

**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 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 February 14, 2018. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Recorder Lewis said to Speaker Riley that the recorder is on.

Speaker Riley said thank you for coming everybody and they are going to get their meeting started right now, their regularly scheduled Tribal Council Meeting for February 14th. Riley said they are going to get started this morning with their Opening Prayer and he believed that Chuck Fisher is doing that for them.

I. Opening Prayer

Chuck Fisher, Warrior Society Chaplin, offered the Opening Prayer.

Creator, thank you for this day.
Thank you for the sunshine.
Thank you for the light.
Thank you for the light that helps us guide our way.
It is a special day.
A day of remembrance.
A day of love.
Help us remember those we love.
Help us remember that we love one another.
Help us respect one another, truly respect one another.
Help us remember all of those people who helped us get us to where we are.
Remember them with love.
Fill this day with love.
Fill our lives with love.
Miigwech.

Speaker Riley said to Chuck Fisher, Miigwech.

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to please do a roll call.

B. Roll Call

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

Quorum established.

Recorder Lewis said they have a quorum.

Others Present: Chuck Fisher, Frank Beaver, Virgil Johnson, Allison Smart, Frank Figgels, Bill Willis, Don Mac Donald.

Others Present That Did Not Sign In: Grace Hendler, George Le Vasseur, Mary Thomas, Ogema Romanelli, Officer Patrick Gilles, Caitlin Rollins, Rebecca Liebing, Elise Cuellar.

C. Approval of Agenda

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2018 WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES; ADD C.3. THAT IS JUST GOING TO BE AN EDIT, AND ALSO IV C. ADD AND IV D. REMOVE; by Lewis; supported by Friedel.

Speaker Riley asked is there anybody with anything on the agenda. Riley asked Recorder Lewis 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-Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis said the agenda has been approved for February 14, 2018.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

D. Tribal Council Minutes 2/7/18

MOTION TO ACCEPT TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 2/7/18; by Pete; supported by Lewis.

Speaker Riley asked are there any discussion on the minutes. Riley asked Recorder Lewis 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-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis said the Tribal Council Minutes for 2/7/18 has been accepted for filing.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

Speaker Riley said they have nothing this week under Grants & Contracts.

B. Budget Modifications

- 1. Approval of Budget Modification MB-2018-__ ; Authorizing the modification of the Department of Justice-Office of Violence Against Women Budget in the amount of \$28,060**
Tribal Council must approve the re-allocation of funds within a Program Budget that exceeds 10% of the total original Program Budget.

Speaker Riley said Bill Willis their Budget Coordinator is here representing this this morning. Riley said to Bill Willis that he had the floor.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said good morning and he thought Jason Cross would be here. Willis said as Jason Cross explained in Agenda Review on Monday they received this award back in October and the actual award was \$450,000 but upon receipt of the award the agency based on the conditions.....certain number of conditions required them to modify the Budget to fit their Accounting needs and so this is a result of that. Willis said they are basically just moving money around in the Budget to fit in the categories that they require them to do. Willis said they just have to modify the Budget.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said just to let everybody know that Jason Cross and Shanaviah Canales would had loved to have been here but they are on their way to the airport for San Diego out in California for a conference on Violence Against Women that

the Budget says they have to be there. Friedel said they would be here but that is where they are at.

Speaker Riley said wouldn't it be Violence Against Women Prevention.

Tribal Council said yes.

Speaker Riley said he thinks that word in there is kind of important. Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said he will make a motion.

Recorder Lewis said Virgil Johnson.

Speaker Riley recognized Virgil Johnson. Riley asked Virgil Johnson if he will be making their motion.

Virgil Johnson said he sees this article here.....this agenda item here.

Councilor Medacco said they are going to need his name and Tribal I.D. number.

Speaker Riley said yes, please.

Virgil Johnson said they should know it. Johnson said it is Virgil Johnson, Tribal #0336. Johnson thanked them. Johnson said anyway he finds this item with a bit of irony in the fact with all the things going on in Washington, D.C. they got a heads up and they are doing something that is good for their women. Johnson thanked them for bringing this forward.

Speaker Riley thanked Virgil Johnson. Riley said he agrees and he thinks everybody needs to be aware that this is one of the line items he believed is being cut in the new Budget so make sure they contact their Federal Legislators on that one if they believe this is something that is important. Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said he will make a motion if there are no further questions.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0214-052;
APPROVAL OF BUDGET MODIFICATION MB-2018-10;
AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF JUSTICE-OFFICE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN
BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,060; by Friedel; supported by
Lewis.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions on this item. Riley asked any further discussion. Riley asked Recorder Lewis 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-Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0214-052 has been approved.

2. Acceptance of contract funds from the Department of Health and Human Services-Indian Health Services and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2018-__ in the amount of \$144,659

The contract funds are awarded as part of the 2018 Self-Governance Compact.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said this item represents Modification #1 to the 2018 Self-Governance Compact with Indian Health Services. Willis said they projected they would receive \$2,687,779 for the calendar year 2018 and this brings them up to \$947,413.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete thanked Speaker Riley. Pete said if there is no further discussion he is prepared to make a motion.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0214-053; ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES-INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING BUDGET MB-2018-11 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$144,659; by Pete; supported by Lewis.

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked are there any questions or further discussion on this item. Riley asked Recorder Lewis 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-Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0214-053 has been approved.

3. Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S. Department of Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2018-__ in the amount of \$11,000

The contract funds are awarded as part of the 2017 Self-Governance Compact.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said this item represents funding.....additional funding under the 2017 BIA Self-Governance Compact. Willis said this money is specific to an upcoming Special Election that will be held by the Election Board. Willis said they just need to accept the money and amend the Operating Budget.

Speaker Riley said he just wanted to clarify it is actually for an upcoming Secretarial Election.

Councilor Medacco said to Bill Willis that he said Special.

Bill Willis apologized and said Secretarial.

Councilor Crampton asked an upcoming Secretarial Election?

Speaker Riley said yeah, the BIA is sending them the money already even though they haven't finalized any of the other stuff because they had asked them a couple of technical questions where they had sent the stuff before.

Councilor Crampton said revisions.

Speaker Riley said right so they are sending the money for the Election already, right.

Councilor Crampton said that is nice of them.

Rebecca Liebing, Unified Legal Department Attorney, said they didn't even actually start the process officially but unofficially asked them about questions and they came and had a meeting with them. Liebing said they just initiated this all on their own and they probably just wanted to get it done. Liebing said they have the money and they are holding it but they have not kicked off what they paid per the agreement or have they approved it. Liebing said they looked in their face and told them that they were going to make the payment so why they did this she does not have the answer. Liebing said they were very careful in starting that.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said the last Election they had with the BIA they did the same thing. Lonn said they sent the money, the \$11,000 way ahead then they just held it.

Speaker Riley asked is there a motion or any questions. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said he would like to make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0214-054;
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR-BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING
BUDGET MB-2018-12 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,000; by Pete;
supported by Lonn.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions on this. Riley asked any further questions or discussion. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #5

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0214-054 has been approved.

4. Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S. Department of Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2018-__ in the amount of \$32,824

The contract funds are awarded as part of the 2018 Self-Governance Compact.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said these represent Modification #1 to the BIA Self-Governance Compact for 2018. Willis said they estimated or projected in the Operating Budget for this year that they would receive \$1.9 million give or take. Willis said year to date this brings them up to \$171,525.

Speaker Riley asked does he have discussion or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

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

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0214-055;
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR-BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING
BUDGET MB-2018-13 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,824; by Pete;
supported by Wittenberg.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked is there any further discussion or questions on this item. Riley asked Recorder Lewis 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-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0214-055 has been approved.

Bill Willis thanked Council.

Speaker Riley thanked Bill Willis.

C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

1. Authorization of Expenditure for payment of 2018 Dues to the National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA)

The Tribal Leadership has determined that membership in NIGA has been beneficial and will continue to be beneficial to the Tribe in providing information, resources and training.

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

Councilor Lonn asked Speaker Riley how much is it that they give.

Councilor Di Piazza said \$25,000.

Councilor Lonn said oh, okay.

Speaker Riley said they provide training to their Gaming Commissioners, several staff at the casino, and they still have to pay for the training but as a member they get significant discounts on the trainings. Riley asked do they have anybody with a motion. Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said if there is no further questions he will make the motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0214-056;
AUTHORIZATION OF EXPENDITURE TO PAY 2018 DUES FOR
MEMBERSHIP IN THE NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING
ASSOCIATION (NIGA); by Friedel; supported by Pete.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked any discussion on this one. Riley asked Recorder Lewis 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-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0214-056 has been approved.

- 2. Approval for Ron Wittenberg, Shannon Crampton to attend the MAST Impact Week from March 25-28, 2018**
MAST will be held at the Holiday Inn Capitol in Washington, D.C.

Speaker Riley asked are there any questions or a motion on this item. Riley said Shannon Crampton has actually attended MAST quite a few times. Riley said if he would like to give everybody a brief run-down of it.

Councilor Crampton said yeah MAST Impact Week he doesn't attend all the MAST Meetings he just picks out the ones where they are going to be face to face with the representatives in Washington. Crampton said what it is basically the Tribes get together and they all take on everybody's all the Tribal issues and they break up into groups to go and meet with the representatives and express the issues. Crampton said it is not just this Tribe representing their issues it is all the Tribes involved in MAST representing their issues.

Speaker Riley said okay does anybody have any questions or a motion on this item. Riley said the motion has not been made yet and he has to ask until then. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said he will make the motion.

**MOTION FOR APPROVAL FOR RON WITTENBERG AND
SHANNON CRAMPTON TO ATTEND THE MAST IMPACT
WEEK FROM MARCH 25-28, 2018; by Medacco; supported by Pete.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions.

Councilor Crampton said yes.

Speaker Riley said Shannon Crampton is abstaining. Riley asked Ron Wittenberg if he will be abstaining as well.

Councilor Wittenberg said abstain.

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

Councilor Lonn said she would like to know why they are abstaining because they don't have to.

Councilor Wittenberg was making comments but it wasn't picked up on the tape recording.

Councilor Lonn said they have had.....

Speaker Riley said they don't have to abstain but it can be perceived as a benefit by some people so some people choose to abstain because of that.

Councilor Lonn said that is sort of wishy-washy because either they are going to abstain because it has a pos.....impact or they don't abstain. Lonn said she doesn't understand it.

Speaker Riley said it is their individual vote and their choice to do it. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said customarily with all the Councils it has been done before so why the issue is getting brought up today.....well he kind of knows why but.....

Councilor Lonn said no, it is brought up because.....

Councilor Crampton said he is sorry.....

Speaker Riley said alright Councilor Crampton has still got the floor.

Councilor Crampton said he knows why it is being brought up today and he thinks a lot of people do but it has customarily been done by the Councils for the last.....all the Councils basically so.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said she disagrees because in other times she had seen people vote when they were going on trips and it has been their own choice she guesses but she doesn't know.

Speaker Riley said he is going to get to the Ogema but he does want to remind everybody this is specifically about whether two Councilors are travelling not the use of an abstention. Riley said that is what the discussion is about.

Ogema Romanelli said oh, he should probably sit down. Romanelli said he was just going to state that he doesn't believe abstentions are being done correctly by the Council anyway because per the Constitution there is supposed to be a vote, etc. but he will sit down.

Speaker Riley thanked the Ogema. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said he just wanted to explain something. Crampton said the Constitution mandates that they must abstain for one reason and that is if there is a personal gain. Crampton said it doesn't state all the rules and that is just one. Crampton said they can still abstain. Crampton said Robert's Rules of Order says that they can.....even though they can abstain and they can have a vote and say they have to vote but they still can't force it.

Speaker Riley said okay, alright, like he said before. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #8

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

Motion carried (7-0-2-0)

Recorder Lewis said the resolution for travel for Shannon Crampton and Ron Wittenberg has been approved for March 25-27, 2018 for MAST.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

- 3. Approval for Gary Di Piazza and Diane Lonn to attend the MAST Impact Week from March 25-28, 2018**
MAST will be held at the Holiday Inn Capitol in Washington, D.C.

Speaker Riley said he needs a motion or discussion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said okay if there is no discussion and he used to reading so he will try to make this motion.

Speaker Riley said just read the prior one and add the names.

Councilor Pete said that is what he planned on thinking.

MOTION FOR APPROVAL FOR GARY DI PIAZZA AND DIANE LONN TO ATTEND THE MAST IMPACT WEEK FROM MARCH 25-28, 2018; by Pete; supported by Crampton.

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley said okay no abstentions. Riley asked is there any further discussion or questions on this one. Riley asked Recorder Lewis 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-Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis said okay the motion has carried for approval of Gary Di Piazza and Diane Lonn to attend MAST Impact Week from March 25-28, 2018.

IV. Old Business

Reports that are due:

- A. Financial Report
December Due**
- B. Binojeeuk Commission
December Due**
- C. Enrollment Commission**
- D. Natural Resource Commission
August & September Due**
- E. Commerce Commission-August/October &
November/December Due**

Reports received:

- None Submitted
- None Submitted
- December 2017
- Kequom E-mail
- None Submitted

Speaker Riley said Councilor Di Piazza was just explaining to him that the Commerce Commission didn't actually meet some of these months but they never sent anything over saying they didn't meet so they are anticipating minutes for meetings that never happened. Riley said anyway they were looking over the reports right now and they still got the Financial Report for December Due, Binojeeuk Commission for December Due, and they have received the Enrollment Commission for December 2017. Riley said for the Natural Resource August & September they received by Kequom's e-mail or what is going on with that.

Councilor Di Piazza said they are non-recoverable.

Speaker Riley said they are non-recoverable so they are going to have to redo them.

Councilor Medacco said they have the e-mail that states that Jacob Kequom.

Speaker Riley said okay so they are going to have to throw something together and for now they have an e-mail stating the reason.

Councilor Di Piazza said yes.

Speaker Riley recognized Virgil Johnson.

Virgil Johnson, Tribal #0336, said he needs Frank Medacco's attention. Johnson said this is just a reminder. Johnson said remember when they started many, many years ago with the EDC. Johnson said it is his understanding that it is up and running now.

Tribal Council agreed.

Virgil Johnson said there was some discussion about doing away with the Commerce Commission once they got the EDC up. Johnson said he just wanted to remind everybody because that was something they talked about and he didn't know what their position was on that.

Councilor Medacco said it is actually posted.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said to Virgil Johnson that they actually passed to put that up for a 30 day comment period to.....

Speaker Riley said 14.

Councilor Pete said 14 and he is older than him remember so 14 day comment period. Pete thanked Speaker Riley.

Councilor Medacco said to remove the ordinance.

Councilor Di Piazza said that is what he was going to comment. Di Piazza said these being on there is basically he doesn't believe they had a commission meeting for them months but they still show up so they will probably be dissolving the commission shortly, he thinks. Di Piazza said he doesn't know that for sure, right.

Speaker Riley said he thinks his take on the subject is they can't really dissolve them until they get this issue resolved because they can't expect work

from.....he means they can have an expectation of work because they have already been compensated through stipends but after somebody is no longer with them they really don't have any leverage to get that work so. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said it was Monday or so but he can't remember quite what day. Di Piazza said he did send an e-mail to the Recorder of the Commerce Commission to rectify this one way or another and that was Mr. Pabami.

Speaker Riley said okay.

Virgil Johnson said Miigwech.

Speaker Riley said okay they have discussed all that. Riley asked does anybody have anything else for the reports that are due.

V. New Business

A. Consideration of Appointment of John Pabami to the Housing Commission

This appointment is for Seat #4 with a term ending 9/20/19.

Speaker Riley asked do they have a motion or discussion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said he will make a motion.

MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF JOHN PABAMI TO THE HOUSING COMMISSION TO SEAT #4 WITH A TERM ENDING 9/20/19; by Di Piazza; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Riley asked Councilor Pete if he had something.

Councilor Pete said yes, how many people are currently on the Housing Commission forgive him for asking, two.

Speaker Riley said two.

Councilor Pete asked what does the commission call for four or five.

Speaker Riley said he thinks there is an emergency provision if they are under three that they have to have somebody appointed immediately.

Councilor Pete said okay so if.....they got two on there right now and they got one before them to appoint so that would be three so they would still be missing two from the Housing Commission. Pete said he guessed his question would be.....he just doesn't understand why that is so difficult to fill these commissions

with all of their Tribal members around. Pete said he just doesn't.....that is probably an off the wall question but he doesn't get it.

Speaker Riley said he has the Ogema then Councilor Lonn.

Ogema Romanelli said right and thanked him. Romanelli said if somebody wants to go before him they are more than welcome to.

Councilor Lonn said she knows part of the problem with this one is the time. Lonn said people work and this one is held during the day. Lonn said she has talked to different ones and asked them to apply and they can't because they work so that is one of the reasons.

Ogema Romanelli thanked them. Romanelli said the employees are welcome to use their PTO if they have to go to a meeting during the day but they are still somewhat reluctant. Romanelli said the other problem is they are really having a hard time getting people on commissions and they have for some time. Romanelli said in this case as Speaker Riley mentioned they have two people on and it is basically an emergency situation where they have to.....should have at least three out of the five on there. Romanelli said he is having almost a complete problem getting people on and getting people to stay on that is the problem. Romanelli said in this case he thinks they have at least two people that have submitted their names properly for this board. Romanelli said he will be submitting another one however, in putting names forward a lot of times he is not comfortable with their backgrounds or that they should be the person submitted. Romanelli said in this case they have an emergency situation and that is saying nothing against the two people that have submitted their names but it becomes a problem and he will identify another problem when he gets into the Ogema's Report as to why they have problems getting people on commissions. Romanelli said John Pabami was on the Commerce Commission and the Commerce Commission was dissolved. Romanelli said he believed he did a good job while he was on the Commerce Commission and now he has submitted for the Housing Commission or whatever commission.

Councilor Pete said Housing.

Ogema Romanelli said Housing and he has one other person that he will bring forward within the next week or two but it is really a problem. Romanelli said when he first got into this job it was much easier. Romanelli said they would have an opening and have five or six people applying that had a decent background and now almost no one wants to put their name forward. Romanelli said that is the answer to that question.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said yeah he has discussed some things with a few Tribal members and he doesn't know if he should bring up names who have sat on their committees and commissions. Crampton said one of the big problems that they have is the stipend amount is not matching up with the drive that some of them have to do. Crampton said he means it is a lot easier to get the stipend and be close to here and that is just fine but there are some people with the rising gas prices cannot afford to keep doing that.

Speaker Riley said just to address that real quickly. Riley said one of the things that was different when Ogema Romanelli was first elected is the stipends were around \$25.00 more for each commission and those were lowered in 2009 he believed.

Councilor Crampton said yes and he offered an Opposite Plan that was shot down. Crampton said that Opposite Plan was to do radius circles for the membership and that would appropriately give stipends for the people. Crampton said if they cut it down to radius on how far they had to travel and compensate them a little bit more he thinks they would get more input. Crampton said they keep saying they want more members to give their input on here but they don't provide them with the resources to do that.

Speaker Riley said okay is there any other.....actually he has a question but.....recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said she would like to see it raised to \$125.00, back to where it was.

Speaker Riley said okay they can do that. Riley asked Recorder Lewis if she would throw a work session on and they will go ahead and address that. Riley said actually can he have somebody from Legal approach real quick. Riley said to Councilor Di Piazza that they got nine people and to go ahead.

Councilor Di Piazza said he doesn't want to be accused of stepping out.

Speaker Riley said he means up here. Riley said that is why he said up here. Riley said right he is going to cover the microphone because he has a quick question.

Speaker Riley spoke with the Unified Legal Department.

Speaker Riley asked does anybody have any other questions or discussion. Riley recognized Ogema Romanelli.

Ogema Romanelli said he is not opposed to looking at their compensation but he also noticed if they will look at their reports that are turned in. Romanelli said a significant amount of those meetings are 15 to 20 minutes long and that is really

something that needs to be addressed at the same time. Romanelli said he doesn't know if they have longer meetings or less of them but again, and he understands when somebody.....when they are paying for people to come to the meetings and sit on the boards but he also noticed that some of the boards their meetings are 15 to 20 minutes long and that is a concern for him too. Romanelli said he thinks they might want to look at both things when they are addressing the compensation.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said his apologies but his kidneys are not what they used to be and he was out in the cold all day yesterday.

Councilor Pete said that is way too much information.

Speaker Riley said okay let them go ahead and do a roll call.

Roll Call #10

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

Motion failed (2-7-0-0)

Recorder Lewis said the motion for John Pabami to be on the Housing Commission not approved.

Speaker Riley said what he would like to see is for them to sit down and talk to him possibly if people are open to that. Riley said let them move on and they can talk about that later.

B. Adoption of Technical Edits to Gaming Ordinance, Ordinance #10-400-01 and Authorization for the Unified Legal Department to Submit to the National Indian Gaming Commission for Review and Approval
The Tribal Council by and through the Unified Legal Department has consulted with the National Indian Gaming Commission on the proposed Amendments and suggested technical edits.

Speaker Riley asked do they have any questions or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0214-057; ADOPTION OF TECHNICAL EDITS TO GAMING ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE NUMBER 10-400-01 AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE UNIFIED LEAGAL DEPARTMENT TO SUBMIT TO

**NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING COMMISSION FOR REVIEW
AND APPROVAL;** by Di Piazza; supported by Lonm.

Speaker Riley asked have these already been put out for public comment. Riley asked or do they wait until after they come back.

Unified Legal Department Attorneys made comments from the audience and they were not picked up on the tape recording.

Speaker Riley said okay he just wanted to make that clear so if anybody has any questions and they are looking at the minutes they can refer back to a couple of months ago and find where someone discussed what the changes actually were. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton asked can't they just read it real quick. Crampton said it is changing the name of the ordinance and adding a definition to procedures for ____, clarifying the Speaker may shorten Tribal Council's discussion of topic.....

Speaker Riley said that is not what this is.

Councilor Crampton said that is not it. Crampton said this is permanent adoption.

Speaker Riley said this is the Gaming Ordinance.

Councilor Crampton said he is one ahead and apologized.

Speaker Riley said anyway what this.....one of the things that this did this takes a good portion of the non-gaming stuff out of the ordinance because NIGC doesn't have a say over it so why are they letting them. Riley said he means there are some other stuff but they can look that up online with the posting and if they have any questions feel free to call any of them and they can get their answers for them. Riley asked Recorder Lewis 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-Yes	D. Lonm - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0214-057 has been approved.

C. Authorizing Permanent Adoption of Amendments to the Tribal Council Procedures Ordinance, Ordinance #06-100-02

Tribal Council posted the proposed amendments for a 30 Day Public Comment Period and held a final work session on February 6, 2018 for review before adopting the amendments permanently.

Speaker Riley said they had this posted for 30 days and they have had a final work session on this. Riley said to Councilor Crampton that he can go ahead now.

Councilor Crampton said this is permanent adoption of the Gaming Ordinance.....this is just changing what the Speaker's time limit on.....clarifying and adding a definition in procedures for censure clarifying that the Speaker may shorten Tribal Council's discussion of topics, clarifying the consent of the record and fixing formatting issues.

Speaker Riley said just to clarify the shortening of time. Riley said they are talking about specifically if they have a large crowd and a short time frame then the Speaker can say that today they are going to discuss this with a maximum of two minutes verses everybody getting five and the meeting running forever just depending on needs there and not just him saying on the fly "*hey you only got a minute.*" Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said if there are no further questions he will make the motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0214-058;
PERMANENT ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE TRIBAL
COUNCIL PROCEDURES ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE #06-100-
02; by Friedel; supported by Di Piazza.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked any further questions on the Tribal Council Procedures Ordinance. Riley asked Recorder Lewis 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-Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0214-058 has been approved.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis. Riley said also just adding on at the end he is kind of.....he is kind of happy about this because for years.....and what they are adding here with the Censure Process is another aspect of accountability for Council. Riley said for years all they ever had is either nothing or removal and now there is a step and a process in between for them to censure Council

members when there is something done that they believe is problematic but doesn't rise to the level of removal so that there is at least something on the record.

D. Authorizing the use of a modified version of the Tribal Seal for License Plates to be developed and sold by the Veterans Warrior Society

Tribal Council has met with the Veterans Warrior Society in a Work Session to discuss the Tribal Seal on a License Plate to be sold for the benefit of the Veterans Warrior Society.

Speaker Riley said they have Virgil Johnson and Chuck Fisher representing this item. Riley said they have the floor.

Virgil Johnson and Chuck Fisher, from the Veterans Warrior Society, represented this agenda item. Johnson said again he wants to thank them because it seems like they have been coming up there quite a bit lately. Johnson said he wanted to thank them for bringing this forward. Johnson said this is an opportunity for them to help generate some more revenue so they can better serve the community by the funds that they make off of this they will give back to the community. Johnson said they will have more discussion in the general.....in public comments about some of those opportunities.

Chuck Fisher said they do appreciate all their support and that for everybody to know too. Fisher said they really do thank them.

Speaker Riley said what is the modified.....what is the modification to the Tribal Seal that is being made he guesses. Riley said he is curious because it says modified version.

Chuck Fisher replied it is.....the Tribal Seal has a date of their Reaffirmation under it and the representation that will be on the license plate does not include the date it includes the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians he believes.

Speaker Riley said okay.

Chuck Fisher said yes.

Councilor Di Piazza said so it is going to look more like the Warrior Patch.

Chuck Fisher said like the patch, yes, it kind of.....there was a former license plate as well that was approved by a prior Council probably back in 19.....maybe 2000 somewhere in that neighborhood. Fisher said it will be more or less a duplication of that and it is more representation of the Flag than it is the Seal. Fisher said it will have a modified Seal at that time on that representation as well and will essentially duplicate that.

Councilor Medacco said he has a picture of it in his packet.

Speaker Riley said he is looking at the picture and he guessed the problem he is having is just a couple of weeks ago they just had a discussion where.....he means he was lead to believe at least that they can't do any modifications to the Tribal Seal. Riley said if they recall there was a picture of a polar bear involved.

Councilor Di Piazza said that was a massive alteration.

Speaker Riley said he means an alteration is an alteration.

Councilor Di Piazza said well he understands that but.....

Speaker Riley said or modification if they will.

Councilor Di Piazza said that would be their Family Crest and then taking somebody else's Family Crest and sticking on their Family Crest.

Speaker Riley said so what they are saying is that they can modify it as long as they are changing the words around but not the actual Seal itself. Riley asked is that the rules they are going by now.

Councilor Di Piazza said he doesn't know. Di Piazza said he is not the Seal Holder.

Recorder Lewis said yeah it would be that.

Chuck Fisher said they did discuss this in a work session and they are open to having another work session on this matter.....regarding this matter.

Speaker Riley said he is just trying to clarify this because they had another work session that was very similar in nature and there was a completely different result from it and he just wanted to make sure everybody is clear on what they are agreeing to. Riley said okay. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said well with the other discussion were in a work session if they accept this data it is basically codified so that won't be how it is done and it should be for all people.

Speaker Riley said alright and that is what he is making sure of. Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said if there are no further questions he will make the motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0214-059;
AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A MODIFIED VERSION OF THE**

**TRIBAL SEAL FOR LICENSE PLATES TO BE DEVELOPED
AND SOLD BY THE VETERANS WARRIOR SOCIETY; by Friedel;
supported by Di Piazza.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley asked any further discussion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said he was just going to say now and there in different places he sees some things being sold with their Seal and the name some of them have the Anishinaabe wording underneath them and some of them have the date and some of them don't at all but to him to put somebody's face in the middle of that or a figure or a cartoon character.....that is only his comment.

Speaker Riley said the actual Seal is the graphic with the words around it and the date. Riley said just so.....in case people are confused as to what the actual Seal is.

Councilor Di Piazza said no he knows. Di Piazza said he is done.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis 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-Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis said okay the motion has been approved for Tribal Seal to be used on license plates sold by the Veterans Warrior Society.

Speaker Riley thanked Chuck Fisher and Virgil Johnson.

Chuck Fisher thanked them. Fisher said they would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further to resolve any of the lingering questions that may arise as a result of this so if they let them know if they want to discuss this further they are certainly open to working with them to.....they know.

Recorder Lewis said she thinks there is a difference when they.....

Speaker Riley said it is an internal issue more than like an issue with the Warriors Society necessarily. Riley thanked them again.

VI. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, February 21, 2018**
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**

Ogema Romanelli thanked Speaker Riley. Romanelli said he just wanted to recognize that they had the Grand Opening for the Pharmacy with Don Mac Donald and everybody was.....they had an attendance yesterday in the lunch room. Romanelli said he just wanted to recognize that and thanked them for putting that on. Romanelli said what else did they have. Romanelli said he went to the United Tribes this last week and thinks they had three Council members there with himself. Romanelli said there was a lot of good information and they also meet with legislators, etc. and that always works out pretty well. Romanelli said what else did they do. Romanelli said they had a Meet and Greet in Wisconsin over the weekend. Romanelli said he was a little disappointed to be quite honest but they made it through and thinks most of the Council was there. Romanelli said the Ogema travelled over the weekend and he thinks that is it. Romanelli said he wanted to thank those people that do put their names in for commissions and committees because they do so usually in good faith he would think and it is difficult. Romanelli said he sees that seven out of the nine appear voted down Mr. Pabami. Romanelli said the problem with that is he doesn't think there is a reason given why they vote no sometimes and they have to wonder what the reasoning is and they left to say they are not sure but it is the way it is. Romanelli said he thinks at times that is part of it too because if they know they are going to put their names in and be voted down it leaves them open to be questioned as to why they are doing it. Romanelli said he wanted to also pass out these which Council members can take them. Romanelli said he has a couple of extra if anybody in the audience would like to have a copy. Romanelli said this is in regard to the information regarding the election fraud thing that was brought forward and brought up by a Tribal Council member and as they know an Election Board Member came.....pardon him.

Councilor Crampton said he was talking to Speaker Riley.

Ogema Romanelli said.....came before this Council to ask that her name be exonerated, her family, the Election Board and the same thing with the Ogema. Romanelli said so he had asked since it was brought up in Open Session that the Tribal Council follow-up because also Karen Love, Election Board person, Karen Love, ask that they also put this to rest one way or the other. Romanelli said it was brought up by Council but to his knowledge Council hasn't taken any action to either go forward or shut it down. Romanelli said he may be wrong. Romanelli asked has Council done anything.

Speaker Riley replied not to his knowledge. Riley said the response is.....he means it wasn't specifically Council it was concerns of one Council Member.

Ogema Romanelli said right, correct.

Speaker Riley said he wants to make that clear because it is not a Council issue and Council didn't resolve it.

Ogema Romanelli said when they have a seated Council Member.....pardon him.

Speaker Riley said it wasn't a Council issue and that is why Council as a whole didn't resolve it. Riley said there wasn't an interest there for Council as a whole.

Ogema Romanelli said okay, well he can sit and smirk again but yes, he did say smirk.....and the thing is that they have Elected Officials who are making comments and in this case it goes out on Face Book or the media, social media, etc. Romanelli said so what he did and they will see on page one and two is a response from the Prosecutor. Romanelli said he took it to the Prosecutor to see if there is anything that needed to be done or could be done. Romanelli said on page three and four they will see he took it to the Department of Justice, Mr. Jeff Davis, who is a Tribal Representative to see if there was anything he wanted or could be done. Romanelli said on page five they will see the concerns that were given to him through e-mails from the Election Board primarily in this case again Karen Love. Romanelli said again she says she has many texts and calls about Israel Stone helping the Election Board and she would welcome any help.....and they go on through there. Romanelli said on page six and seven again, his responses and communications back and forth to her and from her. Romanelli said on page eight they will see confirmation that Israel Stone in fact was appointed to Carol Gibner's Election Board Seat which began May 15th, 2015.

Speaker Riley said this is.....now this is a little bit beyond what the scope of what the Business Update would be he thinks.

Ogema Romanelli asked does he?

Speaker Riley said yeah, yeah.....

Ogema Romanelli said it was brought to them in business so.

Speaker Riley said it was brought to them in Business and he believed at the time there was some talk that this wasn't a discussion they needed to be having at a public meeting as well.

Ogema Romanelli asked are they going to do this in a confidential meeting.

Speaker Riley said no, no absolutely they can have a work session out here if that is what needs to be done, it can be recorded and notes can be taken. Riley said it can be whatever it is. Riley said the Ogema needs to get this off his chest but he thinks during a business meeting this isn't the time to be having this in particular.

Ogema Romanelli said he will be.....he will disagree with that and go on to say that the rest of it they can read for themselves.....the actual vote on this person

being elected and the explanation why. Romanelli said the reason why he brings it up again is because in the.....at the Meet and Greet in Wisconsin it was brought up again. Romanelli said again, his name was brought up by that same Council person stating that he had something to do with the Election and if they are going to keep running their mouth out there then he thinks they have a problem. Romanelli said after all these years, 11 years on this.....sitting as a Tribal Ogema, with all the assaults and things that have been mentioned about him and his behavior or the things he is doing that have been found to be not true it does get rather insulting to keep doing this and going through this. Romanelli said to allow a Council Member to continually.....continually now take it over to Wisconsin where this Council.....they were running the meeting knowing nothing was said to dispute what he was saying. Romanelli said he said that the Ogema had something to do with the Election, again, incorrect. Romanelli said if that is correct then the Council has something to do with the Election so they can shut it down again.

Speaker Riley said the Council has no more to do with the Election than the Ogema does.....he means as far as what they are talking about. Riley said they are talking about the appointment of one person.....

Councilor Crampton said and he did do that.

Speaker Riley said that is all.

Ogema Romanelli said don't spin it.

Speaker Riley said they are not going to get into this because this is obviously a contentious thing and all it is going to do.....

Ogema Romanelli said then he will take it to court.

Speaker Riley said.....__ during a business meeting.

Ogema Romanelli said he will say one last thing. Romanelli said this Unified Legal was put together to stop them from fighting in part, right, that was one of the things that they were trying to do. Romanelli said stop the two branches from going at each other because over the years it has happened. Romanelli said this is exactly why they continually go to court and they are not going to be able to stop it and so if that is the case then he prefers to take his situation to court because an apology is needed for their Election Board. Romanelli said they are corrupting the very Election Board that this Tribe has and making them look dirty also their Ogema so they will take this someplace else then. Romanelli said to Councilor Crampton that he doesn't know how he manages to get his foot in his mouth when he has it so far up his rear end.

Councilor Crampton said if that.....

Councilor Friedel said that is really far out guys.

Speaker Riley said alright calm down, calm down. Riley said this is a business meeting.

Councilor Crampton said if he thinks he can.....

Speaker Riley said to Councilor Crampton that means him too. Riley said to Ogema Romanelli if he is finished, sir.

Ogema Romanelli said he is finished.

Councilor Pete said he is not finished and he had his hand in the queue.

Speaker Riley apologized.

Councilor Pete said he is going to say one thing.

Speaker Riley said alright.

Councilor Pete said Shannon Crampton, Councilor, may be right the Ogema did appoint Israel Stone to sit on the Election Board but Tribal Council as a whole approved it. Pete said he doesn't care if they yes or no so Tribal Council approved Israel Stone to be on the Election Board. Pete said that was the only thing he said was right was the fact that the Ogema appointed Israel Stone now he is done, Mr. Speaker.

C. Legislative Affairs Update

Speaker Riley alright let's continue onto Legislative Affairs. Riley asked does anybody have anything for Legislative Affairs that is Legislative Affairs. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said don't worry he won't go down the baby path.

Speaker Riley said to Councilor Crampton that he just did.

Councilor Crampton said Senator Oren Hatch of Utah has finally announced the last appointee to the Tribal Treasury Advisory Committee. Crampton said it has been a long time coming and thinks this was started in like 2013 or 2014. Crampton said it is Rebecca M. Benally is the final appointee to the Tribal Treasury Advisory Committee. Crampton said it has been waiting a long time to happen and she is going to join members Ron Allen, who is from the K'allam Tribe, Sharon Edenfield, from the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians, Lacey Horn, from the Cherokee Nation, Patricia King, from the Oneida Nation, Lynn Malerba, from Mohegan Tribe and their own Michigan Eugene Magnuson,

from the Pokagon Band. Crampton reiterated that has been a long time coming and it is finally put together.

Speaker Riley said okay and thanked Councilor Crampton. Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said she would like to give an update on something that deals with their Tribe. Lonn said she went to United Tribes, first time ever, very excited. Lonn said she went and met with David Nyberg and the group. Lonn said they talked about Line 5 and she just fell apart because it was so interesting. Lonn said then the next day or that evening she met with a lot of Representatives and one was the person who passed the Bill that the children's case files can be looked at so she was very excited. Lonn said she and her talked about other things that she is going to work with them on. Lonn said the next day she got to meet and sit with all 12 Representatives of the Tribes, their Leaders, sit and listen to so much information that she is just so happy she went and she plans on going more often. Lonn thanked them. Lonn said a lot of it relates to them. Lonn thanked them again.

Speaker Riley thanked Councilor Lonn and recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said yes, he went to the United Tribes and there is not much he can add to what Diane Lonn said other than the Bill was 616.

Councilor Lonn thanked Councilor Di Piazza.

Speaker Riley said and he.....as far as Legislative Affairs he just wanted to draw everybody's attention to Trump's Budget for 2019. Riley said please take a look at that there is a lot of cuts one of them specifically that impacts a lot of their people is switching over House Snap Benefits are distributed. Riley said he wants to basically put everybody on Commods and then cut their limits that they can spend in the store and severely restrict that. Riley said the GLRI money is severely reduced and the box lunches as Councilor Crampton said there is about eight to ten departments that are looking at being cut all together. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said he just wanted to add to that because what people are looking at right now is they just got submarines. Crampton said they just got this big tax cut that they are saying is a one-time payment in most cases and it has the sun set. Crampton said what they are looking at is that money will not be able to cover all the things that are being cut at the back end so they think they are getting something and they are actually getting cut off at the knees.

Speaker Riley said alright. Riley recognized Councilor Wittenberg.

Councilor Wittenberg said he turned around and made it over to Wisconsin and himself he truly enjoyed it. Wittenberg said he got to listen to different concerns of their members over there. Wittenberg said concerning Education, Trade Schools and they talked about even the quantum. Wittenberg said then also they talked about that they needed or would like to hear more on their traditions and their way of life. Wittenberg said for himself he truly enjoyed it and happy that he was part of it.

Speaker Riley said just to add one of the things is they brought some samples with them from their business in Terra and there were several people that were very excited about it and wanted to know as soon as it is available for purchase because they want to buy it already. Riley said so he thought that was a good sign.

Councilor Lonn said just to add onto the Milwaukee she was sort of disappointed because there was only 28 people there included them so it wasn't very big and she wished they had gotten into more into the things they are doing like with Aaya and discussions on that so she thinks they should have probably more of an agenda or something going on.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said he will add also it was a very interesting ride over to say the least. Friedel said there was four of them and three or four of them in his vehicle. Friedel said they made it over safely. Friedel said he will say there was one of their Tribal Elders, Cecilia Cole, that was there from South Carolina actually she said she couldn't make it to any of the meetings up here and that she was very happy that she was able to meet with them. Friedel said one person and there may have been 18 or 19 or 20 people in the room, they know what, those are their Tribal members regardless and that is who they are here for is their Tribal members. Friedel said being able to talk with Cecilia Cole and she looked at him and said "*you come here*" and gives him the finger and he went over there. Friedel said she gave him this great big hug and that is rewarding then five minutes later she did the same thing and said she liked the first one. Friedel said that was good enough for him to drive all the way over there.....it's their Tribal members and they heard concerns from them. Friedel said good, bad or indifferent that is what they are there for is their Tribal members. Friedel said that is it.

Speaker Riley said he thinks what the deal is in the future they are going to give a little bit more notice to make sure it gets out in the paper and obviously they will reduce the size of it probably. Riley said probably cut it down and have it in the month where it is not so difficult to drive there but the idea is to they got to stick some toes in the water to make sure that anybody is going to show up or how many people are going to show up. Riley said he thinks they got a pretty good feel of the type of attendance that they are going to have and what size meetings

they need to have and what the venue needs to be in order to have an impact. Riley said just because there is only say 20 people there a lot of them are Elders who have families and everything that they are attending and passing information along to and these are people that usually don't hear much from over here so. Riley said he thinks it was great and thinks that in the future they need to probably look at some of their bigger communities that they have out there like Muskegon and they got quite a few in the Chicago area and get out and get around to make sure they are meeting their people and addressing their needs. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said to Speaker Riley thanks for mentioning Muskegon because he proposed a date to the Speaker to do a Meet and Greet on Saturday.....on a Saturday and they are going to start working on that, getting that planned, to go down to Muskegon to do a Meet and Greet there on Saturday also.

Speaker Riley asked anybody else for Legislative Affairs.

D. Public Comment Period

Speaker Riley said onto Public Comment Period. Riley recognized Chuck Fisher and Virgil Johnson.

Chuck Fisher, Tribal #1297, said hello again.

Virgil Johnson, Tribal #0336.

Chuck Fisher said there were a couple of items that they would like to mention in public comment.

Virgil Johnson said again with the new ordinance on their Meeting Procedures they may ask for a small waiver on the five minutes to two minutes. Johnson said there are three items they wanted to briefly talk about. Johnson said one has to do with the Circle Dance and the other one has to do with the Sugar Shack and the last one has to do with the donation. Johnson said with that he will turn it over, the Circle Dance, to Chuck Fisher and then he will pick up on the other two.

Speaker Riley said he is glad he is bringing up the Sugar Shack because they had just talked about how they haven't heard anything about it and they got to get out there in about two weeks to start tapping trees so.

Chuck Fisher said in the work session regarding their agenda item. Fisher said the Round Dance matter was raised and it seemed like there was a request for the Warrior's Society presence there. Fisher said he will happily make that sacrifice and he will see them there.

Tribal Council said Miigwech.

Councilor Medacco said they can always pass their ____ then go first.

Virgil Johnson said yes it is, both of them. Johnson said the Sugar Shack he knows that the Warrior's Society was involved in regards to years past they purchased many cases of empty bottles and caps for the Sugar Shack and they are going to continue doing that. Johnson said they do have an inventory that he believes is three cases of unused bottles that they will use for this year so they will be there. Johnson said his understanding is some of the equipment is already in place at the Sugar Shack and they will take a quick run over there if they haven't changed the combination lock then he thinks he can open up the door. Johnson said with that said he has one more item that he wants to move onto and that is a donation. Johnson said the donation is back in.....at the last Elder's Conference the Warriors hosted a 50/50 Drawing. Johnson said they try to do a formal presentation of the money that their share of the 50/50 but because of the weather and people they just couldn't make it happen until today. Johnson said at this point he would like to ask the Ogema to come forward and he has a check from the Warrior's Society for the Elder's Meal Program. Johnson said this check is in the amount of \$601 that they have from the conference and they wanted to thank them. Johnson said he just wanted to end this with a comment that this is their second large donation that they have made in the past couple of months. Johnson said they also did a \$500 Donation towards a flag pole and so forth for the Custer American Legion. Johnson said these are the kind of things they look forward to doing in serving the community. Johnson said by passing their regulations regarding the license plate will help them generate even more revenues to help out the community. Johnson said he wanted to say Miigwech, Miigwech, Miigwech.

Speaker Riley said Miigwech. Riley said he has Gary Di Piazza, Shannon Crampton and then Diane Lonn.

Councilor Di Piazza said he was going to mention this Saturday they have the Snow Snake that starts at 10:00 hopefully they will have snow. Di Piazza said if anybody feels like shoveling, smoothing or just playing with snow come on out to Aki after 2:00 today. Di Piazza said they will be more than welcome besides that he is missing his wedding ring and it is in that snow someplace so have fun. Di Piazza said anyways come on out and help because they need a track made and he doesn't know how the weather is going to hold but they are going to give it a shot.

Councilor Friedel asked if it was 14 caret gold.

Councilor Di Piazza said yes it was.

Speaker Riley said he has a metal detector like he hasn't already been out there.

Councilor Di Piazza said as far as the Roundy that is going to start at 6:00. Di Piazza said everybody is invited. Di Piazza said Miigwech for the Warriors for somebody to show up and they are not allowed to work they are there to have fun.

Councilor Lonn agreed.

Councilor Di Piazza said they are not allowed to do anything except have fun. Di Piazza said except Virgil Johnson he has to work.

Virgil Johnson made a comment from the audience and it wasn't picked up on the recording.

Councilor Di Piazza said well that is what the Roundy is for.

Councilor Lonn said she thought he was his date.

Councilor Di Piazza reiterated well that is what the Roundy is for.

Councilor Friedel said his mom will be there too.

Speaker Riley said alright no more of that.

Councilor Di Piazza said if anybody.....there is hotel available in-town at the local hotels and the shuttle bus will be running during the Round Dance all the way up to about 3:00 so it will be a good time. Di Piazza said the Snow Snake starts at.....registration at 10:00 at Aki if snow.

Councilor Lonn said they have food too.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said oh, first off he would like to ask the membership to keep member, Carline Deverney, in their prayers. Crampton said she was at the meeting with the Council and the Ogema. Crampton said she fell ill on Sunday the day after the meeting so please keep her in their prayers.

Councilor Friedel said she was sick that day.

Councilor Crampton said the other thing he wanted to mention is he wanted to thank all the Tribal members who supported his son. Crampton said he is a Little River Band of Ottawa Indians member and he entered a contest for the Best Guitarist in Northern Michigan. Crampton said there was 38 entries and he got into the Semi-Finals of six and last Saturday he passed the Semi-Finals now he is going to the Finals this Saturday so regretfully he won't be at the Round Dance but thanked them all very much.

Speaker Riley said they will get by. Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said she just wanted to ask the Warrior's Society if they would talk to Education. Lonn said she was down there today about the Sugar Shack

and got information from them. Lonn said so if they would contact them and work with them because they didn't think they had any bottles left and said they used all of them. Lonn said they did say all the stuff was there and she did ask her to put it in the paper and do some advertising so they get people to help and learn.

Speaker Riley said just to add onto that if there is ever a time where they need somebody just to sit out there and watch the fire or whatever he is willing to do so. Riley said he can't do a lot of heavy lifting but just let him know because he knows they have to keep it boiling.

Councilor Friedel said they have to keep stirring.

Speaker Riley said he can do that but heavy lifting he can't do.

Councilor Lonn said so write that name down.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said all those things he was thinking he revokes every one of them. Di Piazza said no Miigwech. Di Piazza said he knows it is a little off topic but if they go to Education they really need the filters for the separator finalizer. Di Piazza said bottles he is not worried about them filters.

Speaker Riley said okay. Riley asked anybody else for Public Comment.

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 end first open at 11:11.

MOTION TO END FIRST OPEN AT 11:11; by Lewis; supported by Di Piazza.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis 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-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

VIII. Open Session

The Council reconvened in Open Session at 11:58 p.m.

Recorder Lewis said to Speaker Riley that the recorder is on.

Speaker Riley said he is looking for a motion to go back into open at 11:58.

MOTION TO GO BACK INTO OPEN AT 11:58; by Crampton;
supported by Friedel.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis 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-Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis do they have anything to move.

Recorder Lewis said yes.

**MOTION TO MOVE RESOLUTION #18-0214-062, 063 AND 064;
ROLL CALL, MOTION AND VOTE;** by Lewis; supported by Di
Piazza.

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions or any discussion on the items.
Riley asked Recorder Lewis 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-Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis said it has been approved to move Resolution #18-0214-062, 063
and 064; roll call, motion and vote into open.

Speaker Riley asked Councilor Friedel if he had something.

Councilor Friedel said he does. Friedel said he just wanted to make sure that
everybody knew that 18-0214-061 was skipped.

Councilor Medacco said actually it wasn't 060 was.

Speaker Riley said actually they are on adjournment on the agenda so the only thing they can discuss is adjourning the meeting at this point.

Councilor Friedel said okay.

The following motions, roll calls and votes were moved from Closed to Open Session.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 18-0214-062,
RATIFICATION OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA)
WITH MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY (MDEQ) FOR AIR MONITORING SERVICES; by
Medacco; supported by Lonm.**

Speaker Riley asked if anyone was going to abstain from the vote.

Roll Call #C-4

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 18-0214-063,
RESIDENTIAL LOT LEASE AND LEASEHOLD MORTGAGE
PROGRAM: APPROVAL OF CANCELLATIONS OF AKI
MAADIZIWIN LOT ASSIGNMENTS AND LEASES WITH
TRIBAL MEMBERS; by Medacco; supported by DiPiazza.**

Roll Call #C-5

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 18-0214-064,
RATIFICATION OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS,
MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN
SERVICES, INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL OF MICHIGAN, GREAT
LAKES INTER-TRIBAL EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTER AND THE
INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC POLICY AND RESEARCH -
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY; by Friedel; supported by Pete.**

Speaker Riley asked if anyone was going to abstain from the vote.

Roll Call #C-6

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

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

IX. Adjourn

Speaker Riley asked is somebody going to make the motion to adjourn.

MOTION TO ADJOURN; by Pete; supported by Friedel.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

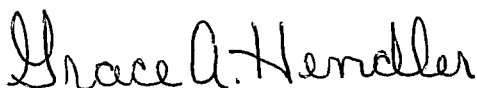
Roll Call #17

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Grace A. Hendler
Transcribing Assistant



Sandra Lewis,
Tribal Council Recorder