley said they are spending twice as much as they have in past years so it is going to be a lot better show. Riley said the whole biz is that it is going to bring more people to the area and gets more people excited. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said also they get it they are in the Forest Festival Flyer for the casino, fireworks and also for the pow wow. Di Piazza said so it is free advertising well it is not free but....

Speaker Riley said free advertising no it is costing \$5,000.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said that goes out to a lot of people and that draws massive people here for that Forest Festival.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said he just wanted to say that yes it does and he does know also in years past because this isn't the first time they have done this they did it last year and the year before. Pete said they put their.....they put big banners downtown too with their name all over it for the fireworks for doing this so. Pete said that is all he has and thanked them.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said he will make that motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0425-132;  
 REIMBURSEMENT TO LITTLE RIVER CASINO RESORT FOR  
 SPONSORSHIP DONATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000 FOR  
 THE MANISTEE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE  
 FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT THE FOREST FESTIVAL;** by  
 Medacco; supported by Pete.

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked any further discussion on this. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #20**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0425-132 has passed.

**IX. Concluding Business**

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, May 2, 2018**
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**

Speaker Riley said he will hand it over to the Ogema.

Ogema Romanelli thanked Speaker Riley. Romanelli said they are as it was brought up earlier they are looking to correct.....make some corrections to a couple of their departments HR is one of them and that has been in constant issues with mostly with understaffing which they want to get corrected because he would estimate 70% of the issues that go on within the depart.....the government stem from the HR Department. Romanelli said he is not putting blame on the employees and as a matter of fact he thinks they are doing a good job but what he is saying is they really need to have the coverage. Romanelli thanked them for approving the changes to the Org Chart. Romanelli said he thinks this will be helpful and they are really trying to staff it. Romanelli said as Rebecca Liebing stated that the Blue Stone Group believed by all things considered that they

should have four or five staffed in there. Romanelli said there had been times when they had a full year they had one person in there at times so a lot of make up to do but he thinks they will get through it. Romanelli said he also understands the issue with the monies that had already been spent or allocated he don't see as a problem to release to the members and he would like to do it at the next meeting if they could because as was stated all this allocation is done in open session so why wouldn't it.....why would it be confidential now to not release the numbers. Romanelli said he thinks it is just fair and quite honestly he doesn't know what they are himself. Romanelli said he thinks that he can clearly believe that they are pretty high total and maybe one sided but that is just him. Romanelli said so he is thinking next week if they could do that it wouldn't be a bad idea. Romanelli said the other thing is he understands that there was an agenda item that was to be put on the agenda and it was taken off. Romanelli said the understanding that he has and he may be incorrect here is that the ultimate decision is with the Recording Secretary to say what goes on the agenda or what doesn't. Romanelli asked is he correct on that.

Speaker Riley said yes it is the Recorder that approves the agenda and the agenda items.

Ogema Romanelli said okay but his understanding and he doesn't know where that says it because he looked at the Tribal Council Meeting Ordinance and he has looked at the Constitution and he doesn't see it. Romanelli said he thought that when an agenda item came forward that is why they approve.....

Speaker Riley said seven of the Tribal Council.

Ogema Romanelli said he looked under seven and he didn't quite see it but his understanding was that is why they have an approval of the agenda so that when things are added if most of Council decides that they don't care for an item they can vote for or against it. Romanelli said he may be wrong again. Romanelli said he did look under seven so okay. Romanelli said he thinks that is a little unfortunate but that is the case. Romanelli said the issue then becomes.....the item that was brought forward and this has been talked about a lot has to do with the attendance of Tribal Council. Romanelli said again it was talked about 40 hours a week or 32 hours a week. Romanelli said he thinks he wrote the Speaker and Recorder a while back to state that he believed it should go back to stipends. Romanelli said he thinks that makes the most sense because the Constitution never allowed for a salary for the Tribal Council and he thinks stipends makes the most sense.

Speaker Riley said he wants to correct him because it's not that it doesn't allow for it it's that is silent on the matter.

Ogema Romanelli said right. Romanelli said okay so it is silent on the matter. Romanelli said again it was specifically stated for the Judges and the Ogema.....



Speaker Riley said it is also specifically stated that Tribal Council has the ability to hire legal counsel but he is able to.

Ogema Romanelli said it also states that the Ogema should be the only signer on certain issues but they have Council also signing along with that so they can go back and forth on all those issues. Romanelli said the issue for him is that he believed that this needs to be addressed and this isn't a new issue. Romanelli said he can go back to, which is on the website, of the Membership Meeting of 2017 or 2016 Fall Meeting and if they follow-through to the Question and Answer Period it was addressed there as well. Romanelli said his only suggestion is that if an item is brought up he guessed if he brings an item up and it is the sole discretion of the Recording Secretary what justifies not putting it on the agenda.

Speaker Riley said this particular item was due to the fact there wasn't very many people last year or last week not last year, sorry, people were on travel and the item contemplated actions that would require a super majority of Council to enforce it and in order to do that they need a consensus. Riley said he means if they are going to put something forward that can't be enforced then that is nothing more than pandering and he thinks they all believe that there is a solution that can be come up to this problem that everyone can agree with and everyone can stand behind but the topic has been moved to a work session and will be revisited.

Ogema Romanelli said this has been ten years.....ten years there has been an issue with at least that he is aware of and as a matter of fact he thinks he is underplaying it.....of an issue with attendance with the Tribal Council. Romanelli said to be a little frustrated they are not really accepting of going to another work session and going through this just boggles his mind so. Romanelli said he stands behind and believed that it should be going back to stipends and he thinks they really should look at a part-time Council to see what they come up with. Romanelli said if they look at, again, he gets these every week.....

Speaker Riley said he is just wondering why they.....

Councilor Crampton said because he is allowing it.

Speaker Riley said he is allowed to speak. Riley said it is not a matter of allowing or not. Riley said he is not going to keep somebody from expressing their opinion as long as they are not being.....

Councilor Crampton said update.

Ogema Romanelli said right and this is an update. Romanelli said this results from the Ogema and Tribal Council Meet and Greets that there were issues that came out of there with this being one of them.

Speaker Riley said well there is only a small portion of people at these Meet and Greets specifically and he thinks this is an issue that requires more outreach than a small group of people that is at the Meet and Greet. Riley said he means not to take away from the voice of the people that are there but he is talking about 30 people out of a potential 1,300 to 1,400 registered voters. Riley said he means they could definitely sit in that echo chamber and hear one side of the story but they had several.....

Ogema Romanelli said they have someone out there taping this meeting again.

Speaker Riley said they are here to create consensus between all the members and what they are saying maybe the consensus but he wants to hear that.

Ogema Romanelli said okay.

Speaker Riley said that is where he is at. Riley said he wants to move forward on this thoughtfully and they know whatever happens, happens.

Ogema Romanelli said okay. Romanelli said that is the end of his report.

Speaker Riley thanked the Ogema. Riley said okay questions. Riley recognized Boo Battice.

Boo Battice, Tribal #2644, said he doesn't know about all these stipulations on how much they are actually in the office but they can sit and play bubble pop all day long. Battice said they need the time that is actually in and he doesn't care if they are in there for two hours they are actually utilizing that helping a member. Battice said that is the thing they could be there 32-40 hours but the actual help. Battice said how are they looking like their Law Library looking on how to advance their members their people instead of just sitting in their office. Battice asked how are they reaching out so let's utilize the time no matter if they are in their office or not. Battice said they can sit here and punch in all day and it is not being utilized. Battice said he wants to see people help the people even if it is ten minutes. Battice thanked them. Battice said his thing is they could be out.....his thing is they can pass rules and make them sit at this office but they can sit at the office and always be too busy with other things. Battice said be busy when there is actually this person comes in and they say "*okay let's help, let's guide, let's.....if I don't let's go the next member and say okay let's guide, let's*".....who Council are there for that he thought. Battice said are they guiding against how not to help the members when.....these members are looking for guidance and that is why they want them guys in the office whether they are in the office or not they got to talk to them and hear from them even so.....he means what he is saying it is the value of being able to talk to his member and it don't matter where they are at. Battice thanked them again.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said oh he just don't know how they got here because he don't know if it is dyslexia or what it is but the job description for Council is in the Constitution and the job description for the Ogema is in the Constitution. Crampton said now they get in here and they want to change the rules when they got that.....they already know what the description is and it is very plain and is in the Constitution.

Ogema Romanelli said to Councilor Crampton that he can assure him that there is work within this building that is not being done because people are not in attendance. Romanelli said they just had to cancel a meeting of the Tribal Council because there would not be a quorum. Romanelli said there are times where they have 1, 2 and 3 people in a work session on a very serious subject that is being neglected. Romanelli said they can say they are out there talking to their Constituents all they want to but at this time he thinks 90% of the membership knows that is baloney. Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said okay. Pete said okay try to breathe. Pete said he is not dyslexic to his knowledge and he is going to say that right now. Pete said he will tell them something, Speaker Riley that he was elected to do a job and part of that job is going to work. Pete said he has gone to work all his life and worked until he was 67 ½ years old and then got on here. Pete said this is still work. Pete said he is paid more than enough money to be sitting here, more than enough money to be sitting here and he needs to come to work. Pete said part of coming to work is....now he knows.....he drives a thousand miles a week to come to work. Pete said it costs him a hundred and some dollars a week just in gas to go to work but he signed on for it. Pete said it is not for him that he should sit at home on his personal phone and try to think of it he needs to go to work. Pete said how does he know what is not going to be done unless he goes to work to do it. Pete said that is 100% right. Pete said he has sat in Council meetings where there is three people or four people. Pete said they can't even have work session. Pete asked how are they going to have a work session on that. Pete said he is just telling them he knows they can have it but he means what good does it do. Pete said he is just saying he would love to see that come up for vote.....that resolution that got cancelled and was put forward by Councilman Di Piazza because he would like to see an up and down vote publically by all nine Council people on whether or not they should come to work basically on a full time basis, period. Pete said if they don't want to do it then vote no. Pete said it is real simple. Pete said that is it.

Speaker Riley said well he does have one more comment regarding that. Riley said he applauds him driving every day up here and doing whatever but there is also the consideration that the Outlying Membership has elected this man three times and he hasn't done anything substantially different any time.

Councilor Pete said he means he doesn't get it.

Speaker Riley said he means what he is doing apparently is acceptable to the Outlying Membership.

Councilor Pete said that is fine.

Speaker Riley said he is giving them what they are asking.

Councilor Crampton said well this is a status update and don't make him the point of \_\_\_\_ talk.

Speaker Riley said alright this ends it right here.

Ogema Romanelli said he was going to say this is not about one person.

Councilor Crampton said no they are cancelling the meeting for three others that are on travel.

Speaker Riley said alright let's move onto Legislative Affairs. Riley said yes.

Darleen Martin said she would really like to know why he said so many people off the Council at one given time. Martin said make sure there is a quorum at least every week. Martin said do not send these people they don't need to go three and four people at a time. Martin said save them some money. Martin said as for coming to work well the Constitution she thinks and believes it says one day a month is all they have to show up.

Councilor Pete said it does.

Darleen Martin said leave some of the people home but don't need to be on these trips all the time three and four people is way too many. Martin said that is all she has to say and thanked them.

### **C. Legislative Affairs Update**

Speaker Riley said alright let's move onto Legislative Affairs. Riley asked does anybody have any updates for Legislative Affairs. Riley said he actually has one. Riley said the Tribal Labor Sovereignty Act was up for a \_\_\_\_ vote what was it last Monday. Riley said it failed and there was a couple of Republicans out of the office and he feels like what would this vote what would have happened six months ago it would have passed because Senator Franken was more than likely going to let it go for a vote and there were two Republicans missing. Riley said he would like to point out that both of Michigan's Representatives voted no and they didn't vote no on the act itself they voted no on whether or not it could go up for a vote. Riley asked anybody else with anything for Legislative Affairs.

Councilor Pete said that is not good.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said just to let everybody know that he was at NICWA Conference last week. Friedel said himself, Frankie Medacco and the Chairperson for their Binojeeuk Commission also was in attendance. Friedel said very good to network with a lot of those people and learn how they are doing things and how this Tribe should do things to protect their children. Friedel said keeping them safe and keeping them with their families. Friedel said he knows Family Services downstairs is working really hard trying to come up with a lot of this foster care.....Tribal Foster Care Families.....they know.....Foster Care Homes. Friedel said they know it is all about the kids. Friedel said he was also just up in the Soo Monday and Tuesday for a Violence Against Women Conference and was mostly court and a lot of other Tribal Representatives. Friedel said there was the Gun Lake Tribe, Pokhagen Tribe was there, the Soo Tribe was there and six other Tribal Council Members at that meeting as well. Friedel said they all respected that the Tribal Leadership stepped up and taken a role in going to these.....these conferences. Friedel said it is not just a vacation they know like a lot of people have said they know they are there to represent their Tribe in what is going on with their kids and their people. Friedel said without this they have no clue.....they have no clue where to go. Friedel said they can all speculate where to go but that is it.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said oh he would just like to add onto what Councilor Friedel said. Crampton said he just got back from Washington where himself, Gary Di Piazza and Diane Lonn went and everyday it was eight hours in a seat. Crampton said eight hours in a seat and they didn't even get to go out for lunch. Crampton said if they looked like they were going to lunch they just slide a plate in front of them and say here they go. Crampton said they are there for eight hours a day. Crampton said it is not a vacation.

Speaker Riley said okay if that is all for Legislative Affairs they will move onto Public Comment. Riley said at this time.....recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said he just wanted to say he has horrible OCD so once he starts something he cannot stop so if they want those numbers he will sit down and get them off the website.

#### **D. Public Comment Period**

Speaker Riley asked does anybody have anything for Public Comment. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said just a reminder that on.....again.....that on May the 19<sup>th</sup> in Muskegon and he left it in his office, the church, but it is on their website and Rapid River News. Pete said they are having a Meet and Greet in Muskegon for everyone who wants to go like they had a Meet and Greet in Wisconsin. Pete said they have an agenda for it. Pete said it will be from 11:00 to 2:00 and everyone is invited. Pete said he means hopefully they won't have to put up with the snow storm on May the 19<sup>th</sup> hopefully it is a beautiful day and everybody will enjoy the 80 mile drive or whatever 85 miles or whatever it is to Muskegon. Pete said so he just wanted to remind everyone again of that so it is going to be a Pot Luck but they are getting deli trays they know the sandwich stuff and everything from the Resort. Pete said they are going to buy that from the Resort and bring that down and it should be a lot of fun. Pete said he thinks it is going to be and he likes the Pot Lucks and things and how well they go anyways. Pete said just a general reminder. Pete thanked Speaker Riley.

Speaker Riley said one thing Ron Pete forgot to mention it is at St. Michael's.

Councilor Pete said St. Michael and thanked Speaker Riley. Pete said that is what.....it is at St. Michael's. Pete said that is what he couldn't remember which one it was, St. Michael's yes.

Speaker Riley asked Councilor Di Piazza if he had something.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said oh no. Di Piazza said well yeah, kind of yeah.

Speaker Riley said he said no.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said what was brought forward was just for a 30 day comment so. Di Piazza said it wasn't a resolution it was just a comment period to try to work on it and resolve some issues. Di Piazza said some people there is some and some don't he doesn't know what to say. Di Piazza said he keeps himself extremely busy he knows that. Di Piazza said that is all he can say.

Speaker Riley said right and they are going to wrap this up here in a second. Riley said he just wanted to say that comments at [lrboi-nsn.gov](http://lrboi-nsn.gov) is available for public comment at any time so.

Ogema Romanelli said speaking under Public Comment as a Tribal member. Romanelli said he is going to take a half hour of PTO. Romanelli said he just thinks he is terribly ashamed of their Elected Officials for this same situation going on for as long as it is. Romanelli said they can blow, he believes, blowing smoke and as a Tribal member he believed they wasted a whole lot of money.....talking over a million dollars if they \_\_\_\_\_. Romanelli said they can say they are out talking to their Tribal members or their Constituents. Romanelli said no he does it after hours and they know when they sign up there things they do on the weekends and things they do at night. Romanelli said he is telling them and

they might want to be paying attention there are more and it is not only one that was referred to there is multiple people on their Tribal Council that are not putting in 40 hours. Romanelli said he doesn't care what they are telling them. Romanelli said so this is just a Tribal Council or Tribal member whose has some insight knowledge and it just shames him....shames him that they elect people because they also sign an oath. Romanelli said that is his two cents worth. Romanelli thanked them.

***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.***

Speaker Riley said he will entertain a motion to.....

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said nope.

Speaker Riley said oh they will go to recess.

Tribal Council recessed at 11:25 a.m.

## **XI. Open Session**

Tribal Council reconvened in Open Session at 12:36 p.m.

J. Riley - Present	J. Friedel - Present	F. Medacco - Present
S. Crampton - Present	G. DiPiazza - Present	R. Pete - Present
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Quorum established.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said they are in second open at 12:36.

### **A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session**

Speaker Riley asked do they have anything to move from close to open.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said yes they do.

**MOTION TO MOVE THESE ITEMS FROM CLOSED TO OPEN; RESOLUTION #18-0425-133, MOTION AND ROLL CALL ONLY, RESOLUTION #18-0425-134, MOTION, ROLL CALL AND RESOLUTION, RESOLUTION #18-0425-135, MOTION AND ROLL CALL ONLY, RESOLUTION #18-0425-136, MOTION, ROLL CALL AND RESOLUTION, RESOLUTION #18-0425-137, MOTION, ROLL CALL AND RESOLUTION; by Di Piazza; supported by Medacco.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked is anybody in the audience have any comments. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #21**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said those items have been moved from closed to open.

*The following motions and roll call votes were moved from Closed to Open Session.*

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 18-0425-133,  
 APPROVING LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN LITTLE RIVER  
 CASINO RESORT AND LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA  
 INDIANS TRIBAL GOVERNMENT; by Medacco; supported by Pete.**

**Roll Call #C-3**

R. Wittenberg - Absent	S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes
D. Lonn - Absent	F. Medacco - Yes	J. Riley - Yes
J. Friedel - Yes	R. Pete - Yes	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 18-0425-135,  
 APPROVAL OF ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH RUBINBROWN,  
 LLP TO PERFORM AUDITS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
 AND AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES OF THE LITTLE RIVER  
 CASINO RESORT FOR YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 2018, 2019  
 AND 2010; by Medacco; supported by Pete**

**Roll Call #C-7**

R. Wittenberg - Absent	S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes
D. Lonn - Absent	F. Medacco - Yes	J. Riley - Yes
J. Friedel - Yes	R. Pete - Yes	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

*The following resolutions, motions and roll call votes were moved from Closed to Open Session.*

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 18-0425-134,  
 AUTHORIZATION OF TRANSFER OF 215 ACRE GOLF COURSE**



**PROPERTY FROM LITTLE RIVER TRIBAL GOVERNMENT TO LITTLE RIVER CASINO RESORT AND CHANGING 7<sup>TH</sup> WHEREAS TO \$600,000.00 RATHER THAN \$412,110.55; by Medacco; supported by Pete.**

**Roll Call #C-5**

R. Wittenberg - Absent	S. Crampton - No	G. DiPiazza - Yes
D. Lonn - Absent	F. Medacco - Yes	J. Riley - Yes
J. Friedel - Yes	R. Pete - Yes	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (5-1-0-3)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 18-0425-136, RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENT OF INSTITUTIONAL AND PROGRAM AFFILIATION WITH UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA; by Friedel; supported by Medacco.**

**Roll Call #C-8**

R. Wittenberg - Absent	S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes
D. Lonn - Absent	F. Medacco - Yes	J. Riley - Abstain
J. Friedel - Yes	R. Pete - Yes	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (5-0-1-3)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 18-0425-137, AUTHORIZING \$35,000 DONATION TO MUSKEGON BIKE TIME, LLC; by Medacco; supported by Pete.**

**Roll Call #C-9**

R. Wittenberg - Absent	S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes
D. Lonn - Absent	F. Medacco - Yes	J. Riley - Yes
J. Friedel - Yes	R. Pete - Yes	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

*This concludes the items moved from Closed to Open Session.*

**XII. Adjourn**

Speaker Riley said looking for a motion to adjourn or they can just walk out.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN OPEN SESSION; by Pete; supported by Medacco.**

Speaker Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

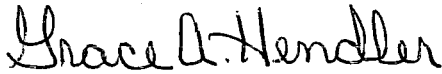
**Roll Call #22**

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - No	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Absent	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (5-1-0-3)

The meeting was adjourned at 12:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Grace A. Hendler  
Transcribing Assistant



Gary Di Piazza,  
Acting Council Recorder