



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
 TRIBAL COUNCIL
 REGULAR MEETING
 WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2018
 LITTLE RIVER BAND
 GOVERNMENT CENTER**

Approved 1/17/18

**OPEN SESSION
 MINUTES**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting at the Little River Band Government Center on January 10, 2018. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

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

Speaker Riley said welcome everybody to their Tribal Council Meeting for January 10, 2018. Riley said this is their first meeting of the year and it looks like they haven't had a meeting in almost a month. Riley said they are going to get started with their Opening Prayer and Grace Hendler is going to do that for them this morning.

I. Opening Prayer

Grace Hendler, Tribal Elder, offered the Opening Prayer.

Creator, thank you for everything that you have provided for us.
 Please bless this Tribe with health and wellness.
 Look after the ones that do not have that right now.
 Bless our Leaders as they make the hard decisions for our Tribe.
 Thank you very much. Amen.

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

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

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

B. Roll Call

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

Quorum established.

Others Present: Lyle Dorr, Shanaviah Canales, Alan Tyler, Ken Le Haye, Bill Willis, Jennifer Crampton, Frank Beaver.

Others Present That Did Not Sign In: Grace Hendler, Mary Thomas, Ogema Romanelli, Officer Umlauf, Caitlin Rollins, Rebecca Liebing, Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar.

C. Approval of Agenda

MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR JANUARY 10, 2018 WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES OF III 2 IS AN ADD, IV C. IS AN ADD AND V B. IS REMOVED; by Lewis; supported by Friedel.

Speaker Riley apologized and asked if Recorder Lewis said III 2 but it is III C.2.

MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR JANUARY 10, 2018 WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES OF III C.2 IS AN ADD, IV C. IS AN ADD AND V B. IS REMOVED; by Lewis; supported by Friedel.

Recorder Lewis said oh, yeah C.2.

Councilor Friedel said he still supports.

Speaker Riley asked is there any discussion on the agenda. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #1

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis noted the agenda has been approved for January 10, 2018.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

D. Tribal Council Minutes 12/13/17

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 12/13/17 FOR FILING; by Medacco; supported by Friedel.

Speaker Riley asked if there were any discussion on the minutes for December 13. Riley asked does anybody even remember that meeting.

Councilor Lonn said hey.

Speaker Riley said it was a long time ago 27 or 28 days. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #2

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis noted Tribal Council Minutes for 12/13/17 has been accepted for filing.

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

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

B. Budget Modifications

- 1. Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture-2018 Food Distribution Program and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2018-__ in the amount of \$93,569**

The Tribe has received the 2018 Grant for FDPiR.

Speaker Riley said Bill Willis is representing this and that he had the floor.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said this item represents the FY2018 USDA Food Commodities or Food Distribution Program Funding in the amount of \$93,569. Willis said the Tribe is required to match 25% of that so in the 2018 Budget Council authorized the supplemental appropriation to the program for \$48,000 and they may or may not need all that money but at least the money is available. Willis said as Council is aware there was some changes at the latter part of the year regarding personnel in that department. Willis said they just need to accept the money and amend the Operating Budget.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said if there is no discussion or comments he would like to make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0110-001;
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE-2018 FOOD DISTRIBUTION
PROGRAM AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE
OPERATING BUDGET MB-2018-01 IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$93,569; by Medacco; supported by Friedel.**

Speaker Riley asked if there were any abstentions or any further discussion on this.

Councilor Lonn said she has a question.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn asked is this like the same amount every year.

Bill Willis said yeah it runs around \$90 to \$95,000.

Councilor Lonn asked how they base the number of people they serve or.....

Bill Willis said he is not sure. Willis said they submit an application every year but he is not sure that information is included in there or not. Willis asked Ken Le Haye if he had any.....

Ken Le Haye said he wasn't in that process this year.

Councilor Lonn said she was just curious.

Bill Willis said he is assuming over the course of the year they supply reports to them saying how many members they are servicing through that program so he is assuming they are taking that into consideration.

Councilor Lonn thanked Bill Willis.

Bill Willis said he will find that out and bring it back to Council.

Councilor Lonn reiterated that she was just curious.

Speaker Riley said he knows for these ones they often times the Federal Government compiles census data like the local median income and things like that are also a contributing factor. Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said he just wanted to include that Ken Le Haye was here and he is new to the program. Friedel said he thinks he will read up on all this stuff and have more information in the times to come.

Speaker Riley asked is there any other discussion or comments on this. Riley asked is the ceiling going to hold out.

Councilor Di Piazza said it should.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #3

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0110-001 has been approved.

2. Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S. Department of Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2018-__ in the amount of \$801

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

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said this represents Modification #17 to the 2017 Self-Governance Compact with the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Willis said they continue to get year-end money, and in fact, he believed it is on next week's agenda they have awarded them an additional \$444,000 for the Great Lakes Rights Protection and Implementation Programs so the money keeps flowing in.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said he just has a question. Pete said to Bill Willis that he mentioned next week that coming is well over \$400,000 and is that still 2017, did he get that right, 2017 money.

Bill Willis said it is still 2017 money.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn asked Bill Willis when the next one starts then.

Bill Willis said well it was supposed to start October 1st but.....

Councilor Lonn said so they are still accumulating from last year.....that is good. Lonn said keep on bringing it in.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said if there is no further discussion he would like to make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0110-002;
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR-BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING
BUDGET MB-2018-02 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$801; by Pete;
supported by Di Piazza.**

Speaker Riley asked if there were any abstentions or any further discussion on this item. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #4

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0110-002 has been approved.

- 3. Approval of Budget Modification MB-2018-__ ; Authorizing the modification of the Department of Justice-Office of Violence Against Women Budget in the amount of \$58,041**
Tribal Council must approve the re-allocation of funds within a Program Budget that exceeds 10% of the total original Program Budget.

Speaker Riley said to Bill Willis that he had the floor.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said Shanaviah Canales is here for any questions Council may have but several months ago Shanaviah Canales submitted a Budget Modification Request to the agency to move some money around to better serve the program. Willis said they finally approved that and so that is why they are here because Tribal Law requires Council to approve it as well if it is over 10%.

Shanaviah Canales, Domestic Violence Coordinator, said this is a 2014-2017 Grant and she asked for a six month extension because there was nobody working that grant for six months. Canales said they approved it and this was also a part of the modification to extend that out.

Speaker Riley thanked them. Riley asked is there any questions or a motion. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

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

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0110-003;
APPROVAL OF BUDGET MODIFICATION MB-2018-03;
AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF JUSTICE-OFFICE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN
BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$58,041; by Di Piazza; supported by
Friedel.**

Speaker Riley asked if there were any abstentions or any discussion on this item. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #5

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0110-003 has been approved.

C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

1. Approval of Expenditure for Meeting being held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin

The Tribal Council is planning to have a meeting on February 10, 2018 and the expenditure is over the \$2,500.01 so approval by resolution is required.

Speaker Riley explained Tribal Council is planning to have a meeting on February 10, 2018 and the expenditure is over \$2,500.01 so approval by resolution is required. Riley said they don't have the exact total yet but that will be available for the membership once they know what that is. Riley asked is there a motion or any discussion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said he would like to make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0110-004;
APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE FOR MEETING BEING HELD
IN MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10,
2018; by Medacco; supported by Lonn.**

Councilor Pete said he just wanted to make a comment. Pete said he really supports this 100% that they do this however he thinks they may want to put Muskegon on their radar at some point. Pete said they have a large concentration of Tribal members in Muskegon that might be a good place to just go because some people can't make it up here. Pete said they may want to have a Tribal Council Meeting down in Muskegon. Pete reiterated that he just wanted to put that on their radar. Pete thanked them.

Speaker Riley said yeah and he agrees. Riley said Milwaukee is one of their large areas of concentration too then it is only an hour from Chicago where they have a large group of people then in Northern Wisconsin it is kind of the central location for over there. Riley said there has been meetings over there that have been happening and Muskegon isn't Tribally sanctioned but he thinks if they are going to attend these meetings they got to make sure they are open to everybody and that. Riley said they are taking care of it. Riley asked if there were any other comments, questions or discussion. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #6

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0110-004 has been approved.

2. Approval for Gary Di Piazza and Ron Pete to attend the United Tribes Meeting in Lansing, Michigan on February 7-8, 2018

Councilor Di Piazza is an alternate and will be attending the Michigan's Annual Legislative Reception on Wednesday February 7th and the UTM Meeting on February 8th, 2018.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said this is usually a quarterly meeting with the United Tribes where all the Tribes get together and discuss issues. Di Piazza said the day before is just a Legislative get together with a lot of the heads from the departments of Natural Resources, MDEQ so it is a good thing to be on. Di Piazza said if there are no questions he will make the motion.

MOTION TO APPROVE GARY DI PIAZZA AND RON PETE TO ATTEND THE UNITED TRIBES MEETING IN LANSING, MICHIGAN ON FEBRUARY 7-8, 2018; by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel.

Speaker Riley asked if there were any abstentions on this item or any further discussion or comments. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said they are both, Gary and Ron, are both the State Liaisons for the Tribe. Medacco said that is the reason why they are going down there to Lansing because this is an opportunity that Dave Nyberg, they know, he works for the Governor's Office and usually attends these. Medacco said usually the Governor's staff attends these so it is an opportunity for their Legislators to be able to sit down with them and discuss some of the issues that are taking place that affects the Tribe. Medacco reiterated that it is a good opportunity for their Legislators to be down there during this one.

Speaker Riley said just to add onto that, they know, one of their responsibilities obviously is to make sure that their membership is taking care of and by being a good neighbor to the State of Michigan and at the Federal Level what they do is make sure there is legislation in place that protects the rights of the people who are not living on Trust Land and are not living on their Reservation because they do have Sovereignty which does take care of the people that are within their own jurisdiction but they need to work together with other governments to make sure that they can have rights that are extended out beyond the borders of their Reservation. Riley said if there is nothing else. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #7

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis noted motion has been carried for travel for Gary Di Piazza and Ron Pete to attend the United Tribes Meeting in Lansing, Michigan February 7-8, 2018.

3. Approval for Jamie Friedel to attend the National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA) Conference in Anchorage, Alaska April 15-20, 2018

This is the 36th Annual Protecting Our Children-National American Indian Conference on Child Abuse & Neglect.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said he just has a question. Medacco asked is there a way they can just approve both of these together or do they have to be individual because it is just motion only. Medacco said it is the same conference they are both going to the same one.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said he wasn't going to ask a question he was going to make a motion.

Speaker Riley said yeah and they have done two agenda items with a single motion before so.

MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF JAMIE FRIEDEL TO ATTEND NICWA CONFERENCE IN ANCHORAGE, ALASKA ON APRIL 15-20, 2018; by Crampton; supported by Wittenberg.

Councilor Pete asked Speaker Riley can they add Diane Lonn to that motion. Pete asked Council would they mind if they add Diane Lonn to that because they said they can do them both at once.

Councilor Crampton said sure he will amend it.

MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF JAMIE FRIEDEL AND DIANE LONN TO ATTEND THE NICWA CONFERENCE IN ANCHORAGE, ALASKA ON APRIL 15-20, 2018; by Crampton; supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Riley asked Councilor Wittenberg if he still supported that.

Councilor Wittenberg said to Speaker Riley, yes.

Speaker Riley asked if there was any other discussion on this item.

Councilor Medacco said he has.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said this is a good conference to go to because they have over a 1,000 participating people that attend this and is not just Tribal people but also State Agencies and also GLIS and GEZI.....some.....most of the times they get people from the Department of Justice actually is also there too. Medacco said there are a lot of break-out sessions that happens so it is actually good training. Medacco said he knows every Binojeeuk Commissioner is actually going to be travelling for the first time by plane too to actually attend this also too so it is a good opportunity for the Liaisons and the Commissioners themselves to get this learning and have this opportunity.

Speaker Riley said the location couldn't be any more remote. Riley said it will probably be the longest plane ride that some people have ever had.

Councilor Friedel said probably for her because it is the first time she has flown.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #8

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis noted the motion has been approved for travel for Jamie Friedel and Diane Lonn to attend National Indian Child Welfare Association Conference in Anchorage, Alaska April 15-20, 2018.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis and said onto Old Business. Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said he just wanted to make a comment that, they know, doing this NICWA the National Indian Child Welfare he has also been in with the State, the MIFA, been doing the training for that too and NICWA training. Friedel said it is just a lot of the child.....the welfare of their children is very important.

4. Approval for Diane Lonn to attend the NICWA Conference in Anchorage, Alaska April 15-20, 2018

This is the 36th Annual Protecting Our Children-National American Indian Conference on Child Abuse & Neglect.

This agenda item was included in the previous motion for approval.

IV. Old Business

Reports that are due:

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

Reports received:

- None Submitted
- None Submitted
- 1. October 2017
- 2. November 2017
- 3. December 2017
- None Submitted
- None Submitted

Speaker Riley asked is there any discussion on the reports received. Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn asked how they catch up on these people when they are starting a New Year and they are way behind in September or still not having reports due for the year of 2017.

Speaker Riley said well he means all the reports that are due are generally due to extenuating circumstances like the Government Operations.....

Councilor Lonn said she knows she understands that one.

Speaker Riley said just back to November.

Councilor Medacco said the Liaison will get with the commission appointed person to tell them that the reports are due and the commission needs to start having those filed in a timely manner.

Councilor Lonn said okay.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said well there was a problem with the laptop and also having a Secretary to do it, Jacob Kequom, right now is the Recorder and he is getting caught up but it is taking him a little bit. Di Piazza said other than that they should have them all caught up in February so.

Speaker Riley said okay. Riley recognized Councilor Wittenberg.

Councilor Wittenberg said on this report for the Natural Resource his question is if he could give him a little bit of insight here on E. Natural Resource Update, no longer giving out Trespass Permits for Non-Tribal and he wondered if they could have a little bit more into that.

Councilor Di Piazza said well it was back in October so with his age and his memory but if he is not mistaken there was a Non-Tribal.....well he was a Native but Non-Tribal from another Tribe and he wanted to hunt here on the Reservation in their 1836 Treaty Area and they would not issue him a Trespass Permit to take advantage of that. Di Piazza said yeah it was missing this small portion of that in the minutes.

Councilor Wittenberg said his question is on that then if it is Non-Tribal so if he is hunting then his woman is hunting then his woman wouldn't be able to hunt on there because she is Non-Tribal. Wittenberg said he understands that part but then.....

Councilor Di Piazza said she can get a State License.

Councilor Lonn said she can't get their license.

Councilor Wittenberg said so they can hunt on it. Wittenberg said she would be able to hunt on it.

Councilor Friedel asked just that single person.

Councilor Di Piazza said their lands are only open to their Tribal members.

Speaker Riley said yeah it depends.

Councilor Wittenberg said well he is asking about the "depends."

Councilor Di Piazza said Frank Beaver is sitting in the audience.

Councilor Wittenberg said he was waiting for him to come up.

Frank Beaver, Director of Natural Resource Department, said so yes they give out Trespass Permits particular for those that are direct family. Beaver said to Councilor Wittenberg in that case the specific instance that he brought up the issue with this one was not given there were a number of reasons but one of the determining factors was that this person no longer.....was not a Tribal member and was no longer related or direct family of any Tribal member so the commission chose at that point to not issue the request. Beaver said so there was no connection to a Tribal member. Beaver said yes, for a family member and they have a list.....the commission has listed in the ordinance what that is and those people are issued Trespass Permits.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said that was just that one single incident, correct.

Frank Beaver said correct.

Councilor Friedel said so it is open to their spouses and.....

Frank Beaver said absolutely. Beaver said the ordinance is very clear on that.

Councilor Friedel said he just wanted to make sure.....because it....kind of the way it read.....he himself thought it was shutting the whole thing down and it was like he didn't want to.....he just wanted a correction on that. Friedel thanked Frank Beaver.

Speaker Riley asked any more comments on the commission-committee reports.

E. Authorizing Setting Economic Development Board Member's Compensation

Setting the compensation for Non-Little River Band of Ottawa Indians elected official board members of Little River Holdings, LLC. This item was requested to be postponed to the next meeting on January 10, 2018 with a revised resolution.

Speaker Riley said he believed the compensation is \$500 a month is what it is being set at.

Councilor Pete said yes.

Speaker Riley said that is only for Non-Elected Officials so the Tribal Council Members and the Ogema will not be receiving additional compensation for extra work. Riley asked is there any discussion or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said he will make that motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0110-005;
 APPROVING COMPENSATION FOR EDC BOARD MEMBERS;**
 by Medacco; supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Riley asked if there were any abstentions or any further discussion on this item. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #9

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0110-005 has been approved.

Speaker Riley said he just wanted to point out he thinks this is a really good start for their EDC because of the fact that in their documents Council isn't necessarily required to weigh in on the wage thing but they started off wanting to be 100% transparent and wanting Council's buy in on this so he thinks that is a good start.

V. New Business

A. Approval of Resolution of Support for Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA) to contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to administer and implement Great Lakes Fishery Management and Protection Functions for FY2018 in the amount of \$120,276

CORA has been delegated authority by this Tribe, along with the four other member Tribes of the organization to contract with the BIA pursuant to P.L. 93-638 and wishes to continue this function in FY2018 for the benefit of the CORA Tribes.

Speaker Riley said Frank Beaver is representing this.

Frank Beaver, Natural Resource Department Director, represented this agenda item. Beaver said he is and thanked them. Beaver said this is additional funding that CORA has received from the Bureau and at the last couple of CORA Meetings they discussed this. Beaver said consensus amongst the Tribes is to retain the funding at CORA. Beaver said there has been some reorganization at CORA to bring staff directly in line with the CORA Board people that had worked under a contract basis and worked for ITFAP, the Inter Tribal Fisheries Assessment Program. Beaver said that has now all been brought directly under the CORA Board and so this will support one of those positions that is being brought over and that is for this upcoming year.

Speaker Riley asked is there any discussion or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said he just wanted.....this \$120,000.....that is just not their portion but the total amount and if this was to be broken down then they would just get a small portion of this, right.

Frank Beaver said correct.

Councilor Medacco said that is what happened but his opinion is this is the best way to go just because they do have a lot of fees and stuff that are associated with CORA so this will just stay within there and help cover those so he is good with it.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

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

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0110-006; SUPPORT FOR THE CHIPPEWA OTTAWA RESOURCE AUTHORITY (CORA) TO CONTRACT WITH THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS PURSUANT TO P.L. 93-638 TO ADMINISTER AND IMPLEMENT GREAT LAKES FISHERY MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION FUNCTIONS FOR FY2018 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$120,276; by Pete; supported by Friedel.

Speaker Riley asked if there were any abstentions or any further discussion on this item. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #10

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0110-006 has been approved.

B. Residential Lot Lease and Leasehold Mortgage Program: Approval of Cancellations of Aki Maadiziwin Lot Assignments and Leases with Tribal Members

Tribal Council has been presented with six Lease Cancellations Forms executed by Program Participants which require formal approval and submission to the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

This item was removed from the agenda.

VI. Concluding Business

A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, January 17, 2018

B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update

Speaker Riley said to the Ogema that he had the floor.

Ogema Romanelli thanked Speaker Riley. Romanelli said he has a few different items but he kind of wanted to start out and recognize a couple of their newest employees. Romanelli said starting out with Lyle Dorr who is in their Grants Department taking over for Chuck Fisher. Romanelli said to Lyle Dorr welcome aboard. Romanelli asked Lyle Dorr if he wanted to say anything but he won't put him on the spot. Romanelli said then he will ask Elise.

Lyle Dorr said okay, sure. Dorr said the transition was great with Chuck Fisher. Dorr said he just took him around everywhere last week and he connected with most of the departments and everybody. Dorr said he appreciates the gracious of everybody in answering questions and getting him up to speed as quickly as possible. Dorr said he is looking forward to working along-side them and moving things forward in getting grants in and helping whoever he can and however he can so he appreciates everybody's welcome. Dorr thanked them.

Ogema Romanelli asked Lyle Dorr how many days was he able to work with Chuck Fisher.

Lyle Dorr replied four days.

Ogema Romanelli said it is kind of a short training but at least he was here for some of the time to help him out.

Lyle Dorr said he was and he is along-side Tammy Burmeister now and she is well versed in what he needs from her. Dorr said it looks real good and he should be up to speed real quick.

Ogema Romanelli thanked Lyle Dorr. Romanelli said another new employee and he doesn't know if she has been formally introduced, has she. Romanelli said not formally but she has been around. Romanelli said if Legal wants to introduce her it is Elise Cuellar and she is their newest in-house attorney. Romanelli said he doesn't know; the three names are Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar.

Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar spoke in Anishinaabemowin and introduced herself. Cuellar said her name is like kwe like a female but not spelled that way. Cuellar said she likes saying that in Anishinaabe Country because she can't say that in her Hispanic Community. Cuellar said she is happy to be here as the new attorney. Cuellar said she came from Nottawaseppi and worked for GTB. Cuellar said of course she is a Little Traverse member. Cuellar said she is very excited to be here and bringing this into her fold of experience. Cuellar said Miigwech, Ahaaw.

Ogema Romanelli said to Elise Mc Gowen-Cuellar welcome aboard. Romanelli said okay last Saturday he was at the Elder's Meeting and there was some discussion about the Clinic and the Pharmacy and since that time he has asked Don Mac Donald and Keith Jacque if they could come and address the Elders to get some clarity on what is going on with the new Pharmacy: how they are eligible, who is eligible and how they are going to put this thing forward. Romanelli said they have agreed to come to the February Elder's Meeting to answer some questions. Romanelli said he also knows that there was a resolution that Tribal Council put forward a couple of years ago, he is thinking, that also addresses so if they could have some Council members there it would be helpful too so that they can explain going back and forth to the Elders. Romanelli said there is still a lot of confusion with how this works or who is eligible. Romanelli said he talked to Don Mac Donald, he was at a meeting yesterday with him, and so anyway they are going to be at the February Meeting and see if they can't get those issues addressed. Romanelli said they also, he thinks, have to look at the Next Generation Learning Center there are some things they have to work out as well. Romanelli said who has.....he thinks they kind of really need to separate the center from the government as much as possible and that is quite not happening right now. Romanelli said there are some things that need to be worked on for example, does their Maintenance Department do the work, do they build the center, things like that. Romanelli said who is snowplowing or who is not. Romanelli said they will work on that within the next couple of weeks as well. Romanelli said Council, he received a request from Council while he was

out of town regarding parking.....employees parking in the Council area.
Romanelli asked if there are signs up for Council parking is that it.

Speaker Riley said no.

Ogema Romanelli asked there are no signs.

Speaker Riley said there initially was but he thinks they were taken down quite a few years ago.

Ogema Romanelli said they have employees parking in the area that Council normally parks.

Speaker Riley said ah, yes.

Ogema Romanelli said he will send something out but he is thinking that in the future if they want to notify him about the employees it might be better coming from Council itself than one of their staff.

Councilor Lonn said at one time it was added that if they are an Elder and they work at that end of the building that they were allowed to park in there with the Council.

Ogema Romanelli said he is not aware of that but he will send out notice yet today and he already has it. Romanelli said what else they have. Romanelli said he was in Lansing for the last couple days he was there with their Prosecutor, Shayne Machen. Romanelli said he was there with Jason Cross, their Family Services Director and also Don Mac Donald, their Clinic Director. Romanelli said they were there addressing the Health and Human Services Department, State Department, with the State Director, Nick Lyons. Romanelli said again, Dave Nyberg was there and they had some issues mostly concerning the Indian Child Welfare and the ability, there is the Senate Bill #616 that is expected to be passed fairly soon which will hopefully allow them more access to their records for their children. Romanelli said so that was one of the big issues. Romanelli said they spoke one on one and six or seven of the Tribes were represented at this meeting. Romanelli said he thinks it was very successful Consultation Meeting and that has been one of the problems for years is that consultation, when they say consultation, be the State or the Feds, it means that what they did was held meetings and decided on something then told the Tribes what they did and then called it consultation. Romanelli said they are now getting away from that and saying they are talking little c and Big C. Romanelli explained a Big C with consultation means that when they are starting something that they keep the Tribes involved and they actually have an active part in that and that is where they are trying to get to. Romanelli said it has been a long struggle but they are getting there. Romanelli said the United Tribes actually hosted a dinner prior to the meeting so that all the Tribes could get together and discuss so that they go in

with one voice, one mind, on some of these issues. Romanelli said he thinks that was well received too. Romanelli said he thinks that's it.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said he just wanted to say that he will give up his parking spot and park else-where so one of the handicapped or one of the Elders wants to park there he will park else-where.

Councilor Lonn said she is too. Lonn said she doesn't care where she parks. Councilor Di Piazza said just so he is advised.

Ogema Romanelli asked is there anything else.

Speaker Riley said it doesn't look like it and thanked Ogema Romanelli.

C. Legislative Affairs Update

Speaker Riley said at this point.....then recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said he just has one that came out of the NCAI that had a meeting last week. Medacco said out of that meeting Senator Chuck Grassley is putting forward a proposal for Tribal Governments to receive 5% of the Victims Crime Fund. Medacco said it is going to be Senate Bill #1870 and House of Representative Bill #4608 so that way NCAI is going to all the Tribes and trying to get by-partisan support on this so they can get that passed. Medacco said so the victims of Domestic Violence and stuff like that so that way they will have that money set aside just for that instead of the Tribes asking the State for money.

Speaker Riley said that is great. Riley said that was the Senator that Recorder Lewis and he ambushed in the airport last time they were there. Riley said okay anybody else for Legislative Affairs Updates. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said just that he is really encouraged by the.....what is going on in Washington right now, not with the President, but if they watch what is going on they are going to need infrastructure really heavily in the United States and they are looking for developers to partner with so the timing couldn't be better for them to get the EDC up and going. Crampton said he thinks they should really start looking to curtail their efforts for development.

Councilor Medacco said they should have on there too that tonight is their first Board Meeting is tonight too.

Speaker Riley said yes at 4:00. Riley asked anybody else for Legislative Affairs.

D. Public Comment Period

Speaker Riley said Recorder Lewis had spoken to him that she had a few things that she wanted to say.

Recorder Lewis said she would just like everybody to keep in their hearts, minds and prayers Karla Battice and family as she makes her transition to the Spirit World. Lewis said she will always be in their hearts and minds.

Speaker Riley asked anybody else for Public Comment. Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said they need to keep in their prayers for Merri Medawis for her recovery too.

Councilor Lonn said they can also say too Terri Tyler is going through some rough times and has had quite a few issues.

Speaker Riley said he thinks right now they have got a lot of people who are in a rough place he means they have had a lot of people in the community come down with different issues especially cancer lately. Riley said he thinks they all need to pray for their health and for a speedy recovery. Riley recognized Ogema Romanelli.

Ogema Romanelli said in that note also everybody he thinks is probably aware of Lisa Sommers or Lisa Foster who is a former employee, long term employee and the unfortunate situation with her and her family so also keep her in their prayers.

Councilor Lonn said there is a Go Fund for her daughter. Lonn said she seen it on Face Book this morning. Lonn said it would be nice if some people donate some money to help the daughter.

Speaker Riley said alright if there is nothing else for Public Comment they will be going into Closed Session at this point.

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

Speaker Riley said he will entertain a motion to end first open at 10:41.

MOTION TO END FIRST OPEN AT 10:41; by Lewis; supported by Pete.

Roll Call #11

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

VIII. Open Session

The Council reconvened in Open Session at 11:16 a.m.

Speaker Riley said he will entertain a motion to go into second open at 11:16.

MOTION TO GO INTO SECOND OPEN AT 11:16; by Friedel;
supported by Medacco.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #12

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis noted they are in second open at 11:16.

A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis if there were any items to move from closed to open.

Recorder Lewis responded that yes they have.

MOTION TO MOVE RESOLUTION #18-0110-007, 008 AND ALSO 009; ROLL CALL, MOTION AND VOTE; by Lewis; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #13

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis noted roll call, motion and vote has been accepted for #18-0110-007, 008 and 009 to go into open.

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

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 18-0110-007,
AUTHORIZATION FOR TRIBAL OGEMA TO EXECUTE
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH EVERY
WOMAN'S PLACE; by Medacco; supported by Pete.**

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

Roll Call #C-3

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 18-0110-008,
APPROVAL OF MEMBERSHIP TO DEMOCRATIC
SENATORIAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE BY TRIBAL COUNCIL
AND TRIBAL OGEMA; by Medacco; supported by Lewis.**

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

Roll Call #C-4

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 18-0110-009,
APPROVAL OF MEMBERSHIP TO NATIONAL REPUBLICAN
CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE BY TRIBAL COUNCIL AND
TRIBAL OGEMA; by Medacco; supported by Lonn.**

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

Roll Call #C-5

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

J. Friedel -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes
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Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Lewis said to Speaker Riley that they also have this one.

Speaker Riley said okay let them make a motion to do that right now.

MOTION TO APPROVE A LIMITED RELEASE FOR ALL CLOSED SESSION CONTRACTS AND DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR LITTLE RIVER HOLDINGS, LLC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO CONDUCT BUSINESS RELATED TO THE TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION #17-1115-397. LIMITED RELEASE MEANS THAT ANY TRIBAL COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION ITEM RELEASED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ITS NECESSARY EMPLOYEES SHALL CONTINUE TO BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC AND KEPT CONFIDENTIAL UNLESS MOVED TO OPEN SESSION; by Lewis; supported by Pete.

Councilor Medacco asked is that on the agenda for a motion.

Speaker Riley said it is on the agenda for items moved from closed to open.

Councilor Medacco said oh, he doesn't have his paperwork with him and he was just making sure.

Speaker Riley said well he means it's not explicitly on the agenda but it would fall under that. Riley said he means they don't go line by line on the items moved from closed to open because they don't want to.....

Recorder Lewis said it is not condensed into one.

Speaker Riley continued to say.....list potential closed stuff. Riley asked is there a second on that one.

Councilor Pete said he seconds it.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #14

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

Motion carried (8-1-0-0)

Recorder Lewis said okay Resolution #17-1115-397 has been approved.

This concludes the items moved from closed to open session.

IX. Adjourn

Speaker Riley asked is anybody ready to adjourn. Riley asked Councilor Di Piazza if he was ready to leave yet.

Councilor Di Piazza said he has been ready to go six months ago.

MOTION TO CLOSE AT 11:19; by Medacco; supported by Pete.

Roll Call #15

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

Motion carried (8-1-0-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Tribal Council Recorder