



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2017
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 19, 2017. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Speaker Riley said good morning everybody and welcome to their meeting for Wednesday, July 19th. Riley said they are going to get started this morning with their prayer and Chuck Fisher is going to lead them.

I. Opening Prayer

Chuck Fisher, Warriors Society Chaplin, offered the Opening Prayer.

Gizhemanido, Creator, please bless everybody who is in attendance here today.

Please bless all our relations.

Please bless all those who cannot make it here today.

Thank you for the opportunities that we have in front of us.

Thank you for today.

Help us take advantage of everything you have given us.

Help us appreciate the world.

Help us honor our relationships with the world and with those that we encounter in our travels day to day.

Help us in our choices, the choices that we make, and in our well-being choices that we make every day. The choices that we make for ourselves, the choices that the Tribe makes for its members and the health and well-being choices that the Nation makes for the country.

Help us focus on our individual and collective health and well-being.

Help us realize all the potential that we have.

Creator, please help us to be good to one another.

Miigwech, Miigwech, Miigwech.

Speaker Riley said Miigwech, Chuck Fisher.

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m.

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

B. Roll Call

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

Quorum established.

Others Present: Valerie Mc Donnell, Chuck Fisher, Jason Cross, Karen Love, Carmen Soward, Margie Harris, Delores Jenkins, Terri Burmeister, Tammy Burmeister, Ari Cornman, Bill Willis, Rita Gale, Margaret Kowalkowski, Elden Nedeau, Judy Nedeau, Michelle Lucas.

Others Present That Did Not Sign In: Grace Hendler, Drew Jeurink, Mary Thomas, Officer Szpliet, Rebecca Liebing, Shayne Machen, Paul Mooney, Caitlin Rollins, Pat Ruiter.

Speaker Riley said before they get started he just wants to quick make a note that both the Ogema and Councilor Pete are at the Partners in Action Conference with the BIA doing some good things for them in making sure their interests are protected in that venue.

C. Approval of Agenda

MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR JULY 19, 2017 WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES OF IV E.3 IS AN ADD, V D IS MOVED FROM CLOSED AND V E IS AN ADD, AND VII D.1 IS MOVED TO OPEN SESSION; by Lewis; supported by Friedel.

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #1

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Lewis noted the agenda has been approved for July 19, 2017.

D. Tribal Council Minutes 7/12/17

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 7/12/17 FOR FILING; by Medacco; supported by Friedel.

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain.

Roll Call #2

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Lewis said the approval for filing for Tribal Council Minutes 7/12/17.

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

Speaker Riley said there is nothing under Grants & Contracts.

B. Budget Modifications

- 1. Acceptance of Michigan Indian Elders Association (MIEA)- Student Incentive Award Funds and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2017-__ in the amount of \$600**
These funds are donated from MIEA for Tribal Children.

Speaker Riley said their Budget Coordinator is here to represent this item and that he had the floor.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis thanked Speaker Riley. Willis said these are funds that they receive on an annual basis from the Michigan Indian Elders Association. Willis said the funds are given to the Education Department to be paid out.....to be given out in scholarships. 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 he would like to make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-0719-239;
ACCEPTANCE OF MICHIGAN INDIAN ELDERS ASSOCIATION
(MIEA)-STUDENT INCENTIVE AWARD FUNDS AND
APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING BUDGET
MB-2017-39 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$600;** by Medacco; supported by
Lewis.

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain. Riley said at this time he will entertain questions on this topic. Riley asked if there were any questions from the floor. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #3

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-0719-239 has been approved; seven in favor.

2. Acceptance of contract funds from the Department of the Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2017-__ in the amount of \$190,763

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

Speaker Riley said Bill Willis is also representing this item.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis thanked Speaker Riley. Willis said this item represents modification #8 to the 2017 Self-Governance Compact with the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Willis said they projected they were going to receive in total \$1,655,000 and they have received year to date \$1,856,022 which is an increase or an overage of \$195,622. Willis said they just need to accept the funds and amend the Operating Budget.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

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

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-0719-240; ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR-BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING BUDGET MB-2017-40 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$190,763; by Medacco; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain and are there any questions on this. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza asked Bill Willis if he speculates any more payments coming in since this one.....

Bill Willis said actually they received a couple more that are going to be scheduled for August 2nd meeting.

Councilor Di Piazza said so that number will be increased.

Bill Willis said there are still funds trickling in for different things such as Rights Protection in Public Safety so they will see those in the future.

Councilor Di Piazza said wonderful. Di Piazza said that was it.

Speaker Riley asked are there any other questions on this. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #4

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-0719-240 has been approved; seven in favor.

3. Acceptance of contract funds from the Department of Health and Human Services-Indian Health Services and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2017-__ in the amount of \$13,555

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

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

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said this item represents modification #4 to the 2017 Self-Governance Compact with the Indian Health Service or the Department of Health and Human Services. Willis said they estimated in 2017 they were going to receive \$2,520,000 and year to date in 2017 they have received \$2,656,894 so they are to the good about \$136,894. Willis said they just need to accept the funds and amend the Operating Budget.

Speaker Riley asked are there any questions or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said he will ask it again.

Bill Willis said yes.

Councilor Di Piazza said he knows that is the 4th payment coming in but again it being July does he speculate them getting some more.

Bill Willis said he thinks there is some scheduled already or are going to be scheduled for August 2nd from the same agency so. Willis said he doesn't know the funds keep coming in so that is a good thing.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

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

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-0719-241;
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES-INDIAN
HEALTH SERVICES AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO
THE OPERATING BUDGET MB-2017-41 IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$13,555; by Di Piazza; supported by Lonn.**

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain and are there any questions 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 - Absent	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Absent
R. Wittenberg-Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-0719-241 has been approved; seven in favor.

- 4. Acceptance of contract funds from the Department of Health and Human Services-2017 Caregiver Support Program and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2017-___ in the amount of \$16,950**
The Tribe has received additional funding on the Caregiver Support Grant.

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

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said this is a program that they actually received previous funds for this year. Willis said the program runs April 1st of 2017 through March 31st of 2018 so these are just additional funds. Willis said Jason Cross is here to answer any questions Council may have but this is kind of a complimentary program to the Elders Meal Program that is on the agenda as well.

Speaker Riley asked do they have any questions or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

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

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-0719-242;
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES-2017
CAREGIVER SUPPORT PROGRAM AND APPROVING A
MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING BUDGET MB-2017-42 IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$16,950; by Medacco; supported by Lewis.**

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said the funding that's.....Bill Willis said they already received some, correct.

Bill Willis said yeah they received \$17,600 already and then this is an additional \$16,950 so.

Councilor Di Piazza asked do they expect more coming in on this one.

Bill Willis said he doesn't know. Willis said he would have to go back and look but.....

Councilor Di Piazza said no that is fine.

Bill Willis said Jason Cross says no.

Councilor Di Piazza said no that is fine.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said he was just with a few others in the crowd today and he was kind of wondering what kind of.....what are these funds going to be used for.

Jason Cross replied that he will finish this and then Councilor Di Piazza's question. Cross said there is going to be no more funding because of the Continuing Budget in Washington was broken into two pieces. Cross said this Elders Meal is part two of this year's funding and that is why it was broken in half. Cross said typically they get it all at once and this year it was broken in two halves so this is the end of this one and the next agenda item as well. Cross said this is part two. Cross said Part C is a program of the Elders Meals Program that has never been applied for before until this year and what it is used for is to provide support for Caregivers of their Elders. Cross said the support services they need and that could be Respite Care, Counseling, Training and Information. Cross said even Respite Care like Caregivers maybe taking care of their grandchildren or the Elders taking care of their grandchildren or the Caregivers taking care of the Elders. Cross said it is support services for the Caregiver so that they can do a better job of caring for the person that they are caring for.

Councilor Lonn said she has a question.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn asked are.....this is just not for the Elders at Aki, right. Lonn said it is for any Elder she means.....

Jason Cross said it is not just for Elders at Aki, no.

Councilor Lonn asked how are they going to reach out to the other Elders. Lonn said she means she thinks the program is great she just wants to know how they are going to reach out to the other Elders that have Caregivers as well.

Jason Cross said newsletters and there are different ways of getting that information out. Cross said there is a pretty good contact system now with the Elders. Cross said they can use the Elders Commission and different ways to reach out to those Elders and it is not just for Elders at Aki.

Councilor Lonn said okay and thanked Jason Cross.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel asked what.....what consists of it. Friedel said what do they have to do to be a Caregiver.

Jason Cross asked does he mean caring for a Tribal Elder. Cross said there isn't any requirements necessarily and not a professional designation. Cross said it is just somebody who is caring for a Tribal Elder.

Speaker Riley asked are there any questions from the floor on this item. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #6

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-0719-242 has been approved.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

5. Acceptance of contract funds from the Department of Health and Human Services-2017 Elder Meals Program and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2017-__ in the amount of \$54,100

The Tribe has received additional funding on the Elder Meals Grant.

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

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said yes, these are additional funds that the Tribe has received for the 2017 Elder Meals Program in the amount of \$50,100. Willis said the money is typically split.....allocated for salaries, fringes, meals and whatever the program needs. Willis said they just need to accept the money and amend the Operating Budget.

Speaker Riley asked does he have any questions or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn asked did she hear right that Noelle Cross is opening.....is maybe going to two days in Muskegon.

Jason Cross said he believed in August there is going to be an additional Friday starting and going.....

Councilor Lonn said on this or the other one.

Jason Cross said he is sorry.....

Councilor Lonn said based upon this one or the one they just passed.

Jason Cross said this one is the meals.....this is the meals portion and Part A of the Title C Program.

Councilor Lonn said okay and thanked Jason Cross.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said he did state that this was the end of the funding for this year, correct.

Jason Cross said this is the end of the funding and accounts for the total amount.

Councilor Di Piazza thanked Jason Cross.

Speaker Riley said okay do they have any more questions or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

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

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-0719-243;
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES-2017
ELDER MEALS PROGRAM AND APPROVING A
MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING BUDGET MB-2017-43 IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$54,100; by Medacco; supported by Lonn.**

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain and are there any further questions on this item. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #7

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-0719-243 has been approved.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

- 6. Acceptance of contract funds from the Department of Health and Human Services-2017 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2017-__ in the amount of \$19,445 The Tribe has received additional funding.**

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis thanked Speaker Riley. Willis said this program or this item represents additional funds from, as he indicated, the Department of Health and Human Services for the

LIHEA Program. Willis said this particular round of funding started in October of 2016 and goes through September 30th of next year. Willis said these funds brings them up to in total \$171,215 so. Willis said Jason Cross is here to answer any specific questions related to the program activities.

Speaker Riley asked do they have any questions or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

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

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-0719-244;
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES-2017
LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND
APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING BUDGET
MB-2017-44 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,445;** by Medacco; supported
by Lonn.

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain and are there any questions on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza asked Jason Cross if he knew off-hand how many people utilize the program roughly.

Jason Cross said roughly probably 75. Cross said there will be more because this portion will go to summer cooling for the Elders.

Councilor Di Piazza said no that is fine, 75. Di Piazza said that is it and thanked Jason Cross.

Speaker Riley asked if there were any further questions. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #8

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-0719-244 has been approved.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

7. **Approval of Supplemental Appropriation 2017-__-3rd QTR to fund Additional Meeting Stipends for the Election Board in the amount of \$8,671**

Tribal Council has received a Certification of Availability of Funds #2017-015 from the Accounting Department signed by the Chief Financial Officer.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said he assisted the Election Board in drafting the resolution for the supplemental appropriation and it represents additional meeting stipends for the Election Board throughout the rest of the year. Willis said there is Election Board representatives here to answer any specific questions.

Speaker Riley asked are there any questions. Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn asked if this was going to be enough to make it through what is happening right now or will they have to come before them again. Lonn asked did they add in some extra meetings.

Terri Burmeister, Election Board Chairperson, said she thinks they already added all the extra meetings that they think they are going to have in that worksheet they made up for them. Burmeister said she doesn't think they will need to come and get any more funds for that.

Councilor Lonn said she knows the future is on a gamble right now so.....

Terri Burmeister said it hasn't been decided definitely.

Councilor Lonn said yes that is why.....

Terri Burmeister said they may and she is hoping not though.

Councilor Lonn thanked Terri Burmeister.

Speaker Riley said okay are there any more questions or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

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

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-0719-245;
APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION 2017-15-3rd
QTR TO FUND ADDITIONAL MEETING STIPENDS FOR THE
ELECTION BOARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,671; by Medacco;
supported by Lewis.**

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain and are there any further questions 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 - Absent	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Absent
R. Wittenberg-Yes	D. Lonm - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-0719-245 has been approved.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

Speaker Riley said they have nothing under Approval of Budgeted Expenditures.

IV. Old Business

Reports that are due:

- A. **Financial Report
April & May 2017**
- B. **Housing Commission
May 2017**
- C. **Natural Resource Commission
May 2017**
- D. **Commerce Commission
May 2017**
- E. **Elders Committee Minutes**

Reports received:

- None Submitted
- None Submitted
- None Submitted
- None Submitted
- 1. March 2017
- 2. April 2017
No Meeting
- 3. May 2017
- 4. July 2017
No Meeting

- F. **LRBOI Tribal Government Preference Report
April & May 2017
May-December 2016**

None Submitted

Speaker Riley said it appears they have received the Elders Committee Minutes for March and May. Riley said there were no meetings in April or July so for the record those have been received and have been accepted.

V. New Business

A. Authorizing Permanent Adoption of the Emergency Amendments to the Tribal Council Meeting Procedures Ordinance, Ordinance #06-100-02

Current Emergency Amendments address Tribal Council regular meeting times during conditions of inclement weather, hazardous travel conditions and the delay or closure of Government Offices on Wednesdays.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said he was going to say the amendments on there are to deal with snow days, if there is a two hour delay, it has happened a couple of times where there has been heavy snow, two hour delay, and some of the staff could not be here at 10:00 when they start their Council Meetings. Di Piazza said so the Council Meeting would be moved ahead to accommodate that snow delay. Di Piazza said he believed that was it. Di Piazza said if there is no questions he will make the motion.

Speaker Riley said to Councilor Di Piazza that he has the floor.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-0719-246;
PERMANENT ADOPTION OF EMERGENCY AMENDMENTS TO
THE TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING PROCEDURES
ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE #06-100-02; by Di Piazza; supported by
Friedel.**

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain. Riley said just to clarify if there is a two hour delay the Council Meeting will start at 11:00 that Wednesday and if there is a closure it will be at 10:00 a.m. the following day on the Thursday. Riley said that is now fixed as how it is going to go so they can count on it now instead of having to kind of listen and play it by ear. Riley asked if there are any questions 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 - Absent	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Absent
R. Wittenberg-Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-0719-246 has been approved. Lewis said her pen is breaking now.

Speaker Riley said they need a new Budget Line just for pens for Recorder Lewis.

B. Creating the Budget Advisory Panel to Evaluate the Financial Impact of Proposed Government Actions and Appointing Members to the Panel

The Tribal Council has determined that certain changes in Tribal Law have financial impacts on the Tribal Government Administration and that those changes should be measured by a Panel of experts and presented to Tribal Council for consideration.

Speaker Riley said this item is.....what they are doing is putting together a small group and any resolutions or law that they pass that may impact the Budget is going to quantify that and give them a solid number just so they can move forward and be more fiscally responsible. Riley asked are there any questions or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said he will make the motion.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-0719-247; CREATING THE BUDGET ADVISORY PANEL TO EVALUATE THE FINANCIAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED GOVERNMENT ACTIONS AND APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE PANEL; by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel.

Speaker Riley asked is anybody going to abstain and are there any questions on this item. Riley recognized Tammy Burmeister.

Tammy Burmeister, Tribal #0351, said just a question on it. Burmeister asked is that like an application process and do people apply or how are people chosen for this.

Speaker Riley replied what they did to start off is they picked a few key positions. Riley said a couple of Councilors he believed the Budget Coordinator, no the Controller, Chief Financial Officer and the Financial Analyst from the Resort. Riley said what they are going to do is they are putting together and kind of giving it a trial run and then seeing where it evolves from there. Riley said it may be something where they do an application process in the future but right now they are just kind of testing the waters.

Tammy Burmeister said okay and thanked Speaker Riley.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel asked are they getting paid for that.

Speaker Riley said not at this time.

Councilor Friedel said so it is just basically they are giving their opinions and not getting paid. Friedel said he just wanted to make sure that everybody knew that and that it is not another position that they are creating.

Speaker Riley said okay.

Councilor Di Piazza said basically to help them when they want to do projects whether it is housing or revamping of any grounds. Di Piazza said the financial impact it may have on them that may not have been thought through exactly perfect or at the beginning like housing may have to have a new employee like for more snow removal or things along that order. Di Piazza said they all cost money and employing somebody or somebody cleaning or cutting more grass or doing things in that order it has a financial impact upon their Budget and he sees it being a good thing because they need to know that impact. Di Piazza said if it is going to cost \$100,000 to run a project whether it is employment or materials or things on that order they need to know that up front where that money is going to come from or out of.

Speaker Riley recognized Michelle Lucas.

Michelle Lucas, Tribal #0129, said so when creating this panel how are they going to choose the members and how many members are they going to have. Lucas asked will they be employees or will they be Tribal members.

Councilor Lonn answered Tribal members.

Michelle Lucas went on to ask will they be Directors.

Councilor Lonn said Tribal members it says. Lonn said two Tribal Council.

Speaker Riley asked Councilor Di Piazza will he read the resolution because he has it handy.

Councilor Di Piazza said he thumped it back off.

Councilor Lonn said to Speaker Riley that it is the last page. Lonn said that tells them what ____.

Councilor Di Piazza said okay it will be the Chief Financial Officer, Budget Coordinator, Controller, two Tribal Councilors and the Financial Analyst from the Little River Casino Resort.

Speaker Riley said Comptroller.

Councilor Di Piazza said what did he say.

Speaker Riley said the Comptroller which is a vacant position at this time but.....

Michelle Lucas said she would just like to make a recommendation. Lucas said she would like to recommend that they include the Purchasing Manager because there are a lot of things that they see down in the Purchasing Office that other departments don't see. Lucas said they see all aspects of all the departments and there is a lot of savings that could be done if they had the tools to relay that to the people that need to know that information. Lucas thanked them.

Speaker Riley said to Michelle Lucas if she would like she could do that and have her in place of the Comptroller for the time being or.....

Rebecca Liebing, Unified Legal Department Attorney, said they have the CFO who oversees the Purchasing Employees.

Speaker Riley said oh yeah, the CFO would like.....

Rebecca Liebing made more comments from the audience but they were not picked up on the recording and could not be heard clearly.

Councilor Lonn said she can't hear her very well she has an ear infection and can't hear her very well.

Speaker Riley said she just pointed out that the CFO is on there and if he wanted to run this by or she depending.....wanted to run this by the Purchasing Manager or whatever then that is already in place with this.

Councilor Di Piazza said yeah he would.....

Michelle Lucas said it is just a recommendation but for example she could give them the 2017 Pow Wow because the pow wow was held over the 4th of July weekend the rates that they paid were more than double than what they would have paid if it was not on a holiday weekend so the savings would be over \$5,000 if they moved that over to a different weekend and just for lodging. Lucas said that is information that the CFO is not privy to so a.....

Speaker Riley said Councilor Di Piazza then Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Di Piazza said he was going to mention that there is no reimbursement to sit on this at all. Di Piazza said the main objective is new projects that they make due.

Michelle Lucas said she does believe that the Purchasing Office should be involved in new projects and the Purchasing Office should be involved in Construction Projects. Lucas said just a recommendation.

Councilor Di Piazza said one more. Di Piazza asked Michelle Lucas that she doesn't have a problem sitting on this and helping.

Michelle Lucas said she is paid eight hours a day regardless of where she is at.

Councilor Di Piazza said okay.

Speaker Riley said okay and thanked Michelle Lucas for her interest. Riley asked Councilor Lonn if she had something to say, no.

Councilor Di Piazza asked Speaker Riley if he was going to alter that.

Speaker Riley said no it's fine the way it is. Riley said like he said this is something that they are trying out and it will evolve over time and just because somebody is not listed on here doesn't mean they won't seek out their opinion or anything else or moving forward and eventually it will either go away or evolve into something more permanent. Riley said the hope is that they are able to over time get it to be the most impactful and accurate information possible for their decision making process. Riley asked are there any further questions on this item. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #11

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-0719-247 has been approved.

C. Resolution Prohibiting Discrimination based on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity

Tribal Council seeks to ensure that all persons are treated with Dignity and Respect.

Speaker Riley asked are there questions or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn asked isn't this already covered by the courts. Lonn asked don't they follow the State and Federal Laws if they don't have one created.

Speaker Riley said he believed Shayne Machen is going to come up and talk about this briefly for them.

Shayne Machen, Unified Legal Department Attorney, asked if Councilor Lonn could repeat the question.

Councilor Lonn asked isn't this already covered by State and Federal Law that their Tribal Courts follow.

Shayne Machen said _____ wouldn't apply to the Tribe but it's.....their laws actually don't allow discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity. Machen said currently their courts do not ban any individuals whether same sex or man/women marriages from adopting or getting married in Tribal Court so there is no basis to discriminate however this resolution serves as, she guessed, something that is more symbolic of what their Tribal Council intention is to do but.....

Speaker Riley said Councilor Di Piazza then Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Di Piazza said well that's.....he was having a little dilemma with it because they do have all them laws in place. Di Piazza said to not discriminate and.....on the gender and everything and he really doesn't see this helping their situation at all other than this symbolic thing. Di Piazza asked is it going to create more problems later which would be some of his questions. Di Piazza said he missed the work session because he had some personal business that day to take care of. Di Piazza said he is not comfortable passing this at all today without further discussion.

Shayne Machen said if she could just respond to that, Councilor Di Piazza's concerns. Machen said not to argue for either side of it but just to kind of point out some of the legal implications of the statements. Machen said just because a law doesn't allow for discrimination doesn't mean discrimination isn't occurring. Machen said to say that they could make the situation worse what it does is sends out the message to the court and the community that this is Tribal Council's position so depending what other laws are in place resolutions sometimes act half the force of law and sometimes they don't. Machen said a position from Tribal Council saying that they don't accept discrimination based on gender identity or sexual orientation is something that can later used by an individual who feels as though they are being discriminated against. Machen said so there are legal implications from passing this however as the resolution notes it doesn't change any law that is currently in place.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said basically all this is recognizing the LGTBQ Community and enable to.....people don't understand there is a lot of discrimination that does go on and there is a lot of people that.....there is other Tribes in the State of Michigan that has already passed these same resolutions to make it more comfortable for everyone in the whole Tribe. Friedel said it is not just.....it just

makes it.....their doing it.....everybody else is already passing it. Friedel said Sault Ste. Marie has passed it, Chippewa.....Little River.....LTB has passed it and Grand Traverse is in the process of passing more laws on this but that is basically what it is.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Wittenberg.

Councilor Wittenberg said yeah if they don't mind him asking on this discrimination as an example using the restroom and discrimination because of one's gender or how they feel would that stop the door just because say one is too _____ that they can use either or rest.....bathroom. Wittenberg asked is that all part of it and would that be part of the discrimination saying he feels they are who they are and even though the court turns around and they joined together does that one mean can go either or to either restroom. Wittenberg said he is looking at the thing of, not himself, but as their young'uns that are growing up that's and would that also turn around and have to have an open or.....what do they call it when it is open door for one restroom or bathroom. Wittenberg said would that.....he is just curious.

Shayne Machen asked Speaker Riley if he wanted to respond.

Speaker Riley said yeah they are talking about two different things here. Riley said what they are talking about is gender identity and their biological birth assignment of sex. Riley said he thinks they are two different things but he could be wrong here. Riley recognized Michelle Lucas.

Michelle Lucas, Tribal #0129, said in the resolution the "*NOW THEREFORE IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing in this resolution alters any existing Tribal Law or Policy.*" Lucas said she is not quite sure what the idea of having this new resolution would be if it is already there but she is really worried about the word "*rather*" the very next word says *rather, Tribal Council, over time, will review Tribal Law to ensure such laws do not permit desperate treatment of individuals based on sexual orientation or gender identity.* Lucas said when they are looking at gender identity the problem that she has with this issue she also want to be.....wanted to be treated equally. Lucas said she is a mother of two daughters and she will hopefully be a grandmother in the future. Lucas said if a man is a man that "*rather*" Tribal Council is going to be looking at this in the future does say that "*Hey we are going to be looking at the restroom that is equal equality.*" Lucas said that is how she looks at that and that is her opinion. Lucas said she doesn't want a man who has a tool walk into the bathroom with her daughters. Lucas said if he doesn't have that tool anymore she guesses he is not a man anymore but when they are looking at equalness she has to look at the safety of her daughters. Lucas said the safety of her grandchildren. Lucas said the safety of her grandsons and granddaughters. Lucas said she is not sure why the resolution is here today if they are already saying that they are already in place. Lucas asked is there anything under federal law that this resolution is required to

be passed. Lucas asked is there any grant law that says that they have to have this in place at this point. Lucas said it may or may not in the future but today; as of July 19, 2017 is this a requirement by Federal Law.

Speaker Riley said no its not. Riley said what it is a resolution showing that Tribal Council supports the idea that they have to have a system that works for everyone and treats everyone the same. Riley said he thinks they are talking about existing laws here and this is something like they are talking about the bathroom issue that is not something this even touches on.

Michelle Lucas said to Speaker Riley that they open the gate. Lucas reiterated that they are opening the gate by saying "*rather Tribal Council over time will review Tribal Law to ensure such laws do not permit desperate treatment of individuals based on sexual orientation or gender identity.*" Lucas said it is opening the gate, it is putting the toll and putting the foot in the door but that's the next.....

Speaker Riley said it is "*disparate treatment.*"

Councilor Medacco said is "*disparate treatment.*"

Michelle Lucas said that is the next.....despair treatment; can they.....unequal treatment. Lucas said okay.

Shayne Machen said it is a legal term.

Michelle Lucas said okay so it is a foot in the door and that is the next step. Lucas said she is not sure if.....why are they having this resolution if there is not a next step. Lucas said if these are already put in place why are they doing this if there is not a next step. Lucas asked why have even the rest of that language in this resolution. Lucas said if they are just talking about marriage which is "*NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED that Tribal Council affirms the legal recognition on same sex marriage*" why would they go further to say "*rather, Tribal Council, over time, will review Tribal Law to ensure such laws*" blah, blah, blah.

Speaker Riley said um hum.

Michelle Lucas said it is an indication to her that it is going to be looked at further and then this is going to be the green light for Tribal Council to make those changes.

Speaker Riley said to Recorder Lewis if that is the motion that she wants to make then she is welcome to do so.

MOVE TO POSTPONE THIS ITEM FOR A WORK SESSION FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION; by Lewis.

Councilor Friedel asked another work session.

MOVE TO POSTPONE THIS ITEM FOR A WORK SESSION FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION; by Lewis; supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain.

Shayne Machen asked if she could just put something on the record because she kind of whispered it to Michelle Lucas but for Grace Hendler's benefit she wanted to make sure that it was on the record. Machen said disparate treatment is a legal term meaning unequal treatment. Machen said so if a treatment.....say they have a rule and the rule is the same for everybody but it has a special or different effect on a different class of individuals that would be disparate treatment. Machen said so she just wanted to clarify that is what that meant.

Speaker Riley said also another point on this to clarify. Riley said by passing this it doesn't increase their ability or decrease their ability Tribal Council is the Legislative Body of this Tribe. Riley said they can change the laws whenever they see fit as long as those laws don't violate their Constitution. Riley recognized Michelle Lucas.

Michelle Lucas said so if it doesn't decrease or increase why even have it. Lucas asked why is it even here today and why is it on the agenda. Lucas asked what is its purpose.

Speaker Riley said Shayne Machen has a.....

Shayne Machen said she cannot speak to its purpose but she will speak to the legal implications. Machen said this would be the first time that this body or any body has officially accepted the recognition of same sex marriages performed in a jurisdiction other than its own and that is the legal implication of it is that it would be a legal recognition where an official recognition doesn't otherwise exist. Machen said she goes back to her original comment that those marriages and adoptions are not denied in Tribal Court however this would be the official position of the government or excuse her, of the Legislative Body.

Speaker Riley said okay. Riley recognized Tammy Burmeister.

Tammy Burmeister, Tribal #0351, said she believes in some of the grants that they been getting there is a clause in there regarding discrimination against what they are talking about so she is not sure how that relates to a resolution about Council having to adopt something but she thought she would just bring that up just for FYI.

Speaker Riley said alright, okay. Riley asked are there any further questions on this item. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #12

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

Motion carried (6-1-0-2)

Recorder Lewis said the motion to postpone for the discussion work session for discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity has been passed.

D. Adoption of Master Service Agreement for Services and Master Agreement for Tribal Events and Approval for Tribal Ogema to Execute these Agreements

ULD with the assistance of the Purchasing Manager have drafted Master Agreements for Services and Tribal Events Templates. In order to expedite business, they propose an approval limit for each agreement so that no Tribal Council review is required.

Speaker Riley asked if someone from Legal could give a quick description of this item. Riley said he is not asking for an analyst but what it is.

Rebecca Liebing, Unified Legal Department Attorney, explained these are Contract Templates that they developed with Purchasing in order to make it easier for them to do business so all of the terms are what they would always want in agreements. Liebing said sometimes they have to negotiate certain things away but in this particular instance it doesn't waive sovereign immunity and it is all Tribal Court jurisdiction, Tribal Law interpretation and it has things like insurance limits and things like that so the idea being that there is sometimes when they go to Tribal Council for approval and it's an agreement like this where they are not waiving sovereign immunity so there is no real Constitutional requirements and something that they put on themselves. Liebing said what they are asking for a blanket approval to execute these agreements under a certain dollar amount so with Tribal Events it is under \$2,500 and with just Master Service Agreement it is under \$5,000. Liebing said since these agreements always get approved basically it is always favorable to them and they drafted the terms based on their experience so it is just allowing Purchasing to do business a little bit quicker. Liebing said that is pretty much it.

Speaker Riley thanked Rebecca Liebing. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

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

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-0719-248; ADOPTION OF MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES AND MASTER AGREEMENT FOR TRIBAL EVENTS AND APPROVAL FOR THE TRIBAL OGEMA TO EXECUTE THESE AGREEMENTS; by Di Piazza; supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain and are there any questions on this item. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #13

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-0719-248 has been approved.

E. Authorizing Amendments to the Tribal Black Bear and Tribal Elk Regulations for the 2017 Hunting Season

(1) Tribal Black Bear

(2) Tribal Elk

The Natural Resource Commission has approved amendments by Resolution #17-0710-04 during a regular meeting to adopt the Hunting Regulations to include the number of permits available to Tribal Members and state the Hunting Season.

Speaker Riley said he believed Councilor Di Piazza submitted this item so they will let him give a run-down.

Councilor Di Piazza said his apologies for the late add. Di Piazza said last Monday the commission by resolution adopted the Bear Hunting and Elk Hunting Regulations for 2017. Di Piazza said the Bear Regulations actually they have what 216 that could be given out, Bear Tags, is that correct, that is what he is seeing. Di Piazza said the massive change in the regulations is under Bear that prohibits the use of chocolate and coco because they have been finding the bear likes it but everything else loves chocolate and coco. Di Piazza said it is killing some of the other animals that feed off of that bait pile so squirrels and things like that are dying from this chocolate and coco. Di Piazza said so yep there is no other discussion on the bear he would like to make a motion.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said he just has a question about that. Medacco asked is there any kind of testing that has been done with that or any kind of statistics that can support that answer.

Councilor Di Piazza said yes.

Councilor Medacco said he was wondering because if that.....he said that was one of the changes but it wasn't given to them for that. Medacco said he would just like to see those statistics and stuff like that, those numbers.

Ari Cornman, Senior Wildlife Biologist, said he doesn't have exact numbers but he knows that in a number of states, New Hampshire being one of them, he can't remember the other states but there is about four or five states where the State Department of Wildlife has found dead wildlife and brought it to their State Veterinary Offices and done numerous autopsies on them and have directly linked the death to eating too much chocolate. Cornman said so there is biological evidence of this happening in the wild in a number of states. Cornman said there hasn't been a whole lot and he thinks the total number of confirmed deaths nationwide is probably under 15 so it doesn't happen a lot but it does happen and is a possibility.

Councilor Medacco asked how many in Michigan.

Ari Cornman said he is not aware of any but he is not sure to be honest. Cornman said he doesn't think it has happened in Michigan.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said the one thing to remember if they are out bear hunting they fall under their regulations which would be their Natural Resources and DNR Department. Di Piazza said so they know if that had one kernel or chocolate chip in it doesn't mean they are going to get a ticket for it. Di Piazza said it is mainly if they are dumping chocolate donuts out by the hoards but.....

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel asked is that the only change in it.

Ari Cornman said yeah that is the only thing subject to change. Cornman said there is some spelling corrections and things like that but that is the only regulation change.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

Councilor Medacco said so with the State they allow them to use that.

Ari Cornman said no the State has banned the use of chocolate in bear bait. Cornman said it is probably going to be harder to get anyway. Cornman said places that give out bear bait are most likely.....he doesn't think there are many

places that actually include chocolate in it now but any places that do, Bakeries or whatever, are probably going to remove it anyway and be careful about that because the State Hunters are not going to be able to accept it anyway so.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn asked is there anything different with the Elk Regulations or is that just.....

Ari Cornman said the only difference in that Elk Regulations are the Season Dates and the ratio of elk. Cornman said last year they got two any Elk and two cows and this year they get one any Elk and three cows.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Wittenberg.

Councilor Wittenberg said yes so if they are lost out in the woods and they haven't eaten for a while the bear bait might be the place to go for the chocolate donuts. Wittenberg said just kidding.

Speaker Riley said yeah and he sees this as a good thing because whether the state's doing it or not he means especially in their position they should be encouraging responsible practices and things when hunting cause the least disruption to the other animals in the area. Riley said even if chocolate isn't as detrimental to bears he means there are several other small animals that could be hurt in the process they are not out there to kill them they are out there to kill the bears, to harvest bear and elk so.

Ari Cornman said that is a really good point that he was going to make next and he is glad that he brought that up. Cornman said a lot of this is to prevent harm to non-target animals like coyotes or wolves in the U.P or raccoons or anything else. Cornman said the point of it is not to harm those it is just to get the bear. Cornman said it not only harms bears but it harms non-target animals as well and that has been confirmed in necropsies of chocolate deaths that people have put it out in their bait in large quantities or medium quantities in several bear baits and they go and they eat it and then other animals that are not the target of the hunting have been killed.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

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

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-0719-249;
APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE 2017 BLACK BEAR
HUNTING REGULATIONS TO INCLUDE THE NUMBER OF
PERMITS AVAILABLE TO LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA**

INDIANS TRIBAL MEMBERS AND TO STATE THE HUNTING SEASON; by Di Piazza; supported by Lewis.

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain and are there any further questions on this item. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #14

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-0719-249 has been approved.

Speaker Riley said onto 2 the elk and asked Councilor Di Piazza if he wanted to get them going again.

Councilor Di Piazza said yeah that again is just.....it is usually just do this every year to.....the dates and the number of tags they give out unfortunately this year on the bear it was just the chocolate issue. Di Piazza said like Ari Cornman said they get four tags this year, one any elk and three antlerless elk. Di Piazza said if there are no questions he will make the motion.

Speaker Riley said to Councilor Di Piazza to go ahead.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-0719-250;
APPROVAL OF ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2017
ELK REGULATION TO INCLUDE THE NUMBER OF PERMITS
AVAILABLE TO LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL MEMBERS AND TO CORRECT LOCATION MAPS;** by
Di Piazza; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain and any further questions on the Elk Regs. Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel asked how were those tags fairly given out.

Councilor Di Piazza replied raffle.

Councilor Medacco said it is a drawing.

Councilor Lonn agreed it was a drawing.

Ari Cornman said the Natural Resources holds a drawing each year where all the names are put in.....well actually for elk it is a little bit different. Cornman said

the Elders are put in the first drawing and that is for an any elk tag so they have the first choice of any elk tag. Cornman said that is drawn at random and the winner of that is taken out of the whole Tribe drawing. Cornman said then the rest of the tags are drawn. Cornman said they choose the rest of the tags and five alternates past the next five names are alternates in case tags are declined or the member is not able to hunt or something so they can go down the list. Cornman said it is basically a random drawing.

Councilor Friedel said so they could have somebody that never wins a drawing and then somebody that wins a drawing every time.

Ari Cornman said there is a five.....if they are offered a tag then whether or not they choose to hunt if they are offered a tag and have the opportunity there is a five year period in which they are not able to enter the drawing again. Cornman said that hopefully allows more opportunity for Tribal members to not get picked over and over again even if it is random.

Councilor Lonn said she has a question. Lonn said she is just curious when he says Elders do the Elders submit their names or do they just draw from the Elder Group or what.

Ari Cornman said when they send out the application there is a box to check that asks if they are an Elder and then they check that box and then they are eligible to be put in the Elder Pool.

Councilor Lonn asked how long is that season usually. Lonn said she doesn't bear hunt but she was just curious.

Ari Cornman said it is three.....usually three weekends in November and December, no sorry, in August and September and then October, November and December that is a longer season. Cornman said then the Tribes has an extended period at the end of that if they don't meet their quota.

Councilor Lonn thanked Ari Cornman.

Councilor Di Piazza said it is in that little booklet that she has.

Councilor Lonn said she didn't read it yet.

Speaker Riley said to Councilor Lonn, yeah, there is a booklet inside her packet and that will give her all that information.

Councilor Di Piazza said the registration for the drawing has been in the Currents for quite a long time before.

Speaker Riley said it was about two months ago.

Ari Cornman said this year Period 1 is August 29th to September 1st and September 15th to September 18th and September 29th to October 2nd on Period 2 is December 9th to December 17th and December 18th to January 1st and then a hunt Period 3 which may or may not be necessary is January 17th to January 21st, 2018. Cornman said those are pretty typical and they change depending on the weekend and that kind of thing but that is pretty typical from year to year.

Councilor Di Piazza asked did they vote yet.

Speaker Riley thanked Ari Cornman. Riley said no and asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #15

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-0719-250 has been approved.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

VI. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, July 26, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.**
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**

Speaker Riley said as he had mentioned earlier the Ogema is attending the Partners In Action Conference. Riley asked Mary Thomas is anybody.....was anybody sent to speak on his behalf this week or anything.

Mary Thomas replied no.

Speaker Riley said no, alright, so they will just go ahead and move on.

C. Legislative Affairs Update

Speaker Riley said at this point would anybody from Council like to share anything on Legislative Affairs. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said Councilor Friedel and he attended the NRCC which is the Republican Convention in Pittsburgh. Di Piazza said they had a lot of good talking sessions with a lot of the Representatives and some of the Congressmen. Di Piazza said interesting, he guessed, they went clay shooting for the day and the Congressman that they put in his cart was like Blake Feirnhold which he

evidentially he is still trying to figure out what he is appointed to because he didn't quite know what he was appointed to by Trump but it is to oversee the fiscal responsibility, from what he is understanding, for Indian Affairs which was extremely interesting. Di Piazza said his comment was he really doesn't know anything about Indians and he said what better place to be than in his car while he is driving for four hours so he had a little learning experience and thinks he can be really helpful to them in the near future. Di Piazza said he did let him win and had to choke a lot on them birds. Di Piazza said the ones that they spoke with they got their point across and he had five confirmed Congressmen that will support the movement that they have coming forward. Di Piazza said it was a good.....it was good and good for their people.

Speaker Riley said for those they can't tell behind here Councilor Di Piazza is actually wearing weighters. Riley said also Councilor Lewis, Councilor Crampton and he went to Martha's Vineyard and met with the Democratic Senate Leadership. Riley said they had some very good conversations with a number of Senators including Senator Franken, Senator Schumer, Senator Markie, Senator Cassie, Senator Peters, Senator Hicamp, Senator Stabenow and there was quite a bit more. Riley said he means there was probably out of the 48 that they have in the Senate at least half of them were there and they were able to make a lot of connections and have a lot of good conversations about their interests and what it is that they expect out of Leadership in Washington when it comes to Indian Affairs. Riley asked Councilor Lewis if she had anything to add.

Councilor Lewis said no.....just did ____.

Speaker Riley asked anything else for Legislative Affairs.

D. Public Comment Period

Speaker Riley said at this point he will open up the floor for Public Comment. Riley said anybody has a..... Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said she would just like to say that Councilor Pete and her went and worked as volunteers for Bike Time. Lonn said it was great and they really pushed the Odeno and the new casino and got a lot of people signed up for it. Lonn said she would like to thank Mary Thomas and her husband Phil Thomas as well as Jeanie Gibson for really working hard those three days and really pushing and setting it up and running it and giving her grief but it was fine. Lonn thanked them.

Speaker Riley thanked Councilor Lonn. Riley said okay do they have anything for Public Comment. Riley recognized Rita Gale.

Rita Gale said her question is to the Council. Gale said the camp that they have over there is that Tribal Camp or is that for anyone.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said right now it is just for Tribal.

Rita Gale said well then why did Steve Parsons tell the girl over at the gas station that it was for everybody and he had better not hear her say that it was only for Tribal again.

Councilor Di Piazza said right this.....

Speaker Riley said he doesn't think they should be making comments on hearsay because he means.....

Councilor Di Piazza said right now the regulations it is open for Tribal members. Di Piazza said in the near future it may be open to everybody, he doesn't know, next year they don't know. Di Piazza said that's why that.....the creation of that Budget authority is being invoked because the.....he will use the campgrounds as the example. Di Piazza said everybody went to Gun Lake and everybody come back and said "*ooh, look at Gun Lake that's beautiful and we need to do something.*" Di Piazza said okay well they did and unfortunately some of them and he is at fault too, didn't calculate what it cost for that upkeep whether it's the power consumption whether it is the water & the sewer because now it is hooked up to the City Sewer and how much it is going to cost to keep that upkeep.

Rita Gale said of the water over there.

Councilor Di Piazza said of the whole facility. Di Piazza said of the whole grounds itself.

Rita Gale asked why is it they don't have any water at their sites.

Councilor Di Piazza said because they are not paying \$20.00 a day.

Rita Gale said no they are paying \$20.00 a week for something that they didn't get anything from except a road which they didn't need the road because they were satisfied with the gravel road out there.

Councilor Di Piazza said well power.....there is going to be power run to all the sites at 20 amp service.

Rita Gale said to Councilor Di Piazza that there isn't yet. Gale said they are still being.....

Councilor Di Piazza said they are at the mercy of the Consumers.....

Rita Gale said they are still having to pay for that.

Speaker Riley said okay let's not let this get into a debate or an argument.

Rita Gale said one more thing. Gale said to Councilor Di Piazza that he was standing there when Steve Parsons said that and he didn't say anything.

Councilor Di Piazza said no, no.

Rita Gale said that is what she heard.

Councilor Di Piazza said he was not otherwise he would have set him straight right then. Di Piazza said that is the problem with hearsay. Di Piazza said if he would have seen it or heard it he would have set it straight because the regulations the way they read.....

Rita Gale said that is what Steve Parsons said so.

Councilor Di Piazza said.....are Tribal members right this minute. Di Piazza said next year that is going to change, that could change, he is not saying it will and he is not saying it won't but he will say there is some.....they know.....a lot of discussion that some wanted to charge by the day because across the street it is \$15.00 a day and they have a full hook-up so.

Rita Gale said okay, well right now there is about eight of them that are paying \$20.00 a week which that campground was supposed to be for Tribal members only and it was also supposed to be free to all Tribal people.

Councilor Di Piazza said well somebody's got to pay for it.

Rita Gale said it has been.....was free up until like a year ago or two years ago then everybody had to start paying \$10.00.

Councilor Di Piazza said they have to pay somebody to take care of them bathrooms, they have to pay.....

Rita Gale asked why is it just eight people then.

Councilor Di Piazza said pardon.

Rita Gale asked why is it just eight people that are paying. Gale asked why when they have a pow wow, when they have the Language Camp, why don't those people have to pay anything.

Councilor Di Piazza said because in the regulation they will stay for free and that is the only time it is free is the pow wow and Language Camp.

Rita Gale said okay then there is people being sent out there that are homeless that don't pay anything.

Councilor Di Piazza said they still have to pay through the Enforcement whether that funding is coming from Members Assistance to take care of that or somebody.....and he has paid for people to stay there before out of his own pocket because they didn't have no place to go. Di Piazza said he bought them tents and things because.....

Rita Gale said the power was supposed updated because it wasn't working right out there. Gale said that still hasn't been done and now they are paying \$20.00.

Councilor Medacco said they are waiting for Consumers because right now all the construction has been done and they are waiting for Consumers to come in and finish out the electrical portion of it.

Speaker Riley said to Rita Gale, alright he thinks she has a lot of concerns and he thinks they are valid but he thinks because of the type of dialogue that is going on it is more of a discussion than a comment. Riley said he would encourage her to get with Recorder Lewis and they will set up a work session and they can all sit down and meet together and work stuff out.

Rita Gale asked what is that, bye.

Speaker Riley said that is the timer. Riley said to Rita Gale to please get with Recorder Lewis right after the meeting and they will set-up a time and they will all sit down and work this out. Riley said okay anybody else for Public Comment. Riley said then he has them afterwards.

Margaret Kowalkowski, Tribal #1309, said they do have concerns at the campground and it is mainly concerning what they were told. Kowalkowski said they were told a year ago there was too much electricity used and it's got to be paid for and they said okay they will pay for it whatever they have used. Kowalkowski said they narrowed it down for last year to \$10.00 a week and they were fine with that. Kowalkowski said they were even more fine with the Tribal Police handling things over there and being more visible because they have had drug dealers in there, they had overdosed teenagers in there, they had booze in there, and they had prostitutes in the bathroom in there. Kowalkowski said she means there was a lot of things that were going on over there because they did not have any control and they were just kind of on their own. Kowalkowski said at any rate so they paid the \$10.00 and they were fine with that then they were told that they were going.....there was a big grant and it was just going to be a beautiful renovation. Kowalkowski said they had them leave in 2015 and they had them leave right after pow wow she believed. Kowalkowski said they said they needed that good weather so they could.....the Maintenance could go in

there and start renovating for the following year and they said oh, okay. Kowalkowski said well her herself store a camper up here and she pays a monthly rate to store it which that cut her into three more months of storage but they were hoping for the best. Kowalkowski said then they came back the following spring and there was no renovation. Kowalkowski said the pipes were burst in the bathroom because nobody took care of them properly, the propane was totally empty so there was no hot water and then the mirrors in the bathroom she would love all of them Councilors to go in those bathrooms because they can't even see their faces. Kowalkowski said they have gone through the weather of shoving it down, freezing, coming back to hot and so they have these streaks of rust and whatnot. Kowalkowski said it should with that big grant there should have been money left for three mirrors. Kowalkowski said that was one thing she was hoping for because she is kind of vain and she would be the first to admit it but at any rate, they are kind of concerned about their money because they are all Elders. Kowalkowski said the ones that stay through the whole season are Elders. Kowalkowski said they are all on Social Security and fixed income. Kowalkowski said of course they know the Per Cap is down, down, down so they can't even really count that as income. Kowalkowski said okay so now they are given the \$20.00 and they really were fine with even that because what they were told is that the \$20.00 would be a starting base and once they figured out because everybody would have a pole, they would figure out where this electricity was being used then they would adjust the pricing accordingly. Kowalkowski said they would start with the \$20.00 and they said okay. Kowalkowski said they were going to have good electricity and they knew it was still going to be 20 amp and they were okay with that as long as they didn't keep blowing breakers. Kowalkowski said that was another problem all.....most of these years. Kowalkowski said the Maintenance People the breakers of course were going to blow on the weekends when they have more people. Kowalkowski said nobody was available and they had the key to that building so they would have to wait until tomorrow to get somebody over there that had a key to hit the breaker because they asked them if they would appoint somebody of them that was there to be able to go in that building. Kowalkowski said at any rate she knows her time is up but they should, she feels, go back to the \$10.00 until the electricity is the \$20.00 worth. Kowalkowski said the only ones hooked-up is what was there. Kowalkowski thanked them.

Speaker Riley thanked Margaret Kowalkowski for her comments. Riley said next he had and apologized because he doesn't know their name.

Margie Harris said she just got started. Harris said she is going to make hers simple because she here on the same thing as these people, the Elders. Harris said she is an Elder and Tribal 3529 is her number. Harris said she drives up here from Florida and doesn't live here in Michigan anymore. Harris said she camps down here on these campgrounds and she loves it to death but they are going to force them out if they are going to keep making it higher. Harris said the first week they came in to camp here they had just the road and the first week and a

half they didn't even have any hot water to shower with. Harris said they had to come in and put in a new hot water heater and she didn't like that. Harris said her main concern is talking to different people she wants to know she had one of the Contractors come through checking different things and he told her he was surprised to see the campers out there and he was under the impression that was for tents only. Harris asked are they going to not let campers come in and are they going to just let tents there. Harris asked how much are they going to raise their rent because like she said a lot of them Elders are on a fixed income. Harris said if they are going to put a pool out there, a playground out there, them Elders have no use for that and so they shouldn't have to pay for something they cannot use. Harris said she would just like some clarification on how they are going to fix that. Harris asked are they going to make that into something like a big old State Park where anybody can come in. Harris said another thing she don't like they let this riff raff come in and let people come in. Harris said the last two years that she came in she had people come in that they put across the street from her and she loves kids to death that's her profession, she had been an Early Childhood Education Teacher and sometimes as they get older children get on their nerves when they do things. Harris said like they got that road and asked did they ever hear a bouncing basketball that doesn't have air in it very good. Harris said sit and listen to that for a long time. Harris said they have skateboards that come in through there because they are riding their skateboards and bicycles on these roads too fast. Harris said like she said if it is going to come where they are going to have to pay this like the first week she was here she doesn't think they should have had to pay \$20.00 because there was no hot water for a week and a half. Harris said if they are going to make this into a big park they are going to force all the Elders out. Harris thanked them for their time.

Speaker Riley thanked Margie Harris. Riley said stop it and reset it that is how they do it. Riley said alright red shirt is it Judy Nedeau.

Judy Nedeau, Tribal #1311, said she is with the rest of them she has been coming here since before they opened just practically and they had a lot of fun here. Nedeau said it is mostly because they love it here and they know each other and they are family. Nedeau said they used to treat them with respect, the Elders. Nedeau said they used to go on trips and all that stuff. Nedeau said some of them didn't. Nedeau said she is almost 70 now and she didn't get to go on any of those fabulous trips. Nedeau said she was almost 55 when the last trip came about and it just so happened to be on that committee they weren't doing right. Nedeau said she was 55 when the trip came up but she was going on 55 when she put her name on so she didn't get to go, alright, and these were white people that were on their committee, alright, and they didn't feel like she should go. Nedeau said that was wrong and was b_____. Nedeau said that was just one thing.....

Speaker Riley said to Judy Nedeau that he is going to have to ask her to control her language. Riley said the Senior's Committee are Tribal members.

Judy Nedeau said she will try to respect but what she is saying is it wasn't even Tribal people at the time. Nedeau said she didn't get to go on the wonderful trips that a lot of the Elders got to go on. Nedeau said she will try to keep it low but she heard a lot of people that she can't hear like Councilor Di Piazza and a lot of them. Nedeau said they didn't get enough pamphlets to follow the process and she wanted to hear a lot of it so she wanted them to hear her, okay. Nedeau said by the way with the prices and she has heard a lot that even themselves they wanted the prices up and up and up on the campground with their voting. Nedeau apologized and said it gets out there but in any case she happened to fall on her face really, really hard today just before she got here so she is a little upset. Nedeau said she has swollen lips and got dirty like crazy because they were promised pads for their rigs to set on, nice pads. Nedeau said she wears shoes that she wears all over and she happens to like to dress up. Nedeau said they fit her well and got elastic on them and go right with her foot. Nedeau said they are not some flip flops and she picks her feet up. Nedeau said she fell flat on her face. Nedeau said if she had a pad on the walkway she wouldn't have to go on that uneven ground. Nedeau said if there were a pad by the walkway and asked if they knew were things were located like they were promised to the road even she wouldn't have fallen on her face so hard. Nedeau said it was all over her body and everything else and that upset her a bit. Nedeau said she thought if they had the pads. Nedeau said she stayed in a lot of State Parks and they can dress normal, they can do that, and if they say they are upgrading why are they not upgraded and why don't they have the pads. Nedeau asked why don't they have electricity. Nedeau said they got their RV out there and they have no electricity and never had any of those old ones on their lot. Nedeau said they paid \$20.00 a week for nothing except the road, that's it, and with the transgender or whatever she feels uncomfortable like Michelle Lucas, they know, with that business so they should at least have a unisex bathroom that different people can use. Nedeau said she knows they invite the public to different events and they should have their own bathroom where they are not by children or other adults, women that don't dig that, or a man. Nedeau said that is what she has got to say. Nedeau said they know so they don't appreciate her and she doesn't appreciate how different people vote. Nedeau said that is just the way it is. Nedeau said she knows Councilor Pete and different people they have gone to making money out of them, well they are retired and like she said they are on a fixed income just the like the rest of them have said and they love to stay together but a lot of these people have said that they are probably have to be forced out, to leave, then what are they going to have. Nedeau asked who are going to fill these spots. Nedeau said she is done and thanked them for listening. Nedeau said if she is too loud she is sorry.....

Speaker Riley thanked Judy Nedeau for her comments.

Judy Nedeau went on to say if she is too obnoxious, sorry.

Councilor Di Piazza said they love her.

Speaker Riley said he has Carmen Soward.

Carmen Soward, Tribal #4023, said she has to agree with the gals. Soward said she lives on a month to month on Social Security and she has to save for coming up here. Soward said she has really learned a lot and is really grateful for the campgrounds because there she has gotten to know each of the Native People and found out that she is just like the rest of them. Soward said she fits in. Soward said in other campgrounds she never fit in but this one she does fit in because they are able to talk about how they grew up; their Native Teachings. Soward said so she learned a lot up here so yes the \$20.00 does affect her because \$80.00 a month and some months it is going to be \$100.00. Soward said she has to deduct that and she also has to save money for winter. Soward said she tries to make everything Membership Meetings; everything because she does care about this Tribe. Soward said this campground was the best thing. Soward said she lives in the country and comes up here to go camping but she lives in the country and doesn't get the peace out here.....at home like she does out here. Soward said so being with the gals, well, and the guys they are able to learn about one another. Soward said it is a real teaching because she means teaching goes on and their young ones are there to listen to this so they are also teaching them. Soward said if they keep raising the prices she can't come up here anymore and that is going to be the one thing that hurts her because her grandkids have learned a lot. Soward said she wants them to learn the Native Ways. Soward said she has brought them up here with no toys and told them no, they are going to learn how to play without toys. Soward said no iPad, no nothing. Soward said they did they learned that they can climb a tree, they can take a stick and make a game out of it, and they have learned a lot. Soward said so please just.....she is hoping that they do keep the prices down because otherwise next year she won't be able to afford to come up here and she totally enjoys it. Soward said the electric gas she agrees with the electric because that was the most important thing for her. Soward said she doesn't use that much electric because she gets up before it hits dawn and is in bed before it gets dark. Soward said she just wanted them to hear how she felt personally. Soward said so she is done and thanked them for listening.

Speaker Riley thanked Carmen Soward. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said just to clarify this was Phase I of the project. Di Piazza said there are three phases to this project. Di Piazza said now some.....where it may end he has no clue and doesn't think anybody does because they are waiting on grant application for Phase II.

Carmen Soward asked what are the phases then and what is going to be done in those phases.

Councilor Di Piazza said to be honest they are changing as they speak and he doesn't know. Di Piazza said in one there was going to be a Kiddie Park and

things but then things all change. Di Piazza said there are supposed to be some other things done here and it all revolves around funding. Di Piazza said how much funding do they want to put into that because at the end of the day the funding has to come from someplace.

Carmen Soward said um-hum.

Councilor Di Piazza said anyways but that is Phase I and there are some other phases that are coming. Di Piazza said he would.....is the Recorder who is going to set a work session and he would suggest everybody be there and they will try to figure out what.

Speaker Riley said that is what he was going to suggest. Riley said they are going to set up a work session and he would definitely appreciate it if all of them would come and join them. Riley said they can sit down and discuss this because like even the plans for the stuff are not set in stone and if they are the ones that stay there every year they want their feedback. Riley said they want to make sure that this being done in a good way so that they are, they know, treating them with the respect they deserve and also making sure if they are their customers, they know, they are their customers and they want them to have what they want while they are out there. Riley said they will go ahead and get that scheduled with Recorder Lewis and they will send somebody out there to let them know when it is all set up. Riley said he has Pat Ruitter and Judy Nedeau again.

Pat Ruitter, Tribal #1287, said they know most of them, a lot of them in the Tribe are ¼ Indian. Ruitter said the other part so called white people. Ruitter said her husband is one of those so called white people but he has a name. Ruitter said he doesn't need to be called a white person so people need to think before they open their mouths and say things like that. Ruitter said that is degrading to those people. Ruitter said another thing is the rent out there they go to a State Park and they are paying three times more than what they are paying here. Ruitter said she would just like to say that campground is beautiful and she is glad that it is being worked on to get it nice. Ruitter said it takes time and doesn't happen overnight. Ruitter said so everybody needs to be patient. Ruitter said she knows they had problems out there with the drugs, alcohol and all of that maybe the police needs to just stop and talk to people at night and catch them when they are doing it. Ruitter said it happens all over. Ruitter said her husband is Dutch if they want nationality he is Dutch and not a white person. Ruitter thanked them.

Speaker Riley thanked Pat Ruitter. Riley recognized Judy Nedeau.

Judy Nedeau, Tribal #1311, said to Pat Ruitter that she is very sorry that she took offense and she didn't mean that. Nedeau said she is married to a white person, alright, and she didn't mean that. Nedeau said she didn't want to name any names. Nedeau said she had one person actually in mind and she did discriminate against her and actually got her fired from her commission at that time. Nedeau

said she was on that commission and actually she lied. Nedeau said that is one thing because she told a lie about they couldn't get the buses to take that trip because she didn't want it at that time and that just happened to be the facts of life and they put her in charge of that commission. Nedeau said it should have been an Indian person to start with and that was just the way it was. Nedeau said she is sorry that was just.....shouldn't be here but that is the way it was. Nedeau said she has a grudge and is sorry that is just one of those things. Nedeau said they know she should have gone on one of those trips because she was 55 at the time but anyway it is neither here nor there. Nedeau reiterated that she apologizes that she took offense. Nedeau said that is the way it is and they can't please everybody. Nedeau said like she said they were promised the pads, alright, for this year and one of her other questions were how much was the grant and how much did they put in as a Tribe. Nedeau said that is what she would like to know.

Councilor Di Piazza said well it was.....this wasn't a grant but BIA Road Funds.

Judy Nedeau said pardon.

Councilor Di Piazza said it was BIA Road Funds that were mainly use along with what.....

Speaker Riley said well that is grant money.

Councilor Di Piazza said yeah it is grant but not for say writing a grant to get a grant and that is for Phase II. Di Piazza said most of that if she would like when they have the work session they will have the proper numbers. Di Piazza said he hates giving numbers here without them in front of him.

Judy Nedeau asked do they have anything close.

Councilor Di Piazza said pardon.

Judy Nedeau asked do they have anything close just off the top of his head.

Councilor Di Piazza said it was about \$450,000ish.

Speaker Riley said in Tribal dollars.....

Judy Nedeau said okay well how much was the funding.

Councilor Di Piazza said about \$800-900 so they have about \$1.3 million into that campground right now.

Judy Nedeau said okay and that was some electricity.

Councilor Di Piazza said no, no.

Judy Nedeau said no electricity.

Councilor Di Piazza said right now they are waiting on Consumers Energy to run a mainline from their transformer to that box sitting right there. Di Piazza said when Consumers does that then they will all have 20 amp service. Di Piazza said all them spots, all 54 spots.

Judy Nedeau said what is.....

Councilor Di Piazza said until Consumers shows up he can't.....

Judy Nedeau said okay well her question also and all the rest of them have been wondering. Nedeau asked what is the hold up. Nedeau said usually if they pay somebody they'll do it.

Councilor Di Piazza said they did.

Speaker Riley said Consumers is what is called a natural monopoly and they are the only game in town so they do things whenever they feel like doing them and that is the way utility companies work sometimes.

Councilor Di Piazza said twice to look.

Judy Nedeau said that is very sad. Nedeau said she thinks that, they know, something ought to be put in the paper and she might want to play dirty because she would do it.

Councilor Di Piazza said well do they not want to pay their bill here and have them shut off all of their power.

Judy Nedeau said she thinks that it would be just a personal thing in the paper maybe some group ought to do it, they know.

Councilor Di Piazza said he is just saying sometimes that can do.....

Judy Nedeau said it would have to be a group and it wouldn't have to say the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, they know, they would say they have a campground issue and Consumers Power or whoever.....is it Consumers Power that they use up here.

Speaker Riley said yes it is Consumers Power.

Judy Nedeau said Consumers Power will not come them up although they have paid them but they have to have the correct information. Nedeau said have they paid them.

Councilor Di Piazza said they are the mercy of Consumers Energy and that is the.....

Judy Nedeau asked have they paid them.

Councilor Di Piazza said certainly.

Judy Nedeau said okay well she appreciates that. Nedeau thanked them and said that is all she needs to know. Nedeau said she wanted to apologize to Pat Ruitter or anybody else she offended because she really didn't mean to do that.

Speaker Riley thanked Judy Nedeau. Riley said to Margaret Kowalkowski that he just wanted to.....before he gets to her again he just wanted to let everybody know that they had the Mayor of Manistee here in their audience. Riley said he just wanted to welcome him and is sure he sees things like this within the city as well. Riley said so welcome and asked if he had anything he would like to share with them today.

James Smith, Mayor of Manistee, responded no.

Speaker Riley said alright and thanked him. Riley recognized Margaret Kowalkowski.

Margaret Kowalkowski, Tribal #1309, said she just quickly wanted to make a small comment. Kowalkowski asked is there any chance that until Consumers comes when they get to them that the Council could make.....have a little Emergency Meeting and drop that rate back down to \$10.00 until they get \$20.00 worth because that is what they are paying for the electric.

Councilor Di Piazza said that needs to be discussed in a work session.

Speaker Riley agreed.

Margaret Kowalkowski asked how soon will the work session be she means how many weeks are they going to....they know.....

Recorder Lewis said they could actually try and squeeze them in tomorrow if that works for her. Lewis said it is kind of.....they are going to work around whatever is convenient for all of them.

Margaret Kowalkowski said yeah okay.

Councilor Di Piazza said it will probably be in the afternoon.

Margaret Kowalkowski said if it.....they know.....within a reasonable time table.

Recorder Lewis asked do they want to stick around a minute.

Margaret Kowalkowski said they are going to go renew all of their permits again and they will pay the \$20.00 again but they really feel unheard on that. Kowalkowski said she wished they would just get together and kind of brainstorm is it valid or isn't it. Kowalkowski said she knows that the Tribe is into making money in all of their endeavors and that is okay but she doesn't think they should be doing that to their own people. Kowalkowski said she feels gouged. Kowalkowski apologized and thanked them.

Speaker Riley and Recorder Lewis thanked Margaret Kowalkowski.

Speaker Riley said okay 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 11:45.

MOTION TO END FIRST OPEN AT 11:45; by Wittenberg; supported by Lewis.

Roll Call #16

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

VIII. Open Session

Speaker Riley said he will entertain a motion to go into Second Open Session at 1:34. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

The Council reconvened in Open Session at 1:34 p.m.

MOTION TO GO INTO SECOND OPEN SESSION AT 1:34; by Di Piazza; supported by Lewis.

Roll Call #17

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Absent	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Absent

R. Wittenberg-Yes	D. Lonn -	Absent	S. Lewis -	Yes
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Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Recorder Lewis said they are in open.

Speaker Riley asked do they have any items to move from closed to open. Riley asked Recorder Lewis if he could see her thing from last week real quick. Riley said it looks like under Bids & Contracts all those are good. Riley said the Reforecast that stays in closed, right, the actual Budget does and the only thing that people have access to is the Distribution Amount Projection, right.

Councilor Di Piazza said yes.

Speaker Riley said alright so that stays in closed.

Recorder Lewis said okay.

Speaker Riley said everything else is not.....the resolution comes out and the contracts and stuff stays in closed.

Recorder Lewis said okay.

A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session

MOTION TO MOVE FROM LAST WEEK JULY 12, 2017; RESOLUTION #17-0712-232, 233, 234, 235, 236 AND 237; MOVE THE MOTION, RESOLUTION AND ROLL CALL VOTE FROM CLOSED TO OPEN; THE MOTION AND ROLL CALL FROM THE REFORECAST ONLY; FROM AGENDA JULY 19, 2017; MOVE INTO OPEN FROM CLOSED, VII C.1 THOROUGH C.4; RESOLUTION #17-0719-251, 252, 253 AND 254; by Lewis; supported by Di Piazza.

Speaker Riley asked if anybody was going to abstain. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #18

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Recorder Lewis said okay it is all passed.

The following resolutions, motions and roll call votes from July 12, 2017 were moved from Closed to Open Session.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 17-0712-232,
RATIFICATION OF CONTRACT WITH KAREEN LEWIS TO
PROVIDE BEADWORK CLASSES; by Crampton; supported by
Wittenberg.**

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 - No	F. Medacco - Absent	J. Riley - Yes
J. Friedel - Yes	R. Pete - Yes	S. Lewis - Absent

Motion carried (6-1-0-2)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 17-0712-233,
RATIFICATION OF CORRPRO CONTRACT FOR
MAINTENANCE OF THE CATHODIC PROTECTION SYSTEM
IN THE WATER TOWER; by Pete; supported by Lonn.**

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 - Absent	J. Riley - Yes
J. Friedel - Yes	R. Pete - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 17-0712-234,
RATIFICATION OF PHARMACY AGREEMENT WITH BC-BS-
BSN OF MICHIGAN; by Pete; supported by Friedel.**

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 - Absent	J. Riley - Yes
J. Friedel - Yes	R. Pete - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 17-0712-235,
RATIFICATION OF PHARMACY AGREEMENT WITH
HUMANA PHARMACY SOLUTIONS, INC.;** by Pete; supported by
Lewis.

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

Roll Call #C-6

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 17-0712-236,
RATIFICATION OF PERSONNEL SECURITY CONSULTANTS,
INC. CONTRACT;** by Pete; supported by Lonn.

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

Roll Call #C-7

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 17-0712-237,
RATIFICATION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LITTLE
RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS AND THE INTER-TRIBAL
COUNCIL OF MICHIGAN TO DEVELOP A TELE-PSYCHIATRY
SERVICE WITHIN BE-DA-BIN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH. THIS
AGREEMENT INCLUDES THE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT
DEVELOPMENT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,450.00;** by
Friedel; supported by Wittenberg.

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

Roll Call #C-8

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

The motion and roll call vote only for Resolution #17-0712-238.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 17-0712-238,
 APPROVING THE FY 2017 RESORT REFORECAST BUDGETS;
 by Pete; supported by Wittenberg.**

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

Roll Call #C-9

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

Motion carried (6-2-0-1)

The following resolutions, motions and roll call votes from July 19, 2017 were moved from Closed to Open Session.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 17-0719-251,
 APPROVING TRIBAL OGEMA'S EXECUTION OF ADDENDUM
 TO MASTER AGREEMENT WITH JACKPINE BUSINESS
 CENTER; by Medacco; supported by Wittenberg.**

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

Roll Call #C-2

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 17-0719-252,
 APPROVING TRIBAL OGEMA'S EXECUTION OF ADDENDUM
 TO MASTER AGREEMENT WITH PROFESSIONAL BUILDING
 SERVICES; by Medacco; supported by DiPiazza.**

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

Roll Call #C-3

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 17-0719-253,
APPROVING TRIBAL OGEMA TO ACCEPT THE BID FOR
LEGAL SERVICES FROM CHRISTOPHER M. BZDOK OF
OLSON, BZDOK & HOWARD TO REPRESENT THE LRBOI
ELECTION BOARD;** by Medacco; supported by DiPiazza.

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

Roll Call #C-4

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 17-0719-254,
RATIFICATION OF CONTRACT WITH ELMER'S CRANE AND
DOZER INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$273,759.85 FOR
CONSTRUCTION OF THE M-22 REALIGNMENT PROJECT;** by
Medacco; supported by DiPiazza.

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

Roll Call #C-5

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

This concludes the items moved from Closed to Open Session.

IX. Adjourn

Speaker Riley said he will entertain a motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 1:37.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 1:37; by Lewis;
supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Riley asked any abstentions. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #19

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

The meeting was adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Grace A. Hendler
Transcribing Assistant



Sandra Lewis,
Tribal Council Recorder