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**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2020
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 March 4, 2020. Following are the minutes of that meeting. The tape recording was skipping through the following minutes and some of the comments were not picked up and were taken from memory or the Roll Call Record.

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said to Speaker Pete that the recorder is on.

Speaker Pete thanked Acting Recorder Guenthardt. Pete said okay, welcome to their regular Tribal Council Meeting of Wednesday, March the 4, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Pete said Councilor Wittenberg will give them their Opening Prayer.

I. Opening Prayer

Ron Wittenberg, Tribal Elder, offered the Opening Prayer in Anishinaabemowin and Shagaaash.

We thank you for this day.

We thank you for all we have and all we don't have.

We say Chi Miigwech for everything above us, with us, below us and that what is within.

Help us and guide us in our thoughts, our minds, and our walk.

Ahaaw. Miigwech. Miigwech. Miigwech. Miigwech.

Speaker Pete thanked Councilor Wittenberg.

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m.

Speaker Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt to do a roll call.

B. Roll Call

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

Quorum established.

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said they have a quorum established six present and three absent.

Speaker Pete said he just wanted to say for the record is that Council Corey is on travel for the Tribe along with Gary Di Piazza, their Recorder, is on travel for the Tribe. Pete said unfortunately he talked to Shannon Crampton this morning and he has a very impacted tooth so he is going to be out today.

Others Present: Brad Pringle, Bob Sanders, Shanaviah Canales, Bill Willis, Boo Battice, Jessica Steinberg.

Others Present That Did Not Sign In: Grace Hendler, Mary Thomas, Ogema Romanelli, Officer Umlauf, Rebecca Liebing, Caitlin Rollins.

C. Approval of Agenda

Speaker Pete recognized Acting Recorder Guenthardt.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH ONE REVISED AND ONE REMOVED; UNDER CONTINUING BUSINESS, REVISED A.1, AND UNDER NEW BUSINESS, V A. IS REMOVED;
by Guenthardt; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt to do a roll call.

Acting Recorder Guenthardt asked Councilor Lonn if she was in favor.

Speaker Pete said she said here.

Councilor Champagne said yeah but its not here it is yes or no.

Speaker Pete said oh.

Councilor Lewis said to Councilor Lonn yes or no.

Councilor Lonn said yes and apologized.

Roll Call #1

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said the agenda has been approved six in favor and three absent.

Speaker Pete thanked Acting Recorder Guenthardt.

D. Tribal Council Minutes ☐ 2/26/20

Speaker Pete recognized Sandy Lewis.

Councilor Lewis said she would like to make a motion.

MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 2/26/20; by Lewis; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt to do a roll call.

Roll Call #2

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said six in favor and three absent Tribal Council Minutes for 2/26/20 were approved.

Speaker Pete thanked Acting Recorder Guenthardt.

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

1. Approving of a Formula Grant Application for the Family Violence Prevention & Services Act (FVSPA) Domestic Violence Shelter & Supportive Services Grants to Native American Tribe & Tribal Organizations

The Family Services Department recommends that this grant be pursued in order to help better meet the needs of Tribal member victims of family violence and assist in prevention.

Shanaviah Canales, Domestic Violence Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Canales said yes, good morning.

Speaker Pete said good morning.

Shanaviah Canales said she is asking to submit this solicitation for the FY20 Standing Announcement for the FVSPA is what she calls it, Family Violence Prevention Service Act which helps them in providing Emergency Shelters, Counseling Services and a lot of other direct services.

Speaker Pete thanked Shanaviah Canales. Pete said once again he always asks that this is all grant funded right.

Shanaviah Canales said all grant funded and no match needed.

Speaker Pete thanked Shanaviah Canales. Pete asked is there any further.....oh, he is sorry does he have any support. Pete recognized Sandy Lewis.

Councilor Lewis said she would like to make a motion.

**MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #20-0304-078;
APPROVING OF A FORMULA GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE
FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION & SERVICES ACT (FVPSA)
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER & SUPPORTIVE SERVICES
GRANTS TO NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES & TRIBAL
ORGANIZATIONS; by Lewis; supported by Wittenberg.**

Speaker Pete asked Councilor Lewis if she wanted to redo that motion.

Councilor Lewis said okay, all right with the addition of:

**MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #20-0304-078;
APPROVING OF A FY2020 STANDING ANNOUNCEMENT FOR
FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION & SERVICES ACT (FVPSA)
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER & SUPPORTIVE SERVICES
GRANTS TO NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES & TRIBAL
ORGANIZATIONS GRANT APPLICATION; by Lewis; supported by
Wittenberg.**

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt to do a roll call.

Roll Call #3

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said six in favor and three absent Resolution #20-0304-078 is passed.

Speaker Pete thanked Acting Recorder Guenthardt and Shanaviah Canales.

B. Budget Modifications

1. Approval of Supplemental Appropriation 2020-__-1st QTR to fund the purchase of a colored copier for the Tribal Council Office in the amount of \$8,735.00

Tribal Council has received a Certification of Availability of Funds #2020-004 from the Accounting Department signed by the Chief Financial Officer.

Speaker Pete represented this agenda item. Pete said Gary Di Piazza was here to put this on the agenda and obviously he is not here he is on business. Pete said they had to.....just a little explanation the copier that they had is no longer valid and not good anymore. Pete said they bought a color one and that also does black and white. Pete recognized Sandy Lewis.

Councilor Lewis said she would also like to say that this is a long-term investment for future Tribal Councils that would be coming in. Lewis said with that said she would like to make a motion.

Speaker Pete said to Councilor Lewis okay she has the floor.

**MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #20-0304-079;
APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION 2020-03-1st
QTR TO FUND THE PURCHASE OF A COLORED COPIER FOR
THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OFFICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,735.00;
by Lewis; supported by Wittenberg.**

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt to do a roll call.

Roll Call #4

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said Resolution #20-0304-079 is past. Guenthardt said six present and three absent. Guenthardt said six in favor.

Speaker Pete thanked Acting Recorder Guenthardt.

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 \$224,451

The contract funds are awarded as part of the 2020 Self-Governance Compact.

Speaker Pete said to Bill Willis that he is here to represent this and thanked him.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said good morning and thanked them. Willis said this item represents Modification #1 to the 2020 Self-Governance Compact with the BIA. Willis said they estimated in the 2020 Budget that they would receive \$2.9 million \$44, 171. Willis said year to date including this award brings them up to \$568,362 in other words about 19% of what they projected.

Speaker Pete said sure.

Bill Willis said they do anticipate obviously getting additional funding so.

Speaker Pete thanked Bill Willis. Pete asked is there any further questions of Bill Willis. Pete asked can he get a motion. Pete recognized Diane Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said she will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #20-0304-080;
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR-BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING
BUDGET MB-2020-15 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$224,451; by Lonn;
supported by Wittenberg.**

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt to do a roll call.

Roll Call #5

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said Resolution #20-0304-080 is passed. Guenthardt said six in favor and three absent.

Speaker Pete thanked Acting Recorder Guenthardt and Bill Willis.

Bill Willis thanked them.

C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

- 1. The Natural Resource Department is requesting to purchase a Bobcat Compact Loader with Forestry Cutting Head and rescind the previous approved Resolution #20-0122-025**

The Kippertool Company forgot to include a couple of essential items in the original bid that increases the price of purchase by \$1,000 therefore a new resolution is required to reflect the additional cost.

Speaker Pete said Bob Sanders is here.

Robert Sanders, Natural Resource Department, represented this agenda item. Sanders said so the company that they went with forgot some essential items to include on the Bobcat and the Forestry Cutting Head. Sanders said they contacted them when it was in production and said these basic four items need to be included on the build and they came back to them which increased the price by about a \$1,000 so.

Speaker Pete said so the original one they already approved though he is rescinding and they are doing this one today is actually about a \$1,000 more right.

Bob Sanders said \$1,000....yes more or less.

Speaker Pete said roughly.....okay. Pete asked can he get a motion or is there any further questions. Pete recognized Sandy Lewis.

Councilor Lewis said she would like to make a motion.

**MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #20-0304-081;
APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE FOR A BOBCAT COMPACT
TRACK LOADER WITH FORESTRY CUTTER HEAD FOR
\$89,751.55 AND RESCIND THE PREVIOUS APPROVED
RESOLUTION #20-0122-025; by Lewis; supported by Lonn.**

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt to do a roll call.

Roll Call #6

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said Resolution #20-0304-081 is passed. Guenthardt said six in favor and three absent.

Speaker Pete thanked Bob Sanders.

Bob Sanders thanked them.

IV. Old Business

Monthly Reports that are due: January 2020

Reports received:

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| A. Operations Report | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
| B. Financial Report | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
| C. Enrollment Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
| D. Health Commission | |
| December 2019 | 1. <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
| January & February 2020 | 2. <input type="checkbox"/> No Meetings |
| E. Natural Resource Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |

Speaker Pete said Operations Report is none submitted, Financial Report is none submitted, Enrollment Commission is none submitted, Health Commission for December 2019 and January & February of 2020.....

Speaker Pete asked Tribal Council a question but it wasn't picked up on the tape recording.

Councilor Lewis said there was and Gary Di Piazza was getting it situated.

Speaker Pete said okay there was a meeting there but it hasn't been submitted so far. Pete said the Natural Resource Commission he sees nothing has been submitted.

V. New Business

- A. Resolution Authorizing the formal exploration of the 80/20 Plan and creating an analysis of the Cost of Paying back Investors with interest**
Directing the Ogema, CFO and Tribal Council to find funds to pay back those members who paid their 80/20.

Speaker Pete said this Item A has been removed.

B. Authorizing the Donation of \$1,000 to the Polar Plunge Event at the Little River Casino Resort on March 14, 2020

The donation will go towards providing assistance for the Athletes of Manistee County for Special Olympics.

Speaker Pete said he is going to speak to that for just a moment. Pete said the Polar Plunge is happening again in March the 14th. Pete said this is the third year this event is at the casino and LRBOI supported event for all of their children to be available to help them fund them being in this.....in athletic competition. Pete said this \$1,000 Donation it is \$500 from the Ogema and \$500 from the Tribal Government. Pete recognized Sandy Lewis.

Councilor Lewis said she would like to make a motion.

MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #20-0304-082; AUTHORIZING THE DONATION OF \$500 FROM THE TRIBAL COUNCIL AND \$500 FROM THE TRIBAL OGEMA FOR THE POLAR PLUNGE AT LITTLE RIVER CASINO RESORT TO BENEFIT SPECIAL OLYMPICS OF MICHIGAN; by Lewis; supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt to do a roll call.

Roll Call #7

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said Resolution #20-0304-082 is passed. Guenthardt said six in favor and three absent.

Speaker Pete thanked Acting Recorder Guenthardt.

C. Adoption of Tribal Council Procedure for Interactive Participation in Tribal Council Open Session Meetings

The Tribal Council has drafted this procedure to clarify process for Tribal Members to participate in live streaming Open Session Meetings.

Speaker Pete asked can he get a motion. Pete recognized Diane Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said she will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #20-0304-083; ADOPTION
OF TRIBAL COUNCIL PROCEDURE FOR INTERACTIVE
PARTICIPATION IN TRIBAL COUNCIL OPEN SESSION
MEETINGS; by Lonn; supported by Wittenberg.**

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to.... Pete said okay and recognized Boo Battice.

Boo Battice asked where can he locate this.....so they are going to be limited on their Open Session because of being.....he is not understanding....

Councilor Wittenberg said he didn't give his number.

Speaker Pete said pardon.

Councilor Lewis said he didn't state his number.

Boo Battice said participate in livestreaming.....it is.....

Speaker Pete said okay first of all he just wants to tell him something.

Boo Battice said to participate.....

Speaker Pete said just.....they are going to explain it to him but would he please give his Tribal number on this. Pete said his Tribal I.D. number.

Boo Battice said okay. Battice said he is here a lot and he doesn't get that all the time so he is going to remind them guys when they don't remind anybody else of their name, numbers and their.....

Councilor Lonn said yeah they do.

Boo Battice continued on.....and their positions. Battice said he is Boo Bear Battice, Tribal #2644 is his number or label he guessed under the different rules after his social.....first he is American because they had to sign treaties so he would like to abide by the Constitution and Freedom of Speech and things first and things of this nature. Battice said that is why he is wondering where they are going to limit their members on livestreaming or whatever they are doing because they have freedoms and he hopes.....he cautions limiting people because their freedoms are American for it because they were taken over a long time ago. Battice said so that is where his question is on it.

Speaker Pete said okay so would he like him to answer that or wait yet.

Boo Battice said where the process, yeah, it is being drafted to clarify the process. Battice said he is hoping a lot of people are involved with the clarity of the process of livestreaming because of these rights whatever they have.....they are born with and these are the things they are trying to stand up for nowadays. Battice said actually that is the native way is _____. Battice said so....yes.

Speaker Pete said to Boo Battice okay, so first of all he didn't mean to.....didn't mean to pick on him but he never had to ask anybody for their Tribal.....for their Tribal I.D. and they have always stated their Tribal I.D. Pete said it certainly isn't.....

Boo Battice said always.....sorry to interrupt.

Speaker Pete said....something that he wants to do. Pete said so he never had to do that and he wouldn't be just singling out him for anything. Pete said secondly they have to have for Tribal Interactive and this has been posted he doesn't know how many times for them for.....this has been.....all of the Tribal Council has an opportunity to read this thing and what it is about is when they log in and get interactive with the people that are out there no matter where they are at.....South Carolina, Wisconsin, California, Alaska everybody can on this. Pete said there is a queue that will be waiting and they had to have rules for queue to answer questions. Pete said also they will be limited to five minutes like the questions are here right now and they won't be limited to anything that they would be bringing up especially on the agenda because when it is about the agenda. Pete said then when they do the Open Session Minutes at the end he can bring anything up provided there are certain things that are available. Pete said they won't allow any swear or they won't allow certain.....

Boo Battice interrupted with that is still freedom of speech though.

Speaker Pete said well he don.....it may be freedom of speech but they are not going to allow it.

Boo Battice said that is against the law.

Speaker Pete said well then they can take him to court.

Boo Battice said okay.

Speaker Pete reiterated that they can please take him to court. Pete said they are not going to allow those kinds of things on this interactive for persons that are it so the people themselves if they don't feel this so much and they want to take him to court who he is going to be the one controlling that he knows his way to court.

Boo Battice said he is just.....other people.

Speaker Pete said okay.

Boo Battice said he has never taken anybody to court and there is lots of rea.....

Speaker Pete said okay he is just saying.

Boo Battice said he is trying to get a better understand.....hopefully he is sending out some caution for themselves, so he is not going to court.

Speaker Pete said he doesn't like to go to court.

Boo Battice said nobody.....

Speaker Pete recognized Cindy Champagne.

Boo Battice said that is a game being played in court.

Speaker Pete said yeah, yeah.

Speaker Pete recognized Cindy Champagne again.

Councilor Champagne said to Boo Battice excuse her, this was not intended to limit the people's right it's basically the rules that apply to everybody out here when they come to their meetings. Champagne said it is just that when they are online they are not here to know those rules. Champagne said online now they have the same rules that is applied to the people in the audience. Champagne said now they are asking their membership to do is be respectful in these meetings. Champagne said they opened this livestreaming up so that they have.....they have more of a transparency and they can see what is going on, what is being said, and they can have input into those things so that is what this was intended for to have more transparency for their membership and not to restrict them. Champagne said they are under the same guidelines as if they were sitting in the audience like he is now. Champagne said so that is what that was all about.

Boo Battice said he guess he is going to use an example. Battice said someone types in.....their.....very.....they know.....their expressions. Battice said how they want to express themselves and who is going to take it from the paper and the word from there and express it for them he guessed. Battice said they are going to have to have someone to read those and it's a fine line is all he is saying because the person is going to say that is not what they wrote see. Battice said they snapshotted it and he is reading if it is not worth like he said the word always that was the wrong statement. Battice said he is hoping that they get to freely express themselves.....that is all he is saying is that who is going to transfer from word.....is it going to be word to word.....word for work and swear words.....sorry.

Speaker Pete said well.....

Boo Battice said all he is saying are they going to be.....there is a lot to it.....

Speaker Pete said uh, huh okay.

Boo Battice said hopefully they are looking at that.

Speaker Pete said okay so.....thanked Boo Battice for his input. Pete asked anyone else.

Boo Battice asked where can he get the.....that was the original question he never got an answer....is this process posted so somebody can get it to him on paper or things because that.....

Speaker Pete said he can stop by and he will give him a copy of his, okay. Pete said he can have this right now if he wants.

Boo Battice said please or access.....

Speaker Pete said here it is right there.

Boo Battice thanked Speaker Pete.

Speaker Pete said that's it.

Boo Battice asked a question from the audience and it wasn't picked up on the tape recording.

Speaker Pete said yes, he can have that. Pete said okay anyone else. Pete said yes. Pete said good God.

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said humpf.

Speaker Pete said um-hum.

Jessica Steinberg, Tribal #0148, said just a couple of questions. Steinberg said interactive streaming usually takes a little bit of band width and there should be some capacity. Steinberg asked how many member.....citizens will be able to interact with the livestreaming process and will there be a limit to that.....in other words what is the max cap.

Speaker Pete said okay then he would have to defer himself so right now is his IT Director because he does have plenty of band width to do what they are doing over there.....he is going to let him answer right now he is just a little confused.

Jessica Steinberg said then just a....just in a follow-up. Steinberg asked are the individuals going to be verbal interaction or will they be typing questions and send them forward for answer. Steinberg thanked them.

Speaker Pete said yup.

George Le Vasseur, IT Director, said the maximum number they have licensing for right now is 100 people online. Le Vasseur said by increasing licensing they can increase that to as high as they want. Le Vasseur said as far as band width goes they are all, right now, submitting contracts for additional band width for the Government Center and it is audio/video. Le Vasseur said if someone has a question he will.....they will appear on the screen here and he will.....and Council can recognize them. Le Vasseur said he will put them up on the screen and they will be able to hear them in this room and on the livestream. Le Vasseur said there is actually two things going on right now. Le Vasseur said one is they are livestreaming this out to the internet directly via the website so if they go to the website login they can hear.....they can see and hear this. Le Vasseur said now if....once these rules are passed they will post every Friday a registration link and it will be on the website just after the agenda is posted. Le Vasseur said there will be registration link posted, they click that registration link, put in their e-mail address and their name, and they will get a return e-mail from the Meeting Official and it will register them then at 9:30 they will be able to login and see this room. Le Vasseur said if they have a question they can raise their hand, they will be recognized, then they can speak, and they will be put up on these two screens live. Le Vasseur said they will be able to hear and talk to Council directly.

Speaker Pete thanked George Le Vasseur. Pete asked is there any more questions. Pete asked did he get a motion.

Councilor Lewis said yes Diane Lonn.

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said yeah, Diane Lonn and Ron Wittenberg.

Speaker Pete thanked them. Pete repeated Diane Lonn and Ron Wittenberg. Pete asked is there any more questions. Pete asked is anybody going to abstain. Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt to do a roll call.

Roll Call #8

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said Resolution #20-0304-083. Guenthardt said six in favor and three absent.

Speaker Pete thanked Acting Recorder Guenthardt.

D. Approval to Post 2020 Utility Rates for a 30-Day Public Comment Period

Rates need to be reviewed as per the Utility Ordinance and Posted for 30-days with an Open Meeting for public comment.

Speaker Pete recognized Diane Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said she makes a motion.

MOTION TO APPROVE TO POST 2020 UTILITY RATES FOR A 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD; by Lonn; supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt to do a roll call.

Roll Call #9

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said motion to approve 30 day posting for 2020 Utility Rates is passed with six in favor and three absent.

Speaker Pete thanked Acting Recorder Guenthardt.

VI. Concluding Business

A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, March 11, 2020

B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update

Ogema Romanelli thanked Speaker Pete. Romanelli said he has about four items. Romanelli said first one has to do.....they have questions on what the Tribe is doing with Online Gaming and Sports Betting.

Speaker Pete said yes.

Ogema Romanelli said as he is aware of they have been in contact with their Resort and with the Legal Department. Romanelli said they have done a fantastic job of keeping them in the loop and in moving forward.

Speaker Pete said absolutely.

Ogema Romanelli said he did receive a letter from the Governor stating that they are in agreement and she is supporting them going forward with both so. Romanelli said he knows there are questions out there because they are reading about other Tribes that have made agreements on Sports Betting, etc. Romanelli said they haven't put that out as of yet in a strong way but they can be assured that they are working very hard and doing what they are supposed to do. Romanelli said they are getting ahead of the curve so that is good. Romanelli said he received a call regarding the Pow Wow and it had to do with contracts. Romanelli said he is not completely sure but he was asked to sign contracts for the different speakers, dancers and the drummers, etc. Romanelli said it sounded like all he needs to do is sign and that they weren't going to come back to Council but he thought in the past they have always done that so he is not sure what is going on. Romanelli said he just wanted to bring it to their attention since Council is involved he is not sure how the process is being handled but he would just say that somebody needs to be in communication. Romanelli said he knows that the Pow Wow has been moved up about a month.....

Speaker Pete said um-hum.

Ogema Romanelli continued.....earlier and he knows from speaking with their Historic Preservation person that there are some things that have to be done in a very early manner.

Speaker Pete said um-hum.

Ogema Romanelli said he is just making sure that they are aware of it. Romanelli said he asked.....it was J.D. Gibson who contacted him by phone and he suggested that he come in and meet so that there were no.....they know.....concerns or missteps that....they know.....he will sign as soon as has to but he wanted to make sure that they knew and he knew what the process has to be. Romanelli asked Speaker Pete if he wanted to speak to that.

Speaker Pete said he is going to let him finish then he will call on.....because he gets some things that he wanted to talk about too that he did.

Ogema Romanelli said okay. Romanelli said then the other questions he is getting from both staff and Tribal members are.....is the Coronavirus.

Speaker Pete said um-hum.

Ogema Romanelli said he can assure everybody that they are working on that too. Romanelli said they have called in the different departments and they are working hand in hand to.....they take this seriously. Romanelli said they are being

cautious but they also know that there are certain things that they can do and can't do. Romanelli said they are still a Sovereign Government.....

Speaker Pete said um-hum.

Ogema Romanelli continued.....and so there are things that they have to look at differently than other.....whether it be the local governments, etc.

Speaker Pete said yes.

Ogema Romanelli said they are in working with local governments, State Government and also the CDC directly or indirectly to make sure that their as protected as they can be. Romanelli said they have not issued any kind of demand he has suggested that their staff travel be limited to those things that are very necessary just as a precaution. Romanelli said there is other things that they can do they know and they have gone as far as sometimes going with a fist bump rather than the handshake, etc. Romanelli said it sounds a little odd but others are doing it. Romanelli said then they also have, besides the travel, just washing their hands continuously and keeping them away from their eyes and mouth will do wonders for.....they know.....all diseases. Romanelli said the other thing they are putting in is they are putting in the dispensers for.....hand dispensers in more locations so.

Speaker Pete asked hand sanitizers?

Ogema Romanelli said yeah, sanitizers so that they are taking an active step and he just wants to assure the Tribe that they are on it and they have a group of people that are working through this so. Romanelli asked what else do they have? Romanelli said the recent court.....the court, their Tribal Court handed down some recent rulings.....

Speaker Pete said um-hum.

Ogema Romanelli continued.....and he believed the final one came through within the last week. Romanelli said his understanding is that some of it has been posted on websites or something. Romanelli said there is nothing confidential about these documents. Romanelli said he is glad to see that after several years that they have some rulings.

Speaker Pete said um-hum.

Ogema Romanelli said he hope that the Tribe can move forward because its been a lot of work. Romanelli said its been a lot of time, a lot of energy, a lot of money and this has been going on.....some of this has been going on before he became Ogema. Romanelli said they now have the rulings that will set in place or should

set in place some clear directives for their Elected Officials both the Ogema and the Council.

Speaker Pete said um-hum.

Ogema Romanelli said he is very proud to say that the rulings came down after several years people will see them. Romanelli said that is the item that is listed in Closed Session under Tribal Ogema and Stone verses Tribal Council. Romanelli said that is what that one is in regard to because people were asking that as well. Romanelli reiterated so that is what it is in regard to. Romanelli said he hopes to move forward this stems from a.....the Board of Directors at the Resort.....

Speaker Pete said um-hum.

Ogema Romanelli continued.....and the removal of. Romanelli said he now is going to go back and look at what needs to be done moving forward so. Romanelli said he thanks them. Romanelli said he thinks that's all that he has today.

Speaker Pete thanked Ogema Romanelli. Pete said there is a couple of questions he'll have.....he is going to support him but Diane Lonn has a question about the Pow Wow.

Councilor Lonn said well the Pow Wow, if he remembers, they were getting all the contracts from Jay Sam. Lonn said then they decided she believed it was last year that if it was a certain amount that they didn't want to see the contract that he could take care of it and not bring it before them.

Ogema Romanelli said okay.

Councilor Lonn said so they did do a resolution on that. Lonn said she does remember that. Lonn said she has one other question. Lonn asked with the court rulings and he said he was looking at the Oversight Task Force or whatever he is going to call it is he going back and using the same ones that were just put on there or is he going to look at new ones or has he thought about that.

Ogema Romanelli said yes, he has thought about it and they know he has even been asked what does he do now. Romanelli said he really wants to get back to the basic structure because what happened was they had a Board of Directors 2010, a Board of Directors 2005 and they had something even prior to that. Romanelli said he wants to go back to the original view of what was.....what was the Board put in place for, what was it intended to do, and what did they do along the way that either enhanced it or took things away. Romanelli said he is not going to race into it he.....right now it is his opinion that he is overseeing the Resort as he believed should be done. Romanelli said he doesn't want that extra burden and he doesn't want that extra work that is directly in there. Romanelli

said he thought and he is thinking that the Board of Directors is put in place to assist with the management and direction of the Resort so he wants to take it back. Romanelli said he wants to dissect it and he wants to reform it into something that is as palatable for both the Ogema, Council, for this Tribe and the Resort because they need to protect the Resort in everything they do. Romanelli said it is one of the main things that brings in money to be.....he means.....the short of it. Romanelli said they also need to protect the Tribe and so he is going to re-look at it and they know this.....the items that were handed down from the court are all available again, they are not confidential documents at all. Romanelli said so they will look.....go forward and it expands beyond that because when they look at the records it says some things in there that clarifies questions that they've had and so he is taking a slow, solid look at all of it and making sure when they go forward that they are doing it in a proper way.

Speaker Pete said um-hum.

Councilor Lonn thanked Ogema Romanelli.

Speaker Pete said so first of all he is going to expand a little bit on what he just said. Pete said that thing has been in court since August of 2016.

Ogema Romanelli said yes.

Speaker Pete said 2016 and they finally got a ruling.....a definitive ruling on that and as he knows there is a lot of things up here that he also was involved with....up here. Pete said he is elated that the court has got their ruling and he is not sure what the next step of Council will be but he would like to think that they would just go ahead and go with his.....go with the ruling that was there. Pete said it doesn't matter to him he is one person on Council so whatever they do they do. Pete said he thinks that he is taking a slow time in doing this.....take it back and sit back and watch what they do and watch what he does to protect that Resort because it is his opinion as he said to him from day one. Pete said he never felt that it should be anybody in politics that is sitting up here on this governing the Resort. Pete said he thinks they tried that in Russia and Havana for a long time and he doesn't think it worked out too well. Pete said so in any event he doesn't think that.....he thinks he should be going just the way that he is going. Pete said secondly he wants to go on the I-Gaming he is involved heavily in that I-Gaming with the Resort. Pete said he has pretty much been to every single meeting over there. Pete said there are a lot of Tribes that are saying oh they are announcing they went with say Williams Gaming and all this other stuff. Pete said they may announce all that but they still aren't going to be ready to go even with Sports Betting until September or October. Pete said they are not saying that in there it is just like they are not leading them to the punch. Pete said they put in there early. Pete said they are not going to announce until they are exactly ready for them to do that and Resort is working very diligently. Pete said they are meeting two times a week and he checked with him this is what he is going over there for

and let people know. Pete said he thinks the Resort is doing one bang up job and he commends the General Manager and that team over there for all the work that they been....they have done many times in this I-Gaming thing. Pete said the Sports Betting will be first. Pete said they can't even I-Game because the I-Game rules aren't even established and they are probably not going to be established until next year January or February because they can't I-Game. Pete said so he is thinking that....he thinks that they are doing one bang up job as usual that they do. Pete thanked them.

Ogema Romanelli said he also wants to add that Unified Legal played a very important, critical part in that.

Speaker Pete said absolutely.

Ogema Romanelli said he thinks that they read through, they gave legal advice and work on that at a time where they had a lot on their plate already and stepped up and did what they needed to do. Romanelli said so he really appreciates that as well. Romanelli said he doesn't think he has any more to say other than the court....he mentioned that it was back in August 2016.....

Speaker Pete said 2016.

Ogema Romanelli continued....is when it started and he would advise their membership because he is getting questions on this to go back and look at the meeting minutes or tapes from the August, September 2016 and look at the court rulings. Romanelli said they will get a better handling on what is going on and this is three years.

Speaker Pete said um-hum.

Ogema Romanelli reiterated three years. Romanelli said he really appreciates the court, again, they know, while there were frustrations there he appreciates the fact that they took their time and made a very clear ruling in his opinion anyway and went through with this. Romanelli said he is going to take it very seriously so. Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Pete said yes, and also he wanted to join him as a Speaker in commending ULD for all their hard work and supporting this I-Gaming over the Resort. Romanelli said to Ogema Romanelli there is just one thing he doesn't have to look at any tapes because he lived it since August 2016.

Ogema Romanelli said well at that time he was on the other side.

Speaker Pete said absolutely.

Ogema Romanelli said he was over there at the Resort.

Speaker Pete said absolutely.

Ogema Romanelli continued....then switched over and came onto the Tribal Council so he is in a very unique position.

Speaker Pete said he is not counting but he got one year and five weeks and then he is done. Pete said then he retires.

Ogema Romanelli said how many days and hours.

Speaker Pete said they ain't going to talk him into anything.

Ogema Romanelli said all right.

Speaker Pete said okay.

Ogema Romanelli asked anything else.

C. Legislative Affairs Update

Speaker Pete asked anything on Item C, a Legislative Report.

Ogema Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked Ogema Romanelli.

D. Public Comment Period

Speaker Pete asked does he have anyone for Public Comment. Pete recognized Boo Battice.

Boo Battice, Tribal #2644, said he would like to thank George Le Vasseur he answered a lot of the questions.

Speaker Pete said ah-huh.

Boo Battice said about video and nobody else is reading they are expressing themselves they can limit them just like in the other office.....in this meeting to five minutes or what they can be talked to.....that answers a lot of questions. Battice thanked them.

Speaker Pete asked Boo Battice did that sheet that he gave him help him a little bit too.

Boo Battice said he not even had the chance.....

Speaker Pete said okay.

Boo Battice continued.....to really look at it and try to understand it words ____ have gotten him. Battice said so that was first and foremost. Battice said second he would like to say thanks to Larry Romanelli for mentioning all the I-Gaming and these things and trying to stay ahead of things. Battice said there is where his questioning is yes this goes all the way to the top where they are going to digital because is it a possible that they.....he knows they have their own chips over here but can they create their own coin. Battice said he said this a few weeks ago or a month ago but he doesn't know how that works when they are creating an Online Coinage because they are sovereign.....different reasonings. Battice said there is lots of businesses creating their own ____ coins right now but they have to use theirs to come to their casino and they get deals. Battice said all he is saying is that's out there. Battice said that is questionable and it is a hard understanding because he would like to get their own currency. Battice said he knows it has been in the process a long time.....their own currency with a under.....because he doesn't know if them guys are watching the stock market or not but even their own government.....the oil market and the American dollar is based on the petrol and they are going electric and he gives a lot of credit to ELAN because its....they know their energy and that is what the arc and the covenant is all about and different things.....the theft of energys and things but the dollar is going out. Battice said the dollar to where even Americas if they are watching invests in a lot of ____ but to try to combat the bit coin because the bit coin is the red one. Battice said so at least he is hoping their ____ coin can go in with at least a backing of another thing so that is just something to look into.

Speaker Pete said um-hum.

Boo Battice said they should start collecting as a Tribe. Battice said they know they should all have their own way to pitch in.....its just like he said the stock market and different things. Battice said he should be able to pay in.....if he gets twenty bucks he should be able to put it on 2644. Battice said let somebody hold that for him all the way back to.....they know how they became recognized and all these truths.....people got to know who they are and he would like to thank them guys all for giving him the respect to at least talk to all of this. Battice said like he said to the ____ coin he hope they can.....they know establish themselves as Little River as Americans....original.....the Constitution was built on theirs that was manipulated but that's because of society and personality.....because people not following the time.....the ten. Battice said he would like to thank them guys a hopefully they can all come together and work on their own little agenda. Battice said to George Le Vasseur that he would like to thank him again and how awesome of a job he does.....that answered a lot of his questions and thanked them guys for all the interactive and they can get more information because he wants to hear other people's.....he wants to hear people from Texas.....he wants to hear his other members.....is that what they are.....so they can have more of a

sit down and he would like to thank them guys for keeping up they are doing a good job.

Speaker Pete thanked Boo Battice. Pete asked is there any more comments or questions from the audience. Pete said okay.

Jessica Steinberg, Tribal #0148, thanked Speaker Pete. Steinberg said she was in attendance today she sees the item she had hoped or was interested in was removed.

Councilor Wittenberg said um.

Jessica Steinberg said that was a resolution authorizing the formal exploration of an 80/20 Plan and creating an analysis of the cost of paying back investors with the interest.

Councilor Wittenberg said um-hum.

Jessica Steinberg said when she first heard about that issue she was a little intrigued but then she did some research just so they have the same documents that she researched.....she will give them copies.

Speaker Pete said to Jessica Steinberg he thinks he does but thanked her.

Jessica Steinberg said in the research she looked up Public Law 103.324 well she actually started with the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934.....Public Law 103.324 verifies September 21, 1994 also known as the Little River Band's Reaffirmation Act. Steinberg said Public Law 105.143 ratified December 15, 1997, the Michigan Indian Land Claim Settlement Act then she looked up the Federal Registrar Notice about the same information. Steinberg said Federal Registrar Notice Volume 63 number 233, Friday, December 4, 1998 starting at page 67-127, the Department of Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs planned for the use and distribution of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians share of the Judgment Funds in docket numbers 18E, 58 and 364 before the Indian Claims Commission. Steinberg said for some of them that don't know the Federal Registrar is the publication of the Federal.....the United States Federal Government that highlights a lot of different things primarily Congressional Law, Regulation, Grant Notices, and all types of things are in the Federal Registrar but there was one thing as she reading through that came to her attention in Section 4. Steinberg said Section 4 of this Federal Registrar Notice of this particular document is call the Allocation for Land Acquisition that speaks to the land acquisition 20% that was set aside in the 80/20 Plan that 76% of the registered members voted on as reported to Congress. Steinberg said in that Allocation Plan 5.01 and she will this verbatim "the Tribal Council shall establish an irrevocable non-expendable trust to be known as the Reservation Restoration Trust Fund." Steinberg said let her put some emphasis on this please "irrevocable non-

expendable Tribal Trust to be known as the Reservation Restoration Trust Fund.” Steinberg said it talks about how it can be invested, it talks about when they needed to do the plan, and it talks about the responsibility of the Tribal Government being the trustees of the fund. Steinberg said then she gets down to Section 5.05 and this is where she really had pause because it talks about in this plan what the 80/20 money or the 20% in particular can be used for and how it can be used. Steinberg said again, this was adopted by Congressional Act. Steinberg said 90% of the earnings generated by the Reservation Restoration Trust Fund may be used annually and should be used exclusively for the acquisition of specific properties or for the purposes identified in the Tribe’s Reservation Restoration Plan. Steinberg said again, this was adopted by Congress that makes it a law. Steinberg said so as she read through this and she sees that this is non.....this is an irrevocable non-expendable trust and they are only allowed to spend 90% of the annual earnings of the trust on land acquisition she reads further “5.07, the principle of the Reservation Restoration Trust Fund shall not be expended for any purpose included but not limited to Per Capita Payments to members of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians.” Steinberg said so the irrevocable non-expendable trust, the 20% funding, cannot be paid out in Per Cap. Steinberg said it is not an investment 76% of the membership on the issue and “it shall be maintained as a separate account, audited once a year, and the report shall be made public.” Steinberg said in this document and it also describes in this Federal Registrar Notice and also in Public Law 105.143 that the Reservation Restoration Plan is specifically talked about it being adopted as Phase I and that is the only phase that has been adopted had to be made public to the Tribal membership. Steinberg said to date she has not been able to find that anywhere on their website. Steinberg said so she caution the Council to go back and review these documents because even though there may have been actions moving the money, as she reads this, and she is not an attorney, but she has been schooled a little bit.....as she reads this 90% of the earnings were the authorized amounts of money that could be spent annually. Steinberg said they could take part of that 90% of the earnings on the irrevocable un-expendable trust and put it back into the Reservation Restoration Trust Fund but the fund itself should not have been expended in whole for it is in part other than the earnings. Steinberg said this is her read as a lay person she is pretty good with this.....

Councilor Wittenberg said um-hum.

Jessica Steinberg continued.....so that is why she wanted them to have the same documents that she researched because she thinks this might be an issue that they might want to go back and take a look at. Steinberg said she doesn’t like to consider that she made an investment in the facility across the road. Steinberg said she knows that there was a one and a half million dollar appropriation for she believed there was properties that they had purchased that they needed to pay off that was the only other authorization in here out of that 20%. Steinberg said all of this was adopted by Congress and it is all Congressional Act. Steinberg said the reason she brings it up and the reason she has pause is because last year she

attended the Budget Appropriations Hearing for fiscal year 2020 for the Tribe and she made some inquiries about the land, Reservation Restoration Trust Fund, and where they were. Steinberg said she was told that those funds had been zeroed out. Steinberg said so she brings this up with consideration because the Reservation Restoration Plan itself, Phase I, had the 103.324 Territories as its primary investment area so she thinks there is some research that needs to happen and some digging that needs to happen. Steinberg encouraged them to find every resolution they can find about the monetary expenditure associated with this un-expendable irrevocable trust. Steinberg thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked Jessica Steinberg. Pete said he had a lot of them that had been shipped to him already since this has been done and he is not anywhere near through the whole thing but this thing now it seems to him.....he has some issues with this thing coming up right now and he asked one person that was bringing this issue up to him and now it is being said now. Pete asked how long has this Tribal Council been in existence. Pete said he is just asking.....20 years.....30 years.....25.....

Councilor Lonn asked the entire Tribal Council.

Speaker Pete said yeah, this Council even when it was volunteer. Pete asked how long has this Council been.....

Councilor Lonn answered 91.

Speaker Pete said so it has been about 21 years at max. Pete said then one of the persons that was bringing this up to him he said they know what when they were on Council for six years what did they do about it. Pete asked what have they done. Pete said so if this Council has been involved for 20 to 21 years and these issues now are coming up now.....he would say that.....he would think this issue would have come up the first year or two. Pete said he is going to get involved in this.....really going to get involved in this thing. Pete thanked Jessica Steinberg for the paperwork because she knows what he can always learn. Pete said so he is going to do that and he is also going to get with....when they don't.....they got a whole bunch of things going with ULD right now and across the street and doing things. Pete said it is not going to be researched especially by the Speaker he will give this to everybody else especially by this and in a day and a half because he just.....he has a lot of things.....irons in the fire right now but it is important to him and he is going to at some point engage with one of the lawyers from ULD to help him figure this thing out. Pete said in his mind he just sometimes when he was talking to this other person the other day....they know what where were they when they sat on Council for six years now it is being brought forward. Pete said he looks at it like this, just for him, and he is going to tell them something honestly if they want to do.....he joined the Tribe in 2005. Pete said it is public record.....he joined the Tribe in 2005. Pete said he didn't get any settlement money.....none and he just really.....he is so happy that they have Tribal members

that have jobs at the casino, that have jobs here, that work part of that settlement money or some of them were in part of the settlement money but they know they have great jobs. Pete said they got jobs that take.....that get benefits and insurance and things like that. Pete said they have some people that he knows.....he knows some people that came back here to work for the Tribe because it is so much.....so important to them for the Tribe. Pete said so he is going to research this he is committing him he is going to research this Councilor.....he still wants to call her Councilor. Pete said okay, she is still a Council as far as he is concerned people that have served on Council. Pete said he is going to get this done. Pete said now he has to call on Diane Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said to Jessica Steinberg okay, she was here at the very beginning as she knows and worked through. Lonn said she did work with the 80/20 Plan because they did have children that were under 18 that were entitled to that money and it went into CD's. Lonn said when they talked about zeroing it out she thought at the beginning that.....because she kept track of it all these years. Lonn asked where are they and she knows a lot that money was used to buy land along the river because that is what they wanted. Lonn said it was their land and they bought it back or traded it. Lonn said none was used for that casino she does know that. Lonn said when she thought they said they zeroed it out it....to her it was the last child that they had finally gave the money back to them. Lonn said so she kept track and they still have track of all those children because she doesn't throw away anything. Lonn said she is a paper person so she did keep and she does have all the paperwork that they gave and she will be honest that she has never seen where they agreed to give anything back. Lonn said that money was put in there for to buy land only not to be used for other things. Lonn said now whether its zeroed out meaning its gone for the 80/20.....the money that was there she is not sure because like she said when she was downstairs she kept track of where they were with that and she asked Steve Wheeler numerous times do they still have money in there.

Speaker Pete said Councilor Diane too would she please if she has paperwork that he doesn't have the means.....

Councilor Lonn said yes she will.

Speaker Pete said the pile is getting thicker but he would still..... Pete recognized Jessica Steinberg.....

Jessica Steinberg, Tribal #0148, said to Diane Lonn that she would have a zeroed out on the 80% for.....

Councilor Lonn said right.

Jessica Steinberg continued.....monies that were held in trust for those minors because it was a definitive list.

Councilor Lonn said right. Lonn said it just happened three years ago.

Jessica Steinberg said the 20%.....

Councilor Lonn said yup.

Jessica Steinberg said the 20% that was set aside in the irrevocable unexpended Trust.....

Councilor Lonn said right.

Jessica Steinberg said that's the concern.

Councilor Lonn said she has a concern.....sorry.

Jessica Steinberg said she has been asking questions about these monies for a long while. Steinberg said while she was on Council, after, even before she was on Council and after leaving Council. Steinberg said the reason she brings it up is because the Congressional idea behind the money was to make sure they had an investment fund that never went away and that would allow the Tribe to expand its Reservation Territories based on its 103324 Territorial Jurisdictions. Steinberg said there are reasons that they put those words in language and that is so the Tribe doesn't lose sight of the fact that is a fund that is supposed to be sustained and maintained. Steinberg said especially when only 90% of the earning of any given year were really authorized by law to be spent. Steinberg said she knows when they are on Council they are barraged with everything. Steinberg said everything in the world comes in front of their desk, everything comes in front of their face, people have concerns and they didn't get service. Steinberg said she would really like to see at some point an established orientation that goes back through all of the resolutions and it might take two weeks before they hold a Council Meeting but to go back through those bodies of law and to really understand the basis for why actions occur, what actions were allowed and what actions maybe should have been revisited. Steinberg said she raises it at this time because she hasn't had.....she had several individuals contact her thinking well gee isn't this a great idea they were investors. Steinberg said no they weren't investors. Steinberg reiterated that they weren't investors. Steinberg said they did not individualize an investment into that fund. Steinberg said that fund was set aside for the purpose of their government to increase its land base. Steinberg said it was not her individual investment. Steinberg said now if she wanted to take her Per Cap and they all want to sell shares in the building across the road like a corporation which she hopes they don't do but if they all want to do that she can take her Per Cap and buy shares and make that investment and hopefully get a return then she is an investor.

Councilor Wittenberg said um-hum.

Jessica Steinberg said that was for the stability of their government to have jurisdiction to create territory and have jurisdiction over. Steinberg said she really hopes because she looked up resolutions and one of the resolutions that created that was for Huntington Bank. Steinberg said that there was an account in Huntington Bank one was to hold the children's money, the money for incapacitated individuals, minors, etc. Steinberg said one was for that trust.

Councilor Lonn said um-hum.

Jessica Steinberg said in both of those resolutions were established way back in 97 or 98.

Councilor Lonn said 97.

Jessica Steinberg said in fact she has been bringing copies down so she can look back through the resolutions and see if any resolution modified another but that trust is really.....that is a paramount issue that they just can't ignore. Steinberg said she can't emphasize it enough. Steinberg said she has been researching this stuff and she was going to bring it up anyway. Steinberg said today she just happened to get here because she didn't have any physical therapy obligations this morning so. Steinberg said when she saw it coming up here she was just thinking "my goodness" one thing they don't want to do is they don't want to act like a corporation they are a government. Steinberg said they are a government who provides services, they provide benefits, they govern their citizens behaviors for their general welfare and hopefully wellbeing. Steinberg said so.....and she is very happy because right now she has time. Steinberg said if there is a way that she can assist the Council she is very happy to do that. Steinberg thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked Jessica Steinberg. Pete recognized Diane Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said just a quick thing. Lonn said to Jessica Steinberg that she agrees with her it was supposed to be used for land and she knows they bought a lot of the land that was taken away. Lonn said they traded with the service.....the forestry but yeah, they need to look more into what is left.

Speaker Pete said um-hum.

Councilor Lonn said if it said only 90% then they should have some in that.

Speaker Pete said okay he is all for it. Pete said he is just all for it. Pete said right now he got a whole bunch of stuff that he got to read. Pete said it is a whole bunch of stuff so.

Councilor Lonn said Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Pete said yes. Pete recognized Ogema Romanelli.

Ogema Romanelli said they saw this on the agenda their Historic Preservation Director, Jay Sam, also enlightened them yesterday a group of them. Romanelli said a small group. Romanelli said he has information from back then and if they want to have a part of it then they can share it as well.

Speaker Pete said please do.

Ogema Romanelli said he kind of let them know some background on it too which was appreciated so. Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Pete said okay. Pete recognized Boo Battice.

Boo Battice, Tribal #2644, said being a fisherman he would like to state that some of these monies were taken from Consumers as they reimbursed them for different things because he believed they bought some of the Custer Property from deals with Consumers or something of that nature to where they didn't use all of that money. Battice said all he is saying is they used different allocations when they bought properties so he doesn't think that it was all from one place or another when they bought property. Battice said he would like to say that hopefully invested in the right way. Battice said he has been a fisherman since the beginning of the Tribe since before the Tribe his dad was in with Ron Yob and the courthouses and stuff as they fished off the break wall of Ludington Pier. Battice said that was a strategic in Mason County. Battice said always a fisherman always want to be and he is still asking them guys for some help in the guidance because as a fisherman he has learned a lot of politics and it is kind of ugly. Battice said he wants to be back out on the water and there is.....there has been a road late and uniquely it is for their Tribe and its for the people that really want to fish. Battice said he is still here and the sad thing is he says it politely and he talks softly and that is just to see if they are listening. Battice said that is his lifestyle and it is not that he is talking too fast it is that they are listening too slow. Battice said it is not that he is talking too quiet its that they are not paying attention. Battice said now there is a lot of the future things that he spoke of and different things he would like to be back on the water and he wants some respect and give him his life back. Battice said he will help them guys in any way possible as he has always tried. Battice said most he got is information but that is part of him he is spreading his energy everywhere.....that is the balance. Battice said that is why he still comes here. Battice said he says his prayers before he eats all of that. Battice said he would like to fish and he thinks there is a way. Battice said they still haven't.....meetings he doesn't want a meeting he wants a sit down. Battice said he wants to.....they know....let's get together that what he wan.....but get together for everybody sticking their own pock.....they know the intentions is still the same. Battice said they need a ground base, they need a couple of fishermen out there, they can afford to send them out five or ten years and not sell one fish. Battice said they can divide it equally among the members and they can

work out.....if they are allergic to fish or if they don't want them or if their children they can work those.....burn those bridges when they get there because he'd rather have them say there is too much fish that they don't know what to do with then what is going on and how come that is just sitting there. Battice said that is just sit.....it is going to take a lot.....it is big business and he thinks there is enough there to more than feed their people. Battice said the whole thing of this....that is a lot of money, yes, they got five hundred years to catch up. Battice are gone.....almost gone that ain't their fault but they paid for it kind of in their own way. Battice said they have just enough scraps to build a little foundation and feed their people for a little bit because that is what he is. Battice said he is asking for more sit down and different things and they can have a plan. Battice said he is sorry that he is Native American first and his claim really isn't monetary but somehow there was a road laid, somehow there was a road laid and if they dug up their people....they know.....their people's energy he doesn't know how it happened but it is. Battice said they only stopped the future for the last 15 years as it was all set up to move grant money. Battice said he wants his life. Battice thanked them.

Speaker Pete thanked Boo Battice. Pete said okay.

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 Pete asked can he get a motion to move out of the first open.

MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF THE FIRST OPEN; by Lonn;
supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt to do a roll call.

Roll Call #10

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said six in favor and three absent. Guenthardt said First Open Session is closed at 11:10 a.m.

Speaker Pete thanked Acting Recorder Guenthardt.

VIII. Open Session

Speaker Pete asked can he get a motion to go back.....

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said to Speaker Pete that the recorder is on.

Speaker Pete said okay and thanked Acting Recorder Guenthardt. Pete asked can he get a motion to move back into Open Session.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO OPEN SESSION; by Champagne;
supported by Lewis.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt to do a roll call.

Roll Call #11

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said six in favor and three absent they are back into Open Session at.....

Speaker Pete said at 11.....

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said at 11:50 a.m.

A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session

Speaker Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt is there have anything they need to move from Closed into Open.

Acting Recorder Guenthardt responded yes.

**MOTION TO MOVE RESOLUTION #20-0304-084; RESOLUTION,
MOTION AND ROLL CALL ONLY;** by Guenthardt; supported by
Lonn.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt to do a roll call.

Roll Call #12

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said six in favor and three absent motion is passed.

Speaker Pete thanked Acting Recorder Guenthardt.

The following resolution, motion and roll call was moved from Closed to Open Session.

MOTIO TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 20-0304-084, RATIFICATION OF SUMMIT COMPANIES FOR INSPECTIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF FIRE ALARMS AND SYSTEMS AT AKI, JUSTICE CENTER, GOVERNMENT BUILDING, AND NATURAL RESOURCE BULDING; by Lonn; supported by Lewis.

Roll Call #C-3

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

This concludes the items moved from Closed to Open Session.

IX. Adjourn

Speaker Pete asked now can he get a motion to adjourn the second open.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE SECOND; by Lonn; supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Pete asked is there any further discussion. Pete asked is anyone going to abstain. Pete asked Acting Recorder Guenthardt to do a roll call.

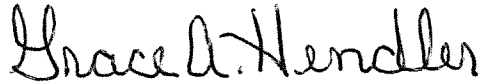
Roll Call #13

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

Motion carried (6-0-0-3)

Acting Recorder Guenthardt said six in favor and three absent motion to adjourn at 11:51 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Grace A. Hendler". The script is cursive and fluid.

Grace A. Hendler
Transcribing Assistant

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom Guenthardt". The script is cursive and includes a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Tom Guenthardt,
Acting Council Recorder