

# Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Gaming Commission

# Gaming Commission Open Session Report for the Month of September 2023

### 1. Officers:

Steve Parsons, Chairperson Debra Davis, Secretary Mark Jespersen, Commissioner Alyce Giltz, Commissioner

# II. Activities for the month of September 2023:

- 1. Regular meeting held on September 5, 2023
- 2. Regular meeting held on September 12, 2023
- 3. Regular meeting held on September 26, 2023

### III. Concerns/Requests/Comments/Other Approvals:

# IV. Vendors Approved or Other:

- 1. Gaming Vendor VSR Industries, Inc.
- V. Attachments (the following documents are attached to this report):

### Minutes:

- 1. August 22, 2023
- 2. September 5, 2023
- 3. September 12, 2023

Chairperson

### Resolutions:

### Orders:

Date

# LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS GAMING COMMISSION MEETING OPEN SESSION MEETING August 22, 2023

Gaming Commission Conference Room 2840 Orchard Highway, Suite A Manistee, MI 49660



Meeting called to order at 5:32 p.m. by Chairperson, Steve Parsons

### Present:

Commissioners: Steve Parsons, Alyce Giltz, Debra Davis (Absent), Mark Jespersen

Commission Staff: Kelly Maser, Tonia Reinhard, Connie Lindsay Others: Lee Ivinson, Kristin Piliafas, Julie Wolfe (arrived at 5:57 p.m.)

### Approval of Open Session Agenda:

a) August 22, 2023

Action: S. Parsons made a motion to approve the Open Session Agenda for August 22, 2023 as submitted. Seconded by M. Jespersen

Roll Call: M. Jespersen - Yes / D. Davis - Absent / S. Parsons - Yes / A. Giltz - Yes / 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent. MOTION CARRIED

### **Approval of Open Session Minutes:**

a) August 15, 2023

Action: M. Jespersen made a motion to approve the Open Session Meeting Minutes for August 15, 2023. Seconded by A. Giltz

Roll Call: D. Davis - Absent / A. Giltz - Yes / M. Jespersen - Yes / S. Parsons - Yes / 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent. MOTION CARRIED

### Old Business:

None

**New Business:** 

None

### **Discussion Period:**

- a) Gaming Law and Regulation Training
- b) Gaming enterprise requests Gaming Commission to speak to management team (group effort) on understanding compliance with laws and regulations
- c) Non-Gaming vendor licensing (repeal)
- d) Revision to Gaming Commission Regulation Chapter 10

### **Next Gaming Commission Meeting**

a) September 5, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

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### Adjournment of Open Session:

Action: S. Parsons made a motion to adjourn Open Session at 6:06 p.m. Seconded by A. Giltz Roll Call: S. Parsons – Yes / M. Jespersen – Yes / A. Giltz – Yes/ D. Davis – Absent / 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent. MOTION CARRIED

Submitted by,

Alyce Giltz, Acting Secretary

### Items moved to Open Session:

a) Approval of Gaming Vendor License – Aristocrat Technologies, Inc.

Action: S. Parsons made a motion to approve the renewal of Gaming Vendor License for Aristocrat Technologies, Inc. license effective October 4, 2023 – license expiration October 4, 2024. Seconded by M. Jespersen

Roll Call: M. Jespersen – Yes / S. Parsons – Yes / A. Giltz – Yes / D. Davis – Absent / 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1

Absent. MOTION CARRIED

a) Approval of Expenditure from Ancona Controls in the Amount of \$20,902.40

Action: S. Parsons made a motion to approve Gaming Commission Resolution #GC23-0822-09 for the approval of expenditure from Ancona Controls to purchase and install (includes removal and disposal of old batteries) eighty (80) UPS batteries in the amount of \$20,902.40 – moving this item to Open Session as it was inadvertently placed in Closed Session. Seconded by M. Jespersen

Roll Call: D. Davis – Absent / M. Jespersen – Yes / S. Parsons – Yes / A. Giltz – Yes / 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent. MOTION CARRIED



# Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Gaming Commission

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### Gaming Commission Resolution #GC23-0905-10

Repealing of Gaming Commission Regulation #R400-04:GC-19 Chapter 19
Non-Gaming Vendor Licensing

WHEREAS, the Tribe's status as a federally-recognized Indian tribe was reaffirmed and restored by Congress pursuant to Public Law 103-324, 108 Stat. 2156 (25 U.S.C.§ 1300k et seq.); and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a Constitution, pursuant to a vote of the membership on May 27, 1998, which Constitution became effective upon its approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on July 10, 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on April 26, 2004, which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on May 13, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on July 11, 2016 which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on August 24, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has, pursuant to Gaming Commission Ordinance #04-400-04, created a Gaming Commission and delegated to such Commission the authority to regulate all gaming activities authorized by the Tribe and to enforce all Tribal and federal laws governing the conduct of Tribally-licensed gaming activities; and

WHEREAS, Section 6.04 (a) of the Gaming Commission Ordinance permits the Gaming Commission to promulgate regulations and internal operational procedures of the Gaming Commission and its staff; and

WHEREAS, after in-depth research, analysis, discussion, and deliberation, the Gaming Commission determined that it is in the best interest of the Gaming Commission (to better serve the Commission's regulatory function) to eliminate the requirement for licensure of all vendors conducting business with the gaming enterprise that are not required to be licensed as a Gaming Vendor as defined in the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Gaming Ordinance; and

Page 2 Gaming Commission Resolution #GC23-0905-10 Repealing Gaming Commission Regulation #R400-04:GC-19 Chapter 19 - Non-Gaming Vendor Licensing

WHEREAS, Gaming Commission Regulation #R400-04:GC-19 - Chapter 19 -Non-Gaming Vendor Licensing Regulation was approved by the Gaming Commission Resolution #GC19-1015-19 on October 15, 2019 and accepted for filing by Tribal Council Resolution #19-1106-286 on November 6, 2019.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Gaming Commission hereby rescinds Gaming Commission Resolution #GC19-1015-19 in order to support the repeal of Gaming Commission Regulation #R400-04:GC-19 Chapter 19 - Non-Gaming Vendor Licensing Regulation; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution shall be forwarded to the Tribal Council Recorder for filing and inclusion in their records.

# **Certificate of Adoption**

| do hereby certify that this resolution was adopted on September 5, 2023 by a vote of | ?   |
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| do hereby certify that this resolution was adopted on september 5, 2025 by a vote of | 1   |
| in favor, opposed, abstentions and absent. This resolution has not be                | een |
| amended or rescinded in any way.   |     |
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| Attest:  Debra Davis, Secretary  |     |
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Distribution: Commission Records Tribal Council Recorder

Andrew Gentile, General Manager

# LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS GAMING COMMISSION MEETING OPEN SESSION MEETING September 5, 2023

Gaming Commission Conference Room 2840 Orchard Highway, Suite A Manistee, MI 49660



Meeting called to order at 5:33 p.m. by Chairperson, Steve Parsons

#### Present:

Commissioners: Steve Parsons, Alyce Giltz, Debra Davis, Mark Jespersen (Absent)

Commission Staff: Kelly Maser, Tonia Reinhard, Erford Edmondson

Others: Lee Ivinson, Kristin Piliafas, Julie Wolfe, Lynn Saunders, Barry McGrady, Dawn McGrady

### Approval of Open Session Agenda:

a) September 5, 2023

Action: S. Parsons made a motion to approve the Open Session Agenda for September 5, 2023 as submitted. Seconded by A. Giltz

Roll Call: M. Jespersen – Absent / D. Davis – Yes / S. Parsons – Yes / A. Giltz – Yes / 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent. MOTION CARRIED

### **Approval of Open Session Minutes:**

a) August 22, 2023

Action: A. Giltz made a motion to approve the Open Session Meeting Minutes for August 22, 2023. Seconded by S. Parsons

Roll Call: D. Davis – Abstain / A. Giltz – Yes / M. Jespersen – Absent / S. Parsons – Yes / 2-Yes, 0-No, 1-Abstain, 1-Absent. MOTION CARRIED

### **Old Business:**

### None

### **New Business:**

a) Approval to Repeal Gaming Commission Regulation #R400-04GC-19 - Chapter 19 - Non-Gaming Vendor Licensing

Action: S. Parsons made a motion to approve Gaming Commission Resolution #GC23-0905-10 approval to repeal Gaming Commission Regulation #R400-04:GC-19 – Non-Gaming Vendor Licensing. Seconded by A. Giltz Roll Call: M. Jespersen – Absent / D. Davis – Yes / S. Parsons – Yes / A. Giltz – Yes / 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent. MOTION CARRIED

### **Discussion Period:**

- a) Gaming Commission Regulation Revisions Chapter 10
- b) Gaming Commission Regulation Revisions Chapter 4
- c) Gaming Law and Regulation Training
- d) General Manager resignation

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### **Next Gaming Commission Meeting**

a) September 12, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

### Adjournment of Open Session:

Action: S. Parsons made a motion to adjourn Open Session at 5:56 p.m. Seconded by A. Giltz Roll Call: S. Parsons – Yes / M. Jespersen – Absent / A. Giltz – Yes / D. Davis – Yes / 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent. MOTION CARRIED

Submitted by,

Debra Davis, Secretary

9-13-23 Date

Items moved to Open Session:

None



# LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS GAMING COMMISSION MEETING OPEN SESSION MEETING September 12, 2023

Gaming Commission Conference Room 2840 Orchard Highway, Suite A Manistee, MI 49660



Meeting called to order at 5:34 p.m. by Chairperson, Steve Parsons

### Present:

Commissioners: Steve Parsons, Alyce Giltz, Debra Davis (Absent), Mark Jespersen

Commission Staff: Kelly Maser, Tonia Reinhard

Others: Lee Ivinson, Dawn McGrady

### Approval of Open Session Agenda:

a) September 12, 2023

Action: S. Parsons made a motion to approve the Open Session Agenda for September 12, 2023 as submitted. Seconded by M. Jespersen

Roll Call: M. Jespersen - Yes / D. Davis - Absent / S. Parsons - Yes / A. Giltz - Yes / 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent. MOTION CARRIED

### **Approval of Open Session Minutes:**

a) September 5, 2023

Action: A. Giltz made a motion to approve the Open Session Meeting Minutes for September 5, 2023. Seconded by S. Parsons

Roll Call: D. Davis - Absent / A. Giltz - Yes / M. Jespersen - Abstain / S. Parsons - Yes / 2-Yes, 0-No, 1-Abstain, 1-Absent, MOTION CARRIED

### Old Business:

### None

### **New Business:**

a) Approval of Revised Gaming Vendor Corporate Disclosure Application

Action: S. Parsons made a motion to approve the Revised Gaming Vendor Corporation Disclosure Application as submitted. Seconded by M. Jespersen

Roll Call: D. Davis - Absent / A. Giltz - Yes / M. Jespersen - Yes / S. Parsons - Yes / 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent. MOTION CARRIED

b) Approval of Revised Gaming Vendor Corporate Disclosure Renewal Application

Action: S. Parsons made a motion to approve the Revised Gaming Vendor Corporation Disclosure Renewal Application. Seconded by M. Jespersen

Roll Call: M. Jespersen – Yes / D. Davis – Absent / S. Parsons – Yes / A. Giltz – Yes / 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent. MOTION CARRIED

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c) Approval of Revised Gaming Vendor Personal History Disclosure Application

Action: S. Parsons made a motion to approve the Revised Gaming Vendor Personal History Disclosure Application. Seconded by M. Jespersen

Roll Call: S. Parsons - Yes / M. Jespersen - Yes / A. Giltz - Yes/ D. Davis - Absent / 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent. MOTION CARRIED

d) Approval of Revised Gaming Vendor Personal History Disclosure Renewal Application

Action: S. Parsons made a motion to approve the Revised Gaming Vendor Personal History Disclosure Renewal Application. Seconded by M. Jespersen

Roll Call: D. Davis - Absent / A. Giltz - Yes / M. Jespersen - Yes / S. Parsons - Yes / 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent. MOTION CARRIED

### Discussion Period:

- a) Gaming Commission Regulation Revisions Chapter 10
- b) Gaming Commission Regulation Revisions Chapter 4 gaming operation requests meeting with Gaming Commission staff
- c) NIGC Final Rule

**Next Gaming Commission Meeting** 

a) September 19, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

Adjournment of Open Session:

Action: S. Parsons made a motion to adjourn Open Session at 6:02 p.m. Seconded by M. Jespersen Roll Call: S. Parsons - Yes / M. Jespersen - Yes / A. Giltz - Yes / D. Davis - Absent / 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent. MOTION CARRIED

Submitted by,

Alvce Ciltz, Acting Secretary

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Items moved to Open Session:

None

