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**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 04, 2025
LITTLE RIVER BAND
GOVERNMENT CENTER**

**OPEN SESSION
MINUTES**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting at the Little River Band Government Center on June 04, 2025. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Speaker Burmeister:

I. Opening Prayer

Councilor Wever: Did Opening Prayer

Speaker Burmeister:

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

T. Burmeister

B. Roll Call

P. Johnson

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call #

T. Burmeister -Present	G. DiPiazza - Present	M. Silvis - Present
R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe - Absent	A. Metzger - Present
S. Crampton - Present	P. Johnson- Present	S. Wever - Present

We do have quorum.

Speaker Burmeister:

C. Approval of Agenda

Recorder Johnson: **Motion to accept the agenda for June 04,2025 with the following**
V. New Business A. Updated- Acceptance of the Little River Band of Ottawa
Indians Internal Audit Report for the Utilities Lagoon 7500-703 Department
Budget. V.B Updated- Acceptance of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
Internal Audit Report for the Information Technology 2000-403 Department
Budget. And V.C Add- Acknowledgment of the receipt of the Official Election
Results.

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 1

R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe- Absent	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	P. Johnson- Yes	S. Wever - Yes
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Speaker Burmeister:

D. Tribal Council Minutes

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Recorder Johnson: **Motion to accept Tribal Council minutes for 04/09/2025**

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 2

S. Crampton - Yes	P. Johnson- Yes	S. Wever - Yes
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes
J. Wolfe- Absent	A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg- Absent

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Speaker Burmeister:

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

B. Budget Modifications

1. **Acceptance of contract funds from the Indian Tribal Ogema Health Service- Office of Self-Governance- K. Bowers Amendment Number 1 and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-__ in the amount of \$12,815.00**

Kathleen Bowers: Represented the item

Councilor Silvis: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0604-120 Acceptance of contract funds from the Indian Health Service- Office of Self-Governance- Amendment Number 1 and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-24 in the amount of \$12,815.00**

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 3

G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes
J. Wolfe- Absent	A. Metzger - No	R. Wittenberg- Absent
P. Johnson-Yes	S. Wever - Yes	S. Crampton- No

Motion carried (5-2-0-2)

Speaker Burmeister:

- 2. Acceptance of contract funds from the Indian Health Service- Office of Self-Governance- Amendment Number 2 and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-__ in the amount of \$667.** Tribal Ogema K. Bowers

Kathleen Bowers: Represented the item

Councilor Silvis: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0604-121 Acceptance of contract funds from the Indian Health Service- Office of Self-Governance- Amendment Number 2 and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-25 in the amount of \$667**

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 4

P. Johnson-Yes	S. Wever - Yes	S. Crampton- No
M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes
A. Metzger - No	R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe- Absent

Motion carried (5-2-0-2)

Speaker Burmeister:

- 3. Approval of Budget Modification MB2025-__; Authorizing the return of funds from U.S Department of the Treasury- Emergency Rental Assistance Program in the amount of \$3,919.50** Tribal Ogema K. Bowers T. Bailey

Kathleen Bowers: Represented the item

Councilor Silvis: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0604-122 Approval of Budget Modification MB2025-26; Authorizing the return of funds from U.S Department of the Treasury- Emergency Rental Assistance Program in the amount of \$3,919.50**

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 5

G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes
J. Wolfe- Absent	A. Metzger - No	R. Wittenberg- Absent
P. Johnson-Yes	S. Wever - Yes	S. Crampton- No

Motion carried (5-2-0-2)

Speaker Burmeister:

- 4. Acceptance of contract funds from U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development- 2025 Indian Housing Block Grant and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-__ in the amount of \$500,444.00**
- Tribal Ogema
K. Bowers
T. Bailey**

Tara Bailey: Represented the item

Councilor Silvis: Motion to accept Resolution #25-0604-123 Acceptance of contract funds from U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development- 2025 Indian Housing Block Grant and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-27 in the amount of \$500,444.00

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 6

M. Silvis- No	T. Burmeister – No	G. DiPiazza- No
A. Metzger- No	R. Wittenberg – Absent	J. Wolfe- Absent
S. Wever - Yes	S. Crampton- No	P. Johnson- Yes

Motion carried (5-2-0-2)

Speaker Burmeister:

- 5. Acceptance of funds from the Department of Health & Human Services- Elder Meals- Older Americans Act Title VI, Part A (OATA) and Approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-__ in the amount of \$75,625.00**
- Tribal Ogema
K. Bowers
V. Sam**

Vicki Sam: Represented the item

Councilor Silvis: Motion to accept Resolution #25-0604-124 Acceptance of funds from the Department of Health & Human Services- Elder Meals- Older Americans Act Title VI, Part A (OATA) and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-28 in the amount of \$75,625.00

Councilor DiPiazza: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 7

A. Metzger- No	R. Wittenberg – Absent	J. Wolfe- Absent
S. Wever - Yes	S. Crampton- No	P. Johnson- Yes
T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza- Yes	M. Silvis- Yes

Motion carried (5-2-0-2)

Speaker Burmeister:

- 6. Acceptance of funds from the Department of Health & Human Services- Elders Meals- OANT OAA Nutrition Services Incentive Program- Year 3 and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-___ in the amount of \$2,785.00**
- Tribal Ogema
K. Bowers
V. Sam

Vicki Sam: Represented the item

Councilor Silvis: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0604-125 Acceptance of funds from the Department of Health & Human Services- Elders Meals- OANT OAA Nutrition Services Incentive Program- Year 3 and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-29 in the amount of \$2,785.00**

Recorder Johnson: Support

Roll Call # 8

S. Wever - Yes	S. Crampton- No	P. Johnson- Yes
T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza- Yes	M. Silvis- Yes
R. Wittenberg – Absent	J. Wolfe- Absent	A. Metzger- No

Motion carried (5-2-0-2)

Speaker Burmeister:

- C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**
- IV. Old Business**
- A. Acceptance of funds from U.S Department of Agriculture- FDPIR Nutrition Education 2025 and Approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-___, in the amount of \$20,000.00**
- Tribal Ogema
K. Bowers
J. Friedel

Jamie Friedel: Represented the item

Councilor Silvis: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0604-126 Acceptance of funds from U.S Department of Agriculture- FDPIR Nutrition Education 2025 and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB2025-30, in the amount of \$20,000.00**

Recorder Johnson: Support

Roll Call # 9

T. Burmeister - Yes	G. DiPiazza- Yes	M. Silvis- Yes
R. Wittenberg – Absent	J. Wolfe- Absent	A. Metzger- No
S. Crampton- No	P. Johnson-Yes	S. Wever- Yes

Motion carried (5-2-0-2)

Speaker Burmeister:

- B.1 Approval of Budget Modification MB2025-___ in the**
- Tribal Ogema

Amount of \$35,000.00 within ARPA Local Assistance & Tribal Consistency Fund 4529 (LATCF)

M. Lucas

Michelle Lucas: Represented the item

Councilor Silvis: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0604-127 Approval of Budget Modification MB2025-31 in the amount of \$35,000.00 within ARPA Local Assistance & Tribal Consistency Fund 4529 (LATCF)**

Councilor DiPiazza: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 10

R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe- Absent	A. Metzger - No
S. Crampton – No	P. Johnson- Yes	S. Wever - Yes
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes

Motion carried (5-2-0-2)

Speaker Burmeister:

B.2 Ratification of Contract with WIPFLI using Operating Budget 4529 Local Assistance & Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF)

**Tribal Ogema
M. Lucas**

Michelle Lucas: Represented the item

Recorder Johnson: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0604-128 Ratification of Contract with WIPFLI using Operating Budget 4529 Local Assistance & Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF)**

Councilor DiPiazza: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 11

S. Crampton - Yes	P. Johnson- Yes	S. Wever - Yes
G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes
J. Wolfe- Absent	A. Metzger - No	R. Wittenberg- Absent

Motion carried (6-1-0-2)

Speaker Burmeister

V. New Business

Updated A. Acceptance of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Internal Audit Report for the Utilities Lagoon 7500-703 Department Budget.

**B. Pringle
P. Johnson**

Brad Pringle: Represented the item

Councilor Metzger: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0604-129 Acceptance of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Internal Audit Report for the Utilities Lagoon 7500-703 Department Budget.**

Councilor Weaver: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call #12

G. DiPiazza - No	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes
J. Wolfe- Absent	A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg- Absent
P. Johnson-Yes	S. Weaver - Yes	S. Crampton- Yes

Motion carried (6-1-0-2)

Speaker Burmeister:

Updated B. Acceptance of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Internal Audit Report for the Information Technology 2000-403 Department Budget.

**B. Pringle
P. Johnson**

Brad Pringle: Represented the item

Councilor Metzger: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0604-130 Acceptance of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Internal Audit Report for the Information Technology 2000-403 Department Budget.**

Councilor Weaver: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 13

J. Wolfe- Absent	A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg- Absent
P. Johnson-Yes	S. Weaver - Yes	S. Crampton- Yes
M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes	G. DiPiazza - No

Motion carried (6-1-0-2)

Speaker Burmeister:

Add C. Acknowledgment of the receipt of the Official Election Results.

P. Johnson

Recorder Johnson: Read that it was received no vote needed.

Speaker Burmeister:

VI. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, June 11, 2025**
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**
- C. Legislative Affairs Update**

1. Tammy Burmeister
2. Pam Johnson
3. Julie Wolfe
4. Gary Di Piazza
5. Shirley Wever
6. Al Metzger
7. Ron Wittenberg
8. Misty Silvis
9. Shannon Crampton

D. Public Comment Period

Councilor DiPiazza: Motion to end First Open Session at 10:57 am

Councilor Wever: Support

Recorder Johnson:

Roll Call # 14

P. Johnson-Yes	S. Wever - Yes	S. Crampton- Yes
M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes
A. Metzger - Yes	R. Wittenberg- Absent	J. Wolfe- Absent

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

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.

Recorder Johnson: 11:19am

Roll Call # 15

M. Silvis- Yes	T. Burmeister – Yes	G. DiPiazza- Yes
A. Metzger- Absent	R. Wittenberg – Absent	J. Wolfe- Absent
S. Wever - Yes	S. Crampton- Absent	P. Johnson- Yes

Motion carried (5-0-0-4)

NO QUORUM

VIII. Open Session

A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session-Minutes and Materials Remain Confidential

1. 2024 Audit Engagement Letter from Rehmann
2. Open Bank Account at PNC Bank for Per Cap Close Current Per Cap Bank Account at Huntington
3. Revision of Little River Casino Resort General Manager Employment Agreement

**4. Authorization to Approve Contract with Athena Health
For New Electronic Medical Health Records System**

IX. Adjourn

Respectfully Submitted,



Chantel Gamelin,
Transcribing Assistant



Susan Thull,
Tribal Council Recorder

