



Approved 11/23/22

**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS  
TRIBAL COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2022  
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 9, 2022. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Recorder Wittenberg said to Speaker Crampton that the recorder is on.

Speaker Crampton thanked him. Crampton said welcome everybody to the November 9, 2022 Meeting of Tribal Council. Crampton said they are going to get today started off with a prayer and he has asked Councilor Wittenberg to do this.

**I. Opening Prayer**

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

We thank you for this day and everything in it.

We ask that you be with us guide our hearts and our minds so that we may walk in a good way.

Ahoo. Miigwech. Miigwech. Miigwech. Miigwech. Ahoo.

Speaker Crampton thanked Councilor Wittenberg.

**II. General Business**

**A. Call to Order**

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting was called to order at 10:20 a.m.

Speaker Crampton said he apologizes to the membership they had a little bit of technical difficulties. Crampton said they need a roll call for attendance.

**B. Roll Call**

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

Quorum established.

Recorder Wittenberg called out Cindy Champagne's name three times. Wittenberg said no he doesn't see her. Wittenberg said eight of them here they have quorum and one absent, right.

Speaker Crampton said okay, they should probably get attendance of the membership. Crampton said yeah, just ask them for their name and number.

Recorder Wittenberg said okay, he is going to ah, the name's Jacalyn Mills-Van Norden.

Speaker Crampton said if they could just state their name and Tribal I.D. number.

Recorder Wittenberg repeated Jacalyn Mills-Van Norden. Wittenberg asked could they unmute and identify. Wittenberg said Jacalyn Mills-Van Norden.

Speaker Crampton said move on.

Recorder Wittenberg said okay, Connie Waitner.

Connie Waitner said #0022.

Recorder Wittenberg said Corey Wells.

Corey Wells said #4839.

Recorder Wittenberg said then Grace Hendler. Wittenberg said yeah, then back to Jacalyn Mills-Van Norden can she please state who she is and her Tribal I.D. please.

Jacalyn Mills-Van Norden said #5251.

Recorder Wittenberg said okay, Miigwech. Wittenberg said Jamie Friedel.

Jamie Friedel said #4744, Food Distribution.

Recorder Wittenberg said Jessica Steinberg.

Jessica Steinberg said #0148.

Recorder Wittenberg said Jolene O'Signac.

Jolene O'Signac said #3866.

Recorder Wittenberg said Laura Echelbarger.

Laura Echelbarger said #2276.

Recorder Wittenberg said Lee Ivinson.

Lee Ivinson said #0099.

Recorder Wittenberg said ah, Martha Howell.

Martha Howell said #3635.

Recorder Wittenberg said Sandy M.

Sandy Mezeske said #0018.

Recorder Wittenberg said Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa said #4478, also too Staci Cheney is waiting to get in.

Recorder Wittenberg said okay, ah, Susan Thull.

Susan Thull said #3727.

Recorder Wittenberg said Val Mc Donnell.

Val Mc Donnell said #4340.

Recorder Wittenberg said okay, then ah, that's it and they are trying to get.....

Speaker Crampton said make sure he has the right input.

Recorder Wittenberg said oh, okay. Wittenberg said Roberta Davis. Wittenberg repeated Roberta Davis could she please state who she is please.

Speaker Crampton asked are they on mute.

Recorder Wittenberg said no. Wittenberg said Roberta Davis. Wittenberg said they don't answer.

Speaker Crampton asked Chelsea Densmore does she have a question.

Chelsea Densmore said um, she was going to say that if they don't see the audio that is because they haven't connected yet so they can't hear them.

Recorder Wittenberg said Roberta Davis.

Chelsea Densmore said her audio it doesn't look like its connected yet so she doesn't think she can hear them. Densmore said sometimes when they are in the Waiting Room and them guys let them in it doesn't like notify them so if they have been waiting for a while, they know, like she knows sometimes she doesn't see it.

Recorder Wittenberg said well he is working from..... Wittenberg thanked her. Wittenberg said he is working from the top and its not letting him at the top get at to see who is.....let's see.....oh.

Antonio Romanelli said does he want him to submit Antonio.

Councilor Lewis said actually Drew if he could just admit as people come in.

Speaker Crampton said yeah, get the names.

Drew Jeurink said he just wants to make sure he doesn't want to create more.....

Speaker Crampton said no, there is a lot of confusion by.....yeah, let them in.

Recorder Wittenberg said Al Metzger.

Al Metzger said yeah, he didn't hear his name earlier. Metzger said his name and #0890 he is a citizen.

Recorder Wittenberg said and the phone number 231 area code, 794-0066.

Michael Burmeister said #0945.

Recorder Wittenberg said ah, Alicia Knapp.....and she is an employee so. Wittenberg said Antonio's iPhone.

Antonio Romanelli said #3954.

Recorder Wittenberg said and Beth Mc Clellan.

Elizabeth Mc Clellan said #2915.

Recorder Wittenberg said then Chantel is on and she is IT so. Wittenberg said he believes they have everyone.

Speaker Crampton said they have everyone, okay.

**C. Approval of Agenda**

Speaker Crampton said he will entertain a motion to approve the agenda.

Councilor Lewis said she will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER 9, 2022 WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES OF III B.4. REMOVE, ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL OF MICHIGAN 2023 NATIVE CONNECTIONS AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$70,000, III C. IS ADDITION, APPROVAL OF BUDGETED EXPENDITURES FOR THERMO SCIENTIFIC TRUNARC, VA. IS REMOVE, ADOPTING THE FY 2023 TRIBAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS, V B. IS REVISED RESOLUTION, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS TO AMEND THE TRIBAL STATE TAX AGREEMENT, V D. IS AN ADD, AUTHORIZING UNRESTRICTED OF ARPA DESIGNATED FUNDS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2022 COVID-19 PANDEMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WITH POSTAGE AND SUPPLIES FOR 2022 COVID-19 PANDEMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; by Lewis; supported by Wever.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any discussion. Crampton asked any discussion from the membership. Crampton said Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa said her question is why is the item Adopting the Fiscal Year 2023 Tribal Government Operations Budget being removed.

Speaker Crampton said the Council isn't finished with their portion yet. Crampton said the pre-emptive date was not put on there by the Legislative Body. Crampton asked Sara Agosa if she had any further questions.

Sara Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Crampton asked are there any further questions. Crampton said oh, he is sorry Chelsea Densmore.

Chelsea Densmore said Miigwech. Densmore, Tribal #3225, um, she is not sure who uploaded the agenda but they accidentally uploaded the same one under final. Densmore said she was just wondering if they could fix that. Densmore said Miigwech.

Speaker Crampton said he couldn't hear the last part she kind of trailed off.

Chelsea Densmore said oh, she apologizes. Densmore said the agenda, the Final Agenda, that was posted this morning is the same as the previous agenda. Densmore said she thinks they just clicked on the wrong one when they uploaded it. Densmore said she was just wondering if that could be fixed um, so they could see the agenda. Densmore said Miigwech.

Speaker Crampton said yes, that can be fixed.

Councilor Lewis said Grace can she is probably on it right now.

*Councilor Wolfe made a comment in the background on the ZOOM recording but it couldn't be heard clearly what she said.*

Speaker Crampton said Venus would have to do it.

Councilor Lewis asked is she online. Lewis said Venus isn't online.

Councilor Crampton said he will have to send her a message.

Venus Torres said yup, she will work on that. Torres thanked them.

Speaker Crampton asked is there any discussion....further discussion from the Council. Crampton said if not please do a vote.

#### **Roll Call #1**

T. Guenthardt -No	C. Champagne -Yes	P. Johnson -	No
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - No	S. Wever -	Yes
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe - No	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (5-4-0-0)

Recorder Wittenberg said the agenda has been approved five for and four against.

Speaker Crampton said 5-4. *Crampton laughing at this point.* Crampton thanked him. Crampton said all right that moves them on.

**D. Tribal Council Minutes**      ☐ 10/5/22      ☐ 10/21/22

Speaker Crampton said he will entertain a motion to accept.

Councilor Lewis said she will make a motion.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 10/5/22  
AND 10/21/22; by Lewis; supported by Wolfe.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anybody going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any discussion from Council. Crampton asked any further discussion from the membership. Crampton asked anything else from Council. Crampton said he sees nothing please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #2**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Wittenberg said okay, nine in favor minutes are accepted.

**III. Continuing Business**

**A. Grants & Contracts**

**B. Budget Modifications**

- 1. Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency-Performance Partnership Grant and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2022-\_\_ in the amount of \$20,000**  
Acceptance of contract funds.

Speaker Crampton said that was Miss Smart. Crampton said she is no longer here. Crampton said yeah, it is pretty much covered. Crampton asked is anybody else going to be able to represent.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said good morning. Willis said he wasn't aware that no one was going to be on the call for this item. Willis said um, he can represent it though on behalf of the Ogema's Office.

Speaker Crampton thanked him very much.

Bill Willis said this particular item is a \$20,000 Award from the USEPA. Willis said if they look at the paperwork ah, that's attached ah, they previously were awarded \$38,000 ah, this \$20,000 brings them up to \$358,000. Willis said it looks like the total award ultimately will be \$798,000 so these are simply additional funds for he believed the Clean Water Act, Section 319. Willis said there is a Budget attached um, which was discussed to some degree on Agenda Review on Monday. Willis said so typically just need to accept the money and amend the Operating Budget.

Speaker Crampton asked are there any questions. Crampton said Julie.

*Councilor Wolfe made comments but her microphone was not working properly and those comments were lost in the background on the ZOOM recording.*

Bill Willis said yeah, um, let's see here. Willis said ah, the total, ah, this award amount is \$20,000; \$2,928 is going towards salaries and wages, \$2,927 is going to fringe benefits, and then the balance of \$14,145 is dedicated to the Supply Line Item.

*Councilor Wolfe made more comments but they were lost because they could not be heard clearly on the ZOOM recording.*

Bill Willis said oh, he apologizes.

*Councilor Wolfe can be heard talking in the background on the ZOOM recording but her comments were not clear.*

Bill Willis said um, the Project Period End....Budget Period for this award in total goes from October 1<sup>st</sup> of 2022 through September 30<sup>th</sup> of 2024 so it's a two-year um, cycle. Willis said um, as he mentioned eventually, ultimately they will get the total \$798,000. Willis said um-hum.

Speaker Crampton asked any other questions. Crampton asked any questions from the membership. Crampton said okay, um, do they have a motion.

Councilor Lewis said she will make a motion.

**MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #22-1109-198;  
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY-PERFORMANCE  
PARTNERSHIP GRANT AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION  
TO THE OPERATING BUDGET MB-2022-44 IN THE AMOUNT  
OF \$20,000; by Lewis; supported by Wolfe.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any discussion from Tribal Council. Crampton asked any discussion from the membership. Crampton asked anything further from Council. Crampton said hearing nothing please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #3**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)



Recorder Wittenberg said nine in favor Resolution #22-1109-198 budget modification #44 has been passed.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

2. **Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture-2023 Food Distribution Program and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2022-\_\_ in the amount of \$364,711**  
Acceptance of contract funds.

Speaker Crampton said that is Mr. Jamie Friedel.

Jamie Friedel, FDPIR Director, represented this agenda item. Friedel said good morning Council. Friedel thanked them. Friedel said yes, this is for the 2013....2023 Budget for Food Distribution. Friedel said they just need to accept the contract funds and that is good from October 1<sup>st</sup> to September 31<sup>st</sup> of 2023. Friedel said funds will be good for two years as well.

Speaker Crampton thanked him. Crampton asked is there any questions from Council. Crampton said Julie.

*Councilor Wolfe can be heard talking in the background on the ZOOM recording but her comments were not clear and could not be understood.*

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton asked anything further from Council. Crampton asked any questions from the membership. Crampton said any other discussion from Council. Crampton said hearing none please do a roll call. Crampton said oh, he is sorry they need a motion. Crampton said he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Lewis said she will make a motion.

**MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #22-1109-199;  
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE-2023 FOOD DISTRIBUTION  
PROGRAM AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE  
OPERATING BUDGET MB-2022-45 IN THE AMOUNT OF  
\$364,711; by Lewis; supported by Wittenberg.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any discussion from the membersh....from the Tribal Council. Crampton asked anything from the Tribal membership. Crampton asked anything else from Tribal Council. Crampton said hearing nothing please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #4**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Wittenberg said Resolution #22-1109-199 budget modification #45 has passed, nine in favor.

Jamie Friedel said Miigwech, Council.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

3. **Acceptance of grant funds from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan-Home Visiting Expansion and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2022-\_\_ in the amount of \$72,500**  
Acceptance of funds.

Speaker Crampton said that is Mr. Willis.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis thanked him. Willis said ah, Holly Lindsey was ah, scheduled to be here but he thinks she has some family emergency come up. Willis said anyway these funds are funds that are awarded and have been awarded for several years now from Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan. Willis said these funds are designed for the staff person to go and do home visits with Tribal families to ah, help assist them. Willis said he thinks it is anywhere from newborn to ah, age five. Willis said um, it is to help the parents ah, get, they know, be aware of healthy parenting ah, type of activities and collaborate with the Health Clinic and things like that but to meet the early childhood needs of the family if they will. Willis said this award for the most part just funds the staff person. Willis said it does have some money for Client Services ah, little bit in Professional Fees um, Supplies ah, travel and a little bit for phone ah, cell phone expenses so. Willis said he doesn't know if there are any particular questions that ah, weren't answered on Monday ah, when Holly was on the call but he is willing to try to answer any questions Council may have but this is kind of a straightforward standard thing where they ah, they know, accept the money and amend the Operating Budget.

Speaker Crampton said yeah, they kind of beat it to death but is there any other questions. Crampton said if not he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Lewis said she will make a motion.

**MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #22-1109-200;  
ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE INTER-TRIBAL  
COUNCIL OF MICHIGAN-HOME VISITING EXPANSION AND  
APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING BUDGET  
MB-2022-46 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$72,500; by Lewis; supported by  
Wolfe.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any further discussion from Council. Crampton asked is there any further discussion from the membership. Crampton said Al Metzger.

Al Metzger asked ah, yes is this available to all Tribal members. Metzger thanked them.

Councilor Wolfe said so what she explained at Agenda Review on Monday it's for the nine-county service area. Wolfe said it is a grant from Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan so it wouldn't go out of the State of Michigan. Wolfe said it does primarily serve 0 to five age group....parents of those.

Al Metzger asked so is that for nine county or the State of Michigan.

Councilor Wolfe said nine county.

Speaker Crampton said okay, any further discussion from the membership. Crampton said Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa asked how many members do they have that are in that age group.

Councilor Wolfe said she doesn't know exactly the amount of membership in that population but when she was explaining what this grant does she said she has 15-17 um, clients that she is servicing.

Speaker Crampton thanked them for the questions from membership. Crampton said if not any further discussion from Tribal Council. Crampton said hearing none please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #5**

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wittenberg said he is on.

Speaker Crampton said that was three. Crampton asked was that three.

Councilor Lewis said he has to do the final call.

Speaker Crampton said do the final call.

Recorder Wittenberg said Resolution #22-1109-200 budget modification #44 has passed. Wittenberg said eight in favor and one absent.

Bill Willis thanked them.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

4. **Acceptance of grant funds from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan-2023 Native Connections and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2022-\_\_ in the amount of \$70,000**  
Acceptance of funds.

Speaker Crampton said oh, he is sorry they removed this. Crampton said he slid right by that.

**C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**

1. **Approval of Budgeted Expenditure for Thermo Scientific TruNarc**  
Purchase of Thermo Scientific TruNarc equipment to assist in identify drugs during investigations.

Speaker Crampton said that is Mr. Medacco.

Robert Medacco, Public Safety Director, represented this agenda item. Medacco said good morning Council. Medacco said he brings forth a request for approval of purchase of the TruNarc um, Narcotics Identifying System. Medacco said this is purchased under their ARP Funds um, the amended amount when he brought it to Council it was budgeted for \$32.116 that was a direct quote from the company however since then they have gotten a government quote for \$27,700 which is the amended amount.

Speaker Crampton said nice. Crampton asked any questions from Council. Crampton said he knows they went through a couple of work sessions on this. Crampton asked any questions from the.....op, he is sorry Julie.

*Councilor Wolfe can be heard talking in the background on the ZOOM recording but her comments were not clear and could not be understood.*

Robert Medacco said Rights Protection.

Councilor Wolfe said she forgot that part.

Robert Medacco said yes.

*Councilor Wolfe made more comments in the background on the ZOOM recording but they were not clear or understood.*

Robert Medacco said correct, the system utilized now is a liquid system where they would actually have to take a sample of the suspected narcotic and put it into an envelope if they have the right envelope to have, break open the capsules and ah, give an indication there is presence of that specific narcotic. Medacco said well this has all of them built into the system they just scan it and it tells them what the chemistry makeup of that narcotic is.

*Councilor Wolfe continues to make comments that cannot be heard clearly on the ZOOM recording and it is not understood why some of them can be heard and the rest can't.*

Robert Medacco said yes, the warranty is right at the top line, two-year warranty which is the max warranty they can get on the equipment.

Councilor Wolfe thanked him?

Speaker Crampton asked any further questions from Council. Crampton asked questions from the membership. Crampton asked anything else from Council.

Recorder Wittenberg said to his understanding also that will cut a lot of the court fighting and everything is.....is....he doesn't know what to say....cut and dry so to speak.

Robert Medacco said yes, it is a scientifically proven device which will get them through the preliminary hearings and straight on. Medacco said what they would do in the past is they would have to send that suspected item to the lab, wait for the lab results to get back, meanwhile the whole process is being held up because they don't have a true indication of what this item is. Medacco said this will give them enough to get them through the preliminary hearing and onto the actual court cases.

Recorder Wittenberg thanked him.

Speaker Crampton said okay anything further from Council. Crampton hearing nothing please do a roll call.

Recorder Wittenberg said need a motion.

Councilor Wolfe said she makes a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-1109-201;  
APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE FOR THERMO SCIENTIFIC  
TRUNARC; by Wolfe; supported by Lewis.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton said okay, they will do this one more time. Crampton asked is there any questions from Council. Crampton asked is there any questions from the membership. Crampton asked anything further from Council. Crampton said hearing none please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #6**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Wittenberg said Resolution #22-1109-201 has passed, nine in favor.

Robert Medacco thanked Council.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

**IV. Old Business**

**A. Operations Report ☐ September 2022**

Speaker Crampton said he would entertain a motion to accept.

Councilor Lewis said she will make a motion.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE OPERATIONS REPORT FOR  
SEPTEMBER 2022; by Lewis; supported by Wever.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any discussion on the item. Crampton asked is there any discussion from the membership. Crampton asked anything further from the Council. Crampton said seeing nothing please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #7**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Wittenberg said nine in favor September 2022 minutes has passed.

**B. Binojeeuk Commission ☐ September 2022**

Speaker Crampton said he would entertain a motion to accept.

Councilor Lewis said she will make a motion.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BINOJEEUK COMMISSION  
REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2022;** by Lewis; supported by Wever.

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any further discussion from Tribal Council. Crampton asked is there any discussion from the membership. Crampton said hearing nothing....oh, he is sorry anything further from Tribal Council. Crampton said hearing nothing please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #8**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Wittenberg said nine in favor September 2022 Binojeeuk Commission has passed; been accepted.

**V. New Business**

**A. Adopting the Fiscal Year 2023 Tribal Government Operations Budget**  
Adoption of Fiscal Year 2023 Tribal Government Operations Budget.

Speaker Crampton noted Item A. was removed.

**B. Resolution Authorizing Little River Band of Ottawa Indians to amend the Tribal State Tax Agreement**  
No rationale.

Speaker Crampton said that was Elise.....*the rest of his comment wasn't understood clearly.*

Elise Mc Gowan-Cuellar, Unified Legal Department Attorney, represented this agenda item. Mc Gowan-Cuellar greeted everyone in Anishinaabemowin. Mc Gowan-Cuellar said so today they have the Tribal State Tax Agreement proposed amendments and this is the fifth amendment to this Tribal State Tax Agreement. Mc Gowan-Cuellar said so she is just going to do a quick rundown for the record of the Summary of Proposed Changes it is not exhaustive but ah, the Department of Treasury ah, is modifying its requirement to notify Tribes of Enrolled Bills for \_\_\_ and Legislation um, authorizing exemption from sales use and tax from modular or manufactured homes or construction materials to establish a primary residence in respected Tribes Tax Agreement area. Mc Gowan-Cuellar said so its

12 months for a modular and mobile homes, 18 months for materials purchased, used or required for construction, renovation, or improvements of primary residence. Mc Gowan-Cuellar said so um, from yesterday's work session they don't....they're not....if they are not a resident Tribal member their going to purchase this, they are going to build this house, they are going to buy that mobile home um, they get to have that credit as a resident Tribal member. Mc Gowan-Cuellar said they also have um, specific provisions within this if they are purchasing a mobile home um, and there is a State of Emergency they get extended through the end of the emergency. Mc Gowan-Cuellar said um, so that is another benefit. Mc Gowan-Cuellar said they enabled purchasing of tobacco products from unclassified acquirers instead of licensed distributors by the State of Michigan. Mc Gowan-Cuellar said they eliminate the reference to the single business tax because its changed reference within the State Law which is the Michigan Business Tax. Mc Gowan-Cuellar said they have the um, referencing of the Revenue and Administration Bulletin Sales Use Tax Exemption Procedures and Formats authorizing refunds as permitted by law for Resident Tribal Members and Tribal Entities using the Certification Method and increasing the Resident Tribal Member Maximum Adjusted Income from \$80,000 to \$113,000 and building in an automatic annual increase tied to the Consumer Price Index. Mc Gowan-Cuellar said so that is the general updates of the proposed amendments um, just for the record they have Hannahville, Little Traverse and KBIC she believed signed on already. Mc Gowan-Cuellar said they already sent that in once they get all ten Tribes signed and send it in um, then it will go into enactment.

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton asked is there any questions from Tribal Council. Crampton asked any questions from the membership. Crampton said Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa asked why is this being changed now.

Speaker Crampton said he believed it was an agreement offered by the State.

Elise Mc Gowan-Cuellar said correct and they ah, the Tribal Tax Representatives um, Valerie Chandler is the one for Little River um, and the group's been meeting an....bi-annually she believed and this is changes proposed at last year and they have finally gotten.....not around to doing it but approval to do it.

Speaker Crampton said okay, does that answer her question, Sara.

Sara Agosa said yes. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Crampton said all right. Crampton said he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Lewis said she will make a motion.



**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-1109-202;  
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LITTLE RIVER BAND OF  
OTTAWA INDIANS TO AMEND THE TRIBAL STATE TAX  
AGREEMENT; by Lewis; supported by Wolfe.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any discussion from Council. Crampton asked is there anything further from the Tribal membership. Crampton asked anything further from Council. Crampton said please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #9**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Elise Mc Gowan-Cuellar said Miigwech.

Recorder Wittenberg said nine in favor Resolution #22-1109-202 has passed.

Speaker Crampton thanked them.

**C. Resolution Authorizing Little River Band of Ottawa Indians As  
Signatory to a letter to President Biden to direct the EPA to establish  
Ballast Water Discharge Standards to comply with the Clean Water  
Act**

LRBOI supports the establishment of Ballast Water Discharge Standards.

Speaker Crampton said this was brought forward by Councilor Wolfe.

Councilor Wolfe said so what this resolution is asking is um, for Tribal Council to authorize the Ogema to send a letter to President Biden directing....directing Environmental Protection Agency to establish Ballast Water Discharge Standards that comply with the Clean Water Act. Wolfe said um, this is the 50<sup>th</sup> year of the Clean Water Act and the EPA has still not established Ballast Water Discharge Standards to conform with the EPA Act so they are directing them to meet its Clean Water Act obligations. Wolfe said um, the other part where it impacts them is um, for the Ballast Water in the Great Lakes specifically invasive organisms have destroyed their White Fish population so they are just asking for Tribal Council to be in support of that.

Speaker Crampton said okay. Crampton thanked her. Crampton asked is there any questions from Council. Crampton asked is there any questions from the membership. Crampton said seeing none he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Wolfe said she will make that motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-1109-203;  
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LITTLE RIVER BAND OF  
OTTAWA INDIANS AS SIGNATORY TO A LETTER TO  
PRESIDENT BIDEN TO DIRECT THE EPA TO ESTABLISH  
BALLAST WATER DISCHARGE STANDARDS TO COMPLY  
WITH THE CLEAN WATER ACT;** by Wolfe; supported by Johnson.

*Recorder Wittenberg made a comment but it wasn't heard clearly enough to be understood on the ZOOM recording.*

Recorder Wittenberg said yeah, Pam Johnson.

Speaker Crampton asked is anybody going to abstain on the item. Crampton asked is there any further discussion. Crampton asked is there any discussion from the membership. Crampton asked is there anything further from Council. Crampton said please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #10**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Wittenberg said Resolution #22-1109-203 has passed, nine in favor.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

**D. Authorizing Unrestricting of ARPA Designated Funds for  
Implementation of the 2022 COVID-19 Pandemic Assistance Program  
with Postage and Supplies for the 2022 COVID-19 Pandemic  
Assistance Program**

Tribal Council restricted ARPA Funds via Resolution #21-1006-233 and in order to implement the COVID-19 Pandemic Assistance Program funds are authorized to be unrestricted in the amount of \$11,511,694.00.

Speaker Crampton said this was put on by himself. Crampton said it is to unrestrict the funds for the program and to provide supplies for the Members Assistance Department to ah, deliver the program funds. Crampton asked are there any questions. Crampton said Mr. Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said he raise.....he will raise the same concerns he did before that with the first payment that was sent out was over \$20 million to all the Tribal

citizens that was for direct relief. Di Piazza said the second portion that came in the \$13 million that was restricted was to rebuild their infrastructure and also..... well mainly to build the infrastructure. Di Piazza said he believed the first payment that went out was scape the edges of the Treasury's Guidelines which he believed this is going to put them into some peril. Di Piazza said that is his concern because they are giving out almost all of the ARPA Funding that they brought in or that was given to them by Treasury. Di Piazza said the other thing is that he is concerned about is they know their funds were restricted back in last year in October and if nobody can remember that makes him wonder how many other things are missed, Treasury Guidelines and also the....now what they approved in the government because that document is 177 pages long. Di Piazza said that gives the guidelines on how that should be dispersed so he has some real concerns that were also scape the edge of Misappropriation of Funds. Di Piazza said but that is his concern.

Speaker Crampton said well, he is pretty sure that the lawyers with um, \_\_\_ would have said that was something that was going to happen um, but they did not. Crampton asked Sara Agosa if she had any other questions she had her hand up.

Sara Agosa said actually she is sorry.....she is sorry um, she doesn't like think at this point there should be any controversy with passing um, the \_\_\_ supply simply because this resolution already passed. Agosa said they are entitled to this payment so she hopes that Council will keep that in mind. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Crampton said Councilor Johnson.

Councilor Johnson said so um, she was going to mention about the new ah....not new but about um, the final laws that were done on the registry of this so honestly she went looking at it out of curiosity. Johnson said for to do different general fund or general welfare it does mention in there about um, that it could be used for about going.....if they wanted to do things like this of checking out different loc.....about checking their areas for need whether they do it by county whether they do it by a town, city about whether they do it by a particular section of a town like downtown area whatnot. Johnson said they never did that they never looked at directly doing um, a needs basis for each state right down to county or city for that matter. Johnson said it, it, it does mention in there about whether or not he of ah, ones that could qualify for ah, disproportionate need such as if they are on Welfare Assistance basically anything if it covers Welfare Assistance. Johnson said she knows some of their members do not fall in that and they've given money back that could have been used for some of the needs that are....that some members skewing for. Johnson said so honest she is still against this because out of the 117 pages granted she didn't make it through all of it but there is plenty in there that does not.....that would qualify for as them not spending this properly and she still stands with no on this because not all of their members are not on welfare. Johnson said she means yes; they have some that are that actually could use it but the majority of them that are going to apply for this

do.....are not in that position. Johnson said they don't pay for school lunches as far as children, they would not fall under a temporary assistance ah, ah, ah, needy.....ba,ba,ba can't think of the proper word for it.....but they don't fall underneath it and this is really concerning that they are just going to give this money out without doing proper work for it and.....

Speaker Crampton said without doing proper work for it.

Councilor Johnson said they are looking at 90% of....of this funding given out which she thinks will.....they could see some result out of it and it is not friendly.

Speaker Crampton said they are giving out money without doing proper work for it. Crampton said okay. Crampton said he sees a lot of hands go up after that. Crampton said um.....

Recorder Wittenberg said she asked.....

Speaker Crampton said Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa said her comment is that Pam why is she bringing this up now because these ARPA Funds have been available for at least a year. Agosa said so this is time sensitive their members are suffering and if she has these concerns she had plenty of time to work on this and she just sat in a work session in which Larry Romanelli does not support hiring more grant writers and that is very concerning to her because these ARPA Funds are not the only funds available. Agosa said Larry as Chief Executive Officer....could look.....

Speaker Crampton said if they could stick....

Councilor Di Piazza said.....time of day.

Sara Agosa said this is tied into this issue because this is not absolute these ARPA Funds are not absolute but are needed right now and there is plenty of need. Agosa thanked them. Agosa said that is her comment.

*Councilor Lewis left the Lodge Room at 11:11 a.m.*

Speaker Crampton asked do they want a reply.

Ogema Romanelli asked can he.....him....he just wanted to reply to the work session and the grant writers. Romanelli said he doesn't think that really has anything to do with what they are talking about now for one thing.

Speaker Crampton agreed.

Ogema Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Crampton said okay, he is going to move down to oh, Roberta Davis.

Roberta Davis said yeah, her comment is, is....there is still a lot of people that are struggling from the whole Pandemic. Davis said she herself lost her job here of 20 years and still have applied for every possible position that has been posted and haven't gotten a job back yet. Davis said she can use the money. Davis said she is struggling with a part-time job to try to make ends meet for her family so yes, she could use the money. Davis said she doesn't get no help from welfare; she can't get no help from welfare. Davis said so yes, she is really in need for this money to make sure that her children have a Christmas and can pay off some of the debt that has been incurred by using credit cards because she doesn't have a full-time job anymore. Davis said that is her comment. Davis thanked them.

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton said Sara Agosa.

*Councilor Lewis re-entered the Lodge Room at 11:12 a.m.*

Sara Agosa said actually her comment is that Pam has adjusted an assessment um, to ascertain need but who is going to do the assessment when the Grant Writing Department is understaffed. Agosa said this just doesn't make sense and she is sorry but she feels she should be able to make this comment about the Grant Writing Department it does tie into this discussion. Agosa said that is all she is going to say. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton said okay, is there any other discussion from the membership.

Recorder Wittenberg said there are some people here.

Speaker Crampton said oh if she would like to respond.

Councilor Johnson said so it has been brought up several times and those are the things she went and looked at as far as in relation to last year when these final rules were updated um, and she probably should have to be fair but since it has been brought up a few times about these.....about the final rules on this, they know, they should probably look at it if someone's going to mention it they should go look at it to see if there is something in there to see if someone is making a valid point. Johnson said it is about doing their homework and quite often sometimes her decisions are changed because somebody makes a comment and she will go look into it or look at it some more. Johnson said it might be last minute when it is done but they know what she is still going to look at it to see if there is any basis for it and honestly when they look at what is in there and these comments are, are it is in the Federal Registry for these rules about what it can be used for and what it can't be used for. Johnson said they are going to go without it and just say oh, well if they get nailed for it later they get nailed with it. Johnson

said she is sorry that is not her.....she is just sitting here to give them whatever they want in essence. Johnson said it is also to protect this Tribe and that is what she feels like she is doing or in that sense because she doesn't believe they are following the guidelines by just giving it out without actually doing proper assessment. Johnson said is it coming late yes, it is but did she go and look yes, she did. Johnson said so that is what she has to say on that.

Speaker Crampton said Mr. Romanelli if he would like to go now.

Ogema Romanelli thanked him. Romanelli said well and there are guidelines and they mentioned it. Romanelli said one thing that was brought up was the \$150,000 top guideline and he knows there has been some discussions about it and hopefully it is left in there. Romanelli said it is in there and was place in there by the Federal Government for a reason.

Speaker Crampton said um-hum.

Ogema Romanelli continued. Romanelli said ah, the other thing is that they are now just unrestricting the money which again, they had this discussion too a couple of weeks ago where it was said that the money was unrestricted and now they are just now unrestricting it. Romanelli said he has been getting calls for the last two weeks as to why he is not sending out the checks again, putting the ownness on the Executive Branch and it has been putting a lot of pressure on. Romanelli said so now they understand that the, the money was not unrestricted two weeks ago. Romanelli said the third thing and he mentioned this before is he still believes that the money could have been targeted to those people most in need and that is what it is based on is need. Romanelli said again, giving it straight across the board and that again, is why they put the \$150,000 in there is it is based on need and he can't believe that everybody has the same need. Romanelli said they have those people that are on unemployment, those people who don't have a job, it could have been much more targeted ah, to those people in a sooner basis by unrestricting money and doing it several weeks ago if that was his intent. Romanelli said he is not opposed to this but he opposed to the way it is being handled because those people who are most in need should probably be ah, the first to get it and ah, they could have based it more on need than just straight across the board. Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Crampton said he just wanted to respond to that. Crampton said he just wanted to say that when he went to get the membership.....when he went to get the Certification of Funds through the proper process he was told by the Executive Employee Miss Rabb that they rather keep it in the funding and draw down from there. Crampton said that was a mistake on the part of Miss Rabb she is new to the position and he doesn't want to hang her out. Crampton said there has been a couple of things that happened but he didn't want to hang it out there. Crampton asked Mrs. Rabb if she had anything to add.

Angela Rabb, Tribal CFO, said in regards to that conversations Speaker Crampton with respect he asked her if they needed to move the funds from the ARPA Fund to Members Assistance Fund.....

Speaker Crampton said yeah.

Angela Rabb continued....and she said no that was not necessary. Rabb said then she added that these funds were restricted by Council previously and that they did need to be unrestricted. Rabb said that is her understanding of the conversation but she never said that they did not need to be unrestricted. Rabb said she made it very clear that they did need to be unrestricted.

Speaker Crampton said okay, they are unrestricting them now then.

Ogema Romanelli said yup.

Angela Rabb said all right.

Ogema Romanelli said and it is correct that they were restricted back he believed in October.

Speaker Crampton said yes, and this is unrestricting them now.

Angela Rabb said yeah, and she is pretty sure she didn't make a mistake so.

Speaker Crampton said okay, then he is sorry that he misspoke.....

Angela Rabb said okay.

Speaker Crampton continued.....but he is unrestricting them now so.

Angela Rabb said all right. Rabb thanked them.

Speaker Crampton said Karol....Karol Ann Chabot.

Karol Chabot said she is confused she thought this was passed and it was just a matter of getting an application filled out and sent out and they got funds to get this all handled. Chabot said so she thinks all this talk about what....what would have been is way out of line and she thinks they need to go forward with this whole thing. Chabot said she doesn't understand why the con....they know, why all this conversation hadn't been done and....it passed so let's get on with it. Chabot said she needs the money. Chabot said a lot of people need the money and that is all she has to say. Chabot thanked them.

Speaker Crampton said actually there has been nobody who hasn't been impacted by the um, gas prices, food prices, everyone's been impacted. Crampton said ah,

and when they are talking about ah, the requirements of the program this money has set here for how long.....did anybody do an assessment of downtown. Crampton said no they didn't.

*Both Speaker Crampton and Recorder Wittenberg were involved in a discussion in the background but it wasn't understood what they were saying on the ZOOM recording.*

Speaker Crampton said somebody on Samsung.

Staci Cheney said it's her, Tribal #0992. Cheney said she is with Karol Ann she is not sure why they are still having this discussion. Cheney said um, Pam if she didn't want to read 117 pages then don't bring it up. Cheney said it makes her look poor.....

*There was a sound in the background on the ZOOM recording but it wasn't clear what it was.*

Staci Cheney continued....and also this has already gone through the membership is desperate and hurting for the money. Cheney said it passed....let's....let's move on. Cheney thanked them.

Speaker Crampton said Angela does she still have her hand up. Crampton thanked her. Crampton said Sara.

*Recorder Wittenberg was talking in the background on the ZOOM recording but his comments were not heard clearly to understand.*

Sara Agosa said um, in addition to that if this payment which is already passed is bottlenecked so Larry can buy more copy machines with ARPA Funds rather than helping members then she would like to ask that members can send in a self-addressed stamped envelope or pick up the check. Agosa thanked them. Agosa said that is her comment.

Speaker Crampton said okay. Crampton asked is there any further discussion from the Council. Crampton said he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Lewis said she will make a motion.

**MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #22-1109-204;  
AUTHORIZING UNRESTRICTING OF ARPA DESIGNATED  
FUNDS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2022 COVID-19  
PANDEMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WITH POSTAGE AND  
SUPPLIES FOR THE 2022 COVID-19 PANDEMIC ASSISTANCE  
PROGRAM; by Lewis; supported by Wittenberg.**



Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any further discussion on the item. Crampton asked is there any discussion from the membership. Crampton asked is there any further discussion from Council. Crampton said please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #11**

T. Guenthardt -No	C. Champagne -Yes	P. Johnson -	No
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza -	No	S. Wever - Yes
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe -	No	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (5-4-0-0)

Speaker Crampton said that's no.

Councilor Lewis said no.

Councilor Di Piazza said that is no for anyone that knows Odawa.

Speaker Crampton said please.

Councilor Lewis said caw wiin.

Councilor Di Piazza said please...what.

Speaker Crampton said mii..gaw....wich.

Recorder Wittenberg said okay, where is he at, okay. Wittenberg finished the vote starting with Councilor Wolfe. Wittenberg said Resolution #22-1109-204 has passed, five in favor and four against.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

**IX. Concluding Business**

**A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, November 16, 2022**

**B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**

Ogema Romanelli thanked him. Romanelli said okay, now that this has passed he does want to ah, caution, and ask the membership to please be kind to the staff. Romanelli said for the last two weeks there has been some comments that were ah, unnecessary to be quite honest. Romanelli said he understands that they want the checks out. Romanelli said they have to understand there is a process and they will do the best they can. Romanelli said over the last couple of weeks they have been telling them that this project was not done and that the monies needed to be unrestricted yet people try to continue to blame the Executive Staff. Romanelli said ah, please....please he would expect an apology from somebody but he won't probably get it. Romanelli said please be patient they are doing the best they can

and they will get it out. Romanelli said they are short staffed as well. Romanelli said they can continue to try and say what they say. Romanelli said they could not pass the checks out. Romanelli said they could not work on the checks any further because as they know someone said why are they still talking about this two weeks later it was because it took two weeks to get it into the proper place so that's why. Romanelli said and now he asks the membership to please be patient they will get the checks out in an orderly fashion. Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

### **C. Legislative Affairs Update**

Speaker Crampton asked is there anything for Legislative Affairs. Crampton said Julie Wolfe.

Councilor Wolfe said she has one reminder about the Children's Christmas Party that is happening at the Resort on December 4<sup>th</sup>. Wolfe said they are coming up on the deadline to register their children for toys. Wolfe said that has to be done by November 18<sup>th</sup> by 5 p.m. Wolfe said they need to contact Mary Thomas; her phone number is 231 398-6824. Wolfe said it is possible that deadline....*the rest of her comment faded off here*. Wolfe said today in the United States the Supreme Court will hear the old arguments regarding the Indian Child Welfare Act um, that did start at 10:00, eastern standard time. Wolfe said if they could offer their prayers up for those advocating on behalf of any people or families....*the rest of her comment didn't come through clearly on the ZOOM recording*.

Speaker Crampton said he just wanted to mention that they had the Mid-Term Elections last night and Gretchen Whitmer is still the Governor of Michigan. Crampton said ah, Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa said she just wanted to make them aware um, she is not sure Julie's microphone is not working.

Speaker Crampton asked her if she clicked it on.

*Councilor Johnson made a comment but it wasn't clear what she said on the ZOOM recording.*

Councilor Wolfe asked does he want her to repeat her Legislative Affairs Update.

*Tribal Council Members were laughing in the background on the ZOOM recording.*

Councilor Wolfe said she thinks everybody in the room heard it um, she can quickly go over it. Wolfe said she was stating that the Children's Christmas Party is December 4<sup>th</sup> at the Resort they are coming up on the deadline to register. Wolfe said if they plan on their child attending and receiving a gift November 18<sup>th</sup>

by 5 p.m. is the date they have to register their children. Wolfe said that registration goes to Mary Thomas her phone number is 231 398-6824. Wolfe said her second comment was in regard to today the United States Supreme Court is hearing the oral arguments in the Haaland-Brackeen Case. Wolfe said um, it has Constitutional Challenges to the Indian Child Welfare Act um, the court started at 10 a.m. this morning but she just asked for a moment of silence and prayer for those that are attending the Indian Child Welfare Act, the children, and the families that the law protects.

Speaker Crampton said he would like to support that really everybody should be worried about this because they are going after race-based programs....well, they are saying that their race based but most of theirs is based off of Treaties. Crampton said they are not based off of ah, what others are. Crampton said so he thinks that shouldn't even be in argument but if there is no further questions they will be moving down to Public Comment.

#### **D. Public Comment Period**

Speaker Crampton asked is there any Public Comment at this time. Crampton said Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa said she is still not clear so what is the timeline to get the applications out at least so members can fill them out and get them back especially since on Friday the Government Offices are closed because of Veteran's Day.

Speaker Crampton said he thinks Mr. Romanelli was correct it is going to be a big undertaking and if everybody would just be patient he thinks that are going up today they are just waiting for the approval and the wording so they should be available today.

Ogema Romanelli said yeah, and again with the application there was some discussions and some changes that needed to happen so. Romanelli said again, they are doing the best they can and yes they have the day off on Friday but every day that is a working hour they will be working on it. Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Crampton said Julie.

Councilor Wolfe said that is kind of how the order, they unrestricted the funds, they have the supplies for Finance....*the rest of her comment faded off here and was not heard.*

Speaker Crampton said the application should be out and they will be doing the processing. Crampton said Staci.

Staci Cheney said yes, she just wanted to say Miigwech to all five Councilors for really taking a moment and thinking about the membership and the struggles that

they are going through. Cheney said she spent a lot of hours talking to them on the phone and um, they're hurting. Cheney said she really appreciates them having an Indian Heart and taking that into account. Cheney said so Miigwech, Miigwech, Miigwech. Cheney thanked them.

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton said Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa said she just wanted to let Julie know that her mic was out again so it is hard to hear online um, is there any way that IT can test the equipment before the meeting um, in the future.

Speaker Crampton said yeah, they can probably do that. Crampton said he thinks what they had happened was they had an event here with a person who used the audio and some of the stuff wasn't hooked. Crampton said so he thinks that might be part of the problem. Crampton said they need to look at it. Crampton asked any other Public Comment.

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

Speaker Crampton said seeing none he will entertain a motion to Close First Open.....at.....

Councilor Lewis said so moved.

Speaker Crampton continued.....11:29.

Councilor Lewis repeated so moved.

Speaker Crampton asked is there any support.

Councilor Wever said support.

**MOTION TO CLOSE THE FIRST OPEN SESSION; by Lewis;  
supported by Wever.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any further discussion from Council. Crampton asked is there any further discussion from the membership. Crampton asked anything further from Council. Crampton said please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #12**

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

Motion carried (9-0-0-0)

Recorder Wittenberg said nine in favor they End Open at 11:30 a.m.

Speaker Crampton thanked everyone.

**XI. Open Session**

*Second Open is assumed to be unrecorded because it cannot be found in the file. The following was taken from the Roll Call Record and how this part happened in the past.*

**MOTION TO GO INTO SECOND OPEN;** by Lewis; supported by Wever.

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any further discussion. Crampton asked is there any discussion from the membership. Crampton asked anything from Council. Crampton said please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #13**

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

Motion carried (7-0-0-2)

Recorder Wittenberg said seven in favor and two absent they are in Second Open at 12:32 p.m.

**A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session**

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

**XII. Adjourn**

**MOTION TO END SECOND OPEN;** by Lewis; supported by Wever.

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any further discussion. Crampton asked is there any discussion from the membership. Crampton asked anything further from Council. Crampton said please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #14**

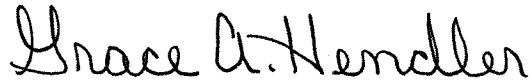
T. Guenthardt -Absent	C. Champagne -Absent	P. Johnson -	Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	S. Wever -	No
R. Wittenberg- Yes	J. Wolfe - Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (6-1-0-2)

Recorder Wittenberg said six in favor, one against and two absent they have ended Second Open.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Grace A. Hendler  
Transcribing Assistant



Ron Wittenberg,  
Tribal Council Recorder