

**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS  
TRIBAL COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2018  
LITTLE RIVER BAND  
GOVERNMENT CENTER**

**OPEN SESSION  
MINUTES**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting at the Little River Band Government Center on July 25, 2018. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said to Speaker Riley that the recorder is on.

Speaker Riley thanked Acting Recorder Di Piazza. Riley said welcome everybody to their meeting for this Wednesday. Riley said Grace Hendler is going to get them started with their Opening Prayer this morning.

**I. Opening Prayer**

Grace Hendler, Tribal Elder, offered the Opening Prayer.

Lord, thank you for everything that you have blessed us with and provided for us. Please watch over our Tribe and our Leaders as they travel and make the decisions.

Watch over our children who needs your help.

Thank you very much. Amen.

**II. General Business**

**A. Call to Order**

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

Speaker Riley said Acting Recorder Di Piazza has to catch up because he is playing Recorder today. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**B. Roll Call**

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

Quorum established.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said they have a quorum.

Others Present: Ken La Haye, Jennifer Crampton, Dottie Batchelder, Jason Cross, Steve Wheeler.

Others Present That Did Not Sign In: Grace Hendler, George Le Vasseur, Mary Thomas, Ogema Romanelli, Officer Umlauf and Public Safety Officer, Frank Beaver, Natasha Myhal.

**C. Approval of Agenda**

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES; UNDER II E. IS AN ADD, V B. IS AN ADD, V E. IS AN ADD, VI A. IS AN ADD, VII A.2. IS AN ADD, VIII D. IS REMOVED AND VIII E. IS REMOVED;** by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel.

Speaker Riley asked are there any discussion on the agenda. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #1**

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said the agenda has been approved for July 25, 2018.

**D. Tribal Council Minutes  7/18/18**

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

**MOTION TO APPROVE TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES FROM 7/18/18;** by Pete; supported by Di Piazza.

Speaker Riley asked is there any discussion on the minutes. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #2**

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said Tribal Council Minutes for 7/18/18 has been accepted.

**E. Employee Drawing for the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Sandy Corley Memorial Run Tickets (2) and T-Shirts (2) for event on July 26-28, 2018**

Speaker Riley said they got this package from their sponsorship with Sandy Corley Memorial Run on Monday and because it is this weekend they just kind of threw this together. Riley asked Ogema Romanelli if he would like to draw the name.

Ogema Romanelli said no, go ahead. Romanelli said well sure. Romanelli thanked Speaker Riley.

Speaker Riley said they got Roger Shalifoe as the winner here.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said cool.

Speaker Riley said they will let him know to come pick these up. Riley asked Grace Hendler if she would take that for now. Riley said alright and thanked them.

**III. Continuing Business**

**A. Grants & Contracts**

**1. Grant Application Request to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)-Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) Annual Budget Request**

The Food Distribution Program is making their Annual Budget Request to USDA to manage their program. The Request is for \$185,397 of which there is a 25% In-Kind Tribal Match.

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

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said good morning. Willis said yeah this is the upcoming grant application for their Food Distribution Program. Willis said it is an annual thing where they submit a request then they fund typically what they ask for. Willis said this year he believed it is \$185,000 of which \$46,800 is the Tribe's required 25% match. Willis said they will make sure that amount gets put in the 2019 Operating Budget as a Tribal Supplement. Willis said they just need to accept the money and amend the Operating Budget. Willis apologized they just need to approve the submission of the grant.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said if there is no further discussion he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0725-227; GRANT APPLICATION APPROVAL REQUEST FOR THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE-FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR) ANNUAL BUDGET REQUEST; by Pete; supported by Friedel.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions or any further discussion. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #3**

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0725-227 has passed.

Speaker Riley thanked Acting Recorder Di Piazza.

**B. Budget Modifications**

- 1. Acceptance of contract funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)-2018 Indian Housing Block Grant and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2018-\_\_ in the amount of \$265,358**  
The Tribe has received a grant award from HUD for 2018.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said this is their annual award through HUD for the Indian Housing Block Grant. Willis said this was for 2018. Willis said they just need to accept the money and amend the Operating Budget.

Speaker Riley asked any.....recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete thanked Speaker Riley. Pete said if there is no further discussion he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0725-228; ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT-2018 INDIAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANT AND APPROVING A**

**MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING MB-2018-46 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$265,358; by Pete; supported by Corey.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions or any further discussion. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #4**

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0725-228 has passed.

Bill Willis thanked them.

Speaker Riley thanked Bill Willis.

**C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**

**IV. Acceptance of Reports**

**A. Report of the Tribal Ogema**

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

Speaker Riley said they have nothing today.

**V. Acceptance of Commission Reports**

- A. **Binojeeuk Commission**  **June 2018**
- B. **Enrollment Commission**  **June 2018**
- C. **Gaming Commission**  **June 2018**
- D. **Health Commission**  **June 2018**
- E. **Housing Commission**  **June 2018**
- F. **Natural Resource Commission**  **June 2018**

Speaker Riley said they have got June 2018 for Binojeeuk, Enrollment, Gaming, Health, Housing and Natural Resources. Riley asked is there any discussion on any of those reports.

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

- A. **Elders Committee Minutes**  **June 2018**
- B. **Little River Casino Resort Preference Report**  **June 2018**

Speaker Riley said they got the Elders Committee and the Preference Report for June 2018. Riley asked are there any questions regarding those.

## VII. Old Business

### Reports that are due:

#### A. Natural Resource Commission

### Reports received:

1.  April 2018
2.  May 2018

Speaker Riley said they have some reports that are due that just came in. Riley said they have got April and May from the Natural Resource Commission. Riley said so they are working on getting caught up it looks like.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said they are caught up.

Speaker Riley said alright they are caught up. Riley asked are there any questions regarding that. Riley said alright and thanked them.

## VIII. New Business

#### A. Closing the Little River Trading Post Bank Account at PNC Bank

The Chief Financial Officer has determined that the LRTP Bank Account is no longer needed for Operations and that the full remaining balance be transferred to an LRBOI Bank Account that is open and operational.

Speaker Riley said their CFO, Steve Wheeler, is representing this and that he had the floor.

Steve Wheeler, Tribal CFO, represented this agenda item. Wheeler said good morning. Wheeler said so after the Little River Trading Post was transferred to the Little River Casino Resort as a one-one they kept their bank account open to cover any outstanding checks and any refunds, rebates were still flowing through. Wheeler said they are confident that has concluded and they want to now close the bank account and transfer the remaining balance to one of their Tribal Government Accounts that is open.

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

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said if there are no questions he will make the motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0725-229; CLOSE LITTLE RIVER TRADING POST BANK ACCOUNT AT PNC BANK; by Di Piazza; supported by Pete.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley said no that wouldn't matter but he was just thinking because he is the Speaker is his name on that account. Riley said he knew some of them have a.....but it doesn't matter because he doesn't use it for personal anything so. Riley said alright well either way. Riley said if there is no further discussion. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #5**

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0725-229 has passed.

**B. Closing Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Reservation Preservation Bank Account at PNC Institutional Asset Management**

The Chief Financial Officer has determined that the Reservation Preservation Bank Account is no longer needed for Operations and that the full remaining balance be transferred to an LRBOI Bank Account that is open and operational.

Steve Wheeler, Tribal CFO, represented this agenda item. Wheeler said yes this account was open for many years and the Tribe used it over the course of those years to purchase various properties. Wheeler said it was also tied to the Judgement Fund Monies that were in place many years ago that are now also totally completed. Wheeler said if there was anybody in that pool that relinquished membership the money was supposed to field back to this account. Wheeler said that has ended approximately a year and a half ago at least and the remaining balance in the account was down to under \$10.00. Wheeler said they asked the bank to refund three months of fees and they want to close the account now. Wheeler said there is approximately \$735.00 in the account.

Speaker Riley said he always found that interesting that in some of these accounts they have to pay them for the privilege of letting them loan their money out to other people at interest so.

Councilor Pete said that seems a little backwards.

Speaker Riley said right, it does. Riley asked is there a motion or any discussion on this. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said to Speaker Riley okay if there is no more discussion he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0725-230; CLOSE LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS RESERVATION PRESERVATION BANK ACCOUNT AT PNC INSTITUTIONAL ASSET MANAGEMENT; by Pete; supported by Friedel.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions or any further discussion on this. Riley said he thinks the ending balance was what seven hundred and.....

Steve Wheeler said approximately \$736.00.

Speaker Riley said okay. Riley said they can't buy any property for that much, alright. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #6**

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0725-230 has passed.

Steve Wheeler thanked them.

**C. Amending the Approved Family Services Organizational Structure to include Be-Da-Bin Behavioral Health**

The Family Services Department is requesting a modification to the Organizational Structure of the department to more efficiently serve those clients with co-occurring disorders.

Speaker Riley said their Family Services Director Jason Cross is representing this and that he had the floor.

Jason Cross, Family Services Director, represented this agenda item. Cross said good morning. Cross said the purpose is to move, and they had a couple of work sessions, is to better serve the Tribal Population and increase capacity for Be-Da-Bin Behavioral Health that would allow them to get more grants to increase staffing. Cross said Family Services has about 90% of its clients have substance abuse or alcohol in the homes and they are hoping this will help those as well as benefit Be-Da-Bin. Cross said they have looked at it and the move. Cross said the Budget will still remain separate and it doesn't affect any grants that they currently have either.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.



Councilor Pete said to Jason Cross that he just.....he answered a lot of these questions but they will be able to get.....he is saying more grants he is thinking or possibly more grants.

Jason Cross replied a lot of the grants that they are looking at asked for their capacity and their ability to manage those grants. Cross said they are joining those departments together will give them that capacity so they can demonstrate a history of successful grants by using both Be-Da-Bin and Family Services.

Councilor Pete said okay.

Speaker Riley said okay he has one question. Riley asked will this have any impact on members or citizens accessing services through Be-Da-Bin or what is the other one.....Tele-Psych or any anything like that.

Jason Cross said no those programs will continue to operate as they are. Cross said this is more of a supervisory administrative change. Cross said there are things they are going to have to work out but no one should even notice the difference.

Speaker Riley said alright because he is sure that is really the question that concerns the membership is it going to affect the way they access services and if not then.....

Jason Cross said there are some logistical things to work out but those are easily worked out. Cross said Family Services has staff that can take over some roles that are currently done by Clinic Staff so it shouldn't make any difference at all. Cross said they shouldn't even be able to tell.

Speaker Riley said alright, great. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said to Speaker Riley okay if there is no more questions he is prepared to make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #18-0725-231;  
AMENDMENT TO THE APPROVED FAMILY SERVICES  
ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE TO INCLUDE BE-DA-BIN  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH; by Pete; supported by Di Piazza.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions or any discussion on this. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #7**

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza confirmed Resolution #18-0725-231 has been approved.

**D. Appointment of Dave Corey to the Little River Holdings, LLC Board**

This appointment's term is for the duration of the Council Member Term.

**E. Approval for Discontinuing Payment of Stipends to the Natural Resource Commission until their Monthly Reports for May 2018 have been submitted**

Section 9.05 of the Commissions Ordinance states if a commission fails to report as required under Section 8.04 at the discretion of the Tribal Council may have stipends withheld until such time as the commission complies with Section 9.01.

Speaker Riley noted both D and E were removed.

**VI. Concluding Business**

**A. Next Meeting Date(s) – Saturday, August 4, 2018**

Speaker Riley said for anybody out there who is watching the live stream of this because they are unable to get here on a weekday please make sure they attend their Saturday Meeting so they can continue to do that. Riley said what they want to do is make themselves as accessible as possible to answer any questions. Riley said they will only be having an open session during that time. Riley said it is going to be here in the Lodge. Riley said they scheduled it for 1:30 p.m. to allow for the Elders who are going to the cook out and the Pot Luck he believed that..... Riley asked is that what the Elders are doing on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Mary Thomas said not on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Speaker Riley asked oh what day is.....

Mary Thomas said that is their monthly meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Speaker Riley said okay he thought they were doing that on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Mary Thomas said no she thinks it's \_\_\_\_.

Councilor Friedel said he thinks it is the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Speaker Riley said that is the Budget day.....Budget Meetings are that day.

Ogema Romanelli said Budget Meeting but he doesn't know what the Elders are doing.

Councilor Pete said okay he is just saying for Mary Thomas that in the past on the first Saturday of August they have had a cook out over at the Pow Wow Grounds. Pete said the Elders have had a Pot Luck and the Resort brought the burgers and the dogs.

Mary Thomas said she thought they had that different.

Councilor Pete said he doesn't know for sure what is going on now but that might be checked because he thinks that is the Saturday that the Ogema has the Budget Meeting over at Aki and then when that is done then the picnic according.....if that is what happening.....is going to happen then. Pete said then they are coming here for a Council Meeting, is that correct and how they see it.

Speaker Riley said that is what was communicated to him and regardless of all the other stuff it is on their schedule and approved by resolution so they will be here. Riley said Council will be here August 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 regardless of all the other stuff but they are trying to line it up with everything else to make it as easy as possible. Riley said okay so.

Councilor Crampton said to Speaker Riley that they will also be serving dinner Friday at the Language Camp.

Speaker Riley said oh, that's.....they will get down to that in public comment.

## **B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**

Speaker Riley said to Ogema Romanelli that he will turn it over to him.

Ogema Romanelli thanked Speaker Riley. Romanelli said last week.....he hopes it was last week Ron Pete and he attended the Partners In Action Conference in Milwaukee. Romanelli said they had a chance to meet with officials from the BIA and from the Department of Interior. Romanelli said this is something that is put on by the BIA and is the seventh year in a row. Romanelli said Little River has been a participant of all seven years and they supported them. Romanelli said he thinks it is a good time to get together with other Tribes and to meet with the BIA Officials. Romanelli said he knows they had staff there too and thanked them. Romanelli thanked Frank Beaver. Romanelli said it was kind of a surprise running into him but he appreciates the work that he is doing out there. Romanelli said they had a good meeting and talked primarily about their Muskegon Project. Romanelli said their Muskegon Project seems to be on track

for moving forward as usual. Romanelli said it seems like everything is going right so. Romanelli said they are making some plans to keep going and make sure that it goes as smoothly as possible. Romanelli said apparently they have one of the better packets that they have seen in a long time because they did their homework and have for the last nine years. Romanelli said they were hoping that it wouldn't take the 12 or 12 1/2 years it took Gun Lake and others throughout the Nation. Romanelli said it looks like they are pretty much on track to at least beat that record hopefully. Romanelli said they have an Indian Cemetery.....Muskegon Indian Cemetery Dedication coming up. Romanelli said they are putting up a statue as he mentioned before and that is coming up in August. Romanelli said he doesn't have the date with him but he thinks it is like three weeks into August or something. Romanelli said if they are interested anyone can contact him and he will try and make sure that it gets into their Rapid River News. Romanelli said the Bike Time was held this Thursday through Sunday. Romanelli said he spent a little time but he really didn't work and spent time down there on Friday. Romanelli said he knows that others, Joe Riley and Ron Pete, at least from Council and Diane Lonn were down there for part of the time. Romanelli said Mary Thomas and Rebecca Groh were the ones from staff that manned it. Romanelli said Mary Thomas has been manning it every year and it really is a pretty good turn-out. Romanelli said he thinks they did a good job again. Romanelli said Mary Thomas' husband Phil Thomas is always willing to participate and volunteer and they appreciate that. Romanelli said they were able to collect about 500 names again for their Muskegon Project. Romanelli said that's great and they are always asking for updates so that was a good thing. Romanelli said Bike Time wasn't quite as successful, in his opinion, from what he saw. Romanelli said the weather kind of hindered it and then they had a changing of where their location was. Romanelli said he thinks they need to go over that, not saying anything negative about Bike Time, but they really have to understand where their place is and what they are going to do in the future. Romanelli said they decided they wouldn't do Grand Haven Coast Guard this year. Romanelli said it just didn't seem that it was working to their benefit. Romanelli said what they are trying to do is get the names of people to support their Muskegon Project which is one of the main things and to let the community know that they are in there. Romanelli said the Coast Guard Festival from what he understands was a very small booth and it was hard to get to the booth. Romanelli said it is a totally different crowd and they have a lot of people from out of town so they just decided that this year that they probably wouldn't do it. Romanelli said he thinks that was the right move too. Romanelli said again they have the Language Camp coming up this weekend and thinks they will be there serving lunch at least. Romanelli said he just heard mentioned that Council is going to be serving dinner. Romanelli said he thinks that is it.

Speaker Riley said he thinks they are doing lunch together.

Ogema Romanelli said okay, yeah.

Speaker Riley said the Ogema and he gives the welcome usually.

Ogema Romanelli said okay.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said Friday at noon.

Speaker Riley reiterated Friday at noon. Riley asked any questions for the Ogema.

Ogema Romanelli said alright and thanked them.

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

Speaker Riley asked does anybody have anything for Legislative Affairs. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said just that the Senate has passed S116 which is the Indian Community Economic Enhancement Act creating more opportunities for them to coordinate better on their development in Indian Country. Crampton said it goes right along with something else that was recently passed too is the Department of Energy has issued a \$2 Billion Tribal Loan Guarantee Program. Crampton said so going green they could probably do it inexpensively.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete asked is that with.....did he say that was an Energy Loan Guarantee Program so that would be any energy like it would cover turbine or would cover solar or anything along that line. Pete said that is a loan guarantee and not a grant, right.

Councilor Crampton said no, but if they go and couple it up with the Indian Community Economic Enhancement Act which is also.....

Councilor Pete said he is just saying the loan part would be probably a low or no interest loan.

Councilor Crampton said yeah.

Councilor Pete said they could get the grant coupled with the community action, okay.

Councilor Corey said there are Tribes that are using the grant money to offset their power bills so they are getting their development.....their solar developments done at 25% of what it would cost normally.

Councilor Pete said that would be.....he is sorry.

Speaker Riley said no go ahead.

Councilor Pete said that would be something very interesting to not just take a look at but to really delve into because that would be a way to really.....it would not only cut green but cut their costs.

Councilor Crampton said huge, huge.

Speaker Riley said well in the past they have had a gentleman from Kalava Analytics come in and kind of do a broad assessment of what kind of cost savings they could realize. Riley said he thinks if he recalls the ideal for this area would be wind but they would have to put it further away from the airport than what they are because solar there is only 169 days of sunshine in this area of Michigan.

Councilor Pete asked that's it.

Speaker Riley said it doesn't.....it seems like there is more sometimes than again it is pretty depressing in the winter time.

Councilor Pete said it is terribly depressing.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said he guessed a small wind turbine.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Friedel.

Councilor Friedel said also last Friday they were.....participated in the Indian Family Olympics in Mt. Pleasant at the CMU Campus. Friedel said that was a great day several golds, bronze, and silver winners brought home. Friedel said next year.....so far everybody is looking forward to going next year so. Friedel said it was a very fun day and kind of a little rainy but it really didn't bother the runners, they had mile runners, and even Councilor Wittenberg ran a mile.

Councilor Crampton said wow.

Speaker Riley asked was there some fry bread at the end.

Councilor Pete said cupcakes.

Councilor Friedel said donuts and cupcakes, yes, there was. Friedel said everybody had a great time and there was probably about 25 altogether that.....between the bus and meeting them over there. Friedel said a lot of people said that they are ready and willing to do it next year so something to look forward to next year. Friedel said a little more planning ahead next year.

Speaker Riley said okay. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said to Councilor Friedel that he just wanted him to know that he is saving himself for the Senior Olympics when they do that then he will be that one.

Councilor Friedel said they actually have those up to the age of 65 years old.

Councilor Pete said then he is out because he is older than 65. Pete said he is too old to participate.

Councilor Friedel said 65 and up is the last age category.

Councilor Crampton said he is over qualified.

Councilor Pete repeated that he is over qualified. Pete said to Speaker Riley that on a lighter note he wanted to say he also, as Ogema Romanelli said, attended the Partners In Action Conference. Pete said it was a great reception they had from the BIA. Pete said on a lighter note the last day of the conference the first two days were filled with BIA Meetings but the last two days there weren't any so he attended a Chemical in the Rivers or Lakes or something like that conference with Frank Beaver. Pete said he wanted them to know that he came out of there more confused than he ever been in his life. Pete said he was hoping he would learn more stuff about it and he was absolutely.....they had these four doctors presenting stuff and he was looking at their names and looking at Frank Beaver because he was sitting next to him. Pete said he got so nervous that he spilled his coffee but he wanted to tell them he really learned something and knows less now after attending this class. Pete said it was fun.

Speaker Riley asked anybody else for Legislative Affairs.

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

Speaker Riley said they will open it up for public comment at this point. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said he forgot if he mentioned where the other Councilors were at.

Speaker Riley said oh, oh. Riley said they are all in D.C. for the National Indian Health Board has something going on and Councilor Lewis is attending that. Riley said Councilors Lonn and Wittenberg are at IHS.

Councilor Crampton said Mental Health.

Speaker Riley agreed IHS Mental Health. Riley said they are all on vacation.

Councilor Pete said please strike that from the record.

Councilor Crampton said support.

Speaker Riley said he was being facetious. Riley said if there is nobody else for public comment let them move onto their closed session.

*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.*

Tribal Council recessed at 10:30 a.m.

### **VIII. Open Session**

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said to Speaker Riley that the recorder is on.

Speaker Riley said he needs a motion to go into second open.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said to Speaker Riley that they just recessed.

Speaker Riley said oh, alright they will call back to Order at 11:14 then.

The Council reconvened in Open Session at 11:14 a.m.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza asked Speaker Riley if he wanted him to do a roll call.

Speaker Riley replied yes please.

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

Quorum established.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said they have a quorum.

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

Speaker Riley said so they have nothing to move is that correct.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said they had.....

Speaker Riley said they had an Employment Contract and.....

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said they move the motion and roll call only.



Speaker Riley said alright, yeah.

**MOTION TO MOVE RESOLUTION #18-0725-232 AND 233;  
 MOTION AND ROLL CALL ONLY;** by Di Piazza; supported by Pete.

Speaker Riley asked any discussion. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di Piazza to do a roll call.

**Roll Call #8**

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said those two items, motion and roll call only, have been moved to open.

*The following motions and roll calls only were moved from Closed to Open Session.*

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 18-0725-232,  
 APPROVING CONTRACT BETWEEN LITTLE RIVER CASINO  
 RESORT AND BLARNEY CASTLE OIL CO. FOR TRADING  
 POST SALES AGREEMENT;** by Pete; supported by DiPiazza..

**Roll Call #C-3**

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 18-0725-233,  
 APPROVING TRIBAL OGEMA'S EXECUTION OF  
 EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT WITH SUJEAN DRAKE FOR  
 TELE-PSYCHIATRY GRANT COORDINATOR AND MENTAL  
 HEALTH COUNSELOR;** by DiPiazza; supported by Friedel.

Riley asked if there were any abstentions.

**Roll Call #C-4**

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

Motion carried (5-1-0-3)

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

**IX. Adjourn**

Councilor Friedel asked Speaker Riley may he make a motion please.

Speaker Riley replied sure.

**MOTION TO CLOSE SECOND OPEN SESSION;** by Friedel;  
supported by Pete.

Councilor Crampton asked Speaker Riley what is he doing, just leaving.

Speaker Riley said he is ending the meeting. Riley asked Acting Recorder Di  
Piazza to do a roll call.

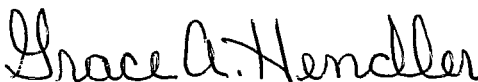
**Roll Call #9**

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

Motion carried (5-1-0-3)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Grace A. Hendler  
Transcribing Assistant



Gary Di Piazza,  
Acting Council Recorder