

# LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS TRIBAL COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021 LITTLE RIVER BAND VIA ZOOM GOVERNMENT CENTER

#### OPEN SESSION MINUTES

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting at the Little River Band Government Center on February 17, 2021. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

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

Speaker Pete thanked Recorder Di Piazza. Pete said welcome everybody to the Wednesday, February 17, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Tribal Council Meeting via ZOOM. Pete asked Gary Di Piazza if he could please give then an Opening Prayer.

Recorder Di Piazza said he can do that.

#### I. Opening Prayer

Gary Di Piazza, Tribal Elder, offered the Opening Prayer.

Creator, look after us as we go through these days.

Let us be safe as we venture out.

Take your precautions.

Wear your mask.

Use your hand sanitizer, social distancing.

If you are uncomfortable then just watch your surroundings.

Also, thanks to all our first line servers wherever they may be helping to try and open this world back up and take care of us.

Make sure you tip them also.

That being said Miigwech. Miigwech. Miigwech.

Speaker Pete thanked Gary Di Piazza. Pete said once again he is not going to announce this any further. Pete said what he announced is that they are going to run this meeting the same way they have been running it. Pete said so please um, please wait their turn and he will call them into the queue. Pete thanked Gary Di Piazza and that moves them onto General Business.

#### II. General Business

#### A. Call to Order

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

Speaker Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to please do a roll call.

#### B. Roll Call

T. Guenthardt -Present	C. Champagne	-Present	D. Corey -	Present
S. Crampton - Present	G. DiPiazza -	Present	R. Pete -	Present
R. Wittenberg- Present	D. Lonn -	Present	S. Lewis -	Present

Quorum established.

Recorder Di Piazza said nine are present they have a quorum.

Speaker Pete thanked Recorder Di Piazza.

Others Present: Sandy Mezeske, Allison Smart, Chelsea Densmore, Dawn Moneyhan, Connie Waitner, Corey Wells, Valerie Chandler, Jamie Friedel, Delia Ross, Andrew Gentile, Laura Echelbarger, Tammy Bogue, Caitlin Carey, Sara Agosa, Jessica Steinberg, Susan Thull, Nikki Nelson, Zach Prause, Martha Howell, Bill Willis, Robert Medacco, Israel Stone, Shanaviah Canales, Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar, Kathleen Bowers, Grace Hendler, Brad Pringle, fls7790, 231 398-6713, 231 398-6818, 231 398-6813, 231 398-6816, 231 564-8435.

#### C. Approval of Agenda

Speaker Pete said he needs a motion and support. Pete said Diane Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said she will make the motion.

# MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH C #4, REVISED AND C #5, REVISED; by Lonn; supported by Guenthardt.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion.

Councilor Crampton identified himself.

Speaker Pete said okay, Councilor Crampton, go ahead.

Councilor Crampton, Tribal #1747, said ah, can they just get a brief overview for the membership in attendance who can't see the um, the revisions or no what the revisions are.

Recorder Di Piazza said the revisions are excuse him, in Closed C.4. is just identifying the Muskegon Health Center Renovation Project since the address is already been on there they didn't quite understand the address and C.5 is the same

it is just identifying the Muskegon Health Center Renovation Project of that address the 1478 Ellis Road and 905 Harvey Street.

Speaker Pete thanked Shannon Crampton. Pete asked okay, is that okay.

Councilor Crampton said perfectly, Mr. Speaker. Crampton thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked Shannon Crampton. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

#### Roll Call #1

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Yes	D. Corey -	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 Di Piazza said nine in favor the agenda for Wednesday, February 17, 2021, has been approved with them two renovations.

Speaker Pete said three revisions.

Recorder Di Piazza repeated three revisions.

Speaker Pete thanked Recorder Di Piazza.

#### D. Tribal Council Minutes

Speaker Pete said it shows none submitted.

#### III. Continuing Business

#### A. Grants & Contracts

# 1. Approval to Submit an Application for EQIP Funds and Engineering Support from USDA-NRCS for the Custer Culvert Replacement

A culvert on the Custer Trust Parcels has collapsed preventing ease of crossing by vehicle and foot on the parcel. This funding will assist with engineering to replace the culvert to prevent future collapse and allow the stream to not cause scouring by realigning the culvert to match the stream channel, preventing future collapses, due to large storm events caused by climate change.

Speaker Pete asked Allison Smart if she was on.

Allison Smart, Natural Resources Department, said yes, she is on today. Smart asked can they hear her.

Speaker Pete said he can absolutely hear her she is coming through fine. Pete thanked Allison Smart.

Allison Smart thanked Speaker Pete. Smart said so they are bringing forward to Council for approval to apply for EQIP Funds through NRCS. Smart said um, this is work towards replacing a culvert down on the Custer Parcels. Smart said this culvert has collapsed due to some of the extreme water and rain events they have had in the recent past in the last couple of years. Smart said so basically right now what they are trying to do is get it replaced, rebuild the dirt road over the top of it so that Tribal members can safely cross it and they can also safely get Public Safety Vehicles out and any Natural Resources ah, equipment out to help keep the property maintained at its current state.

Speaker Pete thanked Allison Smart again. Pete said once again he is going to... over this is just.....she is just asking for approval to apply for the grant and this is going to be um.....this is not going to be Tribal money....this is going.....this is going to be um.....sorry.....

Recorder Di Piazza said grant money.

Speaker Pete finished grant money.

Allison Smart said yes.....yeah.

Speaker Pete asked are there any questions for Allison Smart.

Recorder Di Piazza said hold on.

Speaker Pete said just a moment.

Recorder Di Piazza said hold on let him finish what he has to do here.

Speaker Pete said okay, everybody is going to stop for a second because he was just instructed that he has got to hold on.

Recorder Di Piazza said well, he has got to do these things. Di Piazza said he can see he is doing them. Di Piazza said all his, sir.

Speaker Pete said okay, now he can proceed. Pete asked is there any questions for Allison Smart.

Councilor Lewis identified herself. Lewis said she doesn't have a question but she just wanted to um, make a statement because um.....

Speaker Pete said go ahead, Sandy Lewis.

Councilor Lewis continued......okay, in the 10<sup>th</sup> WHEREAS um, it said it was going to be like better access for people to get into their property so um, she just want to clarify that she does not want like trees, etc. cut down. Lewis said because they are supposed to be protecting the wellness of their people and um, a lot of their Tribal members do hunt and gather in there so she would like to, they know, the area and the earth to just not be um, tore up too much. Lewis reiterated that she really doesn't want the trees down, etc. Lewis said they know if the culvert.....the road so their people have better access. Lewis said not really a question but a thought that she has she would like them to keep in mind. Lewis thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked Sandra Lewis. Pete said to his.....to his knowledge Allison Smart they are not cutting anything down on this project they are just replacing something is that correct.

Allison Smart said so that is something that once they get the Engineer she would love to sit down before they actually proceed on any of the construction of replacing the culvert to make sure that Tribal Council is comfortable with the plan. Smart said so this grant is just to get the money to move forward and they....it doesn't include any of the current plan of replacing and they are more than happy to sit down and have that conversation um, as they move through this process.

Speaker Pete thanked Allison Smart. Pete asked is there any more questions of Allison Smart.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

Speaker Pete said to Tom Guenthardt that he has the floor, go ahead.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #21-0217-037; APPROVAL TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR EQIP FUNDS AND ENGINEERING SUPPORT FROM USDA-NCRS FOR THE CUSTER CULVERT REPLACEMENT; by Guenthardt; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further questions. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

#### Roll Call #2

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne - Yes	D. Corey -	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 Di Piazza said nine in favor Resolution #21-0217-037 is passed.

Speaker Pete thanked Recorder Di Piazza.

#### B. Budget Modifications

1. Acceptance of contract funds from the Department of Health and Human Services-Indian Health Services and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2021-\_\_ in the amount of \$899,961

The contract funds are awarded as part of the 2021 Self-Governance Compact.

Speaker Pete asked Mr. Willis....Bill is he on.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, replied yes he is, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Pete said okay, go ahead Bill Willis.

Bill Willis said ah, as he mentioned Monday on Agenda Review this is the first ah, or the initial ah, award under their 2021 Self-Governance Compact with Indian Health Service. Willis said they do anticipate getting ah, subsequent and additional ah, appropriations throughout the balance of ah, 2021 but this is ah, their first appropriation for them so. Willis said they just need to accept the money and amend the Operating Budget.

Speaker Pete thanked Bill Willis. Pete asked is there any .....is there any further questions of Bill Willis.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

Speaker Pete said okay, Tom Guenthardt will make a motion. Pete said go ahead, Tom Guenthardt.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #21-0217-038; ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES-INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING BUDGET MB-2021-06 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$899,961; by Guenthardt; supported by Di Piazza.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion.

Jessica Steinberg identified herself to Speaker Pete.

Speaker Pete said go ahead, Jessica Steinberg.

Jessica Steinberg thanked Speaker Pete. Steinberg said if Bill Willis is still on....Bill Willis does he know what categories the funding was awarded to in this or which pots of money are coming to the Tribe.

Bill Will said ah, yes he does. Willis said ah, let him see here. Willis said ah, for both Contract Health or um...um, yeah Contract Health and Clinic Operations ah, there was money ah, for example Contract Health was \$313,943 in Direct Cost dollars and then an additional \$128,726 in Contract Support or Indirect. Willis said Clinic Operations \$345,087 in Direct Cost dollars, and an additional \$87,250 in Indirect. Willis said then Behavioral Health was \$24,955 in Direct Cost dollars for a total of \$899,961.

Speaker Pete said okay if he could just interject, Jessica Steinberg, he knows her quite well and everybody does but in the interest of being a fairness to everyone. Pete said please just state her name and Tribal I.D. number for Grace Hendler, okay.

Jessica Steinberg thanked Speaker Pete. Steinberg said she is sorry she forgets. Steinberg said yes, absolutely Jessica Steinberg, Tribal I.D. #0148. Steinberg said just a follow-up. Steinberg asked Bill Willis um, she sees they didn't award them any Indirect Costs on that Behavioral Health Award um, is there a reason or did they state a reason as to why they didn't get Indirect Costs awarded to their Behavioral Health for operations.

Bill Willis said um, well his experience is that they....he will have to go back and look but he doesn't recall that they typically give them Indirect Costs on that particular program. Willis said um, but let him go back and check. Willis said he will get an answer for her but his experience is and his recollection is if that is typically only applied to Contract Health and Clinic Operations but he will definitely confirm that.

Jessica Steinberg thanked Bill Willis. Steinberg said just one more just kind of in a follow-up. Steinberg said some years ago she thinks it was um, back in 2011 maybe 2012 there was a discussion about um, the Substance Abuse \_\_\_\_ Funding that was being awarded through those compacts and contracts being ineligible for Indirect Costs and Contract Support Costs and she believed um, in 2014 IHS actually made a ruling that they were. Steinberg said so that is why she wanted to bring it to his attention so if he just....yeah....follow-up and maybe there is an opportunity to go back and look at the funds that have been awarded if they haven't been awarded.....have not awarded Indirect Costs or Contract Support Costs maybe there is an opportunity to go back and ask for some of those retroactively. Steinberg said just something to think about. Steinberg thanked Bill Willis and Speaker Pete.

Bill Willis thanked Jessica Steinberg.

Speaker Pete thanked Jessica Steinberg. Pete asked is there any further questions of Bill Willis.

Tribal Council was involved in discussion at this point in the background of the meeting but it wasn't clear what they said on the ZOOM recording.

Speaker Pete asked do they have a motion and support or anything.

Recorder Di Piazza said um-hum.

Speaker Pete said okay, he has a motion and support. Pete asked is there any further.....any further discussion on this motion and support. Pete said not seeing any. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

#### Roll Call #3

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Yes	D. Corey -	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 Di Piazza said nine in favor Resolution #21-0203-038 is passed and accepted. Di Piazza said them funds are.....his comments were so low here that it wasn't picked up clearly on the ZOOM recording.

Speaker Pete thanked Recorder Di Piazza.

2. Acceptance of grant funds from the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council-Epidemiology Cooperative Agreement and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2021-\_\_ in the amount of \$20,000

The Tribe has been awarded a new grant.

Speaker Pete said to Dr. Wever that he believed this is his.

Daryl Wever, Health Director, said yes, hi there, good morning. Wever said yes, this is a one time funding for ah, basically it is the vaccination housing of the vacc....COVID Vaccination, housing, and transportation ah, coolers so 0 match. Wever said its....its basically the Budget here is for ah, for the Muskegon Project there is.....one of the buildings would have an in-house laboratory facility for in-house withdraws, drug screening, phlebotomy and so these coolers and refrigerators and freezers will be located in that portion of the building.

Speaker Pete thanked Dr. Wever. Pete asked is there any further questions of Dr. Wever.

Councilor Lonn said she has a question, sir.

Speaker Pete aid okay, just a moment, Diane Lonn she is in the queue.

Councilor Lonn said okay, um, and she didn't think about it until last night when she was watching tv. Lonn said her question to him sir is if the power went out do they have a back up generator to keep those coolers.

Daryl Wever said that is correct so then the Pharmacy that is what they actually....they are in the process with the back up......

The timer was going off in the background on the ZOOM recording.

Daryl Wever continued.....generators here at Manistee and in um, Muskegon.

Councilor Lonn said okay.

Daryl Wever said right now they have ah, it is still regulated so they have records of that if it dipped below ah, but they do have to have the backup....he does believe that Little River has that.....they had an issue like a year ago or two but he does believe they do have something in their set.....they're in the building but they will have a backup as well, correct.

Speaker Pete thanked Dr. Wever. Pete asked is there any further questions of Dr. Wever.

Councilor Corey said yeah, Ron Pete, he has got one.

Speaker Pete said okay, Dave Corey go ahead.

Councilor Corey said they are talking.....this is for the Muskegon Building, correct, Dr. Wever.

Someone said "correct" but it didn't sound like Dr. Wever who said it.

Councilor Corey said okay. Corey asked so right, currently right now, the Clinic in Manistee is the back up generator off the Gov Center, correct.

Daryl Wever said correct.

Councilor Corey said so he will do the whole Clinic with this backup generator.

Daryl Wever said correct.

Councilor Corey said all right.

Speaker Pete thanked Dave Corey. Pete asked is there any further questions from Dr. Wever.

Recorder Di Piazza started to say, he doesn't know.....

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

Recorder Di Piazza asked can he get in the queue.

Speaker Pete said okay, he can get in the queue and then Tom Guenthardt is in the queue. Pete said go ahead.

Recorder Di Piazza said well he was going to say he doesn't think Doc mentioned it but these vaccines they are getting in need to be kept at a super negative temperature so a lot of, they know, ah, they need these freezers. Di Piazza said just to keep whatever is in there alive he guessed, right. Di Piazza said okay, he is done.

Speaker Pete said okay, Tom Guenthardt.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #21-0217-039; ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE GREAT LAKES INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL-EPIDEMIOLOGY COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING BUDGET MB-2021-07 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000; by Guenthardt; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further questions. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to please do a roll call.

#### Roll Call #4

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -No	D. Corey - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg- Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (8-1-0-0)

Recorder Di Piazza said eight in favor and one against Resolution #21-0217-039 has passed.

There was more conversation going on in the background by Council on the ZOOM recording.

3. Approval of Supplemental Appropriation 2021-\_\_-1<sup>st</sup> QTR to fund purchase of body armor for Public Safety Officers in the amount of \$5,895

The Chief Financial Officer has certified #2021-002 that the funding is available in the Great Lakes Enforcement Deferred Grant Revenue.

Speaker Pete asked Robert Medacco if he was on the line.

Robert Medacco, Public Safety Director, said yes he is here.

Speaker Pete said to Robert Medacco that this is his item can he please represent this.

Robert Medacco said yes. Medacco said um, so every five years their manufacturer um, warranties on their vests expire....their bullet proof vests. Medacco said so a good portion of their department is in need of replacements. Medacco said the reason why there is only seven out of the 14 is they know, they have had some new hires in the past. Medacco said one of these vests is actually for a new hire they just brought on.

Speaker Pete said okay.

Robert Medacco said some of this stuff is to initially outfit him along with replace the paneling inside the vests the officer's wear.

Speaker Pete thanked Robert Medacco. Pete asked is there any further questions of Robert Medacco.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

Speaker Pete said to Tom Guenthardt that he has got the floor.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #21-0217-040; APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION 2021-08-1st QTR TO FUND PURCHASE OF BODY ARMOR FOR PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS; by Guenthardt.

Recorder Di Piazza interrupted. Di Piazza said hold on....hold on.

Grace Hendler said 01.

Recorder Di Piazza said 01.

Councilor Lonn asked what.

Grace Hendler said it is a supplemental.

Recorder Di Piazza said it is an appropriation 2021-01-1<sup>st</sup> QTR.

Councilor Guenthardt said 01 he gets it.

Speaker Pete asked Tom Guenthardt if he wanted to start again, please.

Councilor Guenthardt said yes.

Recorder Di Piazza said sorry about the.....

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #21-0217-040; APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION 2021-01-1st QTR TO FUND PURCHASE OF BODY ARMOR FOR PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,895; by Guenthardt; supported by Di Piazza.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further questions on this.

Robert Medacco said Speaker, he would just like to add something to that.

Speaker Pete said okay, Robert Medacco, go ahead.

Robert Medacco said um, and the reason why it is a supplemental appropriation is just ah, they are tapping into a different Budget rather than their Tribal dollars they have some grant funds that they are going to try and tap into rather than use Tribal dollars to make this purchase so. Medacco said he just wanted to make that clear as well.

Speaker Pete thanked Robert Medacco. Pete asked is there any further comments. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to please do a roll call.

#### Roll Call #5

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Yes	D. Corey -	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 Di Piazza said nine in favor Resolution #21-0217-040 is approved.

Robert Medacco thanked Tribal Council.

Speaker Pete thanked Recorder Di Piazza and Robert Medacco.

Recorder Di Piazza said to Brad Pringle there ain't no room for them at this table.

There was a garbled noise in the background on the ZOOM recording.

#### C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

1. Appropriating Funds for Expenditures during the Second Quarter of FY2021 in Accordance with Section 5.07 of the Budget & Appropriations Act of 2013

Tribal Council appropriates funds for expenditures for the following fiscal quarter by March 1, June 1, September 1, and December 1 of each Fiscal Year.

Speaker Pete said to Brad Pringle that he is up.

Brad Pringle, Comptroller General, said good morning Council and membership. Pringle said this is for the appropriation in the amount of \$5,470,721 for expenditures during the fiscal year beginning March 1<sup>st</sup> of 2021. Pringle said this would include a budgeted amount of quarterly Per Cap for \$2,188, 288.25.

Speaker Pete thanked Brad Pringle. Pete asked is there any further questions of Brad Pringle.

Councilor Guenthardt said Mr. Speaker he will make a motion.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #21-0217-041; APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR EXPENDITURES DURING THE SECOND QUARTER OF FY2021 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 5.07 OF THE BUDET & APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2013; by Guenthardt; supported by Corey.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion.

Jessica Steinberg identified herself. Steinberg said Tribal #0148.

Speaker Pete thanked Jessica Steinberg.

Recorder Di Piazza said they need to raise their hands.

Speaker Pete said okay, Jessica Steinberg go ahead.

Jessica Steinberg thanked Speaker Pete. Steinberg said she just had a question for Brad Pringle. Steinberg said um, in this appropriation what is....what is the dollar amount or the percentage of the total appropriation that they grant or federally supported dollars.

Brad Pringle said he doesn't have that information particularly with him for this particular meeting. Pringle said Bill Willis if he is on can he answer that.

Councilor Lonn said she thinks Bill Willis is gone.

Speaker Pete said he might be gone.

Recorder Di Piazza said he is already gone.

Brad Pringle said yeah, if she ah, if they want to go onto the next and during open discussion he will go to his computer and get that information for her, Jessica Steinberg.

Jessica Steinberg thanked Brad Pringle. Steinberg said she would appreciate it. Steinberg said she doesn't have any other questions. Steinberg thanked Speaker Pete.

Speaker Pete thanked Jessica Steinberg. Pete asked is there any further discussion.

Recorder Di Piazza said right here....that's Gaming Distribution.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion.

Jessica Steinberg identified herself again. Steinberg said #0148; just a follow-up.....some of her comment was garbled and not understandable. Steinberg said Mr. Recorder said this is.....this is 100% Gaming Distribution dollars in the Second Quarter appropriations for operation.

Brad Pringle said that is correct.

Recorder Di Piazza said hold on. Di Piazza said he will share it with them in a minute. Di Piazza said....in a very high voice....where did it go.....aaahhh, he lost it. Di Piazza said dang it.

Councilor Lonn said he is going to share it with everybody.

Recorder Di Piazza said he is getting there.

Councilor Lonn said she is in no rush.

Recorder Di Piazza said there....Gaming Distribution.....okay.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

#### Roll Call #6

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Yes	D. Corey -	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 Di Piazza said nine in favor Resolution #21-0217-041 has been approved and they have funding for the First Quarter.

#### IV. **Acceptance of Reports**

#### Report of the Tribal Ogema-None Submitted A.

Speaker Pete said there are none submitted.

v.	Acco A.	eptance of Commission Re Gaming Commission	ports January :	2021
	В.	Health Commission	☐ January	
	-	aker Pete said the Gaming Co emission filed January 2021.	ommission filed January	2021 and the Health
VI.	Acco	eptance of Committee Min Little River Casino Res		☐ January 2021
	Spea	ker Pete said the Little Rive	r Preference Report was	filed January 2021.
VII.	Old A.	Business Financial Report	□ December 2020	
	Spea	ker Pete said the Financial I	Report for December 202	0 has been filed.

#### VIII. New Business

### Appointment of Delia Ross to the Cultural Committee

This satisfies the Elder requirement for the committee.

Councilor Lonn said it's Delia Ross.

Recorder Di Piazza said she is on. Di Piazza asked Delia Ross if she would like to unmute herself. Di Piazza said Delia Ross.....in case anybody has any questions for her.

Delia Ross said good morning Council and Tribal members.

Speaker Pete said good morning, he is going to.....there is everyone on that has been appointed or that has been approved for the Cultural Committee. Pete said he is just going to ask the question that was first asked.....

There was a small dog barking in the background on the ZOOM recording that interrupted Speaker Pete. Some of Speaker Pete's comments were faded off of ZOOM at this point as well and appeared garbled.

Speaker Pete said it's....excuse him....

Delia Ross said go ahead, it is just her dog barking.

Speaker Pete said okay, so if she is \_\_\_ can she please describe to them um, what she would bring to the Cultural Committee.

Delia Ross said well, she believed as an Elder first off it is her time to bring and come back to the Tribe and bring um, their teachings about their sacred knowledge and their sacred teachings that they do to honor their ancestors.

A male voice was heard in the background making comments that could not be made out clearly on the ZOOM recording.

Delia Ross continued.....and as well to honor herself. Ross said um, she thinks that as an Elder she is almost 70 now so she does have some experience of....with life. Ross said she has experienced the sadness and the joys of life. Ross said she has experienced life and death. Ross said she thinks that is what really brings balance to them as a whole circle of those that are members um, that are like her, she kind of was not always exposed to their teachings and she knows that there a lot of members like her that want to know more. Ross said she wants to be there for them to give them that *more* that they crave. Ross said she thinks that their spirits need this as a whole um, their membership needs this as a whole, and that is what she hopes to bring to the committee.

Speaker Pete thanked Delia Ross. Pete asked is there any further questions.

Councilor Lonn said Sara Agosa has got her hand up.

Speaker Pete said okay, he doesn't..... Pete asked Sara Agosa if she had her hand up.

Sara Agosa said yes.

Speaker Pete said okay, right now he has got Sara Agosa in the queue and he has Dawn Moneyhan in the queue. Pete said go ahead Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said hi, she would like to say she supports Delia Ross' appointment? Agosa said she really liked what she said and she also really like um, that she is an outlying member. Agosa said she would like to see more outlying members represented on all of their commissions and committees. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Pete said okay. Pete thanked Sara Agosa.

Delia Ross thanked Sara Agosa.

Speaker Pete said okay, Dawn Moneyhan.

Dawn Moneyhan said good morning. Moneyhan thanked Speaker Pete. Moneyhan said um, she just wanted to endorse Delia Ross' appointment. Moneyhan said as an existing member of the committee and also outside of the committee she has known Delia Ross for years and she is one of the kindest more considerate people that she thinks she ever met. Moneyhan said she is always thinking of their membership and ways to help their membership. Money said her extensive resume and educational background would be a huge asset to their committee and their membership. Moneyhan thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked Dawn Moneyhan. Pete said um, is there any....any further questions of Delia Ross. Pete said all right.....

Delia Ross interrupted. Ross said if she could.....if she could um, Dawn Moneyhan brought up her educational background which she always doesn't bring up but she has been a teacher for 35 years so she thinks that gives her some experience to teach and to give to the membership. Ross said she holds a doctorate in education and she is very much about teaching which she thinks she wrote to them all in her letter about teaching to the mind, body, and spirit of everyone. Ross said the children that she teach of the adults that she teach because she does teach college classes in diversity. Ross said she thinks that experience and that background with her education will also give something to the Cultural Committee that maybe they may not have.

Speaker Pete said okay. Pete thanked Delia Ross so much. Pete said is there any further questions of Delia Ross. Pete said not seeing any....

Jessica Steinberg interrupted. Steinberg said Mr. Speaker....wait um.....

Speaker Pete said okay, go ahead, Jessica Steinberg.

Jessica Steinberg, Tribal #0148, said hi, Mr. Speaker, good morning. Steinberg said um, she just....she guessed she had a couple of process questions because she wasn't aware that there was another seat open on the Cultural Committee. Steinberg asked um, that was just kind of thing one for her. Steinberg said Delia

Ross she is really interested and intrigued by her....her educational background. Steinberg asked Delia Ross if she had an opportunity or is she participating in the Language Classes that are held on Fridays now. Steinberg said she was wondering if um, she might be willing to participate in those classes and kind of see how the curriculum development is going and if there might ways to improve some of that as a member of the Cultural Committee. Steinberg said so that was her question. Steinberg thanked them.

Delia Ross replied yes, she would love to do that now that she is kind of semiretired um, and at home in quarantine she has much more time to do things like that so yes she would love to do that.

Speaker Pete thanked Delia Ross. Pete asked is there any further questions of Delia Ross. Pete said he is open for a motion and support.

Councilor Lonn said she will make that motion.

Speaker Pete said okay, Diane Lonn go ahead. Lonn said this is just a motion, right.

Recorder Di Piazza said yes.

## MOTION TO APPOINT DELIA ROSS TO THE CULTURAL COMMITTEE; by Lonn; supported by Corey.

Speaker Pete asked he got support from Dave Corey is that correct.

Councilor Corey said correct.

Speaker Pete thanked Dave Corey. Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to please do a roll call.

#### Roll Call #7

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Yes	D. Corey -	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)

Councilor Champagne said she is going to vote yes because she thinks she's um, very good......good for their Cultural Committee. Champagne said she knows a question came up in regards to them putting them on without the 30 day posting so she is hoping the committee is going to approve this and they don't have issues with it but she is voting yes. Champagne thanked them.

Speaker Pete said okay.

Recorder Di Piazza continued with his calling of the vote.

Recorder Di Piazza said nine in favor she has been appointed to the Cultural Committee.

Speaker Pete said congratulations, Delia Ross. Pete thanked Delia Ross so much.

Delia Ross said Miigwech.

Recorder Di Piazza said she is welcome. Di Piazza was making comments but they couldn't be heard clearly on the ZOOM recording.

# B. Resolution of Support for the Confirmation of Deb Haaland as the 54th Secretary of the Department of Interior

Tribal Ogema and Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians supports the confirmation of Representative Haaland as Secretary of Interior as she has extensive experience, exemplary qualifications and demonstrated commitment to public service.

Recorder Di Piazza said he brought.....

Speaker Pete said okay, this was brought forward by Gary Di Piazza. Pete said Gary Di Piazza go ahead.

Recorder Di Piazza said yeah, he brought this forward.....he was on a call the other day with ah, National Congress of American Indians and it was kind of one of them ones that just popped up. Di Piazza said they wanted to get everybody's support for her nomination, confirmation, and it will also be coming at some point an ah, social media campaign so Tribal members or just anybody can bring a letter of support. Di Piazza said they have already done a Letter of Support for her but a resolution from the Executive side and Council side um, he thinks will carry over more.....carry a little better.

Speaker Pete said okay, he has got....he has got ah.....

Recorder Di Piazza said hold on.

Speaker Pete said okay, just a moment.

Recorder Di Piazza said he wants to put the other screen....

Speaker Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza if he wanted him to hold on.

Recorder Di Piazza said no, no, go ahead.

Speaker Pete said oh, okay, he....he got this brought forward by Gary Di Piazza is there any further questions of Gary Di Piazza on this. Pete said okay, he needs a motion and he needs support.

Councilor Lonn said she will make that motion.

Speaker Pete said okay, Diane Lonn go ahead.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #21-0217-042; RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF DEB HAALAND AS THE 54<sup>th</sup> SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BY TRIBAL COUNCIL AND THE OGEMA OF THE LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS; by Lonn; supported by Di Piazza.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion.

Both Councilor Crampton and Jessica Steinberg were speaking at the same time and identified themselves.

Speaker Pete said okay. Pete said he thinks he has Jessica Steinberg first and then he has second, Shannon Crampton, okay.

Councilor Crampton said okay.

Speaker Pete said go ahead Jessica Steinberg.

Jessica Steinberg, Tribal #0148, said Gary Di Piazza in the discussions with NCAI during that conference call did they talk about um, an alternative representative in the event she is not confirmed for this appointment and did they float out any names as to who that might be.

Recorder Di Piazza said no, not at this time because their.....their main focus is just her um, which if they get....he doesn't know there was about 80 or 90 Tribes on there and all of them were um, rallying up to support her so. Di Piazza said like he said he is waiting on the social media campaign that they were going to put together and there will be probably a generic letter of some sorts that people can fill in their name and e-mail to.....e-mail that in. Di Piazza said so no there was no alternative at this time.

Jessica Steinberg said okay, Mr. Recorder, she just asks that question because she has been reading and there is a lot of opposition to her appointment by the um, Trillion Industry, and the Mining Industry. Steinberg said they have some pretty strong Lobbyist out there in D.C. Steinberg said so she was hoping they might have a Plan B in the event she doesn't get appointed. Steinberg said there are a

couple of other reps they can draw from in the House so. Steinberg thanked Recorder Di Piazza for answering her question she appreciates it.

Speaker Pete thanked Jessica Steinberg. Pete said Shannon Crampton.

Councilor Crampton thanked Speaker Pete. Crampton, Tribal #1747, said what it was going to be his point is that ah, the big ah, ah, companies are lining up against her heavily right now. Crampton said that is why there is such a call out for it and he believed that he heard a rumor that is being floated that Therese Davids would be the alternate. Crampton thanked them.

Recorder Di Piazza said that very well could be.

Speaker Pete thanked Shannon Crampton. Pete said Gary Di Piazza.

Recorder Di Piazza said no he was just going to agree that he doesn't remember them bringing that name up that day but basically it was as of right now it was a massive lunge for her and he hoping he gets that media campaign like soon. Di Piazza said he guessed he will toggle them to see what happened to it so they can get everybody....\_\_\_\_ is a mess.....oh, get everybody on board.

Speaker Pete thanked Recorder Di Piazza. Pete asked is there any further discussion.

Councilor Crampton identified himself. Crampton said just one more thing.

Speaker Pete said um, go ahead Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said well he just wanted to point out the significance of it to the ah, listeners and to everybody in general is that this would be the \_\_\_\_ the push would be for Ms. Haaland and Therese Davids because it would finally be somebody in charge of their land who is indigenous to the land. Crampton said this is huge they need to battle for this. Crampton said this is....he cannot believe well with speaking with some other Leaders the other night he brought this up but he cannot believe that their heralded as the basking of freedom around the world yet they are the only country....only country even third world countries have beat them to this to never have a President who is indigenous to their country. Crampton said that is a shock so they need to support Ms. Haaland and Davids whoever they put in there but it should be a Native American. Crampton thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked Councilor Crampton. Pete said just a brief comment from him he thinks this is one of the first shots they had to get this confirmed so. Pete asked is there any further questions. Pete said Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said hi, excuse her. Agosa said she was just wondering how can they either Tribally or as members support this appointment? Agosa asked are there petitions is it something that the Tribe would have to do or members. Agosa said that is her question. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked Sara Agosa.

Recorder Di Piazza said there is a social media campaign coming right from the National Congress of American Indians um, and that was supposed to be distributed this week soon as he can get it they will get it out. Di Piazza said either on their website or anyplace possible. Di Piazza said that should be this week he hopes. Di Piazza said like he said after this meeting he will toggle.....toggle them and ask where it may be.

Speaker Pete thanked Gary Di Piazza. Pete asked Sara Agosa if her hand was still up.

Recorder Di Piazza said nope.

Speaker Pete said okay, he still needs a motion and support.

Councilor Lonn said no, they got that.

Recorder Di Piazza said they got that.

Speaker Pete said okay, they got a motion and support. Pete said sorry about that. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to please do a roll call.

#### Roll Call #8

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Yes	D. Corey -	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 Di Piazza said nine in favor Resolution #21-0217-042 with the Resolution of Support is passed.

#### IX. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) Wednesday, February 24, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update

Speaker Pete asked is Larry Romanelli on.

Ogema Romanelli said yes, he is here Ron Pete.

Speaker Pete said okay.

Both Speaker Pete and Ogema Romanelli were speaking at the same time.

Ogema Romanelli said he just has one item, under reports Acceptance of Reports it says Report of the Tribal Ogema that actually is he believed what was called the Directors Reports normally.....

Mary Thomas can heard in the background saying "Operations Report" on the ZOOM recording.

Ogema Romanelli said Operations Report so they might just want to clarify that if they can change that back. Romanelli said in speaking with Brandy Martin he thinks she might be on the phone and to give an COVID Update of what is going on so if he would like to invite her to speak.

Speaker Pete said yes he would, Brandy Martin, go ahead if she is on.

Brandy Martin said yes she is on.

Ogema Romanelli thanked Brandy Martin.

Brandy Martin thanked Ogema Romanelli. Martin said um, she wanted to mention that this Saturday at 4:00 they will be holding a Townhall Meeting um, the information should be on the website and e-mailed out. Martin said um, and on Face Book as well so if they are interested in doing that please join their meeting. Martin said she will be answering questions, they will have at least one Physician on staff...er, on the call to answer questions and they are also going to ask for their participants to engage in a conversation as well. Martin said share their experiences with COVID whether that be the loss of a loved one, or there may have had the illness or they had their vaccine already um, to share that with others. Martin said um, another thing that she would like to announce is that they are looking at doing a Vaccination Clinic in Muskegon. Martin said this will be a drive-through Clinic at their new Clinic Facility. Martin said the building is not ready yet but they will be able to utilize the parking lot um, she has someone calling um, their Tribal members within the five county region down there currently. Martin said so anybody in the Oceana, Ottawa, Kent, Muskegon, and Newaygo Counties should be getting phone call um, they will....if they haven't sent in their pre-registration form they can e-mail that form to them so they can return them to the Clinic. Martin said once that is all done they will be scheduled um to receive their vaccine down there. Martin said they are currently looking at um, two days currently once they gage the participation levels that may change. Martin said if there is less participation it may go down to one day if there is more they will have to look at doing a subsequent um, Clinic down there as well. Martin said um, so if they are in any of those counties and that transportation has

been something that has been holding them back to ah, getting....coming up to Manistee and getting their vaccination in the Clinic please return their preregistration forms to the Clinic and that will be coming shortly. Martin said um, as far as the vaccine their Clinic is currently 1, 025 vaccinations at the end of the day yesterday.

Speaker Pete said great.

Brandy Martin said so they are going fairly well um, information from the Health Department um, they are finding more cases of the new variant and they know, they are looking online too about March before this new variant becomes the ah, major variant circulating through the United States. Martin said um, and the vaccine is affective against the current variant in Michigan which is the UK Variant. Martin said if they have the opportunity to get their vaccine please do so. Martin said um, she doesn't think there is really any other new news out there um, regarding COVID other than there is the increase of um, the new variant here in Michigan. Martin said so if nobody has any questions.

Councilor Lewis said she has a question.

Speaker Pete thanked Brandy Martin. Pete said he is going to start with Sandra Lewis first.

Councilor Lewis said okay, when them guys go down to um, Muskegon will their medical van that they purchased will that be utilized for that day and then also the vehicles that they purchased for the people that are down in that area and they don't have transportation are those vehicles and employees going to be able to pick the people up and drive them to the center to get um, their vaccine.

Brandy Martin said that would be a question for Dr. Wever. Martin said she knows that the vehicles are being utilized based on their availability. Martin said um, she is not sure with their limited staff ah, how that would work with having to go and pick up people in those areas and bring them to Muskegon in order to vaccinate um, but that is something they can talk about and see if there some way to facilitate that. Martin said um, yes they will be utilizing the new um, mobile unit to take down there. Martin said what they are looking at doing is taking down one of the negative 30 storage freezers or refrigerators freezers and keeping that inside the building um, those buildings do have electricity so that way they will keep their supplies safe and they won't have to worry about the potential spoilage. Martin said they will now be utilizing the inside of those buildings um, other than to store the vaccine everything will be going on outside in the parking lot.

Speaker Pete said okay he is going to bring in Dr. Wever. Pete asked Dr. Wever if he can answer that.

Daryl Wever said yes, so basically this is kind of a little bit of an introduction to the next week Thursday/Friday Vaccination Project down in Muskegon. Wever said they will have Closed Session today he believed after this discussing the...ah, it is a kind of two-step process here so he just wants to obviously not go into too much detail but they did with the architect and the management company and the construction company the dollars are there, the construction company is there and that is what they are going to discuss. Wever said 0 Tribal dollars that is going towards this renovation project ah, they will discuss here and zero dollars with this construction company/management company is actually less than what they used here previously up here in Manistee. Wever said ah so, this particular ah, discussion here in Closed Session later they will discuss if this is deemed necessary ah, for the Tribe and ah, for their members in the Muskegon, Kent and Ottawa area. Wever said that is a good 1,100 to 1,200 at least in that area. Wever said that is what they are looking on to move forward with this project and vesterday or Monday on Agenda Review there were individually asked when this would be fully opened and ready for process and distribution of vaccinations and other medical/pharmaceutical ah, treatments and so if everything goes well with this in Closed Session ah, and it is approved on 0 dollars.....ah, Tribal dollars they can open by May 1<sup>st</sup> for the construction or remodel/renovation. Wever said so it is exciting so if everything goes well here in Closed Session then that is what they will do on the 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, is what they will then have the vehicles.....they will have those vehicles available in Muskegon....they will have the mobile medical unit available in Muskegon. Wever said Dr. Stout and the other doctors will be available, the nursing staff, ah, and they are formulating the list like Brandy Martin did mention they will have the freezer. Wever said there is a freezer/refrigeration system that is in storage right now ah, that was brought up on Monday too. Wever said they do have the freezer/refrigeration in storage that will go into the Pharmacy ah, fully function that is why they are taking that extra \$20,000 to get an additional freezer/refrigeration for the laboratory facility so those will be transported down here hopefully this afternoon or tomorrow. Wever said once everything is processed and then that is what they will do. Wever said it will be availability um, they do have limited staff. Wever said they are interviewing and they are bringing new people on. Wever said medical assistants, Nurse Practitioners, Laboratory Supervisors so it is going to be good. Wever said so yes, they will have the vehicles....the mobile medical unit, they will have full staffing, they will medical doctors, they will have Public Safety for traffic control and it is going to be very nice.

Speaker Pete thanked Dr. Wever.

Recorder Di Piazza snorted in the background on the ZOOM recording.

Speaker Pete said he is going to go to the queue right now. Pete said first of all he has got Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said she has a question about recruiting medical staff. Agosa said um, Dr. Wever what strategies is he using to recruit Native Americans for these positions. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Pete said yeah, go ahead....the rest of Speaker Pete was not heard clearly on the ZOOM recording.

Daryl Wever asked is HR here, Jeff Simpkins or Alicia Knapp, maybe. Wever said he done very well in going to the universities, Education Department, but HR has been doing a lot of recruiting. Wever said they are putting it in Indeed, they are putting it on other social media outlets ah, postings through the universities, papers, websites so it is out there and they will continue to interview obviously until they find that to fill those positions. Wever said that is it at the bottom there is always a preference on the recent advertisements. Wever said HR is doing a nice job, they are busy right now because other departments is busy trying to....but they are doing a nice job so.

Speaker Pete said okay, Chelsea Densmore.

Chelsea Densmore, Tribal #3225, said she just had a quick question. Densmore said Brandy Martin mentioned, she thinks, a 1,025 vaccinations she was just wondering if that included the second shot or if it was 1,025 separate people.

Brandy Martin responded that is first and second doses.

Speaker Pete thanked Brandy Martin.

Recorder Di Piazza was heard sighing heavily in the background on the ZOOM recording.

Speaker Pete said Susan Thull.

Susan Thull thanked Speaker Pete. Thull, Tribal #3727, said she was wondering um, it sounds like he is tentatively looking at ah, next Thursday and Friday um, Dr. Weber, at the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> um, those phone calls um, aren't....a lot of people don't answer the phone if they don't recognize the number um, will it....will they....are they calling from certain numbers that they could let their people know.

Brandy Martin said she believed it should be an LRBOI number but she can't say that for definite....there is um, ah, HR has volunteered their assistance to make these phone calls um, she knows she started yesterday. Martin said there is a total of she thinks slightly over 800 households she will be calling. Martin said she is working from home she believed today or today and tomorrow so those numbers may come from a different number. Martin said she will be leaving a message um, that basically says they are looking at doing a Vaccination Clinic in

Muskegon if they are interested please return their forms. Martin said um, so she will leave a message but because there are so many phone calls to make um, she does believe that she will be able to make all 800 phones calls between um, today, tomorrow, and Friday by the end of the week. Martin said she is not going to make a second phone call and they did mail out.....

Susan Thull interrupted. Thull asked is there.....

Brandy Martin continued.....3,900 forms to all of the Tribal members over the age of 16 and the United States so they should have already gotten the forms. Martin said her hopes is they have returned them but if they know that um, travel is an issue hopefully the phone call will um, just be that prompt for them to return their form.

Susan Thull asked is there a number they could advise people to call um, to go ahead and register for that Muskegon um, vaccination then.

Brandy Martin said yes, they can call the Clinic.

Susan Thull said okay, so they can put that out on Face Book and that might help get some of those people signed up.

Speaker Pete said okay, Susan Thull he is going to move on now because they have got a lot of people with their hands up.

Susan Thull said she would like that answered though if they can let them know to call the Clinic then.

Speaker Pete said they can certainly put that number up there. Pete said go ahead and put it up there.

Susan Thull thanked them.

Speaker Pete said okay, Delia Ross.

Delia Ross said yes, she just wanted as an outlying member and one of those not able to make that six hour trip up to Muskegon or to Manistee to get a shot. Ross said she has been in contact with their Illinois Indian Health Services and they are giving out shots to um, their Tribe and a number of other Tribes as well as the facilities in Milwaukee. Ross said so she thinks it would be good for them to let um, members know outside of the nine county area there that shots are still available for them um, she has been contacted by Illinois Indian Health Association um, that is right outside of Chicago that, they know, her son and her can come and get their shots. Ross said so there are available shots if they do live outside of that area. Ross thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked them. Pete said Israel Stone.

Israel Stone said hi, Ron Pete how is he today.

Speaker Pete said good.

Israel Stone, Tribal #1735, said his questions are off of this topic so he doesn't know if they want him to.....

Speaker Pete interrupted. Pete said right now they are under the Ogema's Report....

Israel Stone said right.

Speaker Pete continued.....what he wants to do is get to clear that off the books and then they will move on.

Israel Stone said right and this question is....he is going to pose the same question to both.....thanked someone.....the Council and the Ogema and so being that it is under the Ogema's section he would like to proceed with those questions if that is okay.

Speaker Pete said okay, go ahead.

Israel Stone said so Larry Romanelli ah, first and foremost thanked him for being on in the meeting. Stone said he has a few questions that he wants to ask in regard to the EDC. Stone said the first of those being who is it that has direct oversight.....is there direct oversight by either the Council or the Ogema for the EDC.

Ogema Romanelli thanked Israel Stone. Romanelli said his understanding as he reads the Oversight Task Force Ordinance it would be the Tribal Council first and the Ogema has as he does on other things a broader oversight. Romanelli said he thinks the more direct oversight is with the Tribal Council.

Israel Stone said okay. Stone said the next question that he has is given their structure and he...he...he understands their kind of a dotted line report to both the Council and the Ogema's Office but given their current structure does the EDC comply with GAO and GAP Accounting Principles.

Ogema Romanelli said again, he thinks these are probably more directed at the um, Tribal Council or the Unified Legal but he believed they do, yes, they should. Romanelli said um-hum.

Israel Stone said okay then, the third question is um, when they look at the EDC's Revenue Reporting that they give to the membership each of the Membership

Meetings um, is the money they are showing as profit or representing as profit in their Annual Report to the membership ah, is that actual revenue generated profit generated from businesses or is that ah, what they are considering the cash infusion and is that cash infusion being considered through the Revenue Allocation Plan as their profit.

Ogema Romanelli said um, he is thinking that the infusion is also included in that line. Romanelli said he doesn't know if anyone from the EDC is on this call or if Council would also add but he thinks that is his understanding of that one.

Israel Stone said so the actual ah, monies from the Revenue Allocation Plan he believes are counted as profit for the EDC. Stone said again that is where his question is and he would like Council to also um, in Public Comment he will reask the questions because he knows this is the Ogema's Section. Stone said um, he would also if Bradley Pringle is on the meeting he would like to ah, get some thoughts and opinions about GAP and GAO Principles as to business accounting um, he has never seen a cash infusion ah, considered profit and so he has concerns because he believes this makes a representation to the membership who may not have eyes on this as closely as some others that this is a highly profitable venture and um, they are doing high volume business through the EDC. Stone said really what it appears to him as a citizen and looking back at their reports is that what they are doing is considering the cash infusion as revenue generated and he guess he has never seen that in business accounting before so he would like opinions from the Council as well but he will ask those in Public Comment as well if Brad Pringle could shed any light on the....if they are following GAP Principles or GAO.

Speaker Pete thanked Israel Stone. Pete asked is there any more questions for the Ogema.

Sara Agosa identified herself. Agosa said she had her hand up.

Speaker Pete said just a minute. Pete said okay, Sara Agosa, he didn't.....go ahead.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said she actually has a few questions for the Ogema about different topics. Agosa said um.....

Speaker Pete said okay, so if her hand is only up she can go ahead otherwise if more hands come up then he will interrupt her at the next question, okay.

Sara Agosa said okay, so she can just rotate.

Speaker Pete said go ahead.

Sara Agosa thanked Speaker Pete.

Sara Agosa said she just wanted to respond that she thinks Tom Guenthardt is on the EDC Board at least as a Tribal Council Liaison so um, maybe Tom Guenthardt could answer some of those questions. Agosa said that is her first comment but she has other things to ask too. Agosa asked do they want her to keep going.

Speaker Pete said keep going.

Sara Agosa said okay, she just wanted to circle back to the Health Clinic and open positions. Agosa said her first question is how many of their high level medical staff are Tribally enrolled either at Little River or other Tribes. Agosa said she would really like to see tailored recruiting either nationally or Canada. Agosa said she knows NHBP there.....one of their Directors is a Canadian aboriginal and she is wonderful. Agosa said she just wants to emphasize that she feels that this makes a huge difference in care especially with their youth and with identity issues to be able to see providers who are Tribally enrolled. Agosa said also too she has asked about recruiting methods in the past and it still seems really obscure to her how they are recruiting and head hunting for Native Americans. Agosa said if they are just putting ads out there in general places in social media or if they are actually really tailoring and focusing on how to reach Native Americans. Agosa said for example Arizona State University has a Nursing Program and contrary to what people think a lot of southwestern natives would move up here especially if given a bonus or some incentives because they're just.....they love their water. Agosa said they don't have water down there so this area of the country is very appealing? Agosa said there are other colleges out west who have medical programs so she would love to hear back from HR. Agosa said she doesn't know if anyone is on the phone today but just getting more information about how they are really focusing on getting Native Americans in these positions. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Pete said okay, he doesn't believe there is anyone from HR on the phone today so maybe they have to try to get somebody for next week um, he believed that Dr. Wever....he is not going to answer for Dr. Wever....he is sitting right here. Pete said to Dr. Wever go ahead.

Daryl Wever, Health Department Director, said so he agrees with it completely that with their Education Department, with HR, with Manistee they are actually with the process.....the interview process that they are doing right now that is what the Clinical Supervisor, Psychologist, Medical Assistants that coordinators kind of background he agrees. Wever said they know they need to go to the High Schools, Elementary, they have to go to ah, the kid's events or what they have the different ah, group organized events that they have to recruit these younger.....he thinks they should be recruiting in Elementary catch them early and have Tribal members to have free education is priceless. Wever said that schooling is so expensive and to have that paid for is amazing. Wever said it is a beautiful thing.

Wever said so he agrees he thinks their Education Department, HR, but those individuals that they have been interviewing the last couple of weeks that is actually one of a part of their question and kind of their focus to see what their interests may be and there is actually they have a few candidates are....that are beautiful because they have done that coordination and ah, with the public, fund raising and youth and family members. Wever said so he thinks that is great because they need to bring people on board that will be energetic and have a passion and have the energy to get out there and actually motivate. Wever said that's....that's critical and he agrees. Wever said that is their focus as well to motivate their Tribal members.....their youth even the descendants. Wever said he thinks it is great to see the descendants as well, they don't unfortunately get the free education like the Tribal members but either way he thinks it is good to keep that cat...in their organization and their members and descendants ah, but yes he will continue to talk with HR. Wever said he will continue to talk with the Education Department. Wever said he knows Jason Cross over in Behavioral Health he thinks he got grant funding and he has a program where it is Tribal um, he can...he is not sure if he is on today but he can kind of give them more details. Wever said his focus is Tribal members who maybe want to become Physician's Assistants or Medical Assistants to kind of target those particular Tribal members to get them stimulated and focused and get them going so. Wever said he will continue to communicate with them ah, and obviously they can do it as they go as well but he agrees with them 100%.

Speaker Pete thanked Doctor Wever. Pete asked is there any more questions specifically that.....to ask of the Ogema or they are going to move on. Pete said most of these questions can be done in Public Comment Period.

Sara Agosa said her hand is up.

Speaker Pete said okay, go ahead....is this specific to the Ogema.

Sara Agosa said yes it is.

Speaker Pete said go ahead.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said she just wanted to revisit a topic from last week, the Board of Directors and Oversight Task Force. Agosa said her experience getting information this is just one segment of her comment um, so she hope she can finish but she had barriers to getting info. Agosa said for one just to let them know the 2020 Court Opinion hasn't been posted yet and she knows they have been delays because of the Pandemic um, but she would like to have access to those court opinions as soon as possible. Agosa said also.....

Speaker Pete interrupted. Pete said he has the Court Opinions himself and if he can get permission to look.....to release that Court Opinion to her he would be more than happy to release it to her and send it himself.

Sara Agosa said yes, sounds good. Agosa said she already let Judicial know too. Agosa said um, she just wanted to make them aware that is a barrier for her.....

Speaker Pete interrupted. Pete said okay.

Sara Agosa said another barrier has been and because of the Pandemic she would really like to come and listen to the Court Appointments in person but she can't so she would like consideration that any court cases involving the Admin or Managers is livestreamed. Agosa said they know they have the capabilities and she just thinks that this information should be public and easily accessible to members. Agosa said so um.....

Speaker Pete interrupted again. Pete said and so anything that is in court they don't control the court. Pete said they have no control.....the Ogema doesn't control the court they are a separate branch. Pete said anything she wants to have something done with the court livestreamed to anybody she will have to petition the court.

Sara Agosa said okay that is good to know. Agosa said um.....

Speaker Pete said......go ahead.

Sara Agosa asked do they want her to continue or just wait.

Speaker Pete said oh....ah, how much longer for her to continue otherwise he will make her wait.

Sara Agosa said she will wait. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Pete said go ahead Sandy Mezeske.

Sandy Mezeske said good morning.....

Recorder Di Piazza asked are they under the Ogema's still.

Many people in the room were talking at the same time and it was hard to follow one conversation and had to listen to the tape several times to get the comments.

Councilor Lonn said yup.

Speaker Pete said yes, they are under the Ogema then they are moving on. Pete said Sandy Mezeske.

Sandy Mezeske said um, she was at the Court House the other day um, and that the court documents are all public, okay, so they can go in there anytime and read the court documents......

There was a woman speaking in the background on the ZOOM recording but it was low and hard to make out what she was saying.

Sandy Mezeske said so they are public if they are talking about the Ogema/Stone Case they are all public documents ah, there is also a.....on the 26<sup>th</sup> and she doesn't remember the time because they are going to send her an e-mail.....there is oral arguments on that and that will be Zoomed. Mezeske thanked them.

Speaker Pete said okay. Pete thanked Sandy Mezeske. Pete said go ahead Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said hi. Agosa thanked Sandy Mezeske for that information and she didn't know that it was going to be Zoomed so she will follow-up with the Judicial Branch. Agosa said um, so she has a couple of other comments about the Board of Directors and the Oversight Task Force. Agosa said um, when is the NIGC posts or approve ordinances on their website. Agosa said she did read it over, one of them anyway, about the Board of Directors and the responsibilities and they are very extensive so one of her comment is when she said in the work session about the Board of Directors and trying to understand what their real function was she was given a lot of information she was just told that they manage their round of responsibilities is management but what she really would have appreciated more in-depth explanation and just not referred to the ordinance but just a couple of minutes even one minute of an explanation because it has been so confusing. Agosa said so that is just feedback for the ULD um, that members do have the right and she thinks it is just really good practice to ask questions that were given somewhat of an explanation and not just referred to the document. Agosa said um, so along those lines her other question is for Larry Romanelli and that is why she brought up the barriers to information because Larry Romanelli did recommend to read up on the court case but for outlying members even coming in in person to look at those cases is very difficult, again, she would like to emphasize their experiences outlying members is very different than living locally. Agosa said um, and that is a huge barrier for them to receive the information but she will wrap this up. Agosa said she has a question about the oversight of the casino right now and this is for Larry Romanelli how that is going, and what he has been working on .... and what has been accomplished. Agosa thanked them.

Ogema Romanelli said Ron Pete.

Speaker Pete said yeah, go ahead Larry Romanelli please.

Ogema Romanelli said okay. Romanelli thanked Speaker Pete. Romanelli said well it is going pretty good there are changes that continue to happen within the Resort. Romanelli said they have the Resort Management which he thinks is doing a really good job through this whole Pandemic situation. Romanelli said as they know this last year was a totally different than any other year with the COVID-19. Romanelli said with all the things, the input etc. they had to close down twice and then remain under 100% which they are now. Romanelli said so they take that all into consideration um, they also have um, ah, the C-store that they have to watch over as well that is tied in with that. Romanelli said so he actually has a meeting this afternoon, after this call, and with the casino again, and it is going pretty good but they know again, this COVID thing has hit pretty hard. Romanelli said he thinks if they compare them to other ah, similar casinos they are about in line with them and ah, doing the best they can so overall not too bad. Romanelli said they just hope to come out of this within the next few months and be stronger. Romanelli said one of the things they hope together that they don't ever have to close it down again because it hurt. Romanelli said the second one hurt more than the first one quite honestly.

Speaker Pete thanked Larry Romanelli. Pete said he is going to get two more and they are moving onto Legislative Affairs Update. Pete said they are moving on after these two questions. Pete said Sara Agosa first and then Chelsea Densmore.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said she just wanted to get an update on how BetRivers is going she has noticed the winning pot has increased substantially over the course of the last couple of weeks which is a good thing. Agosa said also too she was driving north on 131 and saw another billboard, a different one, in a really good location right by Wayland so she just wanted to say "thank you" to Marketing for that, it was great so maybe if Andrew Gentile could just give them an update on how that is going she would appreciate it. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Pete asked is Andrew Gentile on.

Andrew Gentile said to Speaker Pete that yes, he is on.

Speaker Pete said go ahead Andrew Gentile please answer that.

Andrew Gentile said ah, he doesn't have any numbers released from the Michigan Gaming Control Board yet to tell them how ah, BetRivers is doing in comparison to other sites. Gentile said the only ones he has seen publicly announced is BarStools which is national has publicly announced their numbers for January and they did substantially better than they originally projected. Gentile said everything he has seen thus far is the State of Michigan has met or exceeded their projected levels ah, through the first ten days that were offered or nine days that were offered in January. Gentile said ah, they have.....did get some good news ah, he takes it as good news that the 2% um, or portion of the...the tax that goes to the local governing ah, jurisdiction the Michigan Gaming Control Board

released a statement um, the first week of February stating that that money goes to the Tribe so the portion of that for the first few days of gaming online through January did get submitted on the 10<sup>th</sup> of February to the Tribe.

Speaker Pete thanked Andrew Gentile. Pete said they are going onto Chelsea Densmore and then they are going to Legislative Affairs. Pete said Chelsea Densmore go ahead.

Chelsea Densmore thanked Speaker Pete. Densmore, Tribal #3225, said she just had a quick comment um, for Ogema Romanelli specific to what he was referencing. Densmore said she knows that they are still at limited capacity for the casino and she doesn't know if he has any answer to this but has he....has he heard anything for the casino on when they are looking at possibly increasing capacity. Densmore said um, she can't remember if they are currently still at 25% or 50% but she didn't know if they were looking at maybe 60 days, 90 days or if they have had any of that discussion. Densmore thanked them.

Ogema Romanelli said that is one of the items that they are going to be discussing this afternoon as well. Romanelli said they keep in fairly good contact and then again they have to watch their numbers. Romanelli said there is also some ah, funding issues that will play into this as well and so they are going to talk about it. Romanelli said their thought and he doesn't what to speak for the Management but their thought is to increase it as much as they can carefully.....as carefully as they can. Romanelli said so that will be talked about this afternoon.

Speaker Pete thanked Larry Romanelli. Pete said that moves them onto Legislative Affairs Update.

#### C. Legislative Affairs Update

Speaker Pete asked is there anyone on Council who has anything for Legislative Affairs. Pete said okay he has Gary Di Piazza and then he has Israel Stone.

Recorder Di Piazza said he is not Legislative.

Speaker Pete said okay, Gary Di Piazza, okay so he has Gary Di Piazza on for Legislative Affairs. Pete said Israel Stone will be.....will be subdued for Public Comment.

Recorder Di Piazza said exactly. Di Piazza said just to remind everybody of the Townhall Meeting, Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. Di Piazza said ZOOM in..... Di Piazza asked Doctor Wever and Councilor Lonn will they take it outside if they are going to talk.

Councilor Lonn said sorry.

Recorder Di Piazza thanked them. Di Piazza said um, ZOOM in share their story and ah, 4:00 Saturday. Di Piazza said he is done.

Speaker Pete said okay he is done. Pete asked is there any other Councilor that has anything for Legislative Affairs Update.

Councilor Crampton identified himself.

Speaker Pete said yes, go ahead Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton, Tribal #1747, said um, he just wanted to point out that for Legislative Affairs the recent tragedies going on in Texas. Crampton said the reason he noticed it is because um, for years people have been talking about wind energy being utilized in Manistee but if they look at Texas and the recent shutdown half of the State is covered in windmills and they only produced 30% of the energy. Crampton thanked them.

Recorder Di Piazza said plus they are \_\_\_\_.

Speaker Pete said okay. Pete thanked Shannon Crampton. Pete asked is there any Councilor for anything else for Legislative Affairs.

Recorder Di Piazza said the windmills all broke.

Speaker Pete thanked them. Pete said that moves them on to Public Comment.

#### D. Public Comment Period

Speaker Pete repeated Public Comment. Pete said Israel Stone.

Israel Stone, Tribal #1735, said good morning Ron Pete and Council Members so he is back to follow-up with Council on the same questions that he had with the Ogema which is what is the reporting structure of the EDC first question. Stone said second question, he sees that Brad Pringle is in the room and it looks like he is prepared so um, are they following GAO and GAP principles in the way they are handling their accounting of the business. Stone said based upon a review of the previous years ah, presentations to the membership are they reporting ah, the Revenue Allocation monies, the cash infusion essentially as revenue um, or profit of the company because he thinks they need to clarify that for their citizens. Stone said then ah, so yeah, if they can start with what is the reporting structure that would be great.

Speaker Pete said okay, so he is going to have Diane Lonn would like to answer that. Pete thanked Diane Lonn. Pete said go ahead.

Councilor Lonn said Israel Stone she ah, did some research into the EDC and she looked at their um.....what is it called.....their procedures they are supposed to be following and it says they are to report or they are the over....they are in charge of them as well as the Ogema.

Israel Stone said okay, so.....thanked Diane Lonn for that response. Stone said he guess he will follow-up who is......who specifically if the Council and the Ogema are both charged with responsibility or oversight how are they holding them accountable......these guys are investing millions of dollars of the Tribe's money. Stone asked how are they holding them accountable and making sure due diligence is being done when they are making these investments. Stone said that is something that ah, he would like to know the answer to as well and he guessed he would like to have Brad Pringle talk about the.....the GAP and GAO too.

Speaker Pete said okay, first of all he would like to have maybe Brad Pringle answer first because um, he is going to tell him exactly how.....go ahead Brad Pringle.

Brad Pringle, Comptroller General, said to Israel Stone sure they can answer some of those questions but they cannot answer all of them. Pringle said um, the Comptroller General only gets one report annually out of the EDC so that is all he can fall back down to. Pringle said now he does have their 2019 year end Financial Statements from Raymond which ah, they found no ah....they found no audit findings on the 2019 Audit and the revenue he was discussing they have listed as non-operating revenues. Pringle said so that is how they are listed. Pringle said they are listed as having a loss for operating activities well with the addition of the non-operating revenues they were able to show a profit, that's correct.

Israel Stone thanked Brad Pringle for that direct answer. Stone said they are operating at a loss but when adding.....adding in the Revenue Allocation monies they are showing a profit. Stone said he wants that to be clear ah, for the membership so that people understand what is actually occurring here. Stone thanked Bradley Pringle for that very direct.......

Brad Pringle shouted yeah, yeah, they don't really call it a profit they call it a change in that position.

Israel Stone said which essentially is being considered on the profit line. Stone asked Brad Pringle so are they following the GAP Principles.

Brad Pringle said yeah, that is correct there is no findings that they are not following GAP by the Raymond Audit which was about 19 pages long.

Israel Stone said okay, and then ah, he guessed going back to Council again um, how are they assuring that the investments that they are making are being

properly vetted because again millions of dollars of the Tribe's money being invested in businesses they hear about the Gateway Project where they are bailing Manistee County out of ah, failing economic situation and they hear about these other projects that are occurring and he just.....when they are operating at a loss right now and the only thing that supplementing that is the ah, Revenue Allocation monies um, he has to be a little concerned as to what is going on and secondly how are they having direct oversight on that body to make sure that these things are being done properly. Stone said so he is just....he....he....airing those concerns and they should be concerns not just from him but any elected official or any other citizen in the Tribe right now and that is what he is asking the questions.

Speaker Pete said okay, Israel Stone, this is Ron Pete first of all he was appointed one of the first part of Council people to be on that thing. Pete said he can surely add to their well-intended to do.....be a part of that he resigned. Pete said he thought that was way too political and he didn't even see any part of being on that part anymore. Pete said they had since.....they have since appointed one Councilor to be on the EDC representing one reason or another and a lot of medical reasons he has had to miss some of the EDC currently Diane Lonn and he met with the EDC he said she is a perfect person to sit on the EDC why doesn't she sit on the EDC. Pete said she said she was going to be attending some of the time.....they didn't vote on to appoint her but she....she can't sit on any Councilor that wants to can sit through the entire EDC Meeting even in Open and Closed.

Councilor Lonn asked can she answer.....

Speaker Pete said just a moment he is going to be done and then she can get done. Pete said so first of all he means that is exactly what is going on he thinks that Israel Stone ought to be the perfect person to sit on the Board for the EDC. Pete said right now go ahead Diane Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said um, Israel Stone she had many concerns about things they are doing and that's why in the last two weeks she started digging up old resolutions um, she looked at their ah, paperwork they submitted......they are supposed to be submitting um, a different um, balance sheets and all this other stuff to them and they haven't seen anything. Lonn said she did have a meeting week's ago, like she said, with them and she got the impression they have not even read their own By-Laws or anything so she is deeply concerned of them purchasing stuff, them not knowing about it, and it is not um, it's just.....yeah, it is bothering the heck out of her so she is not done with them. Lonn said she still going to start digging into everything. Lonn said she didn't want them.....she did apply to be on the EDC but ah, the Council members turned her down they didn't want her on there so but she is going to start attending the meetings. Lonn said they asked her to be there so she will attend.

Israel Stone said if he may....thanked Diane Lonn for that and thanked Ron Pete for his transparency as well. Stone said he is not lobbying to be on the EDC but in hearing Councilor Member Lonn statement right there that she just made that they are responsible to submit Financial Reports and different responsibilities that they are not meeting but they are handing this group millions of dollars of the Tribe's money to manage for them and they're not even meeting the requirements of their By-Laws that is problematic and its scary quite honestly. Stone said so he would hope that Council would take proactive steps if they are the body that they responsible to report to and.....and put a temporary stay on spending or something until they get these reports that are required by the Tribe so that they can be informed and that the citizens can be informed because he can.....he can guarantee them this if the casino or other entities of the Tribe were not to meet the obligations of submitting their Financials and other requirements ah, there would be actions being taken to protect the Tribe's interest. Stone said so he guessed ah, Brad Pringle when he respond to ah, ah, when he asked the question are they following GAO and GAP he would also believe that when they are going through their annual audits one of the things they are going to audit against is if they are in compliance with their By-Laws. Stone asked Brad Pringle is that correct.

Brad Pringle said yeah, he can.....he can review those 19 pages to see if there is any comments about By-Laws in there. Pringle said he didn't see anything off the top of his head but he will look.

Israel Stone said which makes him question as to whether or not they have a good audit firm that is actually doing that review because if they are not meeting their By-Laws that should have been a finding. Stone said and so he just has a lot of concerns. Stone thanked Council for their honesty he didn't mean to drag this on very long he just wants answers to those questions and he appreciates all the hard work that they are doing. Stone thanked them.

Speaker Pete said okay, Laura Echelbarger, go ahead.

Laura Echelbarger, Tribal #2276, said um, she just had a question about the calendar that is on the website and the Lodge Reservations, and the Private Meetings that have been showing up on them in the last.....for the last few weeks. Echelbarger asked what are they and why are there Private Meetings. Echelbarger said this week it looked like there was one Private Meeting and two Lodge Reservations and just last week she thinks there were three Private Meetings and one Lodge Reservation. Echelbarger asked can someone explain why there are Private Meetings does somebody want to talk up there.

Recorder Di Piazza said the Lodge Reservations, Friday, was for the Election Board.

Laura Echelbarger said no, she knows but there has been several other ones and really she guessed her bigger question is about the Private Meetings and the

reasoning behind having meetings that the membership isn't invited to or knows about. Echelbarger said also she guessed her second question following that up would be specifically who is scheduling the Private Meetings and why.

Recorder Di Piazza said most of them are financial as far as the financial issue or financials, contracts, or things in that order. Di Piazza said some things......

Laura Echelbarger interrupted. Echelbarger said they were just recently showing up so where them guys.......

Recorder Di Piazza said they have always been....

Laura Echelbarger said having put them on the calendar or are they just recently start having private meetings and......

Recorder Di Piazza said no they always......

Laura Echelbarger continued......there is no description.

Recorder Di Piazza said they always had private meetings constantly.....

Laura Echelbarger interrupted. Echelbarger said but they haven't been on their calendar.

Recorder Di Piazza said if she will go back and look at....they know....four, five or six months' worth of the calendars usually there could three or four private meetings. Di Piazza said the casino.....

Laura Echelbarger interrupted. Echelbarger said she can look at some old ones.

Recorder Di Piazza continued.....the casino financials are private. Di Piazza said in the Lodge this week are two reservations for a total.....they just put that on there so people can....want to reserve the Lodge. Di Piazza said that is just if someone is having a meeting with four or five people or something. Di Piazza said there is the social distancing space.

Speaker Pete said okay, first of all, if he can interject Laura Echelbarger if he can answer this for her specifically they are having some Lodge reservations he asked Kathleen she handles the Lodge reservations. Pete said this one is for HR for Thursday afternoon from 1:30-3:00 that is their meeting and they are going to being there for whatever reason he doesn't know they don't tell him but.....

Laura Echelbarger interrupted. Echelbarger said right.....

Speaker Pete said he can tell her what this thing is for so that is to make sure these things um, that way somebody knows something is scheduled in there so that they're not being interrupted.

Laura Echelbarger said right she appreciates that she can completely understand she thinks her bigger question is about the private meetings.

Speaker Pete said oh, okay.

Laura Echelbarger said especially there has been some comments and some Face Book posts so she just wanted to ask and see if them guys could clear that up and see what that is.

Speaker Pete said okay. Pete thanked Laura Echelbarger. Pete said well he is getting a queue here again. Pete said he has got Sara Agosa in the queue. Pete asked does he have Shannon Crampton in the queue.

Councilor Crampton said yes.

Speaker Pete said okay he has him after Sara Agosa. Pete said then he has got Miss Nelson in the queue after that. Pete said so go ahead Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said she also has concerns with the proration.....fruition of private meetings she feels as though lately they have increased um, and even she feels members have the right to know what the meeting are about if they don't have access at least to title them so that they know. Agosa said if it is a financial meeting as opposed to a private meetings she just feels comfortable with that. Agosa said she definitely does not support a secretive government and she just wants reassurance that outlying members aren't being locked out of these meetings and private meetings are used so that they can't have access. Agosa said just constitutionally she would like more information on these private meetings. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked Sara Agosa. Pete said in her constitution it also explains when they are having a private meeting in there so and the other meetings that are going on in the Lodge is the departmental meetings. Pete said that is the departments of a lot of executive Department that is schedules those meetings and they schedule it with Kathleen Bowers here so that they know they have it done. Pete said so that is what he is doing but right now he is going to go to Councilor Crampton. Pete said Councilor Crampton go ahead.

Councilor Crampton, Tribal #1747 said ah, just to clarify a few things um, those meetings that are closed or private have to be scheduled by individuals usually they are scheduled by the Recorder not they as a Council. Crampton said um, to go onto some of the other matters no, he doesn't agree with anything that Miss Lonn said. Crampton said as a matter of fact that was a misrepresentation of what

actually happened. Crampton said they had a meeting they found out that no the communication problems rashly not attending some of the Tribal Council members Tommy Guenthardt. Crampton said so no, they do have \_\_\_\_ requirements and um, Mr. when it was created on November 15, 2017, and on the agenda it was submitted by the Ogema as it was developed under a previous Department of Commerce and adopted by Council. Crampton said the reporting structure \_\_\_ with the Constitution where the Ogema is the Manager and the oversight rests with the Council who are representative of the people. Crampton said um, he hopes that clears up a bunch of misconceptions because...... Crampton asked Brad Pringle what are the cash findings in the report.

Brad Pringle said he is sorry Shannon Crampton was that for him.

Councilor Crampton said yes.

Brad Pringle said go ahead and ask the question again please.

Councilor Crampton said um, what were the cash findings in the report.

Brad Pringle said there was no findings on that report.

Councilor Crampton said that is why he wants to make it clear to the membership because he wants.....this is getting paid up in a very nefarious way without any rational reason. Crampton thanked them very much.

Speaker Pete asked Shannon Crampton if he was done.

Councilor Crampton said yes he is.

Speaker Pete thanked Shannon Crampton. Pete said Nikki Nelson.

Nikki Nelson, Tribal #0421, said she just had another question....she guessed she just wanted to add or ask an explanation about the private meetings. Nelson said so when they have a private meeting isn't that really just like....she understands when that contracts and things like that can't be done.....they can't discuss them in a meeting although they do move them to open. Nelson said when they are discussing budgetary things the Budget is public. Nelson said the Budget is made public from the time it gets approved so why would meetings that are discussing a Budget that is public be made private.

Speaker Pete said he is not sure of that question that they put something in the Budget he...he is not sure.....he is just not sure right now, Nikki Nelson, right now he can't answer her.

Nikki Nelson said okay.....that's okay she was just because said that them guys have private meetings when it comes to contracts and Budgets but the Budgets are

laid out for the public.....for the membership if they go seek it so unless it is dealing with a private contract there really shouldn't be much of a need for any private meetings. Nelson said all citizens should be subject to know where expenses are going in the public Budget. Nelson said out of the public Budget.

Recorder Di Piazza can be heard yawning in the background on the ZOOM recording.

Speaker Pete thanked Nikki Nelson twice. Pete said he is going to try to get a better answer for her for what transpired. Pete said okay, Nikki Nelson.

Nikki Nelson said yeah, that is okay.

Speaker Pete said okay so. Pete thanked Nikki Nelson again. Pete said right now he is calling on Sandy Mezeske. Pete reiterated Sandy Mezeske. Pete asked Sandy Mezeske doesn't have her hand up anymore.

Sandy Mezeske asked can they hear her.

Speaker Pete said now he can.

Sandy Mezeske, Tribal #0018, said she is sorry are they in Public Comment yet, she went out to start the car.

Speaker Pete said yes they are.....they are in Public Comment.

Sandy Mezeske said okay. Mezeske said ah, to all the Councilor members there today um, on the call um, she would like one of the Council members to do an Agenda Review to have a work session ah, to bring forward those eight invoices and any documentation pertaining to those eight invoices.

Speaker Pete said to Sandy Mezeske that he is not sure what eight invoices she is talking about.

Councilor Lonn said the ones....the checks.

Sandy Mezeske said well, it has been on the agenda, it has been moved from ah.....

Speaker Pete interrupted. Pete asked did they pay it.

Sandy Mezeske continued......Closed to Second Open ah, the resolution, roll call and vote was put out but there is still no explanation of what the invoices were for and she would like a Council Member to bring all the documentation and invoices.....

Speaker Pete said okay.....in the background on the ZOOM recording.

Sandy Mezeske continued.....any minutes from a meeting, ah, the roll call the vote and who was in attendance, ah, those eight invoices. Mezeske said as she said before it totaled up to over \$71,000 and the membership should be able to question what the invoices were for.

Speaker Pete said okay. Pete thanked Sandy Mezeske. Pete said he will get that....he will bring that up in Closed Session today. Pete thanked Sandy Mezeske again. Pete said now he is down to Diane Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said first of all um, he has a problem Mr. Crampton it was brought before her application to be on the EDC and it was turned down so she didn't do anything with it then at this last meeting with the EDC Frank Lewis asked her to be on it and come to the meetings so she is going to come up to the Open Meetings right now. Lonn said that is all she has to say.

Speaker Pete said okay, Diane Lonn. Pete said Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said um, back to the private meetings issue. Agosa said at the very least she would like to request that all meetings on the calendar for public availability are titled at the very least. Agosa said she thinks the members at the very least have the right to know how their Councilors are utilizing their time and not to have these meetings coded even though the Lodge Room reservations um, just um, she is not comfortable with that. Agosa said she thinks everything should be titled on a public calendar. Agosa said also too in terms of these private meetings she would really like ULD to respond um, she really doesn't feel this is fair to the membership. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further questions in Public Comment. Pete said Shannon Crampton go ahead. Pete said sorry Shannon Crampton.

Councilor Crampton thanked Speaker Pete. Crampton, Tribal #1747, said well, what he was talking about had nothing to do with Mrs. ah, um, Lonn's ah, willingness to be on the committee. Crampton said what he was talking about was the scenario that is getting painted to the membership that was not like what it was supposed to be he had nothing against her filing her \_\_\_\_\_form. Crampton said she can do anything she wants to he just wanted to make that clear and um, if ULD can give ah, and he would also like to say given what they found out yes, he would support Sandy Mezeske bringing that forward just as quickly as possible. Crampton said he is for Sandy Mezeske bringing it out here to let people know the huge mistakes that were made um, and ah, if ULD can give their membership since this is Public Comment an update on the Per Cap, the 50-50 Per Cap that they just got he would appreciate it. Crampton thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked Shannon Crampton. Pete said he is still going through this massive queue so he is done. Pete said Dawn Moneyhan, she is next.

Dawn Moneyhan said Miigwech. Moneyhan, Tribal #5088, said she just wanted to echo what Sara Agosa said about the public calendar especially for their outlying members who live outside of Michigan. Moneyhan said they don't get the same availability to scheduling as everybody else they are in the nine county area is getting. Moneyhan said it makes it really, really difficult to try and navigate and figure out what is going on, when its happening, how to get there, make sure that their equipment is working so they are able to get into it, um, planning their schedules around it so a public calendar she will cheer that on every day, all day. Moneyhan said please do that for them. Moneyhan said Miigwech.

Speaker Pete said okay, this will be a real simple fix as of Thursday's meeting all he have Kathleen Bowers do is 1:30 to 3:00 it says Lodge reservation he will just have her put HR. Pete said that should answer it for everybody. Pete said okay, now what he is going to do is call on Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said she never did receive a response from ULD about their access to private meetings. Agosa asked can they please weigh in on this topic. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Pete said okay, he doesn't know if they are prepared to respond to that. Pete said ULD he knows that two of them are gone but ULD.

Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar, Unified Legal Department Attorney, said good morning can they hear her.

Rebecca Liebing, Unified Legal Department Attorney, said hi.

Speaker Pete said hi, Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar.

Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar said hi Ron Pete. Mc Gowen-Cuellar said so pursuant to Article IV, Section C-D of the Constitution ah, Closed Session Meetings are to address Personnel Matters, Business Matters, or Legal Matters so if they have access to Litigation they need to update their ClientOn they will request Closed Session Meetings.

Speaker Pete thanked Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar. Pete said okay.....

Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar asked Ron Pete does he want her to respond to Shannon Crampton's question as well.

Speaker Pete said okay, go ahead Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar.

Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar said so they had sent the paperwork in and the update for the Revenue Allocation Plan to the Feds and it is still with them.

Speaker Pete said okay. Pete thanked Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar. Pete said okay, he thinks Shannon Crampton's hand is up but he is not sure it is up.

Councilor Crampton said that wasn't quite the report they got.....they required....they got.....they submitted it to the BIA and it was forwarded from their office to the Interior. Crampton said so.....thanked them.

Speaker Pete said okay, Shannon Crampton so his hand is down now, right.

Councilor Crampton said yes, sir. Crampton thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked Shannon Crampton. Pete said so now he is going to go to Susan Thull.

Susan Thull thanked Speaker Pete. Thull, Tribal #3727, said um, she would like to um, could Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar expand on that.....on the 50% was it um, was the RAP changed and what was it changed to.

Recorder Di Piazza said in the background on the ZOOM recording "she is not Government Operations.......

Speaker Pete asked Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar if she was still there. Pete said he means he knows how to respond to that.

Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar said yeah.

Speaker Pete said Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar.

Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar said go for it.....go for it Ron Pete because her e-mails are not pulling up so she can't give that information.

Speaker Pete said well, Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar....ur, the response wasn't going....the RAP plan was being changed from 40 to 50% and ten percent more was being taken out of the government. Pete said that is as simple as can be.

Susan Thull said not where the 10% was taken out.

Speaker Pete said well, no that is still has to be approved and voted on. Pete said they never did do a formal vote on it.

Susan Thull said oh, okay. Thull thanked Speaker Pete very much.

Speaker Pete said okay....okay.

Susan Thull said she has one more question. Thull asked is one of the private meetings um, that they have scheduled would that have to do with the ah, um, reservation land that she is questioning.

Recorder Di Piazza was making comments in the background on the ZOOM recording but it wasn't clear what he was saying.

Speaker Pete asked is that the meeting right now or is that the meeting in public.

Brad Pringle said Susan Thull this is Brad.

Susan Thull said yes.

Brad Pringle said they expect to have an ah, meeting for membership approx......a ah, open meeting with membership ah....ah, workshop......work session um, with everybody sometime next week to go through the Reservation Preservation.

Susan Thull said okay. Thull asked Brad Pringle does he happen to know what day they are planning that or no.

Brad Pringle said ah, no, not off the top of his head he doesn't.....but it will be next week.

Susan Thull said okay. Thull thanked them very much.

Brad Pringle said it will most likely be a Monday or a Tuesday.

Susan Thull said okay, great. Thull thanked them again.

Speaker Pete thanked them. Pete said okay, this is what he has got so far. Pete said Susan Thull he thinks her hand is down. Thull said he is not sure if she....her hand is down. Pete said to Shannon Crampton that he believed that his hand is down. Pete said Dawn Moneyhan he believed her hand is down.

Councilor Crampton said his hand is up.

Speaker Pete said okay, now.....sorry his was up. Pete said go ahead Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said well, that wasn't exactly right and he is going to explain to ah, um, ah, Susan Thull's question. Crampton said he wrote the resolution and the misconception that they have here is that their people are thinking that like the last times, its submitted and it had to come back and they adopt it. Crampton said no, they already have a Revenue Allocation Plan that was submitted and adopted. Crampton said what he submitted was an amendment to that which included the

formula. Crampton said so there will be no other adoption when it comes back it is just......Per Cap. Crampton thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked Shannon Crampton. Pete said he totally misunderstood it then so he is going to have to go back and re-read it. Pete said okay, so does he have any more hands up.

Sara Agosa said her hand is up.

Speaker Pete said go ahead Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said she just wanted to respond to the types of meetings that the Council is allowed to have in Closed Session Private Meetings that. Agosa said she would like to request that these private meetings are retitled not just HR Lodge reservations but for each private meeting that are at least are titled personnel business or legal topic so that the membership knows since this is the only public calendar they have right now. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Pete said okay. Pete thanked Sara Agosa. Pete asked anyone else.

Recorder Di Piazza can heard yawning loudly in the background on the ZOOM recording.

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 Guenthardt said he would like to make a motion.

Speaker Pete said okay, Tom Guenthardt, he has got the floor.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE FIRST OPEN SESSION; by Guenthardt; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to go ahead and do a roll call.

#### Roll Call #9

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne - Yes	D. Corey - 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 Di Piazza said nine are in favor they have adjourned First Open Session at 11:50 a.m.

Speaker Pete thanked Recorder Di Piazza.

### XI. Open Session

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

Speaker Pete thanked Recorder Di Piazza. Pete said he needs a motion to move them in the Second Open.

Councilor Guenthardt said so be it.

Speaker Pete said okay, Tom Guenthardt made the motion.

Councilor Lonn said second.

Speaker Pete said okay, Diane Lonn seconded.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO SECOND OPEN; by Guenthardt; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete said Gary Di Piazza do a....he can't remember.....anybody going to abstain. Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

#### Roll Call #10

T. Guenthardt -No	C. Champagne - Yes	D. Corey -	Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg- Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-1-0-0)

Recorder Di Piazza said eight in favor and one against they are in Second Open at 12:39.

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

Speaker Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza do they have any items to move from Closed to Open Session.

Recorder Di Piazza said ah, he believes so. Di Piazza said he makes a motion.

MOTION TO MOVE ITEM, RESOLUTION #21-0217-043; MOTION AND ROLL CALL ONLY; RESOLUTION #21-0217-044, 045, 046, 047 AND 048, RESOLUTION, MOTION AND ROLL CALL; by Di Piazza; supported by Lonn. Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

#### Roll Call #11

T. Guenthardt - Yes	C. Champagne	e -Yes	D. Corey -	Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Abstain	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg- Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-1-0)

Recorder Di Piazza said eight in favor and one abstention them items have been moved.

Speaker Pete thanked Recorder Di Piazza. Pete said okay.

The following motion and roll call only was moved from Closed to Open session.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 21-0217-043, PERMIT APPLICATION FOR PART 91 SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL WITH THE COUNTY OF MANISTEE; by Guenthardt; supported by Lonn.

#### Roll Call #C-3

R. Wittenberg -	- Yes	S. Crampton	- Yes	G. DiPiazza – Yes
D. Lonn -	Yes	D. Corey –	Yes	C. Champagne – Yes
T. Guenthardt -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

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

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 21-0217-044, RATIFICATION OF BRICKHOUSE INTERACTIVE ENDAAYING ET AL CONTRACT; by Guenthardt; supported by Lonn.

#### Roll Call #C-4

R. Wittenberg	– Yes	S. Crampton	- Yes	G. DiPiazza –	Yes
D. Lonn -	Yes	D. Corey –	Yes	C. Champagne -	Yes
T. Guenthardt -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 21-0217-045, AUTHORIZING CONTRACT WITH LAMAR ADVERTISING COMPANY; by Guenthardt; supported by Lonn.

#### Roll Call #C-5

R. Wittenberg -	- Yes	S. Crampton	- Yes	G. DiPiazza – Yes
D. Lonn -	Yes	D. Corey –	Yes	C. Champagne – Yes
T. Guenthardt -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 21-0217-046, AUTHORIZING CONTRACT WITH MICHIGAN DIVISION OF VICTIM SERVICES-PRAXIS ADVOCACY LEARNING CENTER PROJECT; by Guenthardt; supported by Lonn.

#### Roll Call #C-6

	R. Wittenberg -	- Yes	S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza – Yes	3
L	D. Lonn -	Yes	D. Corey –	Yes	C. Champagne – Yes	3
	T. Guenthardt -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes	S. Lewis - Yes	 ;

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 21-0217-047, RATIFICATION OF CONTRACT WITH DL MORSE & ASSOCIATES; by Guenthardt; supported by Lonn.

#### Roll Call #C-7

R. Wittenberg -	Yes	S. Crampton	- Yes	G. DiPiazza –	Yes
D. Lonn -	Yes	D. Corey –	Yes	C. Champagne –	Yes
T. Guenthardt -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 21-0217-048, RATIFICATION OF CONTRACT WITH CONCEPT DESIGN STUDIO; by Guenthardt; supported by DiPiazza.

#### Roll Call #C-8

R. Wittenberg –	Yes	S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza –	Yes
D. Lonn -	Yes	D. Corey –	Yes	C. Champagne –	Yes
T. Guenthardt -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

This concludes the items moved from Closed to Open Session.

B. Appointment of Corey Wells to the Binojeeuk Commission This appointment is for Seat #2 with a term ending 9/20/2023.

Speaker Pete asked is Corey Wells on here or not.

Corey Wells responded that yes he is, Ron Pete. Wells asked can they hear him.

Speaker Pete said hi, Corey Wells he can hear him.

Corey Wells said he will preference this by saying that he had nasal surgery yesterday so if he is a little bit scratchy and hard to hear please forgive him so.

Speaker Pete said okay, all right, Corey Wells. Pete said he never had someone that he had.....for the Binojeeuk Commission so is there anyone who has questions for him.

Councilor Lonn said no.

Councilor Crampton identified himself.

Speaker Pete said Shannon Crampton, go ahead.

Councilor Crampton said he used to fight in the Golden Gloves and stuff....then asked Corey Wells if he had a deviated septum.

Corey Wells can be heard in the background laughing and saying, "yes, he does" on the ZOOM recording.

Speaker Pete said he is sorry, what did he say.

Councilor Crampton repeated if he had a deviated septum.

Corey Wells said well, not anymore but yeah.

Councilor Crampton said okay, okay, he knows what it was, okay. Crampton said cool that was one of his questions. Crampton thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked Shannon Crampton. Pete said he just doesn't understand what he asked but that is okay.

Recorder Di Piazza said it was a medical question.

Speaker Pete said it was a medical question, okay. Pete said Sara Agosa, go ahead.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said excuse her, she is just curious about Corey Wells background um, for this commission. Agosa said what he brings to the table. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Pete asked Corey Wells if he wanted to answer her please.

Corey Wells said yeah, he would be more than happy to answer that so he has got to apologize for his voice being all scratchy and everything. Wells, Tribal #4839, said ah, he has served almost seven years on the Army Infantry, he has his bachelor's degree in Fresh Water Sciences and Sustainability, he works for the Natural Resource Department. Wells said prior to that himself, his brother-his blood related brother, his blood related sister; Joseph and Nikki Wells he thinks they know them. Wells said he knows Tommy Chinos, all, or most of them at least, they were taken from their Tribal mother and their Tribal Family and put up for....into Foster care for several years. Wells said Joe and Nikki don't remember but he was five or six by the time they got adopted so he really vividly remembers ah, a lot of the foster homes they were good systems. Wells said they were lucky enough to be adopted by a Non-Tribal Family, well not lucky they were Non-Tribal, but lucky enough that um, her mother who passed away about ten years ago now adopted them, she had four or five of her own children and adopted them as a family unit and refused to let the State of Michigan split them apart and adopted them as a family unit. Wells said he understands the ah, the feeling behind a lot of Tribal members or Tribal children it is important to keep them in a Tribal Family trying to grow up in Non-Native Family when they are Native and they still remember some of the things they were taught and it was really some kind of conflict in his life growing up. Wells said he feels he can bring that....that viewpoint both the adoption by a Non-Tribal Family growing up in a Non-Tribal Family Home but being lucky enough that his mother and father....his adopted mother and father ah, refused to ah, split their family apart. Wells said now being an adult and moving back up here he knows his family ah, he knows his extended family now he knows who they were, they know, his Tribal Family and whatnot so he feels like that really can help bring....or that really helps him ah, bring that to the forefront again. Wells said his apologies he is trying to string things together and it is a little foggy over here still so. Wells said hopefully that answers some of the questions.

Speaker Pete thanked Corey Wells. Pete asked is there anyone else who has any questions.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.....

Sara Agosa interrupted. Agosa said she just wanted to thank Corey Wells for sharing that she really appreciate it and a lot of them can relate to those types of experiences.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

Speaker Pete said he has got Tom Guenthardt who has the floor. Pete said go ahead Tom Guenthardt.

# MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #21-0217-049; APPOINTMENT OF COREY WELLS TO THE BINOJEEUK COMMISSION; by Guenthardt; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further questions. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain.

Kathleen Bowers can be heard in the background saying, "it is not a resolution."

Recorder Di Piazza said he thought it was a resolution.

Speaker Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

Recorder Di Piazza asked is it a motion. Di Piazza said well they got to take an Oath of Office.

Kathleen Bowers said yeah, it is no resolution.

Recorder Di Piazza said then correct it. Di Piazza said it is just a motion.

Councilor Guenthardt said he would like to make a motion then.

### MOTION TO APPOINT COREY WELLS TO THE BINOJEEUK COMMISSION; by Guenthardt.

Councilor Guenthardt said it is not a resolution.

Speaker Pete thanked Tom Guenthardt. Pete asked does he still have support.

Councilor Lonn said yes.

## MOTION TO APPOINT COREY WELLS TO THE BINOJEEUK COMMISSION; by Guenthardt; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

#### Roll Call #12

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Yes	D. Corey -	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 Di Piazza said nine in favor Corey Wells is appointed to the commission.

Speaker Pete thanked them very much.

#### XII. Adjourn

Councilor Guenthardt said he makes a motion to adjourn.

Speaker Pete said Tom Guenthardt makes a motion to adjourn does anyone have....does he have support.

Councilor Lonn said support.

MOTION TO ADJOURN; by Guenthardt; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

#### Roll Call #13

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Yes	D. Corey -	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 Di Piazza said nine in favor they have adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Gary Di Piazza,

Tribal Council Recorder