



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS  
TRIBAL COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2018  
LITTLE RIVER BAND  
GOVERNMENT CENTER**

**OPEN SESSION  
MINUTES**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting at the Little River Band Government Center on January 24, 2018. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

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

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis. Riley said good morning everyone and he would like to welcome everybody to their Council Meeting for Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>. Riley said they are going to get started this morning with their Opening Prayer and Kenny Pheasant is going to do that for them.

**I. Opening Prayer**

Kenny Pheasant, Wikwemikong Tribal Member, offered the Opening Prayer in Anishinaabemowin.

Speaker Riley said to Kenny Pheasant, Miigwech.

**II. General Business**

**A. Call to Order**

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

**B. Roll Call**

J. Riley - Present	J. Friedel - Absent	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: Alan Tyler, Chuck Fisher, Frank Figgels, Bill Willis, Allison Smart, Del Peters.

Others Present That Did Not Sign In: Grace Hendler, George Le Vasseur, Mary Thomas, Ogema Romanelli, Officer Umlauf, Rebecca Liebing, Caitlin Rollins,

Elise Cuellar, Joanne Peters, Virgil Johnson, Kenny Pheasant, James Smith  
 (Mayor of Manistee).

**C. Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR JANUARY 24, 2018 WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES OF III B.5. IS AN ADD, III B.6. IS AN ADD, III C.1. IS POSTPONED, VIII B. IS REVISED, X C. IS AN ADD AND X D.6. IS AN ADD;** by Lewis; supported by Pete.

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

**Roll Call #1**

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis noted the agenda has been approved for January 24, 2018.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

**D. Tribal Council Minutes  1/17/18**

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 1/17/18 FOR FILING;** by Medacco; supported by Lewis.

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

**Roll Call #2**

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis said the Tribal Council Minutes for 1/17/18 has been approved and accepted for filing.

**III. Continuing Business**

**A. Grants & Contracts**

Speaker Riley noted they have nothing today under Grants & Contracts.

**B. Budget Modifications**

**1. Approval of Supplemental Appropriation 2018-\_\_-1<sup>st</sup> QTR to fund purchase of window coverings for 10 new houses at Aki in the amount of \$2,823**

Tribal Council has received a Certification of Availability of Funds #2018-001 from the Accounting Department signed by the Chief Financial Officer.

Speaker Riley said this is actually a repeat item they had appropriated this before but it wasn't spent before the year was over so it has to be done again.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said Speaker Riley said it very well that this money was part of a larger request at the end of last year to purchase appliances, mailboxes and window coverings for the ten new Aki Homes. Willis said the orders were placed supposedly with Home Depo but some of the stuff didn't show up before the end of the year and didn't get delivered so it needs to be coded to 2018. Willis said this is the remaining amount of the money that is needed. Willis said Frank Figgels is here should Council have any specific questions but they are just asking for the money that was already requested last year.

Speaker Riley asked is there any discussion or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Recorder Lewis.

Recorder Lewis said she would like to make a motion.

**MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #18-0124-016; APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION 2018-01-1<sup>st</sup> QTR TO FUND PURCHASE OF WINDOW COVERINGS FOR 10 NEW HOMES AT AKI IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,823; by Lewis; supported by Wittenberg.**

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

**Roll Call #3**

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0124-016 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 \$138,701**

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

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

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said this is the first appropriation from the Bureau of Indian Affairs for the 2018 Self-Governance Compact. Willis said they actually estimate in total that they are going to receive \$1.9 million more or less and so they are on their way to meet that mark. Willis said they just need to accept the money and amend the Operating Budget.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

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

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0124-017;  
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.  
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR-BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING  
BUDGET MB-2018-05 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$138,701; by Pete;  
supported by Lonn.**

Speaker Riley asked if there were any abstentions on this and do they have any further discussion on the acceptance of BIA Funds. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #4**

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0124-017 has been approved.

- 3. Approval of Budget Modification MB-2018-\_\_ ; Authorizing a modification to the Great Lakes Enforcement Program to increase Budget in the amount of \$120,979.61: funding source is the FY2017 Deferred Revenue**  
Tribal Council must approve any change in the scope of a program, such as the elimination of program activities.

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

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis thanked Speaker Riley. Willis said as he indicated in Agenda Review Monday Item #3 and #4 are actually kind of associated with one another. Willis said back in October of 2017 Council authorized the purchase of new fleet vehicles for the Public Safety Department. Willis said those vehicles were ordered but because they weren't delivered in 2017 they can't expense the money in 2017 so they are basically asking Council to authorize the expenditure of funds that were originally scheduled to be spent in 2017 but didn't get spent and to allow them to spend those in 2018. Willis said two of the vehicles have already been delivered just yesterday so they need to pay for them ultimately. Willis said that is kind of what they are doing is reauthorizing money from last year to be spent in this year.

Speaker Riley asked is there a motion or any questions on this one. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said if there is no discussion he will make that motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0124-018;  
APPROVAL OF BUDGET MODIFICATION MB-2018-06,  
AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION OF THE GREAT LAKES  
ENFORCEMENT TO INCREASE BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF  
\$120,979.61: FUNDING SOURCE IS FY2017 DEFERRED  
REVENUE; by Medacco; supported by Di Piazza.**

Speaker Riley asked if there were any abstentions or any discussion on the budget modification. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #5**

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0124-018 has been approved.

- 4. Approval of Budget Modification MB-2018-\_\_ ; Authorizing a modification to the Inland Enforcement Program to increase Budget in the amount of \$73,903.01: funding source is the FY2017 Deferred Revenue**

Tribal Council must approve any change in the scope of a program, such as the elimination of program activities.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said once again same kind of approval it just affects a different Program Budget.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said he will make that motion if there is no open discussion on it.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0124-019;  
APPROVAL OF BUDGET MODIFICATION MB-2018-07,  
AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION OF THE INLAND  
ENFORCEMENT TO INCREASE THE BUDGET IN THE  
AMOUNT OF \$73,903.01: FUNDING SOURCE IS FY2017  
DEFERRED REVENUE; by Medacco; supported by Di Piazza.**

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

**Roll Call #6**

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0124-019 has been approved.

Bill Willis thanked Council.

Speaker Riley thanked Bill Willis.

**5. Approval of Supplemental Appropriation 2018-\_\_-1<sup>st</sup> QTR to fund upgrades to the Veteran's Memorial to be located at the Little River Casino Resort**

Tribal Council has received a Certification of Availability of Funds #2018-002 from the Accounting Department signed by the Chief Financial Officer.

Speaker Riley said they have some members of the Warrior's Society here to represent this today if there are any questions. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said no he was going to invite any of them up for a synopsis of it other than they are going to increase the wall.

Speaker Riley asked could somebody come up and speak on what the modification.....or the improvements are.

Chuck Fisher, Warrior's Society Chaplin, represented this agenda item. Fisher said they did discuss this matter in Agenda Review. Fisher said it has been a long time coming. Fisher said they have been looking at this ever since they started running out of room on the existing stone to add more Veterans. Fisher said the stone is completely full now and they have 15.....18.....

Virgil Johnson said they have about.....actually they have about eight people they have to put on the new stone or on a stone and they have to upgrade the feathers on the current stone. Johnson said he just wanted to add to this that the casino back in 2017 purchased the stone that they wanted to put the names on however it is not going to be.....that stone was not secured properly on the platform in the area and it was not positioned where it was very feasible by one of the Directors from the casino. Johnson said Mike Burmeister felt they could do a better job of relocating it and also putting a third stone in the future if they wanted to which they have not paid for and this Budget does not cover that item. Johnson said however what it does is allow for them 24 hour lighting on the stone and reconfiguring the Memorial so they have a place to sit and they will also have a position for their third stone for future names to put in there.

Councilor Di Piazza asked are they going by the revised.....

Speaker Riley asked Councilor Di Piazza if he wanted to make the motion.

Councilor Di Piazza said he will make the motion, yeah. Di Piazza said if there is no further questions or discussion he will make the motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0124-020;  
APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION 2018-02-1<sup>st</sup>  
QTR TO FUND VETERAN'S MEMORIAL AT THE LITTLE  
RIVER CASINO RESORT IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED  
\$65,000; by Di Piazza; supported by Pete.**

Speaker Riley asked if there were any abstentions or any further discussion on this. Riley said actually he has a comment to make. Riley said he would just like to thank the Warriors for putting this together and for their service. Riley said he thinks this Memorial is the least they can do for so many who have given so much for the rest of them. Riley thanked them.

Chuck Fisher thanked Speaker Riley. Fisher said the casino was very instrumental in bringing this forward to this point too so he would like to acknowledge them as well. Fisher said to Ogema Romanelli, Happy Birthday.

Recorder Lewis said Miigwech.

Speaker Riley said if there are no further comments. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said he just wanted to mention that the amount is \$65,000 on the supplemental appropriation.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #7**

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0124-020 has been approved.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

**6. Approval of Supplemental Appropriation 2018-\_\_-1<sup>st</sup> QTR to fund the Reservation Restoration Fund in the amount of \$200,000**

Tribal Council has received a Certification of Availability of Funds #2018-003 from the Accounting Department signed by the Chief Financial Officer.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said he will make a motion.

**MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #18-0124-021; APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION 2018-03-1<sup>st</sup> QTR TO FUND THE RESERVATION RESTORATION FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000; by Medacco; supported by Wittenberg.**

Speaker Riley asked if there were any abstentions on this or any discussion on supplemental appropriation of \$200,000 to the Reservation Restoration Fund. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #8**

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

Motion carried (7-1-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0124-021 has been approved.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.



**C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**

- 1. Approval for Joseph Riley II and Ron Pete to attend the National Republican Congressional Committee (NRCC) 2018 March Summit in Washington, D.C.**

The 2018 Summit will be held March 19-20, 2018 at the Willard International Hotel.

Speaker Riley noted C.1. had been postponed.

**IV. Acceptance of Reports**

**A. Report of the Tribal Ogema**

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

Speaker Riley said they don't have anything from the Ogema this week.

**V. Acceptance of Commission Reports**

- A. Binojeeuk Commission**  None Submitted  
**B. Enrollment Commission**  None Submitted  
 January 2018-No Meeting  
**C. Gaming Commission**  December 2017  
**D. Health Commission**  December 2017  
**E. Housing Commission**  December 2017  
**F. Commerce Commission**  None Submitted

Speaker Riley said Commission Reports they have no meeting for Enrollment in January. Riley said they have December for Gaming, December for Health and December for Housing. Riley asked is there any questions or discussion on those reports.

**VI. Acceptance of Committee Minutes and Other Entities**

- A. Elders Committee Minutes**  None Submitted  
**B. Little River Casino Resort Preference Report**  December 2017

Speaker Riley said the Little River Casino Resort Preference Report they are in possession of for December 2017. Riley asked is there any discussion on that.

**VII. Old Business**

**Reports that are due:**

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

**Reports received:**

- November 2017  
 None Submitted  
 None Submitted

**D. Commerce Commission-August/October & November Due**  None Submitted

Speaker Riley said the reports that are due they still need the Operations Report for 2017 November.....

Councilor Pete said he is sorry but don't they have the Operations Report for 2017.

Speaker Riley said oh, they do have it.

Grace Hendler noted it is right there on Reports Received.

Councilor Pete apologized.

Speaker Riley said oh, it is received, alright, it was under Reports that are due so he got..... Riley said alright so they received that and it looks like they are still waiting on Natural Resource Commission for August and September, the Financial Report for November and the Commerce Commission for August, October and November. Riley asked is there any discussion on that at this time.

**VIII. New Business**

**A. Authorizing the Donation of \$2,000 to Meals on Wheels of Northwest Michigan**

The Tribal Leadership has determined that donations to organizations which contribute to the community are appropriate for the purposes established by the Revenue Allocation Plan and the restrictions imposed by IGRA.

Speaker Riley explained that this \$2,000 donation is made up of \$1,000 from the Legislative side and \$1,000 from the Executive side. Riley said the Meals on Wheels there is Grand Traverse, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee and Wexford Counties. Riley asked is there any discussion or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said he will make a motion.

**MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #18-0124-022; AUTHORIZING THE DONATION OF \$2,000 TO MEALS ON WHEELS OF NORTHWEST MICHIGAN;** by Medacco; supported by Lewis.

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

**Roll Call #9**

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0124-022 has been approved.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

**B. Approval of proceeding with upgrades at the site of the existing Tribal Veteran's Memorial located at the entry to the Little River Casino Resort-costs not to exceed \$65,000.00 (estimate provided by Larsen's Landscaping and Lawn Care)**

Approval will enable process of upgrading Veteran's memorial according to the professional planning for the space as provided by Larsen's including placement of new stone and other enhancements.

Speaker Riley said to Councilor Di Piazza that now they are on his resolution.

Councilor Medacco said one was III B. and the other is VIII B. so they actually look similar.

Councilor Di Piazza said one mistake in five years and they drag him across the coals.

Speaker Riley asked one mistake and that he was kidding, right. Riley said he is looking for discussion or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

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

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0124-023;  
APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH UPGRADES TO THE SITE OF  
THE EXISTING TRIBAL VETERAN'S MEMORIAL LOCATED  
AT THE MAIN ENTRY TO THE LITTLE RIVER CASINO  
RESORT-COSTS NOT TO EXCEED \$65,000.00 (ATTACHED  
ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY LARSEN'S LANDSCAPING AND  
LAWN CARE);** by Pete; supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Riley asked if there were any abstentions or any further discussion on this one. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said he would just like to make a comment and \_\_\_\_\_. Pete said he thinks this is so important to the Tribe and as they said to their Warriors and Veterans that have served. Pete said he had mentioned in their meeting that they

had on when they had discussion on this and he wanted to mention it again publically that he knows that his father's name was not on the original wall when it was discovered that it wasn't as they added the names. Pete said then they had a special thing on Memorial Day recognizing the names that were added and of course his father was deceased at the time but he means, it was so special for himself and his family to be there when they did that. Pete said he personally doesn't think there is enough that they can do for their Warriors and their Servicemen and actually all of their First Responders, their Police and Fire. Pete said this to him is the backbone of this country and theirs so. Pete said he just wanted to thank them for allowing him to make that comment.

Speaker Riley thanked Councilor Pete. Riley asked anything else for comments on this one. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #10**

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #18-0124-023 has been approved.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

**VI. Concluding Business**

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, January 31, 2018**
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**

Speaker Riley said he will yield the floor to the Ogema.

Ogema Romanelli thanked them. Romanelli said he really has very little for this week. Romanelli said he does want to thank the Warriors for not only their service but also the work on this Memorial because they know it is important. Romanelli said thank you so much and nice to see all three of them again. Romanelli said he glad they are still working within the Tribe in one capacity or another. Romanelli said he also wanted to say they are represented here today by the City of Manistee and to the Mayor's Office. Romanelli said he wanted to say hello to both of them. Romanelli asked do they want to say anything or are they just coming by to sit in.

James Smith, Mayor of Manistee, said they are just coming by to observe. Smith said they just had another recent payment from the Revenue Sharing Board and he would like to thank the Tribe for their generosity. Smith said they had made purchases a few at a time but it helps put the safety and welfare of the City of Manistee. Smith said they truly appreciate the relationship that the city has with

the Tribe and their further cooperation. Smith said they like to come by and feel honored to attend and listen to the proceedings of the Tribe. Smith thanked them.

Ogema Romanelli thanked James Smith. Romanelli said they are always welcome and they do appreciate the relationship that they have between the city and the Tribe also they still have the Units of Government that they meet with and they were here this last week. Romanelli said nice to see them both again. Romanelli said he thinks they had several representatives from the Tribe there too. Romanelli thanked them for coming. Romanelli said that is all he had today.

Speaker Riley said alright. Riley asked are there any questions for the Ogema.

### **C. Legislative Affairs Update**

Speaker Riley asked at this time do they have anything for Legislative Affairs. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said just one thing for the Ogema, Happy Birthday.

Speaker Riley said should they all sing for him.

Ogema Romanelli said it is not good at his age because to get up and getting out of bed is a good thing.

Councilor Crampton said the one thing he had to say was there is a case before the Supreme Court Docket called Huera v. Wyoming which is about off-reservation Hunting Rights. Crampton said the last time this was tried from the Mille Lacs Band v. Minnesota and there was a narrow victory for the American Indians. Crampton said that was five to four. Crampton said since that decision the board has changed and only two of the Justices decided with the Natives are still on there. Crampton said they have been joined by some heavy leading conservatives. Crampton said so this is a case that they really need to watch.

Speaker Riley said okay anything else for Legislative Affairs.

### **D. Public Comment Period**

Speaker Riley said alright Public Comment. Riley said at this time do they have any Public Comments. Riley recognized Virgil Johnson.

Virgil Johnson, Tribal #0336, said he thinks he got it right. Johnson said anyways he just wanted to stop by on behalf of the Warrior's Society, after these two resolutions had passed, he wanted to say Miigwech, Miigwech and Miigwech. Johnson said they really do appreciate their support and it was unanimous. Johnson said it means a lot to all of them and he is going to share this information back to the Warrior's Society when they meet on the first Saturday of February.

Johnson said the other thing he noticed sitting in the audience verses the other place. Johnson said one thing they might want to consider in their meeting is putting name tags in front of each person because in the audience when they have guests here that may not identify who they are and their role and so forth. Johnson said it would be better for them to see that and they can attach a face with the name in front here. Johnson said he thinks a nice little addition to have. Johnson said Miigwech.

Speaker Riley thanked Virgil Johnson. Riley asked anything or anybody else for Public Comment.

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

Speaker Riley said he will entertain a motion to end first open at 10:29.

**MOTION TO END FIRST OPEN AT 10:29;** by Lewis; supported by Pete.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #11**

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

The meeting was adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

**VIII. Open Session**

The Council reconvened in Open Session at 11:49 a.m.

**MOTION TO GO INTO SECOND OPEN AT 11:49;** by Lewis; supported by Medacco.

**Roll Call #12**

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

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

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis if they had anything to move to open.

Recorder Lewis replied yes they do.

**MOTION TO MOVE RESOLUTION #18-0124-025 INTO OPEN;  
RESOLUTION, ROLL CALL AND VOTE;** by Lewis; supported by  
Pete.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #13**

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis noted Resolution #18-0124-025 has been moved to open.

*The following resolution, motion and roll call was moved from Closed to Open Session.*

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 18-0124-025, APPROVE  
TRIBAL OGEMA TO COMPLETE THE 215 ACRE GOLF  
COURSE PROPERTY PURCHASE ON BEHALF OF THE LITTLE  
RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS;** by Pete; supported by Lonn.

**Roll Call #C-4**

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

Motion carried (6-2-0-1)

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

**IX. Adjourn**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 11:51;** by Pete; supported by Lewis.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #14**

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Grace A. Hendler  
Transcribing Assistant



Sandra Lewis,  
Tribal Council Recorder