



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 04, 2024
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 December 04, 2024. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Speaker Burmeister:

I. Opening Prayer

Councilor Crampton: Stated Opening Prayer

Speaker Burmeister:

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

At 10:04 a.m.

B. Roll Call

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call #

T. Burmeister - Present	G. DiPiazza - Present	M. Silvis - Absent
R. Wittenberg- Present	J. Wolfe - Present	A. Metzger - Present
S. Crampton – Present	P. Johnson- Present	S. Wever - Present

We do have quorum.

Speaker Burmeister:

C. Approval of Agenda

Recorder Johnson: **Motion to approve the agenda for Wednesday December 04,2024 with the following corrections under III. Continuing Business A. Grants & Contracts 1.A. Updated- Approval to Un-restrict ARPA Funds 4996-000-6100 for Walton Contracting the construction of upgrading the sewer along US-31 Corridor in the amount of \$191,097.50 plus contingencies \$15,000 for a total of \$206,097.50. III. Continuing Business A. Grants & Contracts 1.B Updated- Ratification of Walton Contracting Contract in the amount of \$191,097.50 plus contingencies of \$15,000 for a total of \$206,097.50 using ARPA Funds 4996-000-6100. III. Continuing Business A.2.A Postponed- Approval the Un-restricting of ARPA funds 4996-000-6100 for the purchase of a subscription to Bamboo HR. III. Continuing Business A.2.B Postponed- Ratification of Agreement for Services with Bamboo HR. V. New**

**Business A. was moved to III.B.1 Approval of Budget Modification MB2024-__;
authorizing A modification to the 2024 Tribal Council Budget 1020-100.**

Councilor DiPiazza: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 1

R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe- Yes	A. Metzger - No
S. Crampton - Mute	P. Johnson- Yes	S. Wever - Yes
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Absent	T. Burmeister- Yes

Motion carried (6-1-0-1-1)

Speaker Burmeister:

D. Tribal Council Minutes ☐ None Submitted

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

Updated 1.a. Approval to Un-restrict ARPA Funds 4996-000-6100 for Walton Contracting the construction of upgrading the sewer along US-31 Corridor in the amount of \$191,097.50 plus contingencies \$15,000 for a total of \$206,097.50

Tribal Ogema
G. Lewis
G. Walters
D. Kerr

Greg Walters: Represented the item

Councilor DiPiazza: **Motion to accept Resolution #24-1204-231 Approval to Un-restrict ARPA Funds 4996-000-6100 for Walton Contracting the construction of upgrading the sewer along US-31 Corridor in the amount of \$191,097.50 plus contingencies \$15,000 for a total of \$206,097.50.**

Recorder Johnson:Support

Roll Call # 2

G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Absent	T. Burmeister- Yes
J. Wolfe- Yes	A. Metzger - No	R. Wittenberg- Yes
P. Johnson- Yes	S. Wever - Yes	S. Crampton – Abstain

Motion carried (6-1-1-1)

Speaker Burmeister:

Updated 1.b. Ratification of Walton Contracting Contract in The amount of \$191,097.50 plus contingencies of \$15,000 for a total of \$206,097.50 using ARPA Funds 4996-000-6100

Tribal Ogema
G. Lewis
G. Walters
D. Kerr

Gary Lewis: represented the item

Councilor DiPiazza: Motion to accept Resolution #24-1204-232 Ratification of Walton Contracting Contract in the amount of \$191,097.50 plus contingencies of \$15,000 for a total of \$206,097.50 using ARPA Funds 4996-000-6100.

Councilor Weaver: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 3

P. Johnson- Yes	S. Weaver - Yes	S. Crampton – Abstain
M. Silvis - Absent	T. Burmeister- Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes
A. Metzger - No	R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe- Yes

Motion carried (6-1-1-1)

Speaker Burmeister:

Postponed 2.A Approval the Un-restricting of ARPA funds 4996 -000-6100 for the purchase of a subscription to Bamboo HR Tribal Ogema
A. Goff
D. Reinhard

Postponed 2.B Ratification of Agreement for Services with Bamboo HR Tribal Ogema
A. Goff
D. Reinhard

B. Budget Modifications

1. Approval of Budget Modification MB2024-__; B. Pringle
Authorizing a modification to the 2024 Tribal Council Budget 1020-100

Brad Pringle: Represented the item

Councilor Metzger: Motion to accept Resolution #24-1204-233 Approval of Budget Modification MB2024-69; authorizing a modification to the 2024 Tribal Council Budget 1020-100

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 4

A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe- Yes
S. Weaver - Yes	S. Crampton – Abstain	P. Johnson- Yes
T. Burmeister- Yes	G. DiPiazza - No	M. Silvis- Absent

Motion carried (6-1-1-1)

Speaker Burmeister:

C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure
IV. Old Business

A. Adopting the Fiscal Year 2025 Tribal Government Operations Budget Tribal Ogema
K. Bowers

Kathleen Bowers: Represented the item

Councilor DiPiazza: **Motion to accept Resolution #24-1204-234 Adopting the Fiscal Year 2025 Tribal Government Operations Budget**

Councilor Wever: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 5

S. Wever - Yes	S. Crampton – Mute	P. Johnson- No
T. Burmeister- No	G. DiPiazza - Mute	M. Silvis- Absent
R. Wittenberg- No	J. Wolfe- No	A. Metzger - No

Motion carried (1-5-0-1-2) FAILED

Speaker Burmeister:

V. New Business

Moved III A. Approval of Budget Modification MB2024-__ ; authorizing B. Pringle
B.1 A modification to the 2024 Tribal Council Budget 1020-100

VI. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, December 11, 2024**
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**
- C. Legislative Affairs Update**
 - 1. Tammy Burmeister**
 - 2. Pam Johnson**
 - 3. Julie Wolfe**
 - 4. Gary Di Piazza**
 - 5. Shirley Wever**
 - 6. Al Metzger**
 - 7. Ron Wittenberg**
 - 8. Misty Silvis**
 - 9. Shannon Crampton**

D. Public Comment Period

Councilor Metzger: **Motion to end first open session at 11:42p.m.**

Recorder Johnson: Support

Roll Call # 6

T. Burmeister- Yes	G. DiPiazza -Mute	M. Silvis - Absent
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe- Yes	A. Metzger – Yes
S. Crampton – Mute	P. Johnson- Yes	S. Wever - Yes

Motion carried (6-0-0-1-1)

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 Metzger: **Motion to go into second open session at 2:21p.m**

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 7

R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe- Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	P. Johnson- Yes	S. Wever - Yes
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Absent	T. Burmeister- Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Burmeister:

VIII. Open Session

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

Councilor Wolfe: Motion to amend the agenda to add Resolution Authorizing Written Notice to Larry B. Romanelli, Tribal Ogema, Of the Tribal Council's Intent to Consider Removal, Adopting the Alleged Grounds for Removal, and Establishing the Date of the Public Meeting.

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 8

A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe- Yes
S. Wever - No	S. Crampton – Mute	P. Johnson- Yes
T. Burmeister- Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis- Absent

Motion carried (6-1-0-1-1)

Councilor Wolfe: Motion to accept Resolution #24-1204-235 Resolution Authorizing Written Notice to Larry B. Romanelli, Tribal Ogema, Of the Tribal Council's Intent to Consider Removal, Adopting the Alleged Grounds for Removal, and Establishing the Date of the Public Meeting.

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 9

A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe- Yes
S. Wever - No	S. Crampton – Mute	P. Johnson- Yes

T. Burmeister- Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis- Absent
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Motion carried (6-1-0-1-1)

Speaker Burmeister:

IX. Adjourn

Councilor DiPiazza: **Motion to adjourn at 2:37p.m.**

Councilor Weaver: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 10

S. Crampton - Mute	P. Johnson- Yes	S. Weaver - Yes
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Absent	T. Burmeister- Yes
J. Wolfe- Yes	A. Metzger – Yes	R. Wittenberg- Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-1-1)

Respectfully Submitted,



Chantel Gamelin,
Transcribing Assistant



Susan Thull,
Tribal Council Recorder