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**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2021
LITTLE RIVER BAND
VIA ZOOM
GOVERNMENT CENTER**

**OPEN SESSION
MINUTES**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting at the Little River Band Government Center on November 24, 2021. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said good morning everybody welcome to Wednesday, November 24th Tribal Council Meeting via ZOOM scheduled to start at 10 a.m. Wolfe said she herself will be Speaker today and they will elect a Pro Temp Recorder in a moment. Wolfe said Speaker Champagne is unavailable today and with that she will turn it over to Councilor Wittenberg for an Opening Prayer.

I. Opening Prayer

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

We thank you for this day.
We ask that you be with our people.
Help guide our thoughts and our ways.
Let that what is within help guide us.
I ask that you be with the Champagne Family going through some trying times.
Be with them and their family and loved ones.
I also ask that you be with the many that are out there that also going through these times.
Be with Muskegon as they turn around and have an upbreak on this virus.
Be with us all.
I say Chi Miigwech for everything we have and everything that we don't have.
Aho. Miigwech. Miigwech. Miigwech.

Councilor Wever said Amen.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said Miigwech Councilor Wittenberg.

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

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

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked Mr. Di Piazza if he could do a roll call please.

B. Roll Call

T. Guenthardt - Present	C. Champagne - Absent	P. Johnson - Present
R. Champagne - Absent	G. DiPiazza - Present	S. Wever - Present
R. Wittenberg- Present	J. Wolfe - Present	S. Lewis - Present

Quorum established.

Councilor Di Piazza said seven are present and two are absent they have a quorum at 10:03.

C. Approve Recorder Pro Temp for 11/24/21 Tribal Council Meeting

Acting Speaker Wolfe said okay, so looking for a motion to approve um, Recorder Pro Temp for the 11/24/21 Tribal Council Meeting.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion to appoint Gary Di Piazza as Recorder Pro Temp for today.

Councilor Di Piazza said it is a resolution.

Councilor Guenthardt asked does he need a resolution number.

Councilor Di Piazza said yes, sir. Di Piazza said starting....its ah, 21-1124-291.

Councilor Guenthardt said okay, that's the one 21-1124-291.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #21-1124-291; APPROVE
RECORDER PRO TEMP GARY DI PIAZZA FOR 11/24/21
TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING; by Guenthardt; supported by Lewis.**

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked Gary Di Piazza if can he do a roll call please.

Councilor Wever can be heard in the background on the ZOOM recording saying, "I love you."

Roll Call #1

T. Guenthardt - Yes	C. Champagne - Absent	P. Johnson - Yes
R. Champagne - Absent	G. DiPiazza - Yes	S. Wever - Yes
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said seven in favor and two absent Resolution #21-1124-291 has been accepted and.....for Pro Temp.....appointing him Pro Temp Recorder.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said okay, so now they will go through the list of attendees to make sure everyone that is online available. Wolfe said Shirley Wever. Wolfe asked who is at 231 690-3498....if they can identify themselves.

Ogema Romanelli identified himself.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said okay, Chelsea Densmore, Connie Waitner, Elise McGowen-Cuellar, Gary Lewis, Kimberly Crampton, Martha Howell, Councilor Wittenberg, Councilor Lewis, Sara Agosa, Shelly Memberto, Steve Parsons. Wolfe said Tina Louise can she please identify herself and Tribal I.D. number. Wolfe said she is calling again for user handler Tina Louise can she identify herself with Tribal number. Wolfe said she will come back to that one. Wolfe said Councilor Guenthardt, and looks like citizen Mc Donnell, and then 231 398-6837 is that Mr. Pringle.

Brad Pringle said yup, that is correct that is him. Pringle thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said it looks like Tina Louise added her number so they have 231 215-2739 is that Karen Love.

Karen Love replied that's her, good morning. Love thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said so it looks like everyone online can be attending the meeting.

D. Approval of Agenda

Acting Speaker Wolfe said so she will entertain a motion to approve the agenda.

Councilor Johnson said she will make a motion to approve the agenda.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER 24, 2021 AT 10 A.M; by Johnson.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said she has to acknowledge the revised, the removed and the added items.

Councilor Johnson said yup, she forgot about those, what section is that in.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER 24, 2021 AT 10 A.M; SECTION V, C AND D ARE POSTPONED; by Johnson.

Councilor Johnson asked is that it.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said no, there is an add in Closed under Section D, Item 1.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said B is revised too.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER 24, 2021 AT 10 A.M; SECTION V, C AND D ARE POSTPONED, SECTION VII, D.1; by Johnson.

Councilor Johnson said she doesn't see one there. Johnson said she doesn't see it on the new one she has though.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said it's the Little River Casino Resort Financial Presentation for October.

Councilor Johnson said it's not here the one she has but this one does have D and C.....C and D removed though. Johnson said she doesn't have that one where.... but she will take her word for it. Johnson said do VII D.1. as an addition.

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked do they have support for approval of the agenda.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER 24, 2021 AT 10 A.M; SECTION V, C AND D ARE REMOVED, ADD SECTION VII, D.1. by Johnson; supported by Wever.

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked any discussion on the item. Wolfe said Miss Agosa she has her hand raised.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, asked is there any way that the title and the description can be stated when things are added. Agosa thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said thanks for her comment. Wolfe asked any other discussion. Wolfe said there is a motion on the floor to approve the agenda by Councilor Johnson with support by Mrs. Wever.....Councilor Wever.

Councilor Wever said yes, yeah. Wever thanked them.

Ogema Romanelli identified himself. Romanelli said he has a question.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said go ahead.

Ogema Romanelli said yeah, on Item C and D um, he thinks it is Item V C and D, those were removed, he has questions on those. Romanelli asked should he wait until member comments or should he ask questions now.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said um, the short explanation is they were removed because they were put on by Councilor Champagne and he is unavailable today. Wolfe said they will be appearing on the next regular scheduled meeting as a carry-over.

Ogema Romanelli said okay.....okay. Romanelli thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked any other discussion on the approval of the agenda. Wolfe asked the Recorder if he can do a roll call please.

Roll Call #2

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	P. Johnson -	Yes
R. Champagne-Absent	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	S. Wever -
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe -	Yes	S. Lewis -
			Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said seven in favor and two absent the agenda for Wednesday, November 24, 2021, has been approved.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said okay, citizen Agosa did she have another comment she sees that she has her hand raised again.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said yes, she did. Agosa said she asked if the title and the description can be stated for member's information and she was virtually ignored. Agosa went on to say it would be really helpful when there are any adds to the agenda that they know what it is so.....

Acting Speaker Wolfe said the agenda is posted online for final approval where everyone can pull it up and look at it before the meeting started. Wolfe said she thinks Miss Johnson did read the title or she read the title herself because she didn't have it on hers. Wolfe asked would she like clarification what was added today in Closed Session.

Sara Agosa said yes, she would.....

Acting Speaker Wolfe said the item.....

Sara Agosa interrupted. Agosa said yes, she would because in the past she feels like sometimes the agenda hasn't been updated and changes are made in the meeting it is easier to hear it in the meeting as well. Agosa thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said so the item that was added for D; for clarification for membership, under Section VII Closed Session, they added 1. Little River Casino Resort Financial Presentation for October 2021. Wolfe thanked them.

E. Tribal Council Minutes ☐ 7/14/21

Acting Speaker Wolfe said they have one set for 7/14/21. Wolfe asked any discussion on that item. Wolfe asked is anyone going to abstain. Wolfe said she will entertain a motion to accept the minutes.

Councilor Lewis said she will make a motion.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES FOR
7/14/21; by Lewis; supported by Wittenberg.**

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked any questions or comments from Tribal Council. Wolfe asked any questions from Tribal members. Wolfe asked the Recorder if he can do a roll call please.

Roll Call #3

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	P. Johnson -	Yes
R. Champagne-Absent	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	S. Wever -
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe -	Yes	S. Lewis -
			Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said seven in favor and two are absent Tribal Council Minutes for 7/14/21 have been accepted.

III. Continuing Business-None Submitted

- A. Grants & Contracts**
- B. Budget Modifications**
- C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**

Acting Speaker Wolfe said none have been submitted for this meeting.

IV. Old Business

- A. Operations Report ☐ October 2021**

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked any Tribal Council members going to abstain. Wolfe said okay, she will open the item for discussion by Tribal Council. Wolfe said Councilor Di Piazza he had his hand raised.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said yeah, um, the 215-2739. Di Piazza asked is that Miss Love and could she please mute her phone.

Councilor Wever was laughing in the background on the ZOOM recording.

Karen Love thanked them.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said no. Di Piazza thanked Karen Love. Di Piazza said there is a lot of disturbance coming across. Di Piazza said that was it.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said okay, thanks. Wolfe asked any discussion on the accepting the Operations Report for October 2021 by Tribal Council. Wolfe asked is anyone going to abstain from the item. Wolfe asked is there any discussion from Tribal members or Tribal Council. Wolfe said seeing none she would ask for a motion to accept the report.

Councilor Lewis said she will make a motion.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE OPERATIONS REPORT FOR
OCTOBER 2021;** by Lewis; supported by Di Piazza.

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked is there any follow-up discussion for the item. Wolfe said seeing none; Recorder please do a roll call.

Roll Call #4

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	P. Johnson -	Yes
R. Champagne-Absent	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	S. Wever -
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe -	Yes	S. Lewis -
			Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said seven in favor and two absent Operations Report for October 2021 has been accepted.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked Acting Recorder Di Piazza.

B. Financial Report

☐ September 2021

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked is anyone going to abstain from this item. Wolfe said she will open it up for discussion from Tribal Council. Wolfe said okay, um, seeing none from Tribal Council she will open it up to Tribal Council and citizens. Wolfe said Miss Agosa she has the floor.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said she question is a continuation from last week in timelines because it is November and Council is accepting this report from September. Agosa asked so what is the absolute deadline for members to be able to receive this information. Agosa asked is there like a timetable somewhere in their ordinances. Agosa said she just needs clarification on that. Agosa thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said so she doesn't see Steve Wheeler on the phone. Wolfe asked if Ogema Romanelli wanted to try and explain it. Wolfe said she

didn't do such a great job last week. Wolfe said there is not a definite timeline in any ordinance for them it's just depending on when they can get the data in especially for Financial Statements. Wolfe said at the end of October they are getting October Statements to prepare so those October Reports aren't until the middle of November. Wolfe said she doesn't know if someone else wants to try and explain it better.

Ogema Romanelli identified himself. Romanelli said yes, that pretty much explains it. Romanelli said there is a timeframe to gather the information and by the time they gather it.....*Ogema was coughing*.....excuse him, and get it to Tribal Council ah, it....it appears that it may be a monthly....month delayed or so but it is actually not. Romanelli said same thing with their monthly reports from the Directors as well. Romanelli said there is a timeframe for them gathering them and submitting them to Tribal Council. Romanelli thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked any additional comments or discussion on the item. Wolfe said seeing none she will entertain a motion.

Councilor Lewis said she will make a motion.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR
SEPTEMBER 2021; by Lewis; supported by Johnson.**

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked any additional discussion. Wolfe said seeing none; Recorder please do a roll call.

Roll Call #5

T. Guenthardt - Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	P. Johnson -	Yes
R. Champagne-Absent	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	S. Wever -
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe -	Yes	S. Lewis -
			Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said seven in favor and two absent the Financial Report for September 2021 has been accepted.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked Acting Recorder Di Piazza.

C. Enrollment Commission ☐ October 2021

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked any discussion on the item. Wolfe asked any abstentions on the item. Wolfe asked any discussion or comment from Tribal Council. Wolfe asked any discussion from Tribal members or Council.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said he will make a motion.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said okay, go ahead.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE ENROLLMENT COMMISSION
REPORT OR MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 2021;** by Di Piazza;
supported by Johnson.

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked any additional discussion or comments. Wolfe asked can they get a roll call on the motion.

Roll Call #6

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	P. Johnson -	Yes	
R. Champagne-Absent	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	S. Wever -	Yes
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said seven in favor and two absent the Enrollment Commission Minutes, he believes they are minutes, for October 2021 have been accepted.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked Acting Recorder Di Piazza.

**D. Approve use of ARP funding for COVID-19 identified project: Iris
Mainline Camera, change of vendor and pricing**

For Council to approve use of ARP funding to purchase a sewer inspection camera system. This is necessary to maintain proper hygiene during COVID19. This will be used to monitor sewer lines and locate breaks in an efficient manner. Estimated cost is \$ 36,366.00.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said this was brought forward by the Tribal Ogema and his designee is um, Gary Lewis. Wolfe said she will turn it over to him.

Gary Lewis, Utilities Director, represented this agenda item. Lewis said the vendor that they had originally went to purchase this camera from no longer is a supplier of this camera. Lewis said so they had a similar.....they have the same camera from a different company. Lewis said there is a price increase on that of roughly 206.....\$2,600. Lewis said um, the other vendor they originally purchased this product.....were going to purchase this product through um, has a similar camera however that is like a \$7,500 increase and a different camera so in going with the same one um, just a different company. Lewis thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said okay, that concludes Gary's presentation. Wolfe asked is there any Tribal Councilors who wish to abstain from this item. Wolfe asked any Tribal Councilors who wish to abstain. Wolfe said seeing none she will open the item for discussion by Tribal Council. Wolfe asked any discussion from Tribal Council. Wolfe said okay, she will open the matter to questions and discussion

from Tribal members. Wolfe said comments or questions from Tribal members. Wolfe said go ahead Councilor Guenthardt.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #21-1124-292; APPROVE
USE OF ARP FUNDING FOR COVID-19 IDENTIFIED PROJECT:
IRIS MAINLINE CAMERA SYSTEM TO MONITOR SEWER
COLLECTION SYSTEMS; by Guenthardt; supported by Wever.**

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked is there any additional discussion on the item. Wolfe asked the Recorder can he do a roll call please.

Roll Call #7

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	P. Johnson -	Yes
R. Champagne-Absent	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	S. Wever -
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe -	Yes	S. Lewis -

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said seven in favor and two absent Resolution #21-1124-292 has been approved.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked Acting Recorder Di Piazza.

V. New Business

**A. Adoption of the FY 2022-2025 Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan (TTIP)**

Our Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan (TTIP) needs to be updated and submitted to the Bureau of Indian Affairs Road Program to identify projects that are scheduled for calendar Years 2022-2025.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said this is being brought forward by the Tribal Ogema with his designee Mr. Parsons. Wolfe said she will turn it over to him.

Steve Parsons, Planning Department Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Parsons thanked Acting Speaker Wolfe. Parsons said good morning Recorder Wolfe and good morning to the rest of Council. Parsons said excuse him. Parsons said this is an annual submittal that they send to the BIA each year basically updating them as to their Road Projects primarily for the next fiscal year which is FY2022 but also gives them the opportunity if they have projects that they are planning for future years they can include those as well. Parsons said um, this plan can also be modified at any time so um, even though they are submitting this now ah, there is the opportunity to change it if they need to. Parsons said um, in Agenda Review on Monday he kind of went through some of the projects here in a little bit of detail um, he can do that again um, he would be happy to do that but

he doesn't want to take up all their time either so. Parsons said um, basically in summary some of the plans are projects that ah, have going on this year ah, it either will not be completed or have been completed but they don't have the finan....eh, all the invoices submitted so ah, it will actually um, go into next....next year's so they are included on the plan even though they are close to completion. Parsons said there are basically three um, projects that they have ah, tap....on tap for next year that are listed on the plan. Parsons said the largest of the first is the Round-A-Bout Safety Project that they are doing um, with the Michigan Department of Transportation um, so that is listed here because they won't be spending their BIA Road money it is a specific um, Transportation Safety Grant but they do still have to list it on the plan and so it is there. Parsons said the second important one is though they are going to redo the roads up at Aki Maadiziwin where the um, the Tribe's Housing Development um, and some of it will be reconstruction of roads where they need to and/or minor repair or resurfacing where that's needed as well. Parsons said um, the third thing that they have is the ah, the government what they call Parking Lot #2 at the Government Center which is the Parking Lot that services the Clinic. Parsons said ah, they will be going in and doing some reconstruction and maintenance um, on that Parking Lot next year primarily due to failure of what is called porous concrete ah, which was installed when the Parking Lot was originally constructed in 2013. Parsons said unfortunately that porous concrete was um, is not holding up well in some places it is totally collapsed in some places it is scarred really badly it is in a major need of repair. Parsons said so that is the other project that they have as well. Parsons said um, just for the record something called the New Town Center Project which was a project that was put forward by the EDC ah, for the parcel that is on the northeast corner of the M-22 and US-31 um, intersection. Parsons said ah, they asked to try and include that project in the plan. Parsons said he is very doubtful there will be any construction on that next year but they do have it as a placeholder for some potential ____ engineering project to move forward in future years. Parsons said um, he guessed he will leave it there and see if they have any questions for him um, he will be happy to answer those if they have them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked Steve. Wolfe said she will open this item for discussion from Tribal Council but first is there any Tribal Councilors who are going to abstain from this item. Wolfe asked any Tribal Councilors going to abstain from this item. Wolfe said seeing none she will open this item for discussion from Tribal Council. Wolfe said she has one Steve she knows she asked him in Agenda Review. Wolfe asked what is their estimated funding for 2022 from the BIA for Roads Improvement.

Steve Parsons said good question. Parsons said they have been informed that their estimated funding for this next fiscal year, FY2022 is \$471,681. Parsons said again that is a formula grant they divi up the money to individual Tribes based on a formula that they have at the BIA um, and as he said on Monday um, just so they know ah, because they have what is called a Government to Government

Agreement to the BIA um, they are allowed to carry-over funding from one fiscal year to the next so they do have unspent monies they will be carrying forward and use those funds to supplement any of the projects they have listed here. Parsons said again, the amount is \$471,681 for this next year.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked Steve again. Wolfe asked is there any other comments at this time. Wolfe asked any other Tribal Councilors have comments or questions. Wolfe said okay, seeing no.....

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said she has to open the motion to the floor for questions or discussion from Tribal members.

Councilor Guenthardt said again he will make a motion.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said she sees Sara Agosa with her hand raised. Wolfe said she has the floor.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said so she did ask this in Agenda Review but um, it's about Biden's Infrastructure Plan and she would really like to see the Tribe get some of those funds. Agosa said again she did ask this question in Agenda Review could he just touch upon that and what his response was. Agosa said also she would like to convey to Council that if it is at all possible for them to advocate to be included in the Infrastructure Plan she would greatly support that. Agosa thanked them.

Councilor Guenthardt was laughing in the background on the ZOOM recording.

Steve Parsons said um, yes, he is certainly happy to answer that. Parsons said his understanding is that there is no provision ah, in the Infrastructure Plan that has been basically passed by Congress. Parsons said there is no inclusion of Tribes in that plan he could be wrong but that is what he has been told by the Regional Office of the BIA. Parsons said um, but they will certainly keep on the lookout for any funding that might be available if anything changes down the way because they never know. Parsons said he guessed Federal Highways will get an allocation of this funding um, and that will be distributed among, they know, ah, State Departments and Transportation um, Local Road Commissions and so forth and Tribes may be included in that um, that distribution but they have.....that has not been verified to them yet. Parsons said he also did mention on Monday that um, they did receive um, ah, a decent amount of money it wasn't substantial but it was \$150,000 from the CARES Act um, there was a portion of the CARES Act that the first COVID Funding that went out from the Federal Government for Highway Infrastructure it was just a part of the bill because that was specifically designated for Highway Infrastructure um, they did get an allocation from Federal Highways. Parsons said um, it is possible ah, that in this Infrastructure Bill there

may be something similar they just have not been notified of that yet so. Parsons said but they will be on the lookout for it.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked Mr. Parsons. Wolfe said just one final comment from her before they.....before she entertains a motion. Wolfe said this is a living, working plan if their priorities change or things come up and these things can't be completed they are allowed to resubmit to the BIA and keep moving forward and changing the ____ as they need to that fits their community.

Steve Parsons said absolutely, just two quick comments on that. Parsons said one that this plan even though its an indication of what they plan to do ah, they are not obligated to do anything, of course, they wouldn't submit the plan if they weren't going to plan on doing the projects but they are not obligated. Parsons said for whatever reason one of these don't happen.....for whatever reason ah, there is no um, penalty or nothing ah, negative that would happen because of that. Parsons said she is correct this is a living document and can be amended, even though they ask for it during a specific time of the year, it can be amended any time after that if the Tribe decides there are other priorities that they have in terms of road projects. Parsons said what that....what that entails is basically a modification to the plan ah, then it gets resubmitted to the BIA and it would require another Tribal Council Resolution but they can submit that any time after that. Parsons said so they are um, are able to amend this plan um, whenever they feel it is appropriate to do that.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said okay. Wolfe thanked Mr. Parsons.

Steve Parsons said um-hum.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said see no one else is there any additional comments, questions, or discussion. Wolfe said okay, she believed Councilor Guenthardt was ready for a motion.

Councilor Guenthardt said yes, he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #21-1124-293; ADOPTION
OF THE FY2022-2025 LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA
INDIANS TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN
(TTIP); by Guenthardt; supported by Johnson.**

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked is there any additional questions on.....or comments on the matter. Wolfe asked any follow-up discussion from Tribal Council or citizens. Wolfe said seeing none; Recorder will he please do a roll call.

Roll Call #8

T. Guenthardt – Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	P. Johnson -	Yes
R. Champagne-Absent	G. DiPiazza - Yes	S. Wever -	Yes
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said seven in favor and two absent Resolution #21-1124-293 is passed.

Steve Parsons thanked them.

- B. Appointment of Tribal Child Welfare Qualified Expert Witness**
Indian Child Welfare Act requires qualified Expert Witness in order to remove a child or terminate ~~Personal~~ parental rights.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said this item is being brought forward by the Tribal Ogema with his designee um, Director Kimberly Crampton. Wolfe said she will turn the floor over to her.

Kimberly Crampton, Director of Family Services, represented this agenda item. Crampton said Boozhoo, Aanii. Crampton said Miigwech for the time here to ask for the appointment of a qualified expert witness currently Jason Cross is the qualified.....identified as the qualified expert witness. Crampton said both the Indian Child Welfare Act and the Michigan Indian Family Preservation Act require a court when the court is placing a child into foster care or terminating parental rights um, the court requires a qualified expert witness testify that the continued custody of the child by the parent or the Indian Custodian is likely to result in serious emotional or physical damage to the child. Crampton said um, the burden to obtain the qualified expert witness is on the State however the State can consult the child's Tribe to locate the qualified expert witness. Crampton said the Michigan Indian Family Preservation Act provides two categories to use to identify the qualified expert witness. Crampton said the first category is to find is a member of the Indian Child's Tribe a witness approved by the Indian Child's Tribe who is recognized by the Tribal community as eligible in Tribal Customs and how Tribal Customs pertain to family organization and child rearing. Crampton said the second category is a person with knowledge, skill, experience, training, or education, who can speak to the Indian Child's Tribe and its customs. Crampton said the child's social worker may not be considered a qualified expert witness. Crampton said um, the Tribe may assist the court in locating the qualified expert witness. Crampton said so after the work session and the adjust....amendments that were made um, looking at appointing the Health and Human Services Director, the Family Services Supervisor provided that they are Little River Band Tribal members and/or the Binojeeuk Commission members be qualified expert witnesses and removing Jason Cross. Crampton said also rescinding the resolution. Crampton said Miigwech.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked Kimberly Crampton for that. Wolfe said she will open the.....is there any Councilors who wish to abstain from the item. Wolfe said she will open the item for discussion from Tribal Council. Wolfe asked is there any questions or discussion from Tribal Council. Wolfe said seeing none she will open the floor to questions or discussion from Tribal members. Wolfe said she sees Corey Wells, he has his hand raised, he has the floor, sir.

Corey Wells, Binojeeuk Commissioner, identified himself. Wells said he is just voicing his support for this ah; Miss Crampton came to the Binojeeuk Commission to discuss this thoroughly and at length with them and he supports her resolution. Wells said he just wanted to put that out there. Wells thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked any additional comments or questions from Tribal citizens or Tribal Council. Wolfe said seeing none she will.....

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said go ahead Councilor Guenthardt.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #21-1124-294;
APPOINTMENT OF TRIBAL CHILD WELFARE QUALIFIED
EXPERT WITNESSES; by Guenthardt; supported by Wittenberg.**

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked is there any follow-up discussion for the item. Wolfe said seeing none; Recorder please do a roll call.

Roll Call #9

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	P. Johnson -	Yes	
R. Champagne-Absent	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	S. Wever -	Yes
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said seven in favor and two are absent Resolution #21-1124-294 is passed.

C. Compensation for Tribal Council- Removing All Monetary Compensation

The Tribal Council finds that the current compensation levels set are not appropriate as Tribal Councilors are Elected Officials and should seek to serve their constituents as poor humble servants of the Tribe and there is a need to remove all monetary compensation.

Acting Speaker Wolfe noted this item has been removed.

D. Compensation for the Tribal Council

The Tribal Council finds that the current compensation levels set are not appropriate as there has not been an increase since 2007 and current inflation for the past fourteen years equates to an average annual inflation of 1.80298%.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said this item has also been removed.

E. Approve use of CARES or ARP funding for COVID-19 Identified project: Purchase of Combination Single Engine Sewer Cleaner with Positive Displacement System and Heavy Truck Chassis (Vactor/Jetter)

For Council to approve use of CARES or ARP Funding to purchase a vactor/jetter truck. Through a joint effort with MSU, test results show varying Degrees of COVID-19, to include Delta and UK Variant that are present in water flows. The purchase of the vactor/jetter truck will be utilized to clean Sewer lines and pumping stations as well as assisting In repair of any future breaks in sewer lines.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said this item is being brought forward by the Tribal Ogema and his designee is Gary Lewis. Wolfe said she will turn the floor over to him.

Gary Lewis, Director of Utilities, represented this agenda item. Lewis thanked them. Lewis said so this is the purchase of vactor/jetter truck it's a new truck at the price of \$446,500. Lewis said the price on this truck did increase since they talked to them last. Lewis said since they asked them to kind of hold it for them in the event that they would purchase it they kept the pricing the same um, the price changed but due to, they know, the COVID issues going on and things like that with prices going up everywhere. Lewis said so in an effort to help them maintain, protect the public health and the environment um, they are requesting to purchase this new vehicle so that they can ah, clean and ah, and maintain the.....

There was a disturbance in the background on the ZOOM from a participant speaking who did not have their phone on mute interrupting Director Lewis' explanation.

Gary Lewis.....*laughing*.....continued.....and so this is to ah, ah, clean and maintain the sewer collection system. Lewis said that is it. Lewis thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked Gary Lewis for that presentation. Wolfe asked do any Councilors wish to abstain from this item. Wolfe repeated do any Councilors wish to abstain from this item. Wolfe said seeing none she will open the item for discussion from Tribal Council. Wolfe asked again, any discussion from Tribal Council. Wolfe said seeing none she will open the matter for questions or discussion from Tribal members and/or Tribal Council. Wolfe asked again, any

questions or comments from Tribal members and/or Tribal Council. Wolfe said seeing none she will entertain a motion.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said go ahead Mr. Guenthardt.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #21-1124-295;
RATIFICATION OF JACK DOHENY COMPANY CONTRACT TO
PURCHASE A VECTOR/JETTER SINGLE ENGINE SEWER
CLEANER WITH POSITIVE DISPLACEMENT VACUUM
SYSTEM TRUCK USING ARPA FUNDS;** by Guenthardt; supported by
Wittenberg.

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked is there any follow-up discussion on the item from Tribal Council or citizens. Wolfe said seeing none; Recorder can he do a roll call please.

Roll Call #10

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	P. Johnson -	Yes
R. Champagne-Absent	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	S. Wever -
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe -	Yes	S. Lewis -
			Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said seven in favor and two absent Resolution #21-1124-295 is passed.

- F. Approval of Budget Reallocation; amending the approved Well Pump control panel and Scada software upgrade from using CARES fund (4998) to instead use ARPA fund (4996)in the amount of \$21,297.00**
Previously approved CARES funds cannot be used because the project will not be completed until later in 2022. ARPA funding can be used.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said this item is being brought forward by the Tribal Ogema with his designee Gary Lewis. Wolfe said she will turn the floor over to him.

Gary Lewis, Director of Utilities, represented this agenda item. Lewis said yes, so this is.....this is an on-going project here they have been working on. Lewis said a portion of this project has been completed but due to the COVID situation they have been trying to get parts and things. Lewis said part of this project won't be done by the December 31st deadline for the CARES Act. Lewis said so they are asking to reallocate the remaining funds over to the ARPA Program to finish out this project which is the control panel itself for the well house for the pumps themselves. Lewis said those are the existing panels, failing, its old and has been

there since 2002 and its in dire need of an upgrade. Lewis said that is it. Lewis thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked Gary Lewis for that. Wolfe asked any Tribal Councilors wish to abstain from this item. Wolfe asked any Tribal Councilors wish to abstain from voting on this item. Wolfe said seeing none she will open the item up for discussion by Tribal Council. Wolfe stated discussion by Tribal Council. Wolfe said she just had one comment Mr. Lewis. Wolfe said so this project is halfway started and it's not being completed so that's why they are asking to reallocate the funding from CARES to ARP.

Gary Lewis said that is correct. Lewis said so the VFD's have been replaced they installed a magnetic flow meter which will tell them gallons per minute each pump is pumping so they can keep track of that in case one of the pumps fails. Lewis said it will also give them the ability to control how much flow they are sending into the tower at any given time um, in a better manner. Lewis said they can monitor that based on the VFD settings that they have in there and this control panel itself is the remaining part of that project which actually controls all of that.

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked Councilor Di Piazza if his hand was raised. Wolfe said he has the floor.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said yeah, just one question on um, on their capacity. Di Piazza said um, since the Nursing Home came in, Culver's is coming in also, and the Memory Lane Car Wash whatever that place is. Di Piazza asked are they good on capacity or are they going to over exceed.

Gary Lewis responded nope they keep track of that and so basically the um, existing guaranteed flow that the Manistee Township has is 75,000 gallons per day and they are right about 33,000 or 35,000. Lewis said they did send the Engineers from Culver's a Letter of Intent to serve them with the sewer system.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said okay. Di Piazza thanked Gary Lewis. Di Piazza said Miigwech.

Gary Lewis said he is welcome.

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked any additional comments by Tribal Council. Wolfe said seeing none she will open the matter to the floor for questions from Tribal members and/or Tribal Council. Wolfe said okay, seeing none she will call for a motion on this item.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said go ahead.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #21-1124-296;
APPROVAL OF BUDGET REALLOCATION, AMENDING THE
WELL PUMP CONTROL PANEL AND SCADA SOFTWARE
UPGRADE, CARES FUND PORTION (4998) TO INSTEAD USE
ARPA FUND (4996) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,297.00; by
Guenthardt; supported by Di Piazza.**

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked any additional discussion. Wolfe said okay, seeing none; Recorder please do a roll call.

Roll Call #10

T. Guenthardt - Yes	C. Champagne - Absent	P. Johnson -	Yes
R. Champagne - Absent	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	S. Wever -
R. Wittenberg - Yes	J. Wolfe -	Yes	S. Lewis -
			Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said seven in favor and two are absent Resolution #21-1124-296 is passed.

Gary Lewis thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked them.

VI. Concluding Business

A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, December 1, 2021

B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update

Acting Speaker Wolfe said she will turn the floor over Ogema Romanelli.

Ogema Romanelli thanked them. Romanelli said of late what they have been working on is the 2022 Budget for next year. Romanelli said again, they sent their draft to the Tribal Council and Tribal Council sent back their suggestions for some revisions and yesterday he believed they went over those revisions and marked up their information for submitting back to Tribal Council which usually happens this time of year. Romanelli said so that is what they have been working on. Romanelli said ah, he has been watching to see how the Muskegon Clinic Project is coming along meaning the clinic in the two buildings. Romanelli said apparently there is some movement on there and hoping to be completed within ah, at least a large portion of it within the next month. Romanelli said the date moves down, they know, monthly it seems so a number of issues that have slowed it down but he keeps trying to check and that is his understanding so. Romanelli said hopefully they can get that done. Romanelli said the other issue he has been working on is the deadline for the Governor to sign off on the Muskegon Casino Project, which was given to her on her desk December 16, 2020, and she had one year.....she has one year to sign which means the deadline will be December 16th

of this year. Romanelli said she does have the option but she has to ask for a six-month extension which they are hoping she will not do because of several ah, ah, options. Romanelli said the project has already gone 12 years they are asking that she not do the extension and that they get a final approval December 16th or before. Romanelli said if she decides to use the six-month extension obviously that moves it out to June.....ah, middle of June. Romanelli said that could be a problem because then they talk about starting up.....*Ogema coughing here*.....excuse him, the project the construction of it delays them almost a full year by doing so. Romanelli said so they hope that signs off by December 16th with an affirmative and if not he guessed they go with the six-month extension so they are waiting on that and doing everything they can to talk with the Governor. Romanelli said he thinks that's it. Romanelli said he did have one question and he guessed he can wait until.....to bring it up regarding compensation under Tribal member. Romanelli said he'll ask it as a Tribal member. Romanelli thanked them. Romanelli said he thinks he is done.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked the Ogema for that update. Wolfe said she sees one citizen with their hand raised. Wolfe said Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said so her questions are first one about the Budget for the Holiday Parties. Agosa said since the Holiday Parties have been cancelled this year due to COVID um, what will happen to those funds. Agosa asked have they thought about distributing those in a different way. Agosa said she did email both the Ogema and Mary Thomas about this question um, so she just wanted to follow-up about that. Agosa said also too she has a comment about the Children's Gift Card. Agosa said it is always been set at \$20.00 per year and she doesn't agree with that. Agosa said their casino has been around for a couple of decades now and she feels that amount should have increased. Agosa said so she just wanted the Ogema's feedback and his stance on that and how they treat their Tribal youth. Agosa said currently they really don't have any programs for their youth and she found a resolution in 2013 that increased that gift card amount up to a \$100.00 from what she understands that was only a one-time deal but she would like the Ogema to be made aware. Agosa said she feels this is an important issue and she would appreciate better treatment of their youth um, especially with COVID. Agosa said her last question is on the website the Ogema has posted that he will hold a virtual meeting and the date will be announced and it is tentative. Agosa said she was just wondering if he had an update on that. Agosa thanked them.

Ogema Romanelli thanked Sara Agosa. Romanelli said he guessed he will address the ah, Children's Gift Cards. Romanelli said she says there are no activities for youth and he disagrees with that. Romanelli said um, yes they have looked at upping the amount of the gift card ah, for the youth which is she said \$20.00 he guessed that is what it is. Romanelli said um, yes they have looked at the option of doing that. Romanelli said the money that they have for the Holiday Parties whether they were the membership or whatever usually goes back into the

General Fund and then goes from there. Romanelli said now what they do with it at that point and time he is not sure he guessed Council weighed in on it too. Romanelli said the other option when they look at the 2022 Budget they have to guess whether the COVID will be passed.....will be past COVID or will be in dire straits so they put it in the Budget for the Membership Meetings for example. Romanelli said he was asked if they could please try and do the Spring Membership Meeting um, in the fall or excuse him in the spring obviously. Romanelli said so he is working really hard to do that, COVID will play a part, but they are hoping to be able to gather. Romanelli said people feel it is very important to gather as people. Romanelli said so they are working really hard he has already talked to the Resort about doing so but, they know, there are so many unknowns but they put it back in there. Romanelli said so the money that she is talking about, yes, they have looked at upping the amount, what that would be he is not sure, there has been several things listed and suggested but they have to be reasonable as well. Romanelli said so he hopes that answers that question and he doesn't know actually what the other one was. Romanelli said the money.....he thinks that is it if he missed some let him know.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said okay, Sara she sees her with her hand raised again, Wolfe asked if she had a comment.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478.....

Ogema Romanelli said he thinks he knows.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said yes she is aware um, she has been given the answer that the Holiday Party Budget will go back into the General Fund and that's where she has issue because she feels that money could be distributed in a different way. Agosa said such as gift cards um, maybe.....she doesn't know if it is possible to have a raffle and raffle off whatever. Agosa said so that is what she is asking for is a response from both the Ogema and Tribal Council on how they can get those funds out to their members instead of just going back into the General Fund. Agosa thanked them.

Ogema Romanelli said okay, and then she asked about the informational video that he is going to try and make. Romanelli said ah, if she is talking about the funds for the Holiday Parties say it is \$9,000 that means they distribute it \$2.00 per member or thereabouts. Romanelli said that is not realistic he doesn't think. Romanelli said he believed they put it into the General Fund he doesn't think there is anything wrong with that. Romanelli said beefing up their General Fund now and then, especially at a time like this, so whatever the decision is of....and he is willing to listen to other Elected Officials as well so. Romanelli said ah, the other thing is yes, he put it out.....wanted to put it out that he might be trying to put out a.....some kind of Informational Meeting which he will probably plan on doing before Christmas Hols.....break because there is a lot of information that needs to be corrected, they know, he does not follow Face Book himself but

people will send him stuff constantly of information that is coming from there. Romanelli said so he thinks there is just a lot of information that people are getting misguided on. Romanelli said for example, they talk about.....the Speaker talks about the swamp. Romanelli said when he came into office he said he was going to take care of the swamp.....he is going to take out the swamp. Romanelli said so he sent him an email, okay, what are they talking about is that a person, is that a group, is that a way of doing things and what is it. Romanelli said he never answered him and said he will look into it so last week he sent it again out to him and the rest of Council. Romanelli said okay, he is also talking about how he is doing a good job of taking out the swamp and could he please tell him what this is. Romanelli asked what is the swamp. Romanelli said to date he has received no answer on it so but there are questions like that. Romanelli said he also mentioned.....they talk about their children, the closing of the Next Generation Learning Center and said in an email that the Ogema chose to close.....to close the doors to the Next Generation Learning Center. Romanelli said the Ogema did not choose to do so but was forced into doing so. Romanelli said he also talked about the white media he said that the Ogema ah, decided that he wanted to dash whatever in the white media. Romanelli said so he asked what is the white media and he said well it is Non-Native. Romanelli said ah, it was not Native so it had to be the white media. Romanelli said he is still scratching his head over that what makes a Non-Native media ah, a white media and how do they define white so those types of things are going around continually and he thinks they know actually that that hurts their Tribe in general. Romanelli said um, the activities for youth they talk about their youth....he means he can go into this thing a little deeper but those are the types of questions that need to be answered. Romanelli said obviously he asked him what it means and so if they are going to keep making statements like that that only chooses to confuse their Tribal members and a lot of the misinformation that goes out. Romanelli said that is his hope that he can respond to those he will take.....if people want to send their questions to him he would be more than happy to try and answer them. Romanelli said ah, not minute details like some of the financial questions that are asked but statements in general. Romanelli said there is a statement that somebody believes is true send it to him and he will be more than happy to try and answer them so. Romanelli said he guess that ends for now.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said she sees Corey Wells with his hand raised he has the floor. Wolfe said again they are in the Ogema's Weekly Status and Business Update.

Corey Wells, Tribal #4839. Wells thanked Acting Speaker Wolfe. Wells said his question is for Ogema Romanelli. Wells asked they were talking about Governor Whitmer possibly signing that and he was wondering if they had a feel on whether she was leaning towards signing it if she is being pushed to not sign that Compact. Wells said he was just wondering if they had any indication, good or bad, as to what her intentions are for that. Wells thanked them.

Ogema Romanelli replied that is a good question. Romanelli said well it's been... he is talking with.....indirectly with members of her staff almost daily now. Romanelli said members of the community are reaching out. Romanelli said it appears that maybe now leaning towards going with the six-month extension. Romanelli said part of the problem is that the latest information they have is that um, the question remains is there is still people pushing against this back at the Department of Interior that has already been decided so that push back at that level is a moot point and shouldn't be there and he is hoping that the Governor's Office is not even taking that into consideration however he guessed that maybe something to delay it because now she has to do some more ah, looking into that. Romanelli said the other issue is ah, um, from people that are ah, pushing against it. Romanelli said the other thing that he did do is that he reached out to the other Chiefs and said let's talk like they did in the old days with the Three Fires and come to some kind of common ground to say *"okay, they don't have to all agree but he needs to understand that some of the information that they're putting out is absolutely incorrect um, the fact that they shouldn't be there is an incorrect statement."* Romanelli said yet some of the Tribes are saying that and when they look historically at the State of Michigan and they look at the Potawatomi and the Odawa and the Chippewa are.....they are absolutely where they are supposed to be. Romanelli said they take their nine Chiefs and it's a long history and they had to take that all to the Department of Interior which fully vetted it. Romanelli said so they are fighting some misinformation again, hopefully they can get through it but as it looks like and he is telling day by day ah, at this point it looks like there is probably a more than likely chance that she wants to extend it. Romanelli said so he pushed....he is putting a push out and say.....to ask her to please ah, follow the December 16th deadline. Romanelli said it means a lot to their people they have been at this for 12 years and invested a lot of money. Romanelli said if she could do that they can then regenerate and restart the whole process of building. Romanelli said they know it is going to take a couple of years to build it at least if she goes out to June 16th that almost delays them a whole year because of the process of doing the underground work, etc. Romanelli said so it means a lot to them. Romanelli said a whole year that they will not be progressing so. Romanelli said he hopes that answers his question. Romanelli thanked them.

Corey Wells thanked Ogema Romanelli.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said he sees Martha with her hand raised she has the floor.

Martha Howell said good morning um, it is too late the damage has already been done. Howell said she would just like to see ah, Ogema Romanelli not perpetuate this divide between Tribal Council and himself. Howell said um, Mr. Champagne is out on Bereavement and to bring up rumors and that kind of stuff she thinks it'sit's extremely hurtful during this time um, they know, that....that seems unnecessary. Howell said that's all.

Ogema Romanelli said okay. Romanelli said he can answer that too. Romanelli said first off he was not aware that he was out on Bereavement. Romanelli said his apologies to him and the family but he doesn't perpetuate this. Romanelli said he is not on Face Book bashing him and he is not making these incorrect statements so ah, while he apologizes that he is going through Bereavement he is not the one perpetuating these things and he doesn't continue to do so. Romanelli said at a certain time these statements which by the way have been very recently been put out um, continue to perpetuate the...the information of their Tribe. Romanelli said he didn't put it out to the community actually went out to the community when there was a community issue it was not an internal Tribal issue. Romanelli said so, um, he thanks her for her comment but he disagrees. Romanelli thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said she sees Sara Agosa with her hand raised she has the floor.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said her first comment is regarding the Next Generation Learning Center and she would just like to share her opinion with the Ogema. Agosa said her observations and experiences as an outlying member recently becoming involved is that Little River functions as a City Government and not a Tribe or Tribal Government. Agosa said she would like to convey that they are not simply an economic engine for the Manistee Area. Agosa said they have specific reasons for existence as stated in their Preamble which states "*as an exercise of their Sovereign Powers in order to organize for a common good, to govern themselves under their own laws, to maintain and foster their Tribal Culture, provide for the welfare and prosperity of their own people and to protect their homeland they adopt this Constitution in accordance with the Indian Reorganization Act.*" Agosa said so she would just like to convey to the Ogema that Larry she would love for him to refocus on strengthening their Ottawa Community and focusing his energy and attention on the issues that plague their members and improving their welfare and outcomes. Agosa said shifting his priorities that they as members including their outlying members their first priority and not just the outlying community. Agosa thanked them. Agosa said that is her comment.

Ogema Romanelli thanked Sara Agosa. Romanelli said he doesn't mind answering that. Romanelli said personally he would have to say that he totally disagrees with her his focus has always been on their Tribal Community and their children and their progress and everything that their Constitution calls for. Romanelli said he is not sure where she continues to get her information she knows they were just in court, as a matter of fact, court just made another ruling as well. Romanelli said he is not sure why this continues to be she is not hearing from other Councilors; they have nine Councilors; he keeps hearing about one Councilor in general he would like to hear from the other ones. Romanelli said he would to hear from the employees that know better than what she is saying. Romanelli said he works very hard for this Tribe and has for years. Romanelli

said everybody is silent he is not silent and he won't be silent. Romanelli said he will continue to work for this Tribe until the people say they don't want him here and ah, again ah, he does his best. Romanelli said people that know him, people that are in the know knows that he works very hard and they know that he puts in a lot of hours and he is not bragging. Romanelli said he is not complaining he is just saying that she is totally off base and he is not sure why she is continues to be totally off base but she does and she chooses to believe what she believes. Romanelli said if they read the Constitution and they just went through this again whereas the Tribal Council lost another lawsuit again just recently and....and everybody stays in their lane so again he will just keep fighting the way he fights. Romanelli said that is what he does and they can say he is bringing it up but he is not bringing it up he is just ah, answering back some of the nonsense that goes on. Romanelli said he wish.....and he really does believe that they may be interested in trying to help this Tribe. Romanelli said if they are trying to help this Tribe they should really be reading more of the information and understanding what is going on and maybe, they know, if they could contact some of.....he doesn't know what but do something that progresses he doesn't think anything that is done to date has done any good to this Tribe. Romanelli said he thinks they know he is continually facing battles in court that are non-necessary. Romanelli said the court just said that the Tribal Council has to pay another \$40,000 ah, out to somebody um, so he is not sure where she is going from but he will keep doing what he is doing because that is what he does so. Romanelli thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said okay, thanks for their comments she thinks they are getting off track here with Weekly Status and Business Updates so she is going to close this section. Wolfe said she doesn't think the Ogema has further comments that need to be made. Wolfe said that will move them onto Concluding Business, Legislative Affairs.....

Sara Agosa interrupted. Agosa said Recorder she would like to respond she was directly....

Acting Speaker Wolfe said she is not going to give her the opportunity to respond it has been going back and forth between her and the Ogema and this is not what the meeting is for. Wolfe said she is moving onto the next item. Wolfe thanked them.

Councilor Wever thanked Acting Speaker Wolfe.

C. Legislative Affairs Update

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked do any Councilor have a Legislative Affairs Update for them. Wolfe said okay, go ahead Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said ah, just.....wait a minute he has to lower his hand first. Di Piazza said um, just keep in mind today over at the casino District 10 is doing

COVID Shots and Booster Shots. Di Piazza said um, not quite sure of the time but that is going on today he thinks it is just a Walk-In. Di Piazza said if anybody still doesn't know that Culver's is coming in um, down by Meijer so that is kind of exciting. Di Piazza said he did stumble across some people may be interested in and they may want to read up on it but evidently in New Mexico the ah, the Feds came in and arrested.....arrested somebody for nine Marijuana plants that he was growing on the.....on the Tribal Land. Di Piazza said so they might want to kind of research that and it gives a little more aspect to when people say why don't..... why are they not doing it here? Di Piazza said um, that was only nine plants but ah, the BIA said they are not going to actually tell their enforcement not enforce that law. Di Piazza said so there is quite a few kind of articles on it. Di Piazza said he thought it was ABC and some other articles. Di Piazza said but um, other than that everybody have a spectacular ah, time with their family, and enjoy them and love on them. Di Piazza said so he is done.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked him. Wolfe asked is there any additional Councilors that have anything for Legislative Affairs Update. Wolfe said seeing none that moves them into Public Comment.

D. Public Comment Period

Acting Speaker Wolfe said there a couple of citizens but she doesn't know who went first.....who raised theirs first. Wolfe said they will go with um, citizen Sara Agosa then next in the queue Connie Waitner.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said so she just wanted to respond to the Ogema's rants. Agosa said specifically the accusations that he made toward her as a member exercising her rights to participate and she just wants to make.....

A Participant in the background on the ZOOM recording made a really quick comment but it wasn't picked up clearly.

Sara Agosa said excuse her.....she is sorry she can hear someone talking. Agosa said she just wanted to make the Ogema aware in response that she is very aware that she has come upon an establishment that is deeply ingrained and preserved with the status quo and really it is all about money. Agosa said she is very aware of that so that's her response. Agosa said she does have a couple of other comments really quick about some Administrative issues. Agosa said one is she recently tried to call Accounting and looked on the website for the phone number and she noticed both links for Human Resources and Accounting are omitted and missing where the other departmental contact information um, links are located. Agosa said this to her is very frustrating as a member because she would have really appreciated being able to get through to Accounting at that time. Agosa said she noticed too Human Resources also is missing. Agosa said she feels membership should have access to these departments and a direct phone numbers so she just wondered what the justification is on that in omitting those department

contacts information links from the website. Agosa said her second comment is that she recently submitted two um, Release of Records request. Agosa said one on October 7th she submitted a Records Request in relationship to the Shoreline Project asking for the records of meeting minutes, Budget Meeting Transcripts, the Project Plan if discussed publicly um, newspaper articles, the audit, and any financials that members have access to. Agosa said she has not received a response. Agosa said on October 15, 21 she also submitted a request for all hardware and software purchases in IT for the past five years and names of companies and consultants providing this equipment and she also has not received a response. Agosa said so she would just like to know now what the status of her requests is and then she recently tried to research the Reservation Preservation Fund and she was not able to find the resolution that authorized the purchasing of the Golf Course so she just wanted to convey that to Council and get assistance in locating that document and any others related to the Reservation Preservation Fund. Agosa thanked them. Agosa said those are her comments.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked Sara Agosa. Wolfe asked any Tribal Councilors wish to respond. Wolfe said not seeing anyone they will move onto citizen Connie Waitner. Wolfe said she has the floor.

Connie Waitner thanked Acting Speaker Wolfe. Waitner said first her sympathy goes out to the Champagne Family. Waitner said her question really pertains to two items that were on the agenda that were postponed understandably but her question for Ryan and Cindy and to the Council and she was hoping they can shed some light on it. Waitner said first.....her first question is did they in fact have ah, work sessions on these items to get a better understanding of what they were really about because.....and she doesn't know if she really understands what is trying to be accomplished here with a resolution that states to Removal of Compensation but then the next one references an inflation and it sounds like a wage. Waitner said it seems to her it's like, they know, they remove one add the other....she is not sure what is being accomplished so she kind of like get somebody's opinion. Waitner asked did they have work sessions and really give her a better understanding of what is trying to be accomplished in these two resolutions. Waitner thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said well she can answer part of that. Wolfe said the work sessions were cancelled along with the removal of the items from the agenda because of course being sponsored by Councilor Champagne. Wolfe said the work sessions are rescheduled she thinks they are happening next week if she is correct. Wolfe said so that.....they did not have a work session and they haven't had in-depth discussion over going over the.....she herself as one Councilor have just read the resolutions about.....were brought forward and presented to them she hasn't had the questions.....opportunity to ask the questions to the sponsor of the legislation so she doesn't have any further comment on that so she don't know. Wolfe said she will open it up to other Councilors who wish to respond.

Connie Waitner thanked Julie Wolfe. Waitner said she appreciates her answer.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said go ahead Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said yeah, they....they um, to remove everybody's compensation like he said yeah, the work session hasn't been performed to ask any questions on the intent. Di Piazza said they know some of them he hears members say their there filling their pockets and all kinds of rederick out there. Di Piazza said some of them um, they know, did quite well outside of the Council area um, they know, he retired quite early and they know, to be honest he made more money sitting at home and worrying.....his worry was what he was going to have for breakfast. Di Piazza said he did quite well at what he did and to be honest he took a pay cut even.....even doing this, being on Council because he is there to serve the people. Di Piazza said so they know.....but to take away compensation and then in the next breath wanting to give a \$16,000 raise to everybody um, yeah, he doesn't know he doesn't have an answer but to be honest he can't support giving himself a raise just because he is not here for that.

Connie Waitner said she appreciates his candor, Gary, like she said she is just trying to get a better understanding of the accomplishment to these resolutions are kind of confusing to her what really is the end result. Waitner thanked them.

Councilor Di Piazza said yeah, he doesn't have that answer other than what he can tell her of him. Di Piazza said so he....they know, some of them came there for different reasons to help the Tribe and to help the people. Di Piazza said he thinks a lot of them done quite well in doing that so. Di Piazza said he is all done.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked them. Wolfe said she sees citizen Sara Agosa and she has the floor.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said so is there any way she can just get answers to her two questions. Agosa said she will make them very simple. Agosa asked one, why the Accounting and HR links have been removed from the website. Agosa said two, what is the status of her records request um, she submitted them to her, Julie, but she believes that she has to forward them onto the Speaker. Agosa said so um, does she know if they are being processed or when she might hear back either yes or no and what she can actually obtain. Agosa thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said so for the first question she can try to respond to both of them. Wolfe said um, the first one she was unaware that things were....the links were broken or whatever place she was referring on the website she doesn't get on there. Wolfe said she can always reach by calling the direct main line and getting transferred or by using "0" and speaking to the operator. Wolfe said she doesn't have a better answer for that, she doesn't know, she is sure um, the website is under the authority of the Ogema. Wolfe said she is sure now that he is aware of the problem and will be looking at it to resolve it. Wolfe said as for her

records request they have not been processed at this time. Wolfe said that is the only update she has on those. Wolfe said then she sees citizen Connie Waitner. Wolfe asked Connie Waitner that she raised her hand again. Wolfe said she has the floor.

Connie Waitner thanked Julie Wolfe. Waitner said Israel Stone just walked into her office um, and he would like to um, comment.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said sure, go ahead Mr. Stone.

Israel Stone, Tribal #1735, said he wants to comment on the compensation as well. Stone said ah, he thinks them guys can look back to the records and he has always been supportive of Tribal Council ah, making a good wage um, them guys are a big part.....an integral part of the Tribe and.....and what they do here but he has also been one that said there needs to be other requirements if they are going to be doing that. Stone said the problem he has with what was proposed and removed is it sets everybody in the Council up ah, for ah, some negative repercussions because those of them that vote no to remove compensation are going to be made out to look greedy. Stone said those of them that vote yes, ah, to increase compensation they are going to have the same result. Stone said anybody that votes no falls on the other side of that politically and that can be spun as see they are not here for the citizens but here for themselves. Stone said so he just thinks that is a bad practice to get into. Stone said ah, one of the things that he has often said is the Tribe should have a Compensation Committee for its Elected Officials and committees ah, that looks at their.....their wages and that's something that would very easily solve issues such as this. Stone said now Council has always historically set their own compensation typically it occurs prior to the Election or oncoming or seating of the incoming ah.....ah, Council members. Stone said so ah, he is very leery about this he...he...he thinks there is some political strategy here that could be negative to everybody on both sides of this issue ah, and he thinks they have to be very cautious ah, of that and understand that um, what this sets them up for and it creates further divide in the Tribe which is an even more concerning issue for him. Stone said they all know right now they have enough of that going on in their Tribe as it is and this could further push that envelope or push that issue that's concerning. Stone said ah, the other thing he wanted to bring up is the ah, the recent ah, questions that were raised by citizens and the decorum in which they are raised and unfortunately ah, in this situation that they are in as Elected Officials or them over on that side as employees of the organ.....the Resort and.....and the Tribe. Stone said they are in an unfair disadvantage when Tribal citizens come into meetings and make claims, accusations or ask questions that they are not allowed to respond to. Stone said for instance if anything related to employment matters they can't get into those. Stone said in fact, last week they were talking about the Preference Law and she was cut off although others were allowed to continue speaking and he was going to make that very point so he wanted to come back this week to make sure he made that point. Stone said a lot of the questions surrounding preference numbers

and why people depart there they can't disclose to them. Stone said if...if they could disclose that publicly there would be a lot more understanding as to why numbers fluctuate and they lose Tribal member employees over there. Stone said unfortunately a lot of those things are outside of the control of the Resort but again, they are in an unfair disadvantage people can make comments and claims like "*oh, preference numbers are terrible,*" or "*you guys don't retain Tribal citizens or preference people.*" Stone said the reality is there are some things they can't stop from happening and so it puts them in an unfair disadvantage in a public forum when people are allowed to come forward and make accusa.....accusations and assertions. Stone said the other thing is ah, just being kind to get on here and attack Elected Officials and he is not going to play the martyr here he has been guilty of doing the same in the past um, he is very honest about that. Stone said ah, but he has learned over time that is not a good approach and if they approach people with some kindness and some decency and stop coming at it like an accusation. Stone said what he doesn't understand is like the Muskegon Project everybody acts like it is a hidden agenda its been out there for ten years that they have been working on the Muskegon Project. Stone said they know there is a considerable amount of resources invested in it. Stone said they also know there is a turn on the investment if they get it. Stone said there is some information quite frankly as Tribal citizens that they are not privy to and not entitled to because there are strategies of the Tribe.....business strategies and for good reason. Stone said if everybody knows what they are doing they have better legal standing to fight what they are doing. Stone said so there are some things that just need to be kept close to the vest so that their strategy doesn't get blown out of the water and it is progress that doesn't get stopped and doesn't give people the opportunity to develop a legal strategy to fight against them prior to them even getting to the finish line. Stone said as it relates to requests the Constitution is very clear as to what they can and cannot see through a.....basically their version of the Freedom of Information and there is certain information that Tribal members just aren't privily.....privy to unfortunately that is just the way it is. Stone said um, to call on a Council member and say they sent the request to them, really, that obligation falls on the citizen to know what it is they can and cannot receive from the Tribe. Stone said so that's an unfair thing to do too because a lot of times Council members ah, again, can't share that information with them. Stone said so, ah, he thinks they need to understand what it is they are doing here and he appreciates the reading of the Constitution a little while ago but there is more to reading it as their responsibility as citizens they need to understand every single word of that Constitution because that is where their powers come from. Stone said as citizens they are derived from the Constitution, the fourth branch of the Tribe, but they need to exercise that....that power cautiously and kindly and... and....and with knowledge that they are seeking. Stone said so he will wrap up there. Stone thanked them for allowing him to speak.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked him for his comments. Wolfe asked Sara Agosa that she still has her hand raised does she have an additional comment.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said yeah. Agosa said so she just wanted to say that just to remind and emphasize that these Tribal Council Meetings is really are for public consumption and that members do have the right to come and share their opinions and voice their concerns and even do so without being impeded by Government Employees who might actually be on the clock. Agosa said regarding the Shoreline Project and comments about hidden agendas really for her what it comes down to is she cannot receive confirmation that there has been a clean audit of the Shoreline Project even with her records request. Agosa said she submitted it in October and she is still waiting so if there was more transparency with the Shoreline Project especially the financials she thinks it would stamp out um, they know, and controversy. Agosa said in closing regarding Elected Officials and decorum and setting a tone of kindness she agrees with that however she thinks there are on-going issues that need to be addressed and to honest with them some of their Elected Officials have actually been the worst out of the bunch in terms of how they treat Tribal members. Agosa said um, at one time even the Ogema she emailed him and he sent it out to the entire organization. Agosa said the things their Elected Officials have done sometimes would never be permitted in any other government sphere so she just wanted to convey that. Agosa thanked them. Agosa said that is her comment.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked Sara Agosa for her comments. Wolfe said she sees additional people with their hand raised. Wolfe said she will recognize Chelsea Densmore since she hasn't spoken *the rest of her comment faded out and couldn't be made out clearly on the ZOOM recording.*

Chelsea Densmore thanked Miss Speaker. Densmore, Tribal #3225, said um, she understands that this is public comment and obviously at public comment they can say what they want. Densmore said um, she agrees with what Mr. Stone said, absolutely, she does think there needs to be some kind of.....she does thinks that they need to be respectful. Densmore said she thought it was super aggressive to make an employee feel like they can't speak as a citizen she doesn't think that is appropriate while she understands that there are some issues with like if an employee is maybe calling in when they shouldn't be but that is an HR issue that isn't a citizen issue. Densmore said like if they could just be kind she doesn't think that anyone's voice should be stifled regardless of if they are employed somewhere or what they do. Densmore said at the end of the day they were all citizens and they are all supposed to be here together like every Councilor is just a citizen too, right, and every employee that is a citizen is still a citizen too. Densmore said she thinks they need to remember that and try to be a little nicer to each other um, but she understands it's not like they cannot get back on track but if they can, do they know what she means, be appropriate she thinks like public comment is for specific issues related to legislative and not just, they know, so that is all she has to say. Densmore thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked her. Wolfe said um, she guesses it is Israel or Connie whoever is next.

Israel Stone thanked Miss Recorder and identified himself. Stone said he appreciates what Miss Densmore's statements on questions whether or not somebody is on the clock. Stone said listen as an Executive of this Resort he is on the clock 24 hours a day. Stone said if the gas station has a large spill at midnight guess who gets called. Stone said if a large jackpot has to be paid out and the check has to get signed guess who gets called. Stone said any issues that he runs into there is no after hours for Executives or Directors here or at the Government. Stone said so when they keep getting these statements about are they on the clock let him ask them a question when is he not on the clock. Stone said Tommy Guenthardt is sitting in their Tribal Council right now and Pam Johnson is sitting on there, both of those individuals have worked here. Stone said they know emails, phone calls all the issues they run into constantly. Stone said so for somebody to say is he on the clock when they are having this discussion listen, are they paying him on the clock. Stone said he is taking phone calls at midnight and on the weekends and answering emails and he is out doing family events and spending time with his children. Stone said he is not complaining but for him to sit there as a citizen and think that people think that they lose their rights because they are employees of the Tribe or the Casino when they don't even understand the magnitude of what goes along with the job and how often they are there or doing 20 hour a day training sessions for leadership or any number of things and having that understanding to make a comment to another citizen basically well are they on the clock. Stone said tell him when he is not on the clock because they know what their policy is there no matter where he is at here or off this property his actions represents this Resort. Stone repeated so when is he not on the clock and...and when do they lose their rights as a citizen as it relates to being able to interact and give educated, informed, feedback in Council Sessions from an operators standpoint working inside the businesses of Tribal citizen and that should be something that is respected by other Tribal citizens. Stone said not diminished or treated differently because he may be on the clock. Stone asked when are they on the clock. Stone said that's it. Stone thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said thanks for his comments. Wolfe said just focus it back to public comment she thinks they are getting kind of in a debate with Tribal members going back and forth. Wolfe said she do realize this is their time to speak and have things going on but if they can just continue with the meeting and not going back and forth in response to what someone said or what someone didn't say. Wolfe said that is not helping either way so if they could just bring it back to if there is additional public comment or questions for Tribal Council or the Ogema not directed at individual citizens. Wolfe said Sara she sees that she still has her hand raised.

Ogema Romanelli identified himself. Romanelli said she can put him in again if she wants. Romanelli thanked her.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said well she will follow-up with the Ogema on what exactly the policy is and just to verify that because she believes there is laws in the Employee Handbook that employees um, are prohibited from participating in political activities if they are working actively and being paid so she is not sure all the details so she just wanted to let the Ogema know that she will follow-up with him. Agosa thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked her. Wolfe said go ahead Mr. Romanelli he has the floor.

Ogema Romanelli thanked her. Romanelli said yeah, and they know, again Sara said she doesn't have all the details he wished she would please read up on it and understand it. Romanelli said he also wanted to say that she says he is ranting ah, if they read back in the minutes they will see that he is not the one who starts this usually and let's not forget that and again, he appreciates what she said, Julie, that Tribal members should be allowed to speak let's not forget that Israel that spoke as an employee so a Tribal member. Romanelli said he is also Tribal member, also he is an Elder, and he is also the Ogema. Romanelli said he has a right to speak as the Ogema, he has a right to speak as an Elder, and he has a right to speak as a Tribal citizen. Romanelli said now in his opinion what an Elder is sometimes has to be earned so that is questionable he doesn't think just because they are a certain age however there are times when they determine at 55 or older their an Elder. Romanelli said so he doesn't take the Elder ah, title just because he can but please remember he is still a Tribal citizen and he thinks that he is also the Ogema and when things are incorrect to try to correct those things. Romanelli said he doesn't think that is a bad thing and they can call it ranting but he doesn't like to sit on his hands when somebody is degrading their Tribe or doing things that he believes is harmful to their Tribe. Romanelli said he will leave it at that. Romanelli thanked them very much. Romanelli said Miigwech.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked him for his comments.

Councilor Johnson can be heard in the background on the ZOOM recording saying, "I don't think so."

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked Israel if he had another comment or is that Connie.

Israel Stone said no that is Connie.

Connie Waitner identified herself. Waitner said no its her. Waitner said first of all let her comment that she doesn't consider this meeting a political arena at all. Waitner said she is not a Democrat and she is not a Republican. Waitner said they know some days she wonders what they all are but at the end of the day they are Tribal citizens first. Waitner said so whether or not Mr. Stone.....Mr. Stone decides to make comments because he is a citizen is entirely up to him and she wants to reiterate Mr. Stone does not work for the Government. Waitner said he

works for the Resort there is a clear separation between these two and she knows it is always very controversial but that is a matter of fact. Waitner said yes, it is all here 24-7. Waitner said sometimes that is very difficult because since the business that operates as such. Waitner said so she just wanted to point out that this is not considered a political arena and that shouldn't even be brought up in this kind of manner. Waitner thanked them.

Israel Stone identified himself to Acting Speaker Wolfe. Stone said he would also like to speak if there is no one else in the queue.

Connie Waitner said just Sara.....added.

Israel Stone said so that prohibition is against and again.....he....he....lack of understanding of the actual policy that is against campaigning on Tribal properties against political activity as it relates to campaigning for people or campaigning for themselves or campaigning literature. Stone said there is no prohibition against a Tribal citizen who is an employee attending a business meeting. Stone said a lot of times they have to be on these business meetings because things that aren't on the agenda get brought up in Public Comment and if there is nobody there to respond to the misrepresentation that some citizens make and correct to give actual information then it is left on the record as if that's actually what is going on or that's actually what is happening so it is due diligence. Stone said it is diligent to be here as a citizen and Team Member here at this property to make sure when those misconceptions are put out there that the actual operators are here to respond. Stone said so it's extra commitment to the Tribe and this property because in this Tribe there is far too much false information that is put out in the community that is left to stand as actual record and actual happenings and on-goings in the Tribe. Stone said so he will end there. Stone thanked them.

Acting Speaker Wolfe again thanks for their comments. Wolfe said please just return and have respect for each other and keep this meeting going they are getting back in here and they are going back and forth everyone wants the final word on the comments. Wolfe said they do hear and they do understand and consider them. Wolfe said they know the policies, procedures, and things so they are trying to be.....she definitely is trying to be respectful here and giving everyone the opportunity to speak. Wolfe said they are getting in a situation here where they are going back and forth that they are right or they are wrong or they know the right information. Wolfe said so if they could just finish with this conversation. Wolfe said so if they can just finish with this final public comment from Sara Agosa then they are going to move on.

Sara Agosa, Tribal #4478, said so her comment is just based on experiences in other companies and organizations that usually the Organizational Development Director is not representing the company or organization in the public domain um, and she is really curious and she will follow-up with the Ogema ah, why Andrew Gentile as the General Manager is not representing the voice of the casino since

he is the General Manager if indeed the casino's stance is really important in this Tribal Council Meeting. Agosa said she disagrees Council Meeting is a political arena its for members consumption to come and interact with Tribal Council and provide opinions and comments. Agosa thanked them. Agosa said that is all she has to say.

Acting Speaker Wolfe again thanks for her comments. Wolfe said they are moving on. Wolfe asked Councilor Guenthardt if he had a comment.

Councilor Guenthardt said yes he would like to make a motion.

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.

MOTION TO CLOSE FIRST OPEN SESSION; by Guenthardt;
supported by Di Piazza.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said she didn't hear who supported that.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said support in Anishinaabemowin.

Acting Speaker Wolfe said okay. Wolfe asked any comments or discussion. Wolfe asked any abstentions. Wolfe said Recorder please do a roll call.

Roll Call #12

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	P. Johnson -	Yes
R. Champagne-Absent	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	S. Wever -
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe -	Yes	S. Lewis -
			Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Councilor Johnson said she is sorry she couldn't find her button.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said seven in favor and two are absent they adjourned First Open Session at 11:46 a.m.

VIII. Open Session

MOTION TO GO INTO SECOND OPEN; by Guenthardt; supported
by Wittenberg.

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked any comments or questions from Tribal Council. Wolfe asked anyone wishing to abstain. Wolfe said seeing none; Recorder please do a roll call.

Roll Call #13

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	P. Johnson -	Yes
R. Champagne-Absent	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	S. Wever -
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe -	Yes	S. Lewis -
			Yes

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said seven in favor and two are absent they are in Second Open at 12:31.

Acting Speaker Wolfe thanked Acting Recorder Di Piazza.

A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session

Acting Speaker Wolfe said there are none. Wolfe asked any discussion from Tribal Council.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said other than everybody have a loving time while they are out. Di Piazza said that is his comment. Di Piazza said that being said.....

There were no items to be moved from Closed to Open Session.

XII. Adjourn

Councilor Guenthardt said he makes a motion to close Second Open.

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said come on Tom.

MOTION TO CLOSE SECOND OPEN; by Guenthardt; supported by Wittenberg.

Acting Speaker Wolfe asked any comments or discussion from Tribal Council. Wolfe said seeing none; Recorder please do a roll call.

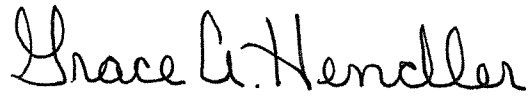
Roll Call #14

T. Guenthardt -Yes	C. Champagne -Absent	P. Johnson -	Yes
R. Champagne-Absent	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	S. Wever -
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe -	Yes	S. Lewis -
			Yes

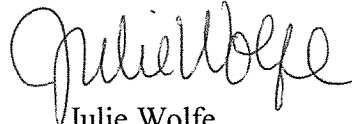
Motion carried (6-1-0-2)

Acting Recorder Di Piazza said six in favor, one against and two absent they have adjourned Second Open at 12:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Grace A. Hendler
Transcribing Assistant

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

Julie Wolfe,
Tribal Council Recorder