



Approved 07/23/2025

**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 09, 2025
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 July 09, 2025. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Speaker Crampton:

I. Opening Prayer

Councilor DiPiazza: Prayer in Anishinaabemowin

Speaker Crampton:

A. Call to Order

At 10:05 am

B. Roll Call

Recorder Thull:

T. Burmeister -Present	G. DiPiazza - Present	M. Silvis - Present
R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe - Present	A. Metzger - Present
S. Crampton - Present	Connie Waitner - Present	S. Thull - Present

We do have quorum.

Speaker Crampton:

C. Approval of Agenda

Councilor DiPiazza: I'll make a **motion to approve the agenda for Wednesday July 09, 2025. Under IV. Old Business A. is postponed the Acceptance of the revisions to the Binojeeuk Commission By-Laws.**

Councilor Waitner: Support

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call # 1

R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe- Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner- Yes	S. Thull - Yes
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

D. Tribal Council Minutes ☐ None Submitted

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

B. Budget Modifications

1. **Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S Department of Interior- BIA G2G IRR Roads And approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025- __ in the amount of \$127,093.00**
- Tribal Ogema
S. Parsons
K. Bowers

Steve Parsons: Represented the item

Councilor DiPiazza: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0709-149 Acceptance of contract funds from the U. S Department of Interior- BIA G2G IRR Roads and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-33 in the amount of \$127,093.00**

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Thull.

Roll Call # 2

G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes
J. Wolfe- No	A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg- Absent
Connie Waitner-Yes	S. Thull - Yes	S. Crampton- Yes

Motion carried (7-1-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

2. **Approving Budget Modification MB2025- _ in The amount of \$150, 000 from BIA Roads Construction (TTP Funds) to BIA Roads Maintenance to cover costs/or site lighting underground infrastructure upgrade**
- Tribal Ogema
K. Bowers
S. Parsons

Steve Parsons: Represented the item

Councilor DiPiazza: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0709-150 approving Budget Modification MB2025-34 in the amount of \$150,000.00 from BIA Roads Construction (TTP Funds) to BIA Roads Maintenance to cover cost/or site lighting underground infrastructure upgrade**

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call # 3

C. Waitner - Yes	S. Thull - Yes	S. Crampton- Yes
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M. Silvis- Yes	T. Burmeister -Yes	G. DiPiazza- Yes
A. Metzger- Yes	R. Wittenberg -Absent	J. Wolfe- No

Motion carried (7-1-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

3. **Rescinding Resolution # 25-0611-132 and Approving Budget Modification MB2025-__ in the amount of \$2,864.86 from Utility Department – Wastewater (7500-702) as a cash match to the Backup Generator project (4576)** Tribal Ogema K. Bowers

Kathleen Bowers: Represented the item

Councilor DiPiazza: **Motion to approve Resolution #25-0709-151 Rescinding resolution #25-0611-132 and approving Budget Modification MB2025-35 in the amount of \$2,864.86 from Utility Department- Wastewater (7500-702) as a cash match to the Backup Generator Project (4576)**

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Thull.

Roll Call # 4

G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes
J. Wolfe- No	A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg- Absent
Connie Waitner-Yes	S. Thull - Yes	S. Crampton- Yes

Motion carried (7-1-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

- C. **Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**
1. **Approval of Expenditure for Purchase of New Walk-in Freezer** Tribal Ogema J. Friedel

Jamie Friedel: Represented the item

Councilor Silvis: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0709-152 approval of expenditure for purchase of new walk-in freezer.**

Councilor DiPiazza: Support

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call # 5

M. Silvis- Yes	T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza- Yes
A. Metzger- Yes	R. Wittenberg -Absent	J. Wolfe- Yes
S. Thull - Yes	S. Crampton- Yes	C. Waitner- Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

IV. Old Business

Postponed A. Acceptance of the revisions to the Binojeeuk Commission By-Laws.

**T. Burmeister
C. Wells**

V. New Business

A. Approval of Expenditure for the Procurement and Installation of Two Rooftop HVAC Units for the Aki Community in the amount of \$89,985 Utilizing ARPA LATCF 4529-000-6100

**Tribal Ogema
T. Bailey
R. Smith**

Tara Bailey: Represented the item

Councilor Silvis: Motion to approve Resolution #25-0709-153 Approval of Expenditure for the Procurement and Installation of Two Rooftop HVAC Units for the Aki Maadiziwin Community Center in the amount of \$89,985 Utilizing ARPA LATCF 4529-000-6100

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call # 6

S. Thull - Yes	S. Crampton- Yes	C. Waitner- Yes
T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza- Yes	M. Silvis- Yes
R. Wittenberg -Absent	J. Wolfe- Yes	A. Metzger- Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

VI. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, July 16, 2025**
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**
- C. Legislative Affairs Update**
 - 1. Tammy Burmeister**
 - 2. Connie Waitner**
 - 3. Julie Wolfe**
 - 4. Gary DiPiazza**
 - 5. Susan Thull**
 - 6. Al Metzger**
 - 7. Ron Wittenberg**
 - 8. Misty Silvis**
 - 9. Shannon Crampton**

D. Public Comment Period

Councilor Metzger: Motion to end first Open Session at 11:27am

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Thull:

Roll Call # 7

T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza- Yes	M. Silvis- Yes
R. Wittenberg -Absent	J. Wolfe- Yes	A. Metzger- Yes
S. Crampton- Yes	C. Waitner-Yes	S. Thull- Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

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 Silvis: **Motion to go into Second Open Session at 12pm**

Councilor DiPiazza: Support

Susan Thull:

Roll Call # 8

R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe- Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner- Yes	S. Thull - Yes
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Speaker Crampton:

VIII. Open Session

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

1. Binojeeuk Commission Closed Session Minutes April 2025

Councilor Metzger: **Motion to accept the Binojeeuk Commission Minutes for April 2025**

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Thull.

Roll Call # 9

S. Crampton - Yes	Connie Waitner-Yes	S. Thull - Yes
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes
J. Wolfe- Yes	A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg- Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Councilor Silvis: **Motion to adjourn at 12:02pm**

Councilor Waitner: Support

IX. Adjourn

Recorder Thull.

Roll Call # 10

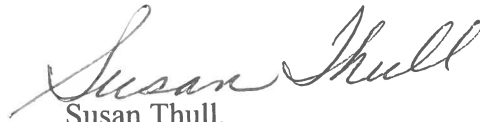
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes
J. Wolfe- Yes	A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg- Absent
Connie Waitner-Yes	S. Thull - Yes	S. Crampton- Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Respectfully Submitted,



Chantel Gamelin,
Transcribing Assistant



Susan Thull,
Tribal Council Recorder