



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024
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 January 17, 2024. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Speaker Burmeister said good morning everyone they are here for their regularly scheduled Tribal Council Meeting. Burmeister said it is Wednesday, January 17, 2024, and it is 10:01. Burmeister said she has asked Councilor Di Piazza if he could say the Opening Prayer so please stand if they are able.

I. Opening Prayer

Gary Di Piazza, Tribal Elder, offered the Opening Prayer in Anishinaabemowin and Shaghaash.

I pray to all Creation that they can all work together for the betterment of all of their citizens.

Give them all a better life.

Miigwech. Miigwech. Miigwech. Miigwech.

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

Speaker Burmeister said at this time she would like anybody on ZOOM to please identify themselves. Burmeister said if they are a Tribal Citizen please list their name and their Tribal I.D. Burmeister said if they are an employee please list their name and the department that they work in. Burmeister thanked them. Burmeister said Jim La Porte please identify himself.

Jim La Porte said Jim La Porte Tribal member 3383.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said Kimberly Mc Clellan please identify herself.

Kimberly Mc Clellan said Kimberly Mc Clellan Tribal I.D. 2198.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said Bill Ossiginac please identify himself.

Bill Ossiginac said Bill Ossiginac 3877.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said Grace Hendler please identify herself. Burmeister repeated Grace Hendler please identify herself.

Grace Hendler said Grace Hendler 4121.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said Karol Ann please identify herself.

Karol Chabot said Karol Ann Chabot 3742.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said Larry Olson please identify himself.

Larry Olson said Larry Olson 1532.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said Laura Echelbarger please identify herself.

Laura Echelbarger said Laura Echelbarger 2276.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said Lee Ivinson please identify herself.

Lee Ivinson said Lee Ivinson 99.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said Matthew Chandler please identify himself.

Matthew Chandler said Matt Chandler Citizen 1687.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said Roy Vanas please identify himself.

Roy Vanas said Roy Vanas 4906.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said Samson SM 911 U can they please identify themselves. Burmeister repeated Samson SM 911 U could they please identify themselves. Burmeister said okay last request Samsung SM 911 U please identify themselves or turn on their camera please.

Nikki Samson said 3384.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said Sandy Mezeske please identify herself.

Sandy Mezeske said 0018.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said Sara Agosa please identify herself.

Sara Agosa said she is sorry she is getting a lot of interference. Agosa said can everyone make sure they are on mute. Agosa said its coming from Roy Vanas if he can make sure he is on mute. Agosa said her name is Sara Agosa 4478.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said Shannon Crampton please identify himself.

Councilor Crampton said Outlying Representative Shannon Paul Crampton 1747.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said Shawna Gonzalez please identify herself.

Shawna Gonzalez said Shawna Gonzalez 4700.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said Tina Bray please identify herself.

Tina Bray said Tina Bray 3287.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said Tina Mc Clellan-Payment please identify herself.

Tina Mc Clellan-Payment said 2197.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said Venus Torres.

Venus Torres said staff and Tribal member 1102.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said William Green please identify themselves. Burmeister repeated William Green please identify himself. Burmeister said last request for William Green please identify himself. Burmeister said phone number 231 794-0066 please identify themselves.

Michael Burmeister said Michael Burmeister 0945.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister asked is that everybody. Burmeister said she did not, Staci Cheney please identify herself.

Staci Cheney said 992.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said she doesn't see anyone else. Burmeister said okay yeah. Burmeister thanked everybody. Burmeister said just a reminder if they could please mute themselves. Burmeister thanked them. Burmeister said moving down to B Roll Call. Burmeister said Recorder Johnson can she do roll call please.

B. Roll Call

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

Quorum established.

Recorder Johnson said they do have quorum.

C. Approval of Agenda

Speaker Burmeister asked will there be any Councilors abstaining from this item. Burmeister said okay. Burmeister asked does she have a motion for approval of the agenda for today. Burmeister said Councilor Wolfe go ahead please.

Councilor Wolfe said she makes a motion.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024 WITH THE FOLLOWING EDITS UNDER CONTINUING BUSINESS B.1. THAT ITEM IS POSTPONED; UNDER V F THAT ITEM IS REMOVED NATURAL RESOURCE COMMISSION FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2023; SECTION VIII NEW BUSINESS ADD ADOPTION OF THE BIIMAADZIWIN CEMETERY ORDINANCE FOR 2024, ORDINANCE #24-700-10 THEN IN CLOSED SESSION ITEM E.5 IS UPDATED IN THE TITLE ROMANELLI V. LRBOI TRIBAL COUNCIL, BORDEAUX, PRINGLE CASE #23-175-GC; SAME SECTION ADD #9 OGEMA V. LRBOI TRIBAL COUNCIL CASE #24-010-GC; by Wolfe; supported by Metzger.

Councilor Wever left and re-entered the Meeting Room. Tribal Councilors were speaking in the background on the ZOOM recording but their comments were not picked up clearly to understand.

Speaker Burmeister asked Recorder Johnson if she will do roll call for the agenda please.

Roll Call #1

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Johnson said nine in favor it has been accepted.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her.

D. Tribal Council Minutes

Speaker Burmeister noted there had been none submitted.

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

Speaker Burmeister noted there is nothing listed under this.

B. Budget Modifications

- 1. Acceptance of funds from the U.S. Department of Treasury for Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund and approving a modification to the Operating Budget**
Acceptance of funds.

Speaker Burmeister said this has been postponed.

C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

Speaker Burmeister noted there is nothing listed under this.

IV. Acceptance of Reports

A. Report of the Tribal Ogema

- 1. Operations Report** None Submitted
- 2. Financial Report** None Submitted

Speaker Burmeister said go ahead Sara.

Sara Agosa said she would like to ask that um, when every report is introduced on the agenda that members are allowed to make a comment because her comment is about the Tribal Council Meeting Minutes. Agosa said she is looking at the website right now and several months are missing and she would like an update.

Recorder Johnson said they do have a few minutes that are ah, in edit process so they will get those hopefully ah, completed with edits and get those posted or on for approval here shortly.

Speaker Burmeister asked Sara if she had another question.

Sara Agosa said that does not justify six months of missing minutes so what is the real holdup that absolutely unacceptable and its been permitted for far too long.

V. Acceptance of Commission Reports

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| A. Binojeeuk Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
| B. Enrollment Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
| C. Gaming Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> December 2023 |

Speaker Burmeister asked will there be any Councilors abstaining from those minutes. Burmeister asked any Councilors with comments or questions. Burmeister said go ahead Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said he was just going to make the motion. to approve the Gaming Commission Report for December 2023.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE GAMING COMMISSION REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2023; by Di Piazza.

Speaker Burmeister said Councilor Crampton he has his hand up go ahead please.

Councilor Crampton said yeah, he can support that but um, he will support that but he also wanted to make a comment that he doesn't think its appropriate for the Council not to answer the people. Crampton said they are Elected Representatives of the people so he doesn't believe that silence isn't acceptable from this Body as one Council Member and he knows there is other Council Members that don't believe that is a good practice either. Crampton said um, the real reason that they had problems is the....is the Office of the Recorder. Crampton said there have been Council Members that have complained too um, this is not the only area that is behind. Crampton said he knows Councilor Wolfe has been on about it for a long time and it seems like they have the Recorder holding up it going out and getting appropriate staff to um, do the job so that would be the answer.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE GAMING COMMISSION REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2023; by Di Piazza; supported by Wever.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said go ahead Recorder Johnson.

Recorder Johnson said um, so just to ah, put a comment out there they did bring somebody on for part-time that was ah, just through December and that did not

work out who was trying to get them caught up with those minutes and that did not work out due to health issues and whatnot. Johnson said so it is not for a lack of not trying to get things caught up but things do happen and that is out of their control sometimes. Johnson said so to leave it at that for the moment um, its not for a lack of trying so.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said moving down....

Recorder Johnson said they are also so a lot of those minutes are from the last Recorder that they are still working on getting caught up. Johnson said now she is done.

Speaker Burmeister thanked Recorder Johnson. Burmeister said go ahead um, Ogema Romanelli.

Ogema Romanelli said he wanted to state that....he just wanted to state that ah, some of the minutes go back to 2021. Romanelli said long before Recorder Johnson was here. Romanelli said and some of the minutes from 2021 are very important so it would be his hopes that when they start catching up minutes that they go back to those ah, 2021 dates. Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him.

Councilor Metzger said he would like to call the question.

Speaker Burmeister said okay they have a motion on the floor by Gary supported by Shirley so Recorder Johnson can she do roll call please.

Roll Call #2

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Johnson said nine in favor they have been accepted.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her.

- D. Health Commission None Submitted
- E. Housing Commission None Submitted
- F. Natural Resource Commission November 2023
 December 2023

Speaker Burmeister said these have been removed.

VI. Acceptance of Committee Minutes and Other Entities

A. Little River Casino Resort Preference Report December 2023

Speaker Burmeister said she will read those numbers. Burmeister said the total for December is 697, Native is 25, Non-Preference is 549, Tribal Members is 75, Spouse is 19, and Descendants is 29. Burmeister said B. Biskaabiiyang Committee...oh, sorry about that she was getting ahead of herself. Burmeister said um, will there be any um, Councilors from this report. Burmeister asked any questions or comments. Burmeister said Recorder Johnson oh, excuse her.... Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said he will make a motion.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE LITTLE RIVER CASINO RESORT PREFERENCE REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2023; by Di Piazza; supported by Wever.

Speaker Burmeister said Recorder Johnson can she do a roll call for the item please.

Roll Call #3

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Johnson said nine in favor it's been accepted.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her.

- B. Biskaabiiyang Committee None Submitted**
C. Elders Committee December 2023

Speaker Burmeister asked will there be any Councilors that are going to abstain from these minutes. Burmeister asked any comments or questions from Councilors. Burmeister said she would entertain a motion please. Burmeister said Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said he will make that motion.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE ELDERS COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 2023; by Di Piazza; supported by Johnson.

Speaker Burmeister said Recorder Johnson can she do roll call for the item please.

Roll Call #4

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Johnson said nine in favor it has been accepted.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her.

VII. Old Business

Speaker Burmeister noted that there is nothing listed under this.

VIII. New Business

A. Adoption of the Biimaadziwin Cemetery Ordinance of 2024, Ordinance #24-700-10

The Biimaadziwin Cemetery Ordinance of 2024, Ordinance #27-700-10 has been posted for 30-Day Comment. Public Comments received and a final work session was held on January 3, 2024, the ordinance is ready for final adoption.

Speaker Burmeister said this is an add and Councilor Wolfe is the person who is bringing this item forward so the floor is hers.

There was discussion in the background amongst Councilors but their comments were not picked up on the ZOOM recording clearly enough to understand.

Speaker Burmeister said oh, did she say it wrong.

Recorder Johnson said she did say it wrong.

Speaker Burmeister thanked them. Burmeister said she will correct herself on what she said. Burmeister said it's the addition of the adoption of the....she has a hard time with this....Biimaadziwin Cemetery Ordinance of 2024. Burmeister said go ahead Councilor Wolfe.

Councilor Wolfe said just bringing forward this ordinance that was drafted and created by Tribal Council its Ordinance #24-700-10. Wolfe said the purpose of the ordinance is to establish Biimaadziwin Cemetery on Trust Lands govern the allotment of burial rights, a plot burial eligibility and the maintenance of the grounds within the Biimaadziwin Cemetery. Wolfe said um, this ordinance has been posted for 30 days for public comment. Wolfe said public comments were received and a final work session was held on January 3, 2024. Wolfe said just asking for adoption of this Cemetery Ordinance as proposed.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister asked will there be any Councilors abstaining from this item. Burmeister asked any Councilors with questions. Burmeister asked any citizens with questions. Burmeister asked any questions from Councilors. Burmeister said with no further questions she would like to entertain a motion.

Councilor Metzger asked questions or statements.

Speaker Burmeister said questions or statements. Burmeister asked does he have one Councilor Metzger.

Councilor Metzger said he would like to make a motion.

Speaker Burmeister said okay.

Councilor Metzger said yes, he would like to make a motion.

**MOTION ADOPTING THE BIIMAADZIWIN CEMETERY
ORDINANCE OF 2024, ORDINANCE #24-700-10, RESOLUTION
#24-0110-004; by Metzger.**

Councilor Metzger said he would like to amend the resolution number.

Councilor Wolfe said it will be updated before they send it out.

Speaker Burmeister said that was supported by Ron, Councilor Wittenberg.

**MOTION ADOPTING THE BIIMAADZIWIN CEMETERY
ORDINANCE OF 2024, ORDINANCE #24-700-10, RESOLUTION
#24-0117-004; by Metzger; supported by Wittenberg.**

Recorder Johnson said okay.

Speaker Burmeister asked any further discussions or questions...comments.
Burmeister asked Recorder Johnson if she would do roll call please.

Roll Call #5

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Johnson said nine in favor it has been accepted.

Speaker Burmeister said moving....go ahead Councilor Metzger.

Councilor Metzger said ah, yeah, before they go any further he would just like to say Chi Miigwech to Councilor Wolfe for putting this together and bringing this forward. Metzger repeated Miigwech.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him.

IX. Concluding Business

A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, February 7, 2024

B. Legislative Affairs Update

Speaker Burmeister asked will there be any Councilors who would like to give any type of update. Burmeister said Councilor Di Piazza go ahead please.

Councilor Di Piazza said just everybody be safe out there. Di Piazza said its icy, its windy um, yeah, go slow engage the four wheel drive. Di Piazza said make sure they have warm boots and socks on too because them ditch parties are happening too. Di Piazza said that's it.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said go ahead Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said yeah just to mention that their brothers to the North have....their brothers and sisters to the North in the Bay Mills Community had a ribbon cutting ceremony on their ah, new dentist and pharmacy today and um, yesterday they held a meeting on the creation of a Three Elders Group. Crampton said it went surprisingly well. Crampton said this is the first Council that he has seen it go this far and the discussion was very pleasant and he enjoyed it very much. Crampton said he thought it was very progressive so it went very well. Crampton said he would like to thank the Council and all who attended. Crampton said on another note um, there is a anthropology professor at the University of Berkley who just offered an apology today to all of her students for years she has been mascaraing as a Native American Professor and she did it so well that she was even hired at Berkley for years. Crampton said her name's um, Elizabeth Hoover and her apology is on Indian Country Today. Crampton said she is apologizing because for her false identity she used all kinds of resources meant for Native Americans. Crampton said and she is acknowledging someone out there is a Native American who missed out on a life because of her. Crampton said her students have authored even though they have known her for years....they have authored a letter condemning her. Crampton said it is a very interesting read. Crampton thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said moving....any other Councilors. Burmeister said moving down to C, Public Comment Period.

C. Public Comment Period

Speaker Burmeister said go ahead Sara.

Sara Agosa said her first question is about the audit. Agosa asked what is the status of the Enrollment Audit.

Speaker Burmeister said well she is no longer the Acting Ogemakwe um, so she doesn't have an update. Burmeister said go ahead Ogema.

Ogema Romanelli said okay he is not sure if there is any update from the Tribal Council. Romanelli said his understanding from what he has been gathering is that there had been emails going back and forth from the Contractor ah, to certain Elected Officials. Romanelli said at this time he sees no forward movement on that situation. Romanelli said he doesn't know how far they want to go into that but he sees no forward movement. Romanelli said what he understood lastly was the Contractor issued a timeframe in which they expected a response from he believed the Tribal Council. Romanelli said he believe that date was not met so. Romanelli repeated at this time he sees nothing going forward. Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister asked Sara if she had another question or Shannon.....Councilor Crampton did he have a response to that.

Councilor Crampton said yes, he did and he wants to apologize in advance because of the statement made by Mr. Romanelli were inaccurate. Crampton said he didn't know if it was intentional or he just doesn't know but the emails they have in their possession is um, confusing because yes Mrs. Burmeister in her role as the Acting Ogema was....is a member of Council but was assuming that role. Crampton said the emails are addressed to the Office of the Ogema which was Tammy Burmeister at that time. Crampton said so it was going to the Ogema and pretty much what it was in the emails that he has um, are that there was no response from the Office of the Ogema. Crampton said they had Mr. Montana trying to ask what the holdup was so there was no holdup from Council. Crampton said the Council has already handed it over to the Office of the Ogema to negotiate and ask them through their attorney to negotiate it. Crampton said so there is no holdup its at the Office of the Ogema's is where the holdup is now. Crampton said and Miss Burmeister when she was asked the questions said that she had some things with Council that Council hasn't satisfied that she wasn't happy with yet in her role as the Acting Ogema. Crampton said he quickly jumped on and asked please state those reasons right now so they can get this moving forward and that did not happen. Crampton said so it was basically stalled at the Office of the Ogema right now Council has passed it on to the Office of the Ogema, no matter who is sitting in that seat, to negotiate. Crampton said and that is where it is at now. Crampton said if there are any questions as to Mr. Montana's availability or his willingness to go forward there should be contact

from the Executive Office and substantiate exactly what is going on. Crampton thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister said she is going to comment. Burmeister said Councilor Crampton that is not at all accurate. Burmeister said um, when they had their Emergency Meeting on the 11th and she was Acting Ogemakwe she um, said there was things that haven't been worked out. Burmeister said the main thing that she spoke about was about the place to hold the audit ah, because it had to be secure and there had to be cameras as one of the requests and wasn't comfortable with moving forward with that until those were totally identified because that's a lot of money for that audit and she did not want to commit the Tribe to that funding for that plus they didn't identify for sure where that funding was coming from so it was just a matter of fact she had to be comfortable at the time to be able to move forward. Burmeister thanked them. Burmeister asked Ogema Romanelli if he had a response to that.

Ogema Romanelli said yes he does. Romanelli said there were several problems with this contract as was in part noted by ah, the Montana Group and.....

Councilor Wittenberg left the Meeting Room.

Ogema Romanelli continued....one of the things before he left on vacation was that he requested the 2004 Audit that has been brought up numerous times..... numerous times as having major defects within it. Romanelli said if they are to do a new audit ah, he believed they need to look back at that 2004 Audit that Councilor Crampton himself brings up on a repeated basis going back to 2004. Romanelli said that's 20 years ago.

Councilor Wittenberg re-entered the Meeting Room.

Ogema Romanelli continued if there are defects and he stated that all Councilors had a copy of this 2004 Audit he requested it numerous times from the Enrollment and from the Council. Romanelli said he has not received anything about the 2004 Audit. Romanelli said additionally the request for space that was needed by Montana and some of the other things that Speaker Burmeister mentions was not negotiated by the Ogema. Romanelli said there were what he believed there was a lot of talk going on between the Tribal Council and ah, Montana without the Ogema's involvement and per the Constitution it states very clearly and court records have shown it's the Ogema who negotiates contracts so for those reasons he is not moving forward. Romanelli said he understands that Montana did issue some drop dead dates basically so its not going anywhere. Romanelli said the other issue and he will bring it up in one of the communications ah, Montana mentioned that when there is a delay in ah, getting a contract approved that indicates some sort of um, a problem and he takes offense to that. Romanelli said this is a firm that is trying to do their audit that they would trust much so with Enrollment Records and for them to make a statement like that says that he....they

have to clarify something to him because this place....that is going nowhere. Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said next in queue go ahead Roy. Burmeister said he is next in queue.

Sara Agosa said excuse her. Agosa said she still had comments. Agosa asked can she be placed back in the queue.

Speaker Burmeister said yes, Sara she did write her down in the queue. *Burmeister whispered, "oh, I'm sorry five minutes."* Burmeister said okay, go ahead Roy.

Roy Vanas said so he was noticing that ah, Councilor Crampton first said that an email went to the Ogema and then he said he contacted Montana. Vanas said um, he was just wondering.....

Councilor Crampton interrupted. Crampton said that's a lie Speaker.....that's a lie.

Roy Vanas said all he has to do is listen to his voice....

Speaker Burmeister said Councilor Crampton please let Mr. Vanas finish.....

Roy Vanas continued....on the recording this....

Councilor Crampton interrupted. Crampton said __ it is still a lie.

Speaker Burmeister said quit interrupting him please.

Roy Vanas asked is he going to continue to interrupt him or can somebody mute him while he is speaking.

Speaker Burmeister asked Recorder Johnson if she could mute him please. Burmeister said Councilor Crampton please do not interrupt again. Burmeister said go ahead Roy.

Roy Vanas said all they have to do is listen back on the recording once it is released to show that Mr. or Councilor Crampton is lying. Vanas said first he said the Ogema went....the emails went to the Acting Ogema and then he said he spoke to or that he contacted the Montana. Vanas said he doesn't know who that is but it sounds like it someone that has to do with the audit. Vanas said he doesn't know why he would ah, he would like to know what his involvement is with the audit would be.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said the next person in the queue is Councilor Crampton go ahead please.

Councilor Crampton said okay, first of all a couple of corrections. Crampton said if they go back and look at the tape, no, he never said all Council Members have looked at the audit. Crampton said um, the 2004 Internal Audit has nothing to do with an outside agency so there would be no relevancy just an Internal Audit that was never brought to an outside agency. Crampton said now for short term memory loss right before he.....what he stated was that email went to the Ogema's Office and it came back to Office Tammy Burmeister and it was questions asking what her holdup was. Crampton said he said he quickly jumped on which were his exact words, because he doesn't have short term memory loss. Crampton said now that can be looked at very easily after this meeting, in fact, they can look at it in Closed so Mr. Vanas is absolutely wrong about something that was said five minutes before so he considers that members when they look at that. Crampton asked how is that met....how is that accurate interpretation of anything if they can't remember what was said five minutes before. Crampton said now what do they need to have this audit go forward. Crampton said he hears all these stalls let's get it done. Crampton said if there is questions...these questions were not and he will release the emails to the members they were not answered by Mrs. Burmeister in a timely manner. Crampton said and Mr. Montana.....the email the reason that all Council saw the emails it was addressed to all Council. Crampton said the chain....the chain had everybody on it and who has....who keeps forgetting to shut off their microphone is that Mr. Vanas. Crampton said it has been reminded a couple of times, yeah, okay. Crampton thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said go ahead Karol Ann.

Karol Chabot said well she attended all the work sessions regarding the audit and she believed that it was....there was a decision made that was where to hold the audit so that's not a problem and according to Mr. Montana he kept asking for ah, he said that there was nothing more that he needs that the Council or the Ogema needs to ah, go ahead with this audit and he is more than willing to do it. Chabot said he is just flabbergasted that he is being stonewalled and not get this audit done because he said that Larry Romanelli was very much in the first attempt to do the audit was very much in favor of the audit going through. Chabot said now all of a sudden he is not willing to sign this contract. Chabot said so she thinks Larry needs to ah....and as far as negotiating the contract he was MIA so ah, Acting Ogema ah, Burmeister was doing her best to get this done so. Chabot said she understands that she was a little leery on signing something but Mr. Romanelli was not left out of the process he was MIA so he needs to sign this contract or call and speak to Mr. Montana and find out exactly what is going on. Chabot said he's not....he's not willing to do that because he is terrified of the audit and they all know that and so as a Tribal member she would like to see him do the right thing and get this process started. Chabot thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said she just kind of has a comment to Karol Ann or a question. Burmeister said um, the emails that went back and forth did not go to Tribal Citizens they just went in between um, the Legislative and Executive and the Executive's Attorney and Montana. Burmeister said so she is not sure how she were privy to all the information so that is the question that she has for her. Burmeister thanked her.

Karol Chabot said because she had spoke to Mr. Montana asking him if there was an email sent to him about the audit because there was a question that nothing got sent to him. Chabot said so she did talk to him he is a very nice man.....

Councilor Di Piazza left his seat in the Meeting room.

Karol Chabot continued....and he was very....then he would keep calling her to get updates which she couldn't give him because there was no updates to give him. Chabot said so he is more than willing to do the audit he is just waiting for somebody to sign the contract. Chabot said she thinks she as a citizen has a right to call and ask questions and so that is what she did.....

Councilor Di Piazza returned to his seat and said in the background on the ZOOM recording, "Wow."

Karol Chabot continued....so Mr. Montana is not happy. Chabot said she understands that he is billing the Tribe for his hours that he has spent on this project already. Chabot thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her for answering her question. Burmeister asked Ogema Romanelli if he had a response.

Ogema Romanelli said yes he does. Romanelli said several things first ah, the statement that he is terrified of an audit is absolutely incorrect. Romanelli said she states that Mr. Montana and he....he guessed she says he is a nice person he can assume that he is a nice person. Romanelli said but he would like something in writing from Mr. Montana ah, to back up the statement that she made that he was all for it and ah, all aboard in the beginning per her statement of Mr. Montana.

Councilor Metzger left the Meeting Room.

Ogema Romanelli continued. Romanelli said she brings forth another issue with this whole Enrollment Audit. Romanelli said to his knowledge its not good practice for individual Tribal members to be contacting their Contractors whether their attorneys, whether their Enrollment Audit, or whether they are Specialist. Romanelli said that is not a good practice his understanding is that somebody on the Council suggested that Tribal members call the Audit Firm.....

Councilor Metzger re-entered the Meeting Room.

Ogema Romanelli continued...its not a good idea. Romanelli said and therefore raises another red flag in this whole process. Romanelli said now if he heard her correctly she said that Mr. Montana is calling her.....has called her numerous times to find out what is going on. Romanelli said again that is inappropriate of a Contractor that's why members have Elected Officials sitting here and the whole process has been a concern to him, again, if they go back to the process for doing a....negotiating a contract that falls in the lap of the Ogema.....

Councilor Di Piazza left the Meeting Room.

Ogema Romanelli continued...from the beginning. Romanelli said there were numbers thrown out there, there were other inclusions in the contract etc. then he was asked to sign it. Romanelli said he would not do that and the more they talk about this the less he is inclined to sign anything with this firm. Romanelli said now if Mr. Montana would like to call him and they start over again they may have a chance but he has a lot of questions. Romanelli said he has even more now when they know that individual people have been calling him.

Councilor Di Piazza re-entered the Meeting Room.

Ogema Romanelli continued. Romanelli said that does this Tribe no good whatsoever. Romanelli said he did not veto and he stated he would not veto this enrollment. Romanelli asked does he think it is something they should do, absolutely not. Romanelli said it would not solve all the concerns that are out there. Romanelli said but that doesn't mean he is going to lay down and play dead when it comes to negotiating a contract. Romanelli said he will not do that. Romanelli said and what Karol Ann just said raises more red flags and he will leave it at that. Romanelli thanked them very much.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said Sara she is next in queue go ahead please.

Sara Agosa said she has so much to say in response. Agosa said she is just taken back by the amount of game playing about this audit. Agosa said they need to go back to the beginning the audit was passed by law two years ago. Agosa said it was brought forward because Representatives were listening to their Constituents. Agosa said it passed because the Representative um, decided it was important because of what they were hearing from their Constituents. Agosa said that was a member driven resolution. Agosa said historically there has been controversy with their Enrollment. Agosa said she has attended a lot of meetings and that is a fact. Agosa said there are indications that they have issues with their rolls. Agosa said that is a fact. Agosa said now in terms of negotiating the contract Mr. Romanelli she attended Purchasing Work Sessions and her impression and indications were made that Mr. Romanelli often does not negotiate contracts um, that falls back

more on Purchasing or the department so why is Mr. Romanelli suddenly trying to take control of this contract in particular and making more hardship than what is necessary. Agosa said she would also like to remind Tribal Council and the Ogema that they do their research, they are allowed to fact check, they are allowed to submit records request. Agosa said she has submitted records request and their not fulfilled, their not responded to that is her right as a Tribal member they are allowed to communicate with external organizations. Agosa said that is Freedom of Speech and that is also called fact checking so no they are not going to try to paint their Outlying Members as if they have done something wrong. Agosa said this resolution was passed two years ago. Agosa said in the January 11th Tribal Council Meeting Tammy Burmeister as Acting Ogema said that their were a few logistics to work out securing an area and surveillance. Agosa asked why is this such a big issue. Agosa said there are two parts one they have a casino and government, they have security, and they have surveillance. Agosa said they are not reinventing the wheel. Agosa said two they completed the 2004 Audit so how was that done. Agosa said and this leads her to a question and she would like to direct it to Tammy Carter. Agosa said she would like to say that she is asking these questions because she was listening to prior Tribal Council Meeting Recordings. Agosa asked was she formerly named Tammy Carter and was she involved with the 2004 Audit.

Ogema Romanelli can be heard saying, "no," in the background on the ZOOM recording.

Speaker Burmeister said Councilor Di Piazza she did not recognize him. Burmeister said um, she will respond to that. Burmeister said um, in the meeting yesterday Sara she said she was forming a legal team um, against them so she is not going to respond or answer any of her questions. Burmeister thanked her.

Sara Agosa said okay.

Speaker Burmeister said Ogema Romanelli...Sara she has a minute. Burmeister repeated Sara she has a minute.

Sara Agosa said Speaker Burmeister she is putting words in her mouth. Agosa said she can't make and jump to that large assumption and now clamp her down in a Tribal Council Meeting. Agosa said absolutely not. Agosa said as an Elected Official her background and other Elected Officials background is public information. Agosa said so she would like to verify did she used to go by the name of Tammy Carter and was she involved with the 2004 Audit.

Speaker Burmeister said Sara she was not and that is all she is going to say to her um, she has already...she has already threatened her about forming a legal team so she is not ans...she is not answering any further questions that she has for her. Burmeister thanked her.

Sara Agosa said she has never threatened her Speaker Burmeister.

Speaker Burmeister said she is not going to go back and forth.

Sara Agosa said okay, so in closing what she is going to say is that the real Indians of this Tribe are not going to be taken advantage of. Agosa said this issue has been largely concealed from Outlying members. Agosa said this audit is going to be done. Agosa said and the lying and the dishonesty....

Speaker Burmeister said her time is up Sara.

Sara Agosa continued.....has to stop.

Speaker Burmeister said Sara her time is up. Burmeister said Ogema Romanelli he has a response to her, what she has said.

Councilor Crampton interrupted. Crampton said Speaker she hasn't let anybody else respond she makes them wait in the queue.

Ogema Romanelli said he thought he was in the queue.

Speaker Burmeister said he is go ahead.

Ogema Romanelli said he is being interrupted by....

Councilor Crampton said Lee Ivinson was in the queue next.

Speaker Burmeister said ___ Councilor Crampton. Burmeister said go ahead Ogema Romanelli. *Her beginning comment could not be heard due to the overtalking.*

Ogema Romanelli said first off they....he is offended that they keep allowing the interruptions by Councilor Crampton. Romanelli said he had the queue, and he would like to speak. Romanelli thanked them. Romanelli said first off he takes offense to when they say the real Indians of this Tribe. Romanelli laughingly said they are all members. Romanelli said and the 2004 Audit which Councilor Crampton says he had and seen he has asked him to share that with him. Romanelli said it would be not objection for him sharing that with him. Romanelli said the 2004 Audit predates him becoming Ogema. Romanelli said he became Ogema in 2007 that allowed three years for someone to do something and he believes Shannon....Councilor Crampton was here before he was why didn't he take it up then. Romanelli said the other issue is that they have a mistake of fact process with the Enrollment Audit or with the Enrollment Records. Romanelli said that's the proper way to go about this. Romanelli said this only continues to divide this Tribe regularly. Romanelli said now he doesn't know what they think the process is he is telling them what he follows and has been determined by the

courts. Romanelli said and that is what will happen in this case. Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said Councilor Di Piazza he is next in the queue.

Councilor Di Piazza said yeah that's....he appreciates somebody stepping up and say they actually called Hannah Montana and um, yeah that is really sad that he is even calling her back when the contract hasn't even been negotiated. Di Piazza said that's okay but technically they tainted this really dirty brush already plus in when they asked for a destinated and it's in the contract and they can't fulfill that space. Di Piazza asked do they know what happens. Di Piazza said they still have to have that....live up to that obligation if they can't then they are going to end up just in court and hanging people. Di Piazza said they know and people calling companies and raising hablock is okay but they know he had a lot of exciting things happen this summer which he didn't tell any of.....a lot of his colleagues or a lot of the citizens because the first they would have done is picked up the phone and thrown a wrench in what was happening. Di Piazza said there is some exciting things coming this summer so they can like it or they may not like him he doesn't care but its really sad that their actually calling her back when there is no contract in play and asking her what's going on as a citizen but so be it. Di Piazza said no he's good. Di Piazza said he is glad that at least someone stood up and took the responsibility the other one didn't say that the other week so. Di Piazza asked how many others have called and corrupted this whole thing. Di Piazza said he is good. Di Piazza thanked them. Di Piazza said Miigwech.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said next in queue is Lee. Burmeister go ahead Lee.

Lee Ivinson thanked her. Ivinson said Lee Ivinson #99. Ivinson said wow a lot has been uncovered here. Ivinson said a lot for the citizens to be very concerned about. Ivinson said um, she has heard, they know, things down the grapevine about individuals contacting ah, this Enrollment Audit firm and it has dawned on her that obviously due diligence has not been done in this whole contract process for an NDA. Ivinson said that is a Non-Disclosure Agreement and she does have great concerns when they have citizens whose family files will be audited by this firm are communicating with said firm about the contract. Ivinson said she has great concerns with that. Ivinson said she is not afraid of this audit. Ivinson said she is very tired of the...the conquer and divide that this whole initiative has created.

Councilor Di Piazza left his seat to get more coffee in the Meeting Room.

Lee Ivinson continued. Ivinson said she is same as the Ogema in that she is disgusted with individuals referencing the "real Indians." Ivinson said they should be ashamed of themselves for even stating that truly. Ivinson said they are

all citizens of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and they all fought hard for who they are today. Ivinson said so this resolution that was brought forward two years ago to end the constant disdain amongst the membership. Ivinson said that is exact language from that resolution. Ivinson said that resolution had timelines on it those timelines are dead because there are things that did not occur. Ivinson said so she does have a question about that. Ivinson asked how can this move forward when the deadlines have...have gone past and things did not happen. Ivinson said the negotiation of this contract and all negotiations are constitutional authority of the Ogema. Ivinson said so yes Purchasing does assist. Ivinson said Purchasing puts out the RFP to companies to send their requests for quotes and from there the Ogema's Office with the help of his legal counsel with the assistance of the Purchasing Department negotiates contracts. Ivinson said let's not mistake that, okay. Ivinson said the other thing that she wants to bring up is statements by Councilor Crampton and of this situation and sharing emails with the membership. Ivinson said if they don't believe her she'll send the emails out to the membership. Ivinson said let's cut to the chase and instead of, they know, stating that they are going to send emails out to certain citizens let's start posting those on the website so that all of the membership has a chance to see what is going on because the second hand information is not doing any of them any good Outlying or Nine County. Ivinson said they all matter. Ivinson said they all matter when it comes to the stake of this membership moving forward.

Councilor Di Piazza re-entered the Meeting Room and returned to his seat.

Lee Ivinson continued. Ivinson asked so is she in agreement with the audit, not necessarily because of the expense. Ivinson said the expense is going to be tremendous considering they have a law in place for the due diligence of the individual that has a claim to provide a mistake in fact. Ivinson said submit the mistake in fact let that due process work. Ivinson said this reference to the 2004 Audit, she is sorry, but any Tribal Council Members should not have access to the audits. Ivinson said they should have access to the Audit Report that the agency brings forward....

Councilor Wittenberg left the Meeting Room.

Lee Ivinson continued....to identify findings and whatnot but to have the entire audit em, she doesn't think that's right. Ivinson said so this current Montana Groups Contract in her eyes....

Speaker Burmeister said excuse her Miss Ivinson just a warning she has about 44 seconds.

Lee Ivinson said okay, she will clear this up really quick. Ivinson said this Montana Contract it is tainted. Ivinson said it is tainted and there's been huge Conflict of Interest that have occurred here. Ivinson said she is not confident that they will have a clean audit from this and the constant disdain amongst the

membership will continue. Ivinson said and she will be one of those who bring it forward and that its not fair that there is a Conflict of Interest and it's been tainted because their Tribal citizens have had direct contact with this firm. Ivinson thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said next in queue is Councilor Crampton go ahead please.

Councilor Crampton thanked the Speaker. Crampton said well there is so much misinformation he just has to clarify really quick. Crampton said for the membership if they look at the Supreme Court they will see that all legislation even if it doesn't include it in the body is considered to have a Severability Clause. Crampton said that means if anything in that ordinance or that piece of legislation is deemed to be out of step with the rest of it. Crampton said the Supreme Court has issued that they should use a scalpel not a bulldozer meaning that that one piece comes out and the rest of it survives. Crampton said so he is assuming that they are talking about the 60-Day Clause which would be extracted during severability. Crampton said so that's a non-issue. Crampton said he thinks the reason the membership are contacting people and Mr. Montana is reaching out is because they have had two years of this.

Councilor Wittenberg re-entered the Meeting Room.

Councilor Crampton continued. Crampton said two years of these excuses, two years of these games, and let's just go back at one of the games right now. Crampton said um, the day he found the audit he asked um, Fran Pitts, Patsy Morris, and Karol Ann Chabot to come with him so he can turn the papers over to Mr. Romanelli. *Crampton laughing at this point.* Crampton said that was three days after he found them. Crampton said so again his...his insinuation that he didn't turn them over or didn't do anything about it is absolutely incorrect because he was promptly sued shortly after and anybody can look it up in 2007. Crampton said 2007-2008 court opinions so his um, his insinuation is absolutely incorrect. Crampton said he...he talked about the day he found it so why didn't somebody do something about it he tried. Crampton said and see members aren't stupid let's get the issues out of the way what do they need to get it forward now. Crampton said what Council need to move it forward. Crampton said he hears all these incorrect statements it is very safe to say that they are scared of an audit but they are not going to do it. Crampton said this is something that happens every day in Indian Country, again, another oddity at Little River now do they do.... will they do bad business and dip into their savings to pay for their Budget but they make excuses while they can't do something that any other Tribe can easily do at any time. Crampton said the cr....the statements coming out of here are so incorrect its unfunny. Crampton said the thi....the misstatement about Mr....Mr. Romanelli made about why didn't somebody do something about it that was just a minor one. Crampton said all the games that are being played here is anybody ashamed he means his kids are watching this going, "*Oh my God.*" Crampton

said they would be very easy the disdain that was supposed to solve exist because it didn't happen. Crampton said a small child can figure that out. Crampton said if they want it to end let's do the audit, let's cut the games and he doesn't want to hear blah, blah, blah, blah of "*I'm gonna, I'm gonna, I'm gonna, I shoulda, woulda, coulda,*" let's get it done. Crampton said man up. Crampton thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said um, there is quite a few people in the queue and she put him in the queue, Ogema.

Ogema Romanelli said okay, he wanted to respond to some of his statements but he will wait for the queue. Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said next in the queue is Matt Chandler go ahead please.

Matt Chandler said ah, Matthew Chandler, Citizen 1687. Chandler said um, his voice may cut in and out um, because he has been sick here lately. Chandler said um, as far as he knows there is not a contract that has been signed and so as far the Montana Group contacting or people contacting them um, there is not a contract. Chandler said now business practices would prohibit Montana from probably contacting potential citizens of the Tribe that they are going to be contracted with and that is something that during the contract negotiations that one party can ask the other have they had any communications with citizens. Chandler said the right now there is not a contract so anybody can contract Montana and Montana can contact anybody until an NDA or contract is signed. Chandler said um, he is too is displeased with the "*real Indians*" thing because a lot of folks tend to think that once they get that Tribal I.D. that's what made them Indian and he can tell them after looking at documents going all the back to the early 1800's, 1810, 1820 none of those folks has a Tribal I.D. number yet they were still Indians. Chandler said and so he would think that as citizens they need to remember that their ancestors even as early as the Northern Michigan Ottawa Association those were real Indians and he is sure that whoever said that did not mean disrespect but he would want them all to think about that every time they say something like that is a disservice that they are saying to their Elders. Chandler thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said next in queue is Karol Ann go ahead please.

Karol Chabot thanked Tammy. Chabot said she wants to say that she contacted Montana and Associates because she believed that they were not getting the correct information from them as to at the time them being Acting Ogema that she...that she actually sent an email to him so that was her only question she asked him and he said yes...no he hadn't received one as of yet. Chabot said so then he called her back and said he did get the email so she was happy with that.

Chabot said nothing, they know, was more said. Chabot said and the other thing is as far as mistaken fact she did submit at the same time that ah, they went with um, Councilor Crampton and Patsy Morris and Fran Pitts to the Ogema's Office to hand him ah, for Shannon to give his information. Chabot said she submitted a mistake in fact Larry Romanelli told her she was not a family member of this mistake in fact so she did not have a right to submit the mistake in fact which she found out was wrong at that time. Chabot said then her and her cousin Jolene were sued by this family and the family was the Henry Robinson. Chabot said one of the persons that sued her she believed she can't remember off the top of her head was Miss Ivinson so that was a whole mess and she was being sued and the last thing she knew that happened in the mistake of fact it went over to Peacekeeping. Chabot said never heard another thing she doesn't believe it was ever acted upon and so as far as she is concerned sending the mistake of fact does not get handled and she was completely ignored and sued over this. Chabot said so that is the reason she contacted Montana and Associates and he gave her this information that he understood when he was in negotiating the contract before that Mr. Romanelli was more than willing to do this audit now all of a sudden he's got all these excuses and whatever. Chabot said so she believed this all can be ironed out if Mr. Romanelli will contact Montana and Associates and have them, they know, communicate back and forth. Chabot said and she doesn't appreciate being chastised by Gary as to this being painted by a dirty brush. Chabot said she did this on her own she didn't believe she doing anything wrong or she was trying to....she was just trying to get some clarity on what exactly was going on because they are not as an Outlying Member and a Tribal member she did not believe at the time she was getting the straight story or the correct information so she was just trying to clarify this and she'd do it again and she doesn't believe she....she....there wasn't a contract so she doesn't think she influenced anybody by anything. Chabot said and ah, she guessed that is all she has to say but putting forward a mistake in fact nothing gets done with that so Mr. Romanelli is all wet on that so and that....so that is all she has to say and that is the reason she called Montana to get some transparency and so. Chabot said and he was frustrated because he was not getting any response from this phone calls or emails from ah, Councilor Burmeister at the time and he wan....he has a schedule to make he has other audits he has to get done and he has to get his team in place and everything so he was under the gun to get this done. Chabot said so he was trying to get all the information that was needed to ah, Speaker Burmeister and the Council so this contract could be....could go forward. Chabot said so and as far as the "real Indians" ah, comment she doesn't believe there is anything wrong with that and the other thing is when Mr. Romanelli was first elected Ogema she was travelling back and forth three hours one way and three hours back every Wednesday the Council Meeting and she challenged him....

Speaker Burmeister said excuse her Karol Ann her five minutes is up.

Karol Chabot said well all right.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said next in...

Karol Chabot interrupted. Chabot said put her back in the queue. Chabot thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister said next in queue is Councilor Wittenberg go ahead please.

Councilor Wittenberg said yeah, Miigwech. Wittenberg said sitting here and listening to everything personally himself he is for the audit and he for one his understanding from the people sitting here that ah, they were all for the audit. Wittenberg said and somehow they turned around and ah, making it impossible ah, putting up road blocks here and road blocks there. Wittenberg said so that with himself tells him quite a bit. Wittenberg said it also says when they turnaround the reason ah, for this audit to see as they heard many, many, many times of...he heard the phrase member. Wittenberg said well they can be a member but through the audit ah, to find out they are Native or not. Wittenberg said and he heard a lot of things along those lines on there. Wittenberg said and so that is his concern and talking about himself talking about contracts ah, on and on and on and he can both sides but he believes the casino was a contract. Wittenberg said for her to turnaround and sign let's members here they are going to even write out half a dozen pieces of paper and they just sign it and send it in. Wittenberg said then call their Representative and go those are the members which is the same thing as the members wanting this. Wittenberg said so personally himself he can see both sides of calling and not calling and he did hear ah, well that is the same thing as to him himself ah, in the line of contracts. Wittenberg said and they turnaround and talk about people butting in and pointing finger at one person and he even heard here they can go back through the tape and turnaround and another person spoke up and ah, they turned around and got on that person so it is not just one person though some like to point fingers at one person of course they don't realize they got four coming back at them. Wittenberg said Miigwech, Ahaw.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said go ahead Sara she is next in the queue.

Sara Agosa thanked her. Agosa said she does want to make a comment since her comment about "*real Indians*" was confronted. Agosa said and she doesn't think there is any offense to that at all. Agosa said in fact she thinks if their ancestors saw what was taking place which she mentioned yesterday they would be rolling in their graves. Agosa said ah, so much was sacrificed for them to get reaffirmed and some of them are old enough they remember when they weren't reaffirmed when they didn't have Tribal membership they were still Indian. Agosa said they always knew since birth they were. Agosa said and there is an article online called "*Long Awaited Land Settlement in Sight for Michigan Tribes*" in 1997 in this article it states Little River has a membership roll of 1,141 members. Agosa said and now they have reached almost 4,000 so those numbers don't add up and she is a very faxed.....fact based person so her conclusions are based on facts and what

she has gleaned from meetings. Agosa said but she is absolutely shattered and heartbroken and when she talks to other Outlying members bonafidal Indians.... Ottawa Indians who have a right to be eligible for membership in this Tribe their angry. Agosa said their shocked its an injustice and its not going to be permitted they are not going to be used for their resources. Agosa said they are not going to be used for culture or their identity they are just not going to do it. Agosa said so in closing she would also like to say that when it comes to her Tribal I.D. number and being distinguished between a real Ottawa Indian or a Tribal member that is specifically why she states her name with her Tribal I.D. because she is not just her Tribal I.D. Agosa said she is a name, a person with a background, with a cultural identity and when she states her name that is showing some respect. Agosa said so what she is asking she is asking that Oga....Ogema Romanelli fulfill his obligations to the membership he's mandated to negotiate this contract its not optional its actually passed in law and that they move forward very quickly. Agosa thanked them. Agosa said that is her comment.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said next in queue is Larry Olson he put his hand down does he still have a comment.

Larry Olson said yes he does.

Speaker Burmeister said okay, go ahead Mr. Olson.

Larry Olson said they know what Little River Band does not have any Anishinaabe in this Tribe. Olson said to be Anishinaabe they speak the language Anishinaabemowin. Olson said they know the culture, they know the customs, they know the spiritual way.

Councilor Metzger left the Meeting Room.

Larry Olson continued. Olson said there is not...he hasn't met one person in 28 years that meets these requirements being Anishinaabe. Olson said just because they got some blood doesn't make them Anishinaabe. Olson said this Tribe is 100% he sees 99% white European Christians that have no business in Indian Country. Olson said its like everybody in this Tribe is just here for money. Olson said they know what the Gun Lake Tribe takes care of their people. Olson said they take care of their people and they are going to get \$95,000 worth of products fromhygiene products and clothing and sent it over to Wapou Islands where the Natives over there the less privileged were able to have some comfort in life. Olson said the Little River Band don't take care of its own people. Olson said they don't give a damn about its people. Olson said they claim that they get all....their big claim is their the biggest employer of ah, of Manistee. Olson said yeah, biggest employer of white European Christians. Olson said they take care of their own because them guys are all white European Christians. Olson said this Council and the Ogema needs to go especially the Ogema Romanelli and Ivinson. Olson said those are the two most non-anishinaabes there is in the Tribe. Olson

said they got to start taking care of their people. Olson said they know what they need a change around and they need to get everybody out of there. Olson said they need to start over fresh. Olson said if they are going to call themselves Anishinaabe be Anishinaabe. Olson said don't be masquerading under their white Christians....their white Christian belief. Olson said he doesn't know if they understand it but if they read history and they read Anishinaabe history starting in 1620 they will see that white European Christians are sworn enemies to the Anishinaabe for the last 404 years. Olson said that is 404 years of white Europeans and they continue to be sworn enemies of the Anishinaabe. Olson said this....this Tribe is disgrace, a disgrace to Indian Country, disgrace to anyone that considers themselves indigenous. Olson said end of his statements.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said they have five others that are in the queue. Burmeister said next in queue is Ogema Romanelli.

Councilor Metzger re-entered the Meeting Room.

Ogema Romanelli once again thanked her for the ability to speak. Romanelli said he very well remember the day that ah, Councilor Crampton brought in four or five people and claimed that there were people that should not be in this Tribe. Romanelli said they brought him paperwork on certain families it wasn't....he hopes it wasn't from the Enrollment Department itself because that would be a concern. Romanelli said they suggested that these people should not be in this Tribe. Romanelli said again, he was newly elected and they suggested that he also call Doctor James Mc Clurken whose has done ethanol history on their Tribe and Tribal members. Romanelli said he did so and in short Doctor Mc Clurken said he wished that some of these people would not be ah, bringing this forward because it was not in his best interests for them to remove a Tribal members from this Tribe. Romanelli said he has the emails, he has the documents from that time because it was a very stressful and serious situation. Romanelli said he has it from Karol Ann and others that came into the room and Councilor Crampton. Romanelli said he saves it in a file because it has been going on in his term for 16-17 years. Romanelli said it was going on and it predates him as he said. Romanelli said the....the way that his has gone about is like other things that continue to plague their Tribe. Romanelli said they're in court multiple ways. Romanelli said he wished the people would read the court filings would be very helpful. Romanelli said and without bragging the courts said cases that he has taken almost exclusively he has won, why, because he's right. Romanelli said and if that sounds like bragging his apologies but read the court filings. Romanelli said those filings and those court decisions come directly from their Tribal Constitution and the reading of the Constitution. Romanelli said and if they keep dividing this Tribe it will fail. Romanelli said he believed it has already been harmed he thinks there are things they could have been doing instead of going back and forth and dividing this Tribe and the Manistee 500 and the Outlying he thinks they could all be working together. Romanelli said he thinks they could be providing the Seven Generation thinking to their children. Romanelli said they

know what he thinks they are not going there he thinks something real serious has to happen here. Romanelli said he took a month off it wasn't a vacation folks it was to rethink the whole process and what's going on here and there are statements made that ah, he thinks it was Councilor Wittenberg, said talking about road blocks. Romanelli said those are not road blocks not coming from the Ogema those are protecting this Tribe and he will not...will not continue to be badgered over this information. Romanelli said look they have a job to do he has not said he would not support the Enrollment Audit. Romanelli asked does he think its wrong. Romanelli answered he does but let's go about it the proper way. Romanelli said and if the Council wants to choose there is a process of getting three bids. Romanelli said okay, start back over again. Romanelli said get the three bids in place, get the proper thing going and he will come in when he needs to and he will negotiate the contract. Romanelli said if he feels it is correct and right for this Tribe but they can't keep doing this folks. Romanelli said they can't keep doing this and he doesn't know what to tell them. Romanelli said they know he...he is at a loss for words why they keep allowing people to interrupt continually and make negative statements that was made in a recent meeting. Romanelli said that just boggles his mind why...why don't they hear from nine Council Members when somebody makes statements that it just boggles his mind. Romanelli said he is not up to putting up with it to be quite honest. Romanelli said and he will fight back whatever it takes he is going to do his job in the best that he knows how to do. Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said next in queue is Councilor Crampton go ahead please.

Councilor Crampton thanked Speaker Burmeister. Crampton said well all the membership has to do is look back at the previous statement before Mr. Romanelli got here he said that he didn't know why somebody didn't take care of it that day or when they found it. Crampton said then he stood right up here and said he remembers that day perfectly. *Crampton laughing here.* Crampton said so the double talk isn't double talk its real. Crampton said its real they have a perfect example within this first meeting within those two statements of Mr. Romanelli. Crampton said why didn't somebody do something "*Oh, I remember that day perfectly.*" *Crampton laughing here again.* Crampton said that right there "*My gosh.*" Crampton said and when they did turn those papers over something else is being left out the Enrollment computer got stolen. Crampton said miraculously. Crampton said right at the same time "*Holy Cow.*" Crampton said no....no.... nothing suspicious about that. Crampton said no not at all. Crampton said and he wants to thank Mr. Chandler for his statements of...he means that's actual business. Crampton said he just shocked him....he just shocked him. Crampton said that he would know professional standards if there's no contract or NDA in ...in place there's no rules broken. Crampton said they had Council members and the Ogema just stand up there and try to convince them there was. Crampton said they didn't know take....look back at the tape all the ones that tried to convince them "*Oh, my gosh you called people. Oh wow.*" Crampton said they had no idea

what their talking about Mr. Chandler just exposed that. Crampton said so *“thank you Mr. Chandler.”* Crampton said and he would also like to thank Mr. Chandler for bringing up the Northern Michigan Ottawa Association where the blood quantum levels set by those ancestors that he so...um, graciously talked about. Crampton said now if there is no problem with this let's quit the blah, blah, blah and get it done everybody else does it all the time. Crampton said so all these facts....go back and watch this tape. Crampton said they are going to see there is a lot of lip service and a lot of lies that are exposed. Crampton said they just had the Ogema get up there and start off about how he not going to do this because of the contract and he tried to split everything at the end and *“I'm going to protect people from....my gosh.”* Crampton said if they can't see that he is stunned that people buy this stuff. Crampton said man up and let's get this done whatever they need to do he will bring it forward. Crampton asked what do they need to do. Crampton said they have the Council passed it, they send it over to the Ogema, they had an RFP everything has been done just like he cited. Crampton said they had the emails from their attorney asking him to negotiate. Crampton said they also have emails from the Ogema um, previously showing them he's....at.... giving his duties....delegated that duty to negotiate to his attorney. Crampton said they have Purchasing an order from the computer telling them that they do it all the time. Crampton said its delegated all the time so there really is no problem just a bunch of excuses. Crampton said let's just get it done. Crampton thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said next in queue is Councilor Di Piazza go ahead please.

Councilor Di Piazza said yeah, he is not going to go back and forth anymore because this is very unproductive. Di Piazza said all he is going to say is calling them just tainted the whole situation because this is a special deal and not just a contract. Di Piazza said so its dealing with everybody's livelihood of being Anishinaabe because that's what they want to throw out there as for Election Season ploys. Di Piazza said so that being said yeah, its not worth going back and forth but other than that.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said next in queue is um, Lee Ivinson go ahead please.

Lee Ivinson thanked the Speaker. Ivinson said again she doesn't have a problem with the audit.

Councilor Di Piazza left the Meeting Room.

Lee Ivinson continued. Ivinson said what she does have a problem with is information being shared with the Auditor. Ivinson said a statement was made ah, referencing Ivinson being part of a lawsuit she doesn't think she was named in that lawsuit but she did assist with some fundraisers for the legal counsel for the family that is being....that was being put through all of that which now has

definitely cleared the fog for her in that it's that that has brought forward this audit. Ivinson said and it's that what really shows true Conflict of Interest with Council members being in cahoots with citizens from that 2007 situation, lawsuit that mind them ended in the courts stating send them to Peacekeeping and the family wanting an apology. Ivinson said and the apology was laughed at, the family was laughed at, and also mind them she believed that family had asked to share a meal and because this individual ah, had a love of music the recommendation was let's us hear some of their music. Ivinson said let's sit and break bread but no, that family was laughed at and now it totally comes clear that the whole audit comes from that whole situation.

Councilor Di Piazza re-entered the Meeting Room.

Lee Ivinson continued. Ivinson said so she is asking the Ogema and Tribal Council to consider doing a whole new RFP for a whole new company, sign an NDA initially with anybody they are going to potentially contract with and let's make this clean...clean because this has everything dirty about it. Ivinson said very dirty and at this point she truly am all for this audit. Ivinson said truly because if it will lay rest of the consciences of those individuals she really hopes they do. Ivinson said and she knows that they do have family members that are kind of rolling in their grave in disgrace that they are tearing each other apart in this fashion. Ivinson said so with that and thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister said they have a couple of people that have joined them. Burmeister said the first one was sh...um, Antonio Romanelli, can he please identify himself and list his Tribal I.D.

Antonio Romanelli said Antonio Romanelli 3954.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said Diana Harris can she please identify herself and list her Tribal I.D. Burmeister asked Diana Harris if she could please identify herself. Burmeister said last...last call for Diana Harris can she please identify herself.

In the background on the ZOOM recording there was the sound of someone's tv and someone talking from it.

Diana Harris said Diana Harris 2404.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said next in queue is Councilor Wittenberg go ahead please.

Councilor Wittenberg said yeah, Chi Miigwech. Wittenberg said himself when he did say road block he wasn't looking at the Ogema's seat. Wittenberg said he wanted to clarify that. Wittenberg said he was looking at the Council's.....

A Participant in the background on the ZOOM recording said that somebody needs to mute theirshe can hear

Councilor Wittenberg continued...there is a couple of things he would like to ah, like to go back to and it all concerns the audit. Wittenberg said ah, this part where different ah, Nations ah, himself he doesn't care to call them Tribes but ah, Sag Chipp and because this one Band wasn't within their....he doesn't know....their compact or their area that ah, through their Council they ah, turned around and released a lot of Natives, Anishinaabe and so he sees in here a lot of that going across Turtle Island. Wittenberg said he would like to get back to as far as the ah, Christian part and he had not offensive of somebody's ah, way of thinking but he does want to point out that they as Nishinaabe people ah, they turned around and grew up on....he doesn't care where they live at, how they were growed up, where they were growed up, they were growed up in a Shangnaash world that those ____ were brought down to them way, way back ah, long, long, time ago. Wittenberg said history take that journey back they can see personally himself and he was told by his teacher that just always remember there is many paths to the top of the mountain but the view is the same. Wittenberg said so for himself that where he walks at he doesn't ah, put somebody down or look at somebody differently because of their belief and their way. Wittenberg said they are all different is absolutely right to him that they need to sit down and ah, instead of shooting their arrows at each other. Wittenberg said he thinks they would get a lot further but ah, he does feel that that day will come ah, maybe...hopefully here before the end of his time but he would like to see it. Wittenberg said but they have a long ways to go and he did hear brother turned around and say that ah, in that one realized it and they said but he does see a light at the end of the tunnel. Wittenberg said so he will let that go, Miigwech, Ahaaw.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said next in queue is Staci. Burmeister said go ahead Staci.

Staci Cheney thanked her. Cheney said um, she guessed her only question is...is that Ogema Romanelli said let's start the RFP Process again and then they will negotiate the contract which is what they just did so whose to say that he will negotiate the contract the next time. Cheney said um, she just doesn't understand um, why they would go through the whole process again, Cheney said it was lengthy and they had tons of work sessions. Cheney said and her question is why would they go through the whole process again and why he wouldn't negotiate this contract um, he said he wanted the 2004 Audit so are....is the 2004 Audit going to be released are them guys going to give it to him. Cheney said she is just looking for ways to come to a compromise or conclusion. Cheney asked does this Council have any solutions and are they going to work with the Ogema on a way to make this happen. Cheney thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said Staci she can respond to that. Burmeister said that is something that they as Council should come together and have a discussion on.

Staci Cheney thanked her. Cheney said she appreciates the answer.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said next in queue is Councilor Metzger go ahead please.

Councilor Metzger said ah, Boozhoo. *Metzger further made comments in Anishinaabemowin.* Metzger said he asked the Creator to have pity on them. Metzger said this has been a pretty heavy topic this audit. Metzger said they know ah, he wants to clarify a couple of things. Metzger said apparently the 2004 Audit was an Internal Audit that wasn't never affirmed or contracted to do that audit. Metzger said ah, there is a court case a Tribal Member tried to stop the audit going through. Metzger said the court case deemed ah, or actually ah, was in favor of Council. Metzger said it was probably one of the court cases Council won to continue on with the audit that it would do no harm. Metzger said they know, ah, there...there...there was mention of when were they going to have this audit done. Metzger said when everybody out there in ZOOM land take a look....*Metzger was waving his arms around....*because this room was recommended. Metzger said this secured Chambers was recommended. Metzger said they do have cameras, they do have doors and they can lock these doors. Metzger said so he would like to dismiss that. Metzger said the ah, the ah, Ogema brought up all the court cases that their going through and how many of those were the court felt and he can stand to be corrected. Metzger said where the court felt that Council had violated the Constitution. Metzger said now granted all these Constitutional violations happened prior to him sitting where he's at right now. Metzger said so let's take all these facts into consideration because once again they're in court due to actions by prior Council. Metzger said Miigwech.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said Councilor Wolfe she is next in the queue go ahead please.

Councilor Wolfe said thanks. Wolfe said as she sits here listening to all of this um, a lot of things come to her mind. Wolfe said the reason that they proposed and passed legislation for 100% Enrollment Audit is because it is already mandated and its already law of the Tribe to have audits on Enrollment it is a part of the Enrollment Ordinance. Wolfe said at the time it was brought forward that they needed their annual five year Enrollment Audit that person that had previously conducted those was no longer available. Wolfe said so the seated Body decided to say "*Hey, let's make 100% Enrollment Ord.... Ordinance...she means Enrollment Audit request because they wanted to teched the accuracy the integrity of the Tribal Enrollment rolls of the Little River Band Nation.*" Wolfe said it wasn't about they want this person disenrolled or that person disenrolled it was to have a complete look by one firm, one company to look at files from one

to 4,000 to say yes they find everything is complete in this file it matches, it agrees, it was looking for inaccuracies, it was looking for deficiencies, it was looking for inconfis....inconsistencies that maybe in each members roll's file.

Councilor Silvis left the Meeting Room.

Councilor Wolfe continued. Wolfe said so that maybe one firm can look at them from a to z and black and white tell them. Wolfe said okay this document is missing, okay this document isn't certified they need to correct those errors. Wolfe said it was to improve the accuracy and integrity of their rolls as a Nation because they know the Federal Government continuously attacks Tribes. Wolfe said it wasn't about individuals, it wasn't about their scared, or their not scared it was about doing something for the entire membership for the benefit of the good. Wolfe said that's why she supported it from day one. Wolfe said they talk about a 2004 Audit that is not the only audit the Tribe has had for Enrollment they have been continuous so she doesn't know why this one makes such a big concern because they changed the parameters of the guidelines. Wolfe said it was for one consistent look of all of them to evaluated by the same criteria by the criteria that's in place from the Enrollment Ordinance...from the Constitution. Wolfe said so that it could be like that when they get that Audit Report much like they get the reports for anything else. Wolfe said it doesn't change anything, it doesn't change their enrollment status, it doesn't change anything. Wolfe said it allows the Tribe to move forward and fix the things that need to be fixed. Wolfe said that's what this is about. Wolfe said this isn't about money saving or money saving. Wolfe said they talk about its so expensive, they know, then they hear on the other side they got to spend money to make money. Wolfe said well, they get that this is one time fee through this contract that happens that is not going to come up again. Wolfe said they pay for it they get the service done. Wolfe said none of them are qualified to perform the service. Wolfe said Enrollment is not qualified to perform the service. Wolfe said their Enrollment Commission is not qualified to perform this service so what do they do anytime the Tribe can't do the service themselves, they hire, they bring in a vendor to perform that and do that so the Tribe can keep moving.

Councilor Silvis re-entered the Meeting Room.

Councilor Wolfe continued. Wolfe said all the distent is in the people's arguments of not letting it happen or not letting it but move forward. Wolfe said they did an RFP, they did it out, they brought it forward it failed. Wolfe said they couldn't get the allocation of the money. Wolfe said this new Body came across they brought it forward again. Wolfe said it did stop at the Ogema's Office with him not negotiating the contract. Wolfe said standard of practice he solely delegated to Council to negotiate their own contract and bring it forward to him. Wolfe said this is the first time and he says it is based on a new court ruling he's not....but membership this was a Master Agreement adopted by the Tribe that they engaged with. Wolfe said 90% of this contract that they are talking about is already a

standard of practice for the Tribe and approved. Wolfe said all that was added to this contract which is the hard negotiating point was the Scope of Work. Wolfe said guess where the Scope of Work came from the RFP because they had to let the Contractors know what they expected of them. Wolfe said so all this negotiation she doesn't understand where it is at. Wolfe said they gave them a fee, they told them the amount, what are they trying to negotiate and she has to disagree with all the comments saying they needed video surveillance. Wolfe said they said that is a requirement of their Tribe they would like it get included. Wolfe said that wasn't a requirement of the vendor. Wolfe said she doesn't understand. Wolfe said they want to move forward, they want to do something let's get it done. Wolfe said its not changing anything but its providing in black and white that everybody can read. Wolfe said this is what's wrong with their rolls and this is their recommendations. Wolfe asked do they have to adopt it to move forward, do they have to kick people out. Wolfe said that's why Councilor Johnson changed a lot of times because she saw the hurt of people when they got removed, okay, did they see the hurt from people who were in there illegally. Wolfe said they know they can go back and forth, and they can make excuses, they can have reasons for it. Wolfe said not everybody's going to support it or not support it. Wolfe said let's just get it moving and keep it done its not for one individual its for the entire membership to have written documentation. Wolfe said they know what audits are about, they know what audits tell them, audits tell them they need to.....

Speaker Burmeister said Councilor Wolfe her time is up. Burmeister thanked her. Burmeister said next in queue is Councilor Crampton go ahead please. Burmeister said Councilor Crampton he is next in the queue.

Councilor Crampton asked can they hear him.

Speaker Burmeister said yes.

Councilor Crampton thanked her. Crampton said his mic was going kind of crazy. Crampton said well um, he supports everything that Councilor Wolfe just said 100%. Crampton said she is absolutely right. Crampton said and this is coming from a person who sat here every Wednesday and get to hear lies told about him constantly. Crampton said um, they just heard one today not five minutes before he made a statement trying to redirect his words and incorrectly trying to recite what he said in a fractured manner that was absolutely preposterous. Crampton said he is a father, he is a member of this Tribe....oh, he's sorry....a member...there is a difference between a member and being indigenous. Crampton said their member could be faulty their indigenous in their bloodline cannot so there is a huge difference there. Crampton said but as a father and um, a member of this Tribe he doesn't like sitting here constantly listening to this and it happens every Wednesday they get a cast of characters that tells lies about him. Crampton said number one in 2006 Mrs. Iverson took him to court and she was found to be less than truthful let's put it that way in her court filing. Crampton

said so today she just told them a big whooper of a tale um, yes he was sued and her name is definitely on the court documents they can find it that was inaccurate what she stated. Crampton said it was also inaccurate how the case turned out. Crampton said the course...case dragged on for like two to three years and finally he got tired of it and he said their the moving party they're saying he lying and he is saying they are. Crampton said there is only one way to prove it and that's to bring the records out. Crampton said Judge Pope agree with him. Crampton said the family asked for a recess they came back and said they'd like to drop this and move it to Peacemaking. Crampton said he rejected it the case died for non-progress by the moving party. Crampton said they didn't want to prosecute and when he told them no he doesn't agree with anything they have given him they just let it die and that's 100% truth. Crampton said and everybody can go look at it in the courts. Crampton said everything Mrs. Ivinson told them was a fractured fairy tale. Crampton said the other lies that were told today about him was Mr. Romanelli. Crampton said he found that and he immediately brought it to him. Crampton said oh, he remembers that day after he just got done saying why didn't somebody do something about it. Crampton said how can he remember it and forget...*Crampton laughing here*...that is just absurd. Crampton said anyway this needs to move forward and all these excuses need to stop. Crampton said this is disgraceful at this point Councilor Wolfe was absolutely correct its moved up until this point. Crampton said those things that Mr. Montana asked for he did state that those for their protection if they did not want them he doesn't need them. Crampton said everything is an excuse about this. Crampton asked why? Crampton asked why did the Enrollment computer get stolen? Crampton asked why was the Internal Audit in 2004 just done internally and the request and what the audit stated was do not send to the BIA? Crampton said way too many errors. Crampton said what is wrong. Crampton said they all know what's wrong. Crampton said let's just stop the two year old games and let's move forward with this. Crampton said whatever they need to do let's send it back to the Ogema and he will negotiate it. Crampton said they just heard it today let's stop the lies. Crampton thanked them.

Speaker Burmeister thanked him. Burmeister said go ahead Councilor Metzger.

The purpose of closed session is to discuss business matters considered privileged or confidential involving consideration of bids/contracts, pending legal issues, and/or personnel matters.

Councilor Metzger said ah, yes if there isn't anymore questions or comments he would like to ah, make a motion to go into Closed.

Councilor Di Piazza supported in Anishibaabemowin.

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED; by Metzger; supported by Di Piazza.

Speaker Burmeister said Recorder Johnson can she do roll call please.

Roll Call #6

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Councilor Di Piazza asked why does he have to be first.

Recorder Johnson said nine in favor they are done with First Open at 11:48.

Sandy Mezeske said that wasn't the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

XI. Open Session

MOTION TO GO INTO SECOND OPEN SESSION; by Metzger;
 supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Burmeister asked Recorder Johnson if she can do roll call please.

Roll Call #7

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Johnson said nine in favor they are in at 1:59.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her.

A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session-Minutes and Materials shall remain confidential

There were no items to be moved from Closed to Open Session.

1. Gaming Commission Closed Session Report

Speaker Burmeister said she would entertain a motion.

Councilor Metzger said he would like to make a motion to adjourn.

Speaker Burmeister said go ahead Councilor Wittenberg.

Councilor Wittenberg said if there are no other questions he would like to make a motion.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE GAMING COMMISSION CLOSED SESSION REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2023; by Wittenberg; supported by Metzger.

Speaker Burmeister said when she stops writing there. Burmeister said Recorder Johnson can she please do roll call for that motion.

Roll Call #8

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Johnson said nine in favor it has been accepted.

Speaker Burmeister thanked her.

Councilor Metzger said ___ he would like to get home to watch As the World Turns.

Speaker Burmeister said they are not adjourned yet Councilor Metzger and As the World Turns.

Councilor Metzger said yeah.

Speaker Burmeister asked is that even on anymore.

Councilor Metzger said it is probably up there with the Days of Our Lives.

Speaker Burmeister said All My Children and General Hospital all those oldies.

Councilor Metzger said the best one is Dark Shadows.

Speaker Burmeister said okay um....

Councilor Metzger said part of Vietnam One. Metzger said they blast it from back in the 60's.

XII. Adjourn

MOTION TO END SECOND OPEN; by Di Piazza; supported by Wever.

Councilor Di Piazza made a comment but it was not clear what he said on the ZOOM recording.

Speaker Burmeister asked Recorder Johnson if she would do roll call please.

Roll Call #9

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Councilor Wittenberg made a comment and it was not clear what he said on the ZOOM recording.

Councilor Wittenberg said he was just repeating what he heard earlier.

Recorder Johnson said huh?

Councilor Metzger said whatever Ron said.

Councilor Wittenberg murmured in the background on the ZOOM recording.

Recorder Johnson said nine in favor they are adjourned at 2:02.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



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