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**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 2020
LITTLE RIVER BAND
VIA TELECONFERENCE**

**OPEN SESSION
MINUTES**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting via Teleconference on July 29, 2020. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

I. Opening Prayer

Gary DiPiazza, Tribal Elder, offered the Opening Prayer.

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

B. Roll Call #1

T. Guenthardt -Present	C. Champagne -Present	D. Corey -	Present
S. Crampton - Present	G. DiPiazza - Present	R. Pete -	Present
R. Wittenberg- Present	D. Lonn - Present	S. Lewis -	Present

Quorum established.

Directors Present: Ogema Larry Romanelli, Jeff Simpkins, General Manager
Andrew Gentile, Mary Thomas, Steve Wheeler – CFO, Tammy Burmeister –
Lead

Citizens Present: Sara Agosa, Laura Eichelberger, Susan Thull, Shanaviah
Canales, Chelsie Densmore, Jonnie Sam, Nikki Nelson, Julie Wolfe, Harriet
Grantsyn, Elise McGowan-Cuellar, Kathleen Bowers, Sandy Mezeske, Jessica
Steinberg, Karen Love,

Speaker Pete said is that it Gary? Okay, thank you.

Gary DiPiazza responded yes.

C. Approval of Agenda

Councilor Guenthardt said . . .

Councilor Crampton said I would like to get in the cue Mr. Speaker.

Pete said one second, Tom just, Tom is in the motion first so Tom go ahead.

Crampton said you didn't recognize him.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR JULY 29, 2020; by Guenthardt; supported by Lonn.

Pete said just a second Shannon is in the cue.

Councilor Crampton said you didn't recognize Mr. Guenthardt or myself and I called for the cue and he just started.

Pete said no, just a moment please, please. Tom did call for the agenda and he did say that and then you were shortly after that so I did, I recognized Tom, I have taken care of nobody else and then Shannon you are in the cue now.

Councilor Crampton said I would like to raise a point of order because that is not exactly how that happened.

Pete said yeah, that is exactly how . . .

Crampton said you called for a motion, I asked for the cue, Tom began reading. You didn't recognize Mr. Guenthardt or myself. I asked for the cue, he did not, he began reading.

Pete said okay, I'm not going to argue with you because that is not what . . .

Crampton said I'm, I'm not asking you to argue with me. I'm just pointing out . . .

Pete said okay, thank you. Okay, thank you. Okay, go ahead Shannon.

Crampton said ah yes there is an item on here that we all know that's why I asked for the cue first that is a potential ah, non-starter for _____ now that there is a court case filed it actually puts us in liability. The Ogema is keeping it on here to be advantageous to his court case and um, I would like to make a friendly amendment that we remove this item so that all essential business for the tribe can continue unfeathered. Thank you.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT THAT WE REMOVE THIS ITEM SO THAT ALL ESSENTIAL BUSINESS FOR THE TRIBE CAN CONTINUE UNFEATHERED; by Crampton; supported by Wittenberg.

Pete said okay, first thing I got is that he just made an amendment to support it. I've got something on the floor by Tom. That was first so is there any support for Tom's.

Pete said there is support from Diane.

Crampton said I would like the cue again. This is Mr. Crampton.

Pete said okay, go ahead Shannon.

Crampton said I am going to put it out once again the process was not followed. Mr. Guenthardt was not recognized by the Speaker. He began reading. I asked for the cue. You did not recognize either one of us.

Pete said okay, now just a minute.

Susan Thull said this is Susan can I get in the cue please?

Pete responded okay, one second. Okay, Diane was first, go ahead Diane, and then Susan.

Councilor Lonn said I disagree with Mr. Shannon Crampton. It says right here when Mr. Guenthardt started it and Mr. Shannon, as normal, interfered.

Pete said okay Susan you are in the cue.

Susan Thull said thank you. I have questions. Are you, tribal offices, and if everyone is _____ because if you there Mr. Speaker and you are just being, the word of _____ Councilors there and they are not doing it over the phone, I don't think we can conduct a meeting that way. Everyone should be on a phone.

Pete said okay, are you looking for me to answer you?

Thull said yes, I would like to know if they have a phone. We are all here on the phone and we can't hear Tom make a motion.

Pete said okay.

Thull said everyone needs to be on the phone if that is how we are conducting the meeting. Yes, I am speaking to you Mr. Speaker.

Pete said okay then I can answer it right now. Everybody here does not have to be on the phone. They have to be on the phone. We are on a phone on a joint phone in Tribal Council's office. It is just like anybody that wants to come here can come here and anybody that chooses not to come here can come here. I chose to come here four days a week, Monday through Friday, Monday through Thursday, every day I come here. My one exception is on Friday. Okay, my greatest thing is when we are finally done with everything with this pandemic goes and everything else, is that we can get into a Council office but we normally work effective in this meeting on a Wednesday. Everybody is here on the phone. I'm here on the phone, there are three or four Tribal Council and sometimes there is five Tribal Council people here on the phone for this Council meeting so you know what, that is the only way I'm going to answer it and I chose to come in here to be on the phone. Everybody is on the phone. That's the person who first was recognized to talk to and that was what I heard first other than Shannon coming in later. Okay, the cue is now open.

Susan Thull said can I continue, thank you. So you are all sitting in the um work session room?

Pete said we are in the Tribal Council's office, yes.

Thull said oh, okay. Where you have your work sessions? So could I ask . . .

Pete responded yes.

Thull said so could I ask that those other members speak up louder so that we can tell who is, you know, making a motion or what they are doing. Because we can't, I'm just saying that I couldn't hear Tom or Diane asking to get in the cue. So if they could just speak up a little louder then we could hear.

Pete said okay, okay, just a minute, I have to get this off of mute, okay, is there anyone else that wants to be in this cue?

Sara Agosa.

Pete said okay Sara go ahead.

Sara Agosa said I am just wondering if we could get some feedback from Ogema Romanelli since he is on the line just to set the direction of this meeting and his thoughts about this line item. Thank you.

Pete said I don't think, I should have to answer to Ogema Romanelli and he can answer this if he wants but he can go . . when we get to New Business I believe that the Tribal Ogema can discuss that if he wants to with the membership. We are not at that point yet. But what I am, what I am is entertaining two motions. The first motion was from Tom, supported by Diane. And if that one fails the second motion was from Shannon and supported by Ron Wittenberg. That's where we are at right now Sara, okay.

Ogema Romanelli said Ron I am willing to answer at any time that they, that the Council feels necessary, now or later.

Pete said well I, oh, okay Larry, I would prefer if you would if you would wait until we come to that item and then you can give whatever explanation you want to give for that item, okay?

Romanelli said yes, I agree with that.

Pete said if we get there, unless it is removed, alright?

Romanelli responded yes, yes I agree with that, thank you.

Pete said thank you so much Larry. Okay, we have a motion on the floor from Tom and supported by Diane. Is there any further discussion?

Jessica Steinberg said hi Mr. Speaker this is Jessica Steinberg.

Pete said go ahead.

Steinberg said you do have the motion from Tom, support by Diane I think as a matter of parliamentary clarification you would address that motion first as to whether or not the motion is adopted. You couldn't go back with Shannon and Ron afterwards because you can't have two on the floor at the same time and then ask if there are amendments to the adopted agenda. I think that would be a real clean way to handle it. Thank you.

Pete said sorry I had to take myself off of mute. I always appreciate any advice that I would get because you know what, this is the first time I've ever been in this position in my life and I'm just trying to work through it. Thank you very much.

Someone said Mr. Speaker.

Pete said okay, just a moment, so okay, so we still have the motion from Tom and we still have support from Diane. We are still in discussion. Cindy go ahead.

Councilor Champagne said I'm sorry my phone reception is going out on the internet here I don't know if it is the computer or what it is but I may end up hanging up on this.

Pete said okay, I'm, I'm sorry, is it, you said it was going out on the internet?

Champagne said my phone reception, I can barely hear you, you's are breaking up. I'm going to have to . . .

Pete said I'm sorry, I'm, okay Cindy I'm getting as close as I can to this microphone and maybe I'm blowing other people out of it because my voice is naturally loud. So in any event um, I do have a motion from Tom and I've got support from Diane. Is there any further discussion?

Councilor Crampton said yes, this is Shannon Crampton I would like to be in the cue.

Pete said do a vote, or not vote, do, Shannon you're in the cue, I'm sorry.

Crampton said okay, the proper procedure right now would be to add, you have to ask the motion maker if he is going to accept my motion, my amendment, or not. Then you take the vote, not after the vote is taken then amend it.

Pete said okay, I will do that right now. Do you want to take his amended vote or do you want to have this vote on the agenda?

Guenthardt said something that could not be heard on the tape.

Pete said okay, Tom Guenthardt just said he wants to vote on the agenda.

Crampton said perfect.

Pete said okay, thank you. Okay, so what, right now Gary you can go ahead and do a roll call. No, I'm sorry, is anybody going to abstain? Go ahead Gary do a roll call.

Roll Call #2

T. Guenthardt - Yes	C. Champagne - Absent	D. Corey -	Yes
S. Crampton - No	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg- No	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis - No

Motion carried (5-3-0-1)

Speaker DiPiazza said the agenda for 7/29/20, excuse me, the agenda for Wednesday, July 29th, 2020 has been approved.

D. Tribal Council Minutes 5/13/20

Speaker Pete said the minutes for 5/13/20 were posted so can I get anyone to um . . .

Diane Lonn said I will make a motion.

Pete said a motion.

MOTION TO APPROVE TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES 5/13/20 TO BE PUT ON THE SHELF AND PUT AWAY; by Lonn; supported by Guenthardt.

Speaker Pete asked if there was any further discussion?

Chelsie Densmore said hi this is Chelsea Densmore can I get in the cue please.

Pete said absolutely Chelsie, go ahead.

Densmore said thank you so much. So I just had a quick question about the minutes. I have been waiting the last couple of weeks until public comment but that has been difficult to get to so while you are here I have sent emails to all of Council and do appreciate Shannon and the Speaker responding to me but I didn't get a response from the Recorder. Tribal Council minutes are, per your Procedures Ordinance, Tribal Council minutes are due by the next meeting unless there are five business days between meetings, they are due at the next regular meeting, which means they should be due every two weeks at most. Do you guys have a specific plan to catch up with the minutes since you don't have any minutes since mid-May.

Recorder DiPiazza said I can comment.

Densmore said thank you.

Pete said okay, go ahead Gary.

Recorder DiPiazza said the minutes have been a literal nightmare because of what has been transpired. They are getting done. Next week should be better, we will have Grace coming back online to help me and everybody get these caught up. Some of these minutes were almost five hours long, which is very time consuming. All I can do is say, you know, without the

live streaming I don't know what to say. Because usually after the live stream Council meeting it was posted on-line within a couple of hours or within a day. Right now I am trying to actually take all of the open session recorded minutes and get them on the website, which is time consuming horrendous. We will get it done.

Susan Thull said this is Susan, may I get in the cue please.

Pete said who is this, Susan?

Thull said yes, Susan Thull.

Pete said okay Susan but Chelsie are you finished? Did I cut you off?

Densmore said no, _____, I just wanted to try and get some sort of comment on that. I absolutely understand what the Recorder is saying they have been very _____ but it is definitely due so I just wanted to get a comment. Thank you so much, I'm done.

Pete said okay, thank you. And once again as you know that when you um, okay now can you hear me?

Densmore responded yes.

Pete said okay, thank you, because I didn't touch it but my phone just went on mute so I don't know. Okay, so Susan go ahead.

Susan Thull said thank you so much. And thank you for bringing the minutes up because I wanted to also. I see that we are about, it looks to me like we have about 15 Council meetings that the minutes have to be posted for. And I understand the problem and that Kathleen has been, I would like to say Chi Miigwetch because she has been doing a good job on the minutes but I'm wondering if Kathleen's hours were cut down to 32 and was wondering if Grace was working at all. Because yes we need them and this should be done, it's in your ordinance then I think you need to increase the hours. I mean if there is work there that isn't getting done that has to be done and you've got two employees transcribing then they will need more hours I think because this is important to have work and it should be done. Thank you very much and I'm done.

Pete said okay Susan can I answer you that very quickly and then go on.

Thull responded sure, thank you.

Pete said when the stimulus came out for the \$600 a week that they were paying and I and the Recorder checked with Kathleen, first of all,

Kathleen, Grace, I'm sorry, we checked with Grace and she volunteered for that because she was making so much more money with that \$600 with the layoff, not the layoff, the furlough, she is coming back this Monday. I also did that with Kathleen and she volunteered to go down to 32 hours during this and they are all coming back for 40 hours on Monday. So I guess, you know, you could partially blame, I don't care, you can partially blame me because I did grant the furlough to them so that they would be able to make more money while they were on this and but fortunately for us that everybody is going to be coming back in total 40 hours starting Monday, okay.

Susan Thull said okay.

Ryan Champagne asked to be in the cue please.

Susan Thull said I appreciate that, thank you.

Pete said okay, thank you, who wants to be in the cue? Who wants to be in the cue?

Ryan Champagne said _____ Champagne.

Pete said Ryan, go ahead.

Ryan Champagne responded thank you Speaker. If I heard you correctly, you just stated in an open session on the minutes that you allowed your team members to take advantage of the furlough, the \$600, while there was work available to them through the Tribe, _____ from offered work but they could make more money doing the \$600 furlough. I'm very concerned about that as a government official. You just admitted in open session that you committed a crime so I would ask that this Council would look into the Speaker these comments that he just made on the record and forward them to the appropriate parties, thank you.

Pete said okay, thank you so much Ryan, god I really appreciate that, thank you. Okay, who else is next.

Crampton said this is Shannon Crampton.

Pete said okay, go right ahead Shannon.

Crampton said okay. While I tried with my opening motion, this is before, there is an item on the agenda that is liable to me and a few other Council members were incriminated and I feel the Ogema is using it to his advantage to further his court case that he has filed. With that, with that

Speaker can you please just keep him under control. Okay, now with that in mind, I want to make a motion right now,

MOTION TO MOVE ITEM A., NEW BUSINESS ITEM A., TO SECOND OPEN SESSION, SUSPEND THE RULES, NEW BUSINESS ITEM A., TO SECOND OPEN SO ALL ESSENTIAL BUSINESS TO THE TRIBE CAN BE CONDUCTED WITHOUT INTERRUPTION; by Crampton; supported

Recorder DiPiazza said Ron.

Pete said Mr. Recorder go ahead.

DiPiazza said right now we have a motion on the floor for the Tribal Council minutes.

Pete said and that is what we are putting on the floor right now. We, when we get to Item A., so right now we have a motion on the floor to accept Tribal Council minutes.

Crampton said ah no. You can do that but mine, mine is next, you don't wait until you get to new item A. I am making that motion to suspend the rules.

Ron Wittenberg said support.

Crampton said and it is supported by Councilor Wittenberg.

DiPiazza said we are not even to that item. We are on approving of the minutes.

Crampton said Mr. Recorder it doesn't matter if we are on the item or not, I am making a motion to suspend the rules. You do understand that right?

DiPiazza answered absolutely.

Crampton said okay. So do your motion to accept the minutes and we will pick up mine.

Someone said no.

DiPiazza said it has already been approved.

Crampton said okay, then if it has already been approved then just pick up mine.

Al Metzger said Al Metzger, 890, in attendance.

Laura Eichelberger said Mr. Speaker can I get in the cue, Laura Eichelberger.

Pete said okay Laura go ahead.

Eichelberger said I just want to support Shannon.

Pete said go ahead Laura . . .

Jessica Steinberg said this is Jessica Steinberg and I just want to make a comment. I know Laura, please forgive me, but I am hearing a lot of laughter and side bar conversations and I want this to stop and everyone please be respectful of everyone else's voice. I do apologize for cutting in but that is really getting out of hand. Thank you Mr. Speaker I appreciate it.

Pete said okay, thank you so much and I do also hear a lot of laughter and things getting out of hand because we have this thing on mute and I've heard it in the audience so what I want to do is to say that if there are those kind of things, I don't want to happen, but please put your phone on mute. The rest of us don't need to hear it. Okay, Laura, go ahead.

Someone said – this is the point if we used ZOOM – I think I emailed everybody on this, if we used ZOOM, we can get rid of that, a lot of that and maybe that is an option. I would like to us at least explore it a little bit so that some of that stops. And if I'm still allowed to make my comment, before I was rudely interrupted, I just wanted to say that I was supporting Shannon. I would like to see the Council come together a little bit better and try to get the business taken care of. That's what I think most Tribal members are really concerned about is that we are not going to get the business done that we need to get done today. So if you guys could just reconsider some of your thoughts and actions on it and just try to do maybe what is best for the Tribe so we can get some of this business taken care of I think we would all appreciate it.

Pete said Mr. Recorder are we entertaining Shannon's motion now?

DiPiazza said no, there is a motion on the floor and supported to take care of the Tribal Council minutes. That is what . . .

Pete said I thought we voted on that. Okay, so right now we, alright, okay, so we did not vote on it? Okay. Gary, would you please . . . is there anybody going to abstain from the minutes? Gary do a roll call.

Roll Call #3

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	D. Corey -	Yes
S. Crampton - No	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -
R. Wittenberg-No	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -
			Absent

Motion carried (5-2-0-1)

Recorder DiPiazza said the Tribal Council minutes for 5/13/20 have been accepted.

Councilor Crampton said I would like the cue, Mr. Speaker.

Pete said go ahead Shannon.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES AND MOVE ITEM A. TO SECOND OPEN SO ALL ESSENTIAL BUSINESS FOR THE TRIBE CAN BE CONDUCTED WITHOUT INTERRUPTION; by Crampton; supported by Wittenberg.

Pete said okay, Mr. Recorder, even though this is out of line to New Business, can we go ahead and take a vote on that.

Crampton said you can take a vote to suspend the rules at any time.

Pete said right, okay, so go ahead. Is there any further discussion on suspending the rules?

Sara Agosa said can I get in the cue, Sara Agosa.

Pete said okay, go Sara.

Agosa said I don't know if it's the appropriate time to address this but with this Item A I would love feedback from the leadership about if a hiring and spending freeze has been considered. Usually when an organization has lay-offs they are institute a hiring and spending freeze. Of course, I ____ our Tribal members who have been laid off to be rehired I think they should have priority. I would love feedback from the leadership about this. Thank you.

Pete said okay, would anyone care to comment.

Councilor Corey said I think we can address that in public comment Ron.

Pete said I think so too. Thank you very much. I would like to address that then.

DiPiazza said you are breaking up Ron. You have a motion on the floor by Shannon supported by Ron Wittenberg to suspend the rules.

Pete said okay I have a motion on the floor to suspend the rules. I got it supported by Councilor Wittenberg. Is there any further discussion? Gary, do a roll call.

Crampton said yes, this is Councilor Crampton.

Pete said okay.

Crampton said that was not my full motion. My full motion was to suspend the rules and place Item A., under New Business Item A., into second open so all essential business of the tribe can be conducted without interruption. That's my motion. That was what was supported.

Pete said okay, just so I'm not even going to attempt to re-read that. I think everybody here heard the motion because I didn't have it written down that way. So everybody did hear your motion, is that correct? So Gary do a roll call.

Roll Call #4

T. Guenthardt -No	C. Champagne -Absent	D. Corey -	Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - No	R. Pete -	No
R. Wittenberg-Yes	D. Lonn - No	S. Lewis -	Absent

Motion failed (3-4-0-2)

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

B. Budget Modifications

- 1. Approval of Budget Modification MB-2020 _____
authorizing a modification to the FVSPA Cares Act
Supplement Budget in the amount of \$3,720
Approval of budget modification.**

Pete said this is approval of a budget modification. Shanaviah are you on the line?

Shanaviah said I am.

Pete said okay Shanaviah, you got the ball.

Shanaviah said this is a request for funding to be moved from a different line items to other line items after learning what was

allowable. I did not learn about it until after we had our last Tribal Council when we approved it.

Pete said okay, we did discuss this at the Agenda meeting on Monday. Are there any questions for Shanaviah?

Councilor Lonn said if there are no questions Mr. Speaker, I will make a motion.

Pete said Diane has the floor. Go ahead Diane.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 20-0729-211,
APPROVAL OF BUDGET MODIFICATION MB-2020-050
AUTHORIZING A MODIFICATION TO THE FVSPA
CARES ACT SUPPLEMENT BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT
OF \$3,720; by Lonn; supported by Corey.**

Pete asked if there is any further discussion? No hearing any, Shanaviah, is anybody going to abstain? Gary, do a roll call.

Roll Call #4

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	D. Corey -	Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -
R. Wittenberg-Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -
			Absent

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

2. Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S. Department of Interior – Bureau of Indian Affairs and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2020-___ in the amount of \$501,002

Speaker Pete said we just need to accept the funds. I believe Steve, are you on to represent this?

Steve Wheeler answered I am Mr. Speaker.

Pete said okay thank you Steve. Go ahead.

Wheeler said okay so what this is, it's a distribution of Resource Management Funds for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative one-time funding from the US Department of Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs in the amount of \$501,002. We want to accept and approve a modification to our budget to accept these funds. Again, its Resource Management Funds from the Department of Interior. Thank you.

Pete said thank you Steve. Are there any questions of Steve?

Jessica Steinberg said I do have a question.

Pete said okay, just a moment Diane. Okay, Jessica your first, go ahead Jessica.

Steinberg said thank you so much. Just a question with regard if the funds are going to be used for enforcement or is this more for the scientific research or a combination of both.

Wheeler said this is Steve. From what I can see in the funding it is more for natural resource part of it so it is more the scientific part that you refer to, a natural resource part. Thanks.

Steinberg said thank you Steve.

Pete said thank you Jessica, are you finished?

Steinberg said yes I am Mr. Speaker, thank you.

Pete said okay, is there any further questions of Steve? Diane you wanted to be in the cue.

Councilor Lonn said I will make a motion if there are no other questions.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT RESOLUTION # 20-0729-212,
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR – BUREAU OF INDIAN
AFFAIRS AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE
OPERATING BUDGET MB-2020-051 IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$501,002; by Lonn; supported by Corey**

Pete said okay. Thank you Diane. Dave thank you for the support. Is there any further comment? Is anyone going to abstain? Do a roll call Gary.

Roll Call #5

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	D. Corey -	Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis -	Absent

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

Pete said there is nothing under Approval of Budgeted Expenses.

IV. Old Business

V. New Business

A. Approving Tribal Ogema's Execution of Staff Attorney Employment with Caitlin Carey

Pete said okay, Shannon first, go ahead Shannon.

Councilor Crampton said yes, this is the item that I was talking about. There is a _____ over to ULD _____ and now we have a legal case filed by the Ogema. You can't force me to jeopardize myself or incriminate myself. I've asked for essential business to be carried on this. I feel the Ogema once again is abusing his powers for the agenda to try and further his case. I have asked for essential business to be carried out and this be moved to the back. Those wishes have not been granted. I can't be part of this. I apologize to the membership. I'm going to stand my ground on this issue.

Pete said okay, thank you Shannon. I was going to say,

Ron Wittenberg said something.

DiPiazza said _____ over to the prosecutor whatsoever. There was never a police report filed last week when you brought up the letter. So, I'm, okay.

Pete said okay, I have, just a moment, I have, I have Ron Wittenberg, Councilor Wittenberg that is in the cue right now. Councilor Wittenberg go ahead.

Wittenberg said thank you. I want to say Chi Miigwetch to everybody that is on in our gathering here, not on these phones but myself being served on these papers, I feel that this, I feel that this should be stricken off and we could have continued on with business but ah with the vote, the votes that they would rather let it go on as it is, so, ah, I am in total disagreement with this. Miigwetch.

Pete said okay, thank you Ron. I was going to say that Larry, did you want to speak to this at all in anything before we vote to remove the quorum.

Ogema Romanelli said no, I think we are good.

Pete said okay.

Romanelli said yep, thank you.

Wittenberg said Miigwetch.

Someone said can I get in the cue? Is it appropriate for a member to get in the cue?

Pete said right now for sure I have to do a roll call. I have been informed as the Speaker I need to do a roll call because if we don't have quorum then we don't have quorum anymore. So the first thing I'm going to do is do a roll call right now. Gary, please do a roll call.

Roll Call #6

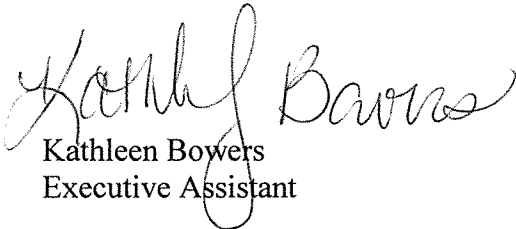
T. Guenthardt -Present	C. Champagne -Absent	D. Corey - , Present
S. Crampton - Absent	G. DiPiazza - Present	R. Pete - Present
R. Wittenberg-Absent	D. Lonn - Present	S. Lewis - Absent

No Quorum (5-0-0-4)

Recorder DiPiazza said Mr. Speaker we do not have a quorum anymore.

Meeting ended.

Respectfully Submitted,


Kathleen Bowers
Executive Assistant


Gary Di Piazza,
Tribal Council Recorder