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**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS  
TRIBAL COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 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 25, 2025. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Speaker Crampton:

**I. Opening Prayer**

Councilor Wittenberg: Did Opening Prayer in Anishinaabemowin

Speaker Crampton:

**A. Call to Order**

At 10:43am

**B. Roll Call**

Recorder Thull:

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

We do have quorum.

Speaker Crampton:

**C. Approval of Agenda**

Councilor Waitner: **Motion to approve the agenda for Wednesday June 25,2025 with following changes. III. General Business A.1 add -Ratification of FedEx end-use License Agreement, IV. Old Business Postponed- Acceptance of the revisions to the Binojeeuk Commission By-Laws. V. New Business A. Updated- Adding/ Removing authorized Signers on Tribal Bank accounts. B. Updated- Approving the Tribal Council Speaker to Execute Agreements For the 2025 Jiingtamok. C. Add- Posting for thirty-day Public Comment Enrollment Ordinance #04-200-01. D. Add- Posting for thirty-day public comment Elders Committee Ordinance. E- Add Posting for thirty-day public comment Government Employment Relations Act. VII. Closed Session C. Removed- Authorization to Approve Contract with Athena Health for New Electronic Medical Health Records System. Same with VIII. Open Session A.1 Removed.**

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Thull:

**Roll Call # 1**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Speaker Crampton:

**D. Tribal Council Minutes ☐ 02/19/2025**

Councilor Metzger: **Motion to approve Tribal Council Minutes for 02/19/2025**

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Thull.

**Roll Call # 2**

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

Motion carried (8-0-1-0)

**III. Continuing Business**

**A. Grants & Contracts**

**Add 1. Ratification of FedEx end-use License Agreement** Tribal Ogema  
M. Lucas/ C. Gamelin

Councilor Wittenberg: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0625-141 Ratification of FedEx end- use agreement**

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Thull:

**Roll Call # 3**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Speaker Crampton:

**B. Budget Modifications**

**C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**

#### **IV. Old Business**

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

**T. Burmeister  
C. Wells**

**B. March 2025 Financial Report**

**Councilor Metzger: Motion to accept the March 2025 Financial Report**

**Councilor Burmeister: Support**

**Recorder Thull.**

##### **Roll Call # 4**

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

**Motion carried (9-0-0-0)**

**Speaker Crampton:**

**C. Binojeeuk Commission Minutes 1. February 2025**

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

**Councilor Waitner: Support**

**Recorder Thull:**

##### **Roll Call # 5**

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

**Motion carried (9-0-0-0)**

**Speaker Crampton:**

**2. March 2025**

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

**Councilor Burmeister: Support**

**Recorder Thull:**

##### **Roll Call # 6**

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

**Motion carried (9-0-0-0)**

Speaker Crampton:

**3. April 2025**

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

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Thull:

**Roll Call # 7**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Speaker Crampton:

**C. May 2025 Operations Report**

Councilor Metzger: **Motion to accept the May 2025 Operations Report**

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Thull:

**Roll Call # 8**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Speaker Crampton:

**V. New Business**

**Updated A. Adding/ Removing authorized Signers on Tribal Bank Accounts. Tribal Ogema A. Rabb**

**1. Approval of Designated Signers for Investment Accounts at PNC Institutional Investments**

Angela Rabb: Represented the item

Councilor Metzger: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0625-142 Approval of designated signers for investment accounts at PNC Institutional Investments**

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Thull:

**Roll Call # 9**

R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe- Yes	A. Metzger - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	C. Waitner- Yes	S. Thull - Yes

G. DiPiazza - Yes	M. Silvis - Yes	T. Burmeister- Yes
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Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Speaker Crampton: **2. Approval of Designated Signers for Bank Accounts at PNC Bank**

Angela Rabb: Represented the item

Councilor Metzger: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0625-143 Approval of designated signers for bank accounts at PNC Bank**

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Thull.

**Roll Call # 10**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Speaker Crampton: **3. Approval of Designated Signers for Investment Account at Wells Fargo Bank**

Angela Rabb: Represented the item

Councilor Metzger: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0625-144 Approval of designated signers for Investment account at Wells Fargo Bank**

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Thull.

**Roll Call # 11**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Speaker Crampton: **4. Approval of Designated Signers for Per Cap Bank Account at Huntington Bank**

Angela Rabb: Represented the item

Councilor Metzger: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0625-145 Approval of designated signers for Per Cap bank account at Huntington Bank**

Councilor Burmeister: Support

Recorder Thull.

**Roll Call # 12**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Speaker Crampton:

**Updated B. Approving the Tribal Council Speaker to Execute Agreements For the 2025 Jiingtamok. J. Wolfe**

Councilor Wolfe: Represented the item

Councilor Metzger: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0625-146 Approving the Tribal Council Speaker to execute agreements for the 2025 Jiingtamok**

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Thull.

**Roll Call # 13**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Speaker Crampton:

**Add C. Posting for thirty-day Public Comment Enrollment Ordinance #04-200-01 S. Crampton**

Speaker Crampton represented the item.

Councilor Metzger: **Motion for Posting for Thirty-day public comment Enrollment Ordinance #04-200-01**

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Thull:

**Roll Call # 14**

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

Motion carried (6-3-0-0)

Speaker Crampton:

**Add D. Posting for thirty-day public comment ELDERS  
COMMITTEE ORDINANCE**

S. Crampton

Speaker Crampton represented the item.

Councilor Burmeister: **Motion to accept Posting for Thirty-day public comment  
Elders Committee Ordinance**

Councilor Silvis: Support

Recorder Thull:

**Roll Call # 15**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Speaker Crampton:

**Add E. Posting for thirty-day public comment Government  
Employment Relations Act**

S. Crampton

Speaker Crampton represented the item.

Councilor Wittenberg: **Motion to accept Posting for Thirty-day public comment  
Government Employment Relations Act**

Councilor Metzger: Support

Recorder Thull:

**Roll Call # 16**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Speaker Crampton:

**VI. Concluding Business**

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, July 09, 2025**
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**
- C. Legislative Affairs Update**
  - 1. Tammy Burmeister**
  - 2. Susan Thull**
  - 3. Julie Wolfe**
  - 4. Gary DiPiazza**
  - 5. Connie Waitner**
  - 6. Al Metzger**
  - 7. Ron Wittenberg**

**8. Misty Silvis**  
**9. Shannon Crampton**

**D. Public Comment Period**

Councilor Metzger: **Motion to end First Open Session at 11:28am**

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Thull:

**Roll Call # 17**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

*The purpose of closed session is to discuss business matters considered privileged or confidential involving consideration of bids/contracts, pending legal issues, and/or personnel matters.*

Councilor Silvis: **Make a motion to go into second Open**

Councilor Metzger: support

Recorder Thull:

**Roll Call # 18**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Speaker Crampton:

**VIII. Open Session**

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

- Removed 1. Authorization to Approve Contract with Athena Health For New Electronic Medical Health Records System**
- 2. Ratification of amendment to Worldpay Contract for Norton Shores Pharmacy**

Councilor DiPiazza: **Motion to accept Resolution #25-0625-147 Ratification of amendment to Worldpay contract for Norton Shores Pharmacy**

Councilor Wittenberg: Support



Recorder Thull:

**Roll Call # 19**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Speaker Crampton:

**3. Binojeeuk Commission Closed Session Minutes April 2025**

Councilor DiPiazza: **Motion to postpone the Binojeeuk Commission Closed Session Minutes for April 2025**

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Thull.

**Roll Call # 20**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Councilor Metzger: **I'd like to make a motion to amend the agenda for Comprehensive and complete Enrollment Audit of all active and/or open Tribal members enrollment files and all enrollment files where a individual has said membership in the Tribe**

Councilor Wittenberg: Support

Recorder Thull.

**Roll Call # 21**

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

Motion carried (5-4-0-0)

Councilor Metzger: At this time, I'd like to make the **motion for Resolution #25-0625-148 Comprehensive and complete Enrollment Audit of all active and/or open Tribal members enrollment files and all enrollment files where a individual has said membership in the Tribe**

Councilor Wolfe: Support

Recorder Thull.

**Roll Call # 22**

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

Motion carried (5-4-0-0)

Speaker Crampton:

**IX. Adjourn**

Councilor DiPiazza: **Motion to adjourn Second Open**

Councilor Wolfe: Support

Recorder Thull.

**Roll Call # 23**

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

Motion carried (8-1-0-0)

Respectfully Submitted,



Chantel Gamelin,  
Transcribing Assistant



Susan Thull,  
Tribal Council Recorder