



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
Natural Resources Commission
2608 Government Center Drive
Manistee, Michigan 49660**

**November 9, 2015
Open Session Minutes**

I. General Business

A. Call to Order: 5:05pm

B. Roll Call:

John Koon.....Present
Dave Shultz.....Present
Connie Eno.....Present
Martha Howell.....Present
Boo Battice.....Present

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Others Present: Gary Dipiazza, Frank Beaver, Rick McCaslin, Sandra McCaslin, Clatus Clyne

C. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the November 9, 2015 agenda:
made by: Battice
supported by: Shultz

Koon – yes	Shultz -yes	Eno - yes	Battice – yes
Howell - yes			

Motion approved 5-0-0-0

D. Approval of Open Session Minutes for October 26, 2015

Motion to approve the October 26, 2015 Open session minuets:
made by: Eno
supported by: Battice

Koon – yes	Shultz -yes	Eno - yes	Battice – yes
Howell - yes			

Motion approved 5-0-0-0

I. Law Enforcement Update

Beaver said there is no new news to report

II. Natural Resources Department Update

None

III. Legal Department Update

None

IV. New Business

Captains License: Beaver proposed the NRC take another look at regulations for obtaining a Captains License for Commercial Fishing because the department has been asked for information

V. Continuing Business:

Walking Trail: NRC Commission was presented with a first draft map of the walking trail. Discussions on the proposed trail were concerns about walker safety during hunting season: should walkers be required to wear orange vests during hunting? Who will pay for vests? Penalty for not wearing a vest? Enforcement of vests? How big is the Trail? Should the trail be moved? Trail closed during hunting season? How many employees will use the Trail? Will pollution be a problem? Maintenance of trail, ie. Snow removal? No motion made in support of the walking trail until the NRC is confident that all the concerns are taken into consideration.

Undesignated campsites: Liaison DiPiazza requested to table this discussion until spring.

Hunting Regulations: NRC spent 2 hours discussing changes to the regulations.

VI. Public Comment:

Rick McCaslin gave a small presentation about Frakking. He gifted the NRC with a copy of a movie about Orphaned Wells and the impact wells are having on the environment.

A. Meeting Date

The next meeting date for the Natural Resource Commission is December 7, 2015.

B. Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn the meeting: 8:17pm

made by: Koon

supported by: Eno

Koon – yes	Shultz -yes	Eno - yes	Battice – yes
Howell - yes			

Motion approved 5-0-0-0