

Approved 10/25/17

**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2017
LITTLE RIVER BAND
GOVERNMENT CENTER**

**OPEN SESSION
MINUTES**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting at the Little River Band Government Center on October 18, 2017. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Recorder Lewis said to Speaker Riley that the recorder is on.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis. Riley said they are going to get started this morning with their Opening Prayer and Chuck Fisher is doing that for them he believed.

I. Opening Prayer

Chuck Fisher, Warriors Society Chaplin, offered the Opening Prayer.

Creator, thank you for this day.

Help us hear your voice, your messages.

Help us listen with a good heart.

Help us hear our Tribal members who recently put down many of their thoughts and feelings in a T-shirt Contest that we recently held which are on display in the basement, in the Teaching Area with teachings on them and voices that should also be heard and should have been heard a long time ago.

Messages like Stop the Violence and Abuse.

Messages like I'm sorry that I have to go through this Pain, I'm sorry that you needed to use and I had to suffer.

Messages like Keep your hands to yourself, no means no.

Not everybody goes through physical abuse but we have all gone through abuse in one way or another.

We talk about fear as well that it is a feeling that we shouldn't endure because it opens the door to sadness and pain but you need to fight through those feelings, fight through fear and keep on fighting.

We need to stop the hate, stand up.

Hope is only a phone call away when you need it.

You are not alone, we're not alone.

In a lot of ways these messages are there. We need to really hear them and take them in, let them settle.

Creator help us do that. Miigwech.

Speaker Riley said to Chuck Fisher, Miigwech.

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

B. Roll Call

J. Riley - Present	J. Friedel - Absent	F. Medacco - Present
S. Crampton - Present	G. DiPiazza - Present	R. Pete - Present
R. Wittenberg-Present	D. Lonn - Present	S. Lewis - Present

Quorum established.

Others Present: Jennifer Crampton, Steve Parsons, Robert Medacco, Chuck Fisher, Frank Beaver, Bill Willis.

Others Present That Did Not Sign In: Grace Hendler, George Le Vasseur, Mary Thomas, Ogema Romanelli, Caitlin Rollins, Rebecca Liebing, Shayne Machen.

C. Approval of Agenda

Speaker Riley recognized Recorder Lewis.

**MOVE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 18, 2017
WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGE OF VIII C. IS AN ADD; by
Lewis; supported by Pete.**

Speaker Riley asked is there any discussion on the agenda. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #1

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Absent	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis said the agenda has been approved for October 18, 2017.

D. Tribal Council Minutes ☐ 10/11/17

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Medacco.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES FOR
10/11/17 FOR FILING;** by Medacco; supported by Lewis.

Speaker Riley asked are there any discussion on the minutes. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #2

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Absent	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis noted Tribal Council Minutes for 10/11/17 has been approved for filing.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

B. Budget Modifications

- 1. Acceptance of grant funds from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan-Adult Mental Health Block Grant and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2017-__ in the amount of \$143,900**

The Tribe has received a new grant award.

Speaker Riley said Bill Willis is representing this.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said this is new money they received from ITC for the Adult Mental Health Block Grant. Willis said he doesn't know if Council is going to have any questions but Don Mac Donald apparently can't be here today. Willis said so anyway it is pretty straight forward and thinks this is the first time they have received this funding. Willis said the majority of the money is going to Professional Fees and Client Services.

Speaker Riley asked are there any questions or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn asked Bill Willis if he knew what department that is going into she means.....

Bill Willis replied it is going into the Clinic Operations, if they will, under Be-Da-Bin.

Councilor Lonn said okay that is all she wanted to know.

Speaker Riley recognized Recorder Lewis.

Recorder Lewis said she would like to make a motion.

**MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #17-1018-351;
ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE INTER-TRIBAL
COUNCIL OF MICHIGAN-ADULT MENTAL HEALTH BLOCK
GRANT AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE
OPERATING BUDGET MB-2017-74 IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$143,900; by Lewis; supported by Wittenberg.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions. Riley said nobody is willing to admit that this benefits them or not. Riley asked any further discussion on this. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #3

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Absent	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-1018-351 has been approved.

2. **Acceptance of grant funds from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan-Tribal Opioid Use Disorder Prevention and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2017-__ in the amount of \$43,709**
The Tribe has received a new grant award.

Speaker Riley said again, Bill Willis with this one.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said these funds will be administered or managed by Be-Da-Bin as well. Willis said once again is their new funds from Inter-Tribal Council.

Speaker Riley asked are there any questions or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said if there is no other questions he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-1018-352;
ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE INTER-TRIBAL
COUNCIL OF MICHIGAN-TRIBAL OPIOID USE DISORDER**

**PREVENTION AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE
OPERATING BUDGET MB-2017-75 IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$43,709; by Pete; supported by Wittenberg.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions and any further questions or discussion on this item. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #4

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Absent	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg -	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-1018-352 has been approved.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

**3. Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S. Department of
Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs and approving a
modification to the Operating Budget MB-2017-__ in the
amount of \$35**

The contract funds are awarded as part of the 2016 Self-Governance Compact.

Speaker Riley said to Bill Willis that he had the floor again.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said as he explained to Council at Agenda Review. Willis said these are apparently left over funds, residual funds, from the 2016 Self-Governance Compact which is for all intents and purposes is kind of closed but.....it states FY2016 Distribution of Education Program Funds for the 2% Educational Line Office Recalculation, whatever that means. Willis said it is \$35 they are giving to them.

Speaker Riley said he actually has a question. Riley asked Bill Willis if he thinks he could give just a rough estimate of how much money it costs to process all the paperwork to receive this \$35.

Bill Willis replied it is much more than \$35 he can guarantee them that. Willis said he means this paperwork touches Tammy Burmeister's hands, his hands, the Ogema's hands, and Council's obviously so there is a lot of time and effort spent to just accept \$35.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said if there is no questions he will make the motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-1018-353;
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR-BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING
BUDGET MB-2017-76 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35; by Di Piazza;
supported by Lewis.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions and any further questions or discussion. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #5

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Absent	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-1018-353 has been approved.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

- 4. Approval of Supplemental Appropriation 2017-__-4th QTR to fund Temporary Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Program of 2017 in the amount of \$50,000**
Tribal Council has received a Certification of Availability of Funds #2017-020 from the Accounting Department signed by the Chief Financial Officer.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said if there is no discussion he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-1018-354;
APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION 2017-20-4th
QTR TO FUND TEMPORARY DISASTER RELIEF AND
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OF 2017 IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$50,000; by Pete; supported by Di Piazza.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions and any further discussion on this one. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #6

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Absent	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-1018-354 has been approved.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

- 1. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure for Public Safety to purchase five (5) new vehicles from Watson's Manistee**
Purchasing and Procurement Regulations #R100-01:AC-01 directs that authorizations of expenditures in excess of \$12,000.01 be made by Tribal Council.

Speaker Riley said Robert Medacco is here to represent this and that he had the floor.

Robert Medacco, Director of Public Safety, represented this agenda item. Medacco said this is for approval of five new vehicles, patrol vehicles, which they will use three for Conservation and two for Public Safety. Medacco said budgeted amount was....quoted amount was \$28,584 per vehicle which is about \$142,920 of which they are doing trade-ins for six patrol vehicles they have in their existing fleet. Medacco said they sold off a vehicle from earlier this year to the Manistee County Sheriff's Department which was for \$12,000. Medacco said so they have a grand total for their trade-in and they are in the process of working with a department from south of here, Walkerville, to sell off one of their existing patrol vehicles to them to help them out because they are in dire need of a vehicle. Medacco said they are trying to get rid of one so they are going to help them out by selling off one of their vehicles so they will have about \$91,000 in money coming back to the Tribe on those trade-ins and purchases.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said she is just curious and asked how do they know when to trade them in. Lonn said do they hit a certain mileage amount then they want to get rid of them.

Robert Medacco said usually the wear and tear on a patrol vehicle is around a 100,000 miles.

Councilor Lonn said okay.

Robert Medacco said that is usually where police start to look at replacing their vehicles. Medacco said some of those vehicles are not to that point but what they are doing is they are trying to make one consistent vehicle across the board right now. Medacco said they have a hodge-podge of vehicles, Conservation and Public Safety, since he took over he has been trying to really combine the

departments as one cross trained department. Medacco said the vehicles are.....they are doing SUV's for Public Safety and Conservation so it will have one uniformed look. Medacco said for now they will have two existing patrol cars which are 2014's that are still in their fleet and they are going to let those run for a little bit longer and then try to replace those in a couple of years so that way if they have any break-downs or things like that they are not in the same year. Medacco said they don't have to replace all vehicles within that year. Medacco said they are consolidating from about he thinks 13 total vehicles to around he thinks nine that they will run at now so they are going to save money on the insurance costs and maintenance costs that way too.

Councilor Lonn said she has another question and she is just curious. Lonn asked do they take all the stuff from the inside that they put in and put them in those or do they sell them.

Robert Medacco said they use what they can. Medacco said since they are switching to a whole new vehicle it is probably not.....most of the stuff is not going to fit but what they are looking into is maybe selling off the stuff that they don't use and try to recoup some costs that way.

Councilor Lonn said she was just curious and thanked Robert Medacco.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza asked so this will bring his fleet up to extremely good shape.

Robert Medacco answered yes. Medacco said they will be.....right now they are running with two Dodge Magnums that are 2006 Vehicles. Medacco said normal everyday Police Departments run about five years per vehicle and they are running with 2006 which is about 12 years. Medacco said so with those two vehicles and some of the pick-ups are right around 100,000 as well. Medacco said they got some newer ones in there but with the trade-in value they just.....they are getting a good deal. Medacco said it is going to work out and benefit the department and the Tribe that way.

Councilor Lonn said just a side bar, please don't get Ford SUV's. Lonn said she has been listening to what is going on.

Robert Medacco said Ford.....they had an issue with Ford and they decided to go with Dodge.

Councilor Lonn thanked Robert Medacco.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said if there is no further questions he will make that motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-1018-355;
APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY TO
PURCHASE FIVE VEHICLES FROM WATSON'S MANISTEE
OUT OF BUDGETED FUNDS; by Di Piazza; supported by Medacco.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions on this item and any further discussion.

Robert Medacco said he just wanted to add one further thing to that. Medacco said this is not from budgeted money that he went for at the beginning of the year. Medacco said this is from Inland Rights Protection money that they get from the government so this is not even coming out of his existing 2017 Budget. Medacco said this is money that they had already set aside.

Councilor Lonn thanked Robert Medacco.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #7

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Absent	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-1018-355 has been approved.

**2. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure for Public Safety to
purchase five (5) new in car video systems/body cameras from
Pro-Vision**

Purchasing and Procurement Regulations #R100-01:AC-01 directs that authorizations of expenditures in excess of \$12,000.01 be made by Tribal Council.

Robert Medacco, Director of Public Safety, represented this agenda item. Medacco said this is him again. Medacco said this is to outfit the vehicles since they had the Magnums they had the in car video systems and those had failed them for a few years now. Medacco said they went to a different body cam system starting last year and with the purchase of these in car cameras they are getting a deal from Pro-Vision. Medacco said he checked out the systems and they came in and did a demonstration. Medacco said it is all HD quality video and they offer unlimited Cloud Service and they offer body cameras as well which they are throwing in for free with the purchase of these vehicles or the in car camera systems and with the agreement to use their software for five years. Medacco said what they are going to do is with the replacement of the new

existing body cameras that they are using they are going to try and sell off a couple of those to recoup some of the money for the purchase of this as well. Medacco said he has already gotten the County interested in purchasing two of their body cameras so it will bring more money back to the Tribe as well. Medacco said then there is with this purchase there is also a 5% discount once they agree to the Purchase Order.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said just out of curiosity so then will all of their officers when they are out on patrol or whatever will they all be wearing body cameras then after this.

Robert Medacco said they will only start with five at first but with Pro-Vision Systems they're economical enough to purchase body cam for each individual officer as well after this purchase goes through but they just wanted to go with the five. Medacco said they will be required.....they have a policy already in place for body cameras so they will have to wear them when they are out on patrol, yes.

Councilor Pete said okay and the only reason he asked is that what all they see on the news now everyone is wearing body cameras. Pete said he trusts their officers so.....but.....and thanked Robert Medacco.

Robert Medacco said absolutely.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said okay he will make a.....if there is no more discussion he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-1018-356;
APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY TO
PURCHASE FIVE IN CAR VIDEO SYSTEMS/BODY CAMERAS
FROM PRO-VISION WITH BUDGETED FUNDS;** by Pete; supported
by Lonn.

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions and any further discussion on this item.

Robert Medacco said just one more, the same as last time, this is not coming from their existing Budget it is coming from Inland Rights Protection money.

Tribal Council said okay.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza asked does he have to sign a release when they come on there.

Robert Medacco asked does he have to sign a release when he is on the camera. Medacco said just make sure that he is not.

Councilor Pete said he would be signing all day.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #8

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Absent	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-1018-356 has been approved.

3. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure for Public Safety to purchase equipment and the installation from Tele-Rad to outfit the five (5) new vehicles purchased from Watson's Manistee

Purchasing and Procurement Regulations #R100-01:AC-01 directs that authorizations of expenditures in excess of \$12,000.01 be made by Tribal Council.

Robert Medacco, Director of Public Safety, represented this agenda item. Medacco said alright this is for the outfit of the vehicles and this is equipment like light bars, and all the equipment they can't use from the existing vehicles already. Medacco said there is a host of little stuff that they have identified right now but there may be some other stuff in there that they might have to go back and purchase later. Medacco said right now these are all the items that they have identified. Medacco said they have to switch to different light bars because they are going with SUV's so those will have to be purchased and they are going with the Cage System for a different vehicle, different lighting system, that has to be 360 degree lighting system outfitted for the Durango's. Medacco said there will have to be a skin for the back seat. Medacco said the Durango's that they are purchasing only come with the cloth seats so they are going to have to purchase the skin that is almost like a plastic that covers the seat so they won't have blood borne pathogens issues or anything like that when people are in the back of the vehicle. Medacco said there is just a lot of equipment that goes in these vehicles when they outfit them for the road.

Speaker Riley said he has a question, he was actually in the back of a car in Macomb County, and it's not what they think, but anyway.....

Robert Medacco said that is something to bring up.

Speaker Riley said well he lost his car in a parking garage and they actually gave him a ride around to help find it because they know. Riley said anyway, they don't have like the plastic covers or anything and it is just all hard plastic in the back of there so they can just spray it out when something goes on. Riley said is that something they looked into or is it easier.

Robert Medacco said they try to be economical and just use the skin which is almost the same thing and is not as hard a plastic as the molded but that is an option that they can go with too. Medacco said it just didn't seem like the right fit for them right now in the Durango's. Medacco said it is kind of rare vehicle for police to use whenever he mentions that they are looking at Durango's people give him the odd stare but they actually looked at a demo and it is a nice vehicle. Medacco said the problem is trying to find the equipment for them because it is not a common vehicle like Ford Inceptors or anything like that.

Councilor Lonn asked who installs all that.

Robert Medacco said they have a contract with Tele-Rad so they use them as not only the person who is going to be installing them but familiar with what their needs are and the equipment that they need so they work with them to draw up this list of equipment for these vehicles.

Councilor Lonn said okay.

Speaker Riley said okay still need a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said if there is no further discussion he would like to make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-1018-357;
APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY TO
PURCHASE EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION FROM TELE-
RAD TO OUTFIT THE FIVE NEW VEHICLES PURCHASED
FROM WATSON'S MANISTEE WITH BUDGETED FUNDS; by
Pete; supported by Wittenberg.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions and any further discussion or questions on this item.

Robert Medacco said just the same as the last two items. Medacco said this is coming from Inland Rights Protection money not original Budget money.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #9

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Absent	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-1018-357 has been approved.

Robert Medacco thanked Council.

Speaker Riley thanked Robert Medacco.

IV. Acceptance of Reports

A. Report of the Tribal Ogema

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| 1. Operations Report | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
| 2. Financial Report | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |

Speaker Riley noted no reports submitted from.....

Councilor Lonn said she just has a question for Robert Medacco. Lonn said she thinks he should have them green. Lonn said the color green like her car, green.

Robert Medacco said he knows he had an officer that said the same thing because he drives a green jeep like hers. Medacco said he thinks they are going gray.

Speaker Riley said let's keep this related to the business here. Riley said under Acceptance of Reports they have nothing from the Tribal Ogema at this time.

V. Acceptance of Commission Reports

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| A. Binojeeuk Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
| B. Enrollment Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
| C. Gaming Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> September 2017 |
| D. Health Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
| E. Housing Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> September 2017 |
| F. Natural Resource Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
| G. Commerce Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |

Speaker Riley said onto Commission Reports. Riley said they got the Gaming Commission Report for September 2017 and the Housing Commission Report for September 2017. Riley asked is there any discussion on either of those reports.

VI. Acceptance of Committee Minutes and Other Entities

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| A. Elders Committee Minutes | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
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- B. Little River Casino Resort Preference Report** ☐ None Submitted
- C. LRBOI Tribal Government Preference Report** ☐ None Submitted

Speaker Riley said nothing from the other entities at this time either.

VII. Old Business

Reports that are due: August 2017

Reports received:

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| A. Financial Report | <input type="checkbox"/> August 2017 |
| B. Natural Resource Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
| C. Commerce Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |
| D. Elders Committee Minutes | <input type="checkbox"/> None Submitted |

Speaker Riley said they got the Financial Report for August 2017. Riley asked is there any comments or discussion on the Financial Report for August.

VIII. New Business

- A. Adoption of the Revised FY2018-2021 Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan (TTIP)**
The TTIP needs to be updated and submitted to the Bureau of Indian Affairs Roads Program to identify projects that are scheduled for Calendar Years 2018-2021.

Speaker Riley said Steve Parsons is representing this and that he had the floor.

Steve Parsons, from the Planning Department, represented this agenda item. Parsons said good morning. Parsons said this is something that they are required to do annually with their BIA Roads Funding. Parsons said they require.....the BIA requires they send them a list every year of the projects.....road projects that they intend on completing primarily in the following fiscal year which would be 2018 but they also ask for it to extend an additional three years so this is the 2018 through 2021 he believed.....plan. Parsons said they will do most of the activity less in 2018 because that is the one they are most sure about going forward. Parsons said they did have a work session a couple weeks back and kind of went over this in some detail with the Councilors who were able to attend. Parsons said he is happy to go through this in as much detail as they like but he also understands of wanting to be as efficient as he can be up there so he guessed he will forego that and see at this point if they have any questions. Parsons said a couple of things real quickly that this is due to the BIA by October 31st so they are well ahead of the game and once this is turned in this will be their Project List that they will kind of go by in terms of what they are going to be doing with their spending for next year. Parsons said with that he will conclude his comments and see if they have any questions.

Speaker Riley said okay are there any questions or a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said he was just going to say to just briefly touch on the 2018 Schedule but he doesn't want him to go too far into it.

Steve Parsons said he doesn't need to go into details so he understands what Councilor Di Piazza is saying.

Councilor Di Piazza said touch on it if he would please.

Steve Parsons said yeah basically to kind of highlight it the projects that they are looking at for next year. Parsons said one is what they are calling the Daycare Drive and not to imagine it with any of the roads but this is the primary driveway for the new Learning Center that they just opened up this year. Parsons said they had hoped to have this project done this year but unfortunately even though they turned the request to add this road into their inventory back in January of this year it didn't get put on until the latter part of the summer so it is impossible to do it this year and there was just not enough time so that will probably be their number one project going into next year. Parsons said they would like to clean that up so they could get it done once the weather breaks in the spring. Parsons said the Employee Access Road which is the second one listed is the road that goes from Dontz Road past the Warehouse to the employee parking lot. Parsons said the casino had made a request to see if they could use road funding to make some improvement to that road because right now it is kind of a dirt/gravel road. Parsons said it is usable but it needs some work so they would like to widen it and pave it to make it more accessible particularly to larger trucks that are making deliveries and so forth. Parsons said he knows in talking with Mike Burmeister there is some concern with employees using that road as a way to get to the employee parking lot and believed they discouraged that. Parsons said they would rather they wouldn't do that and the concern is if they improve it; it might be even more of an enticement for them to use that road but hopefully they can put some signage up and try to discourage folks from using it if they can.

Speaker Riley said he means if they are using the roads funding on that then they can't disallow people from using it he thought.

Steve Parsons said well what they can't do is they can't block the road or make it inaccessible to the public but they can put restrictions on, for example, they can say *AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY* or something like that.

Speaker Riley said oh, okay.

Steve Parsons said what they can't say is, they know, *PRIVATE PROPERTY NO TRESPASSING* or this *THIS ROAD IS NOT ACCESSIBLE* but they can control within their group who uses the road but they just can't ban the public. Parsons

said he knows it is a real subtle difference but hopefully that makes sense. Parsons said the Tribal Cemetery Road he knows it has been on the TTIP for a long time. Parsons said they think they are a point where they can actually begin to make some movement on this next year. Parsons said the hope is that they can put the road in that will get to the cemetery and this is on what they call the Custer Parcel down in Custer Township which is just off the Pere Marquette River. Parsons said it is on a track of land they have owned for a long time and the cemetery has been plain there for a quite a while. Parsons said the short version of that would be the road basically leading from First Street going back to where the Cemetery Parcel is going to be and they can also make some improvements for those who would like to access it through the Custer Cemetery which is right next door. Parsons said they can certainly do that too but that would be basically at Council's discretion if they feel that is another entrance they would like to use and there is time for them to do that too.

Speaker Riley said this is a pretty long list so let's just keep it to the road that they are improving and maybe the location because all this back story is making this kind of.....

Steve Parsons said he was sorry but he like.....tends to be an explainer so he apologizes.

Councilor Di Piazza said no, no.

Steve Parsons said it is hard for him that he kinds of does it but he appreciates that so let him move onto the U.S 31 tunnel. Parsons said they talked about briefly with MDOT and this is their way to try to, with their permission, put up a Pedestrian Tunnel under U.S 31 that can connect this side of the road with the Government Center, where the C-Store is to the Casino Parcel because right now there is no feasible way for pedestrians to cross U.S 31 without great risk to themselves. Parsons said they would have to be in pretty good shape to navigate that and that would be Tribal Transportation Safety Funding which they are going to be applying for and they will see that application coming here soon. Parsons said the Casino Parcel and that is something they are going to do as a Road Maintenance Project basically the concern there is some catch basins and storm drains on the sort of Casino Ring Road that goes back to the casino. Parsons said he is not sure what has happened but they got some issues particularly with the catch basins and curbing that are collapsing. Parsons said they are almost non-functioning at this point so they would use maintenance money to go in and fix those. Parsons said the Harvey Road Traffic Signal Maintenance is an agreement they have had with Norton Shores, the City of Norton Shores, for the last couple of years and that just continues that. Parsons said what it is; is a traffic signal that would be on the corner of ____ and Harvey Street. Parsons said there is a portion of ____ Road and are two parcels that they own that have been abandoned by Muskegon County Road Commission. Parsons said basically it is considered Tribal Property. Parsons said what they have agreed to do is pay a quarter of the

Traffic Signal Road Maintenance costs every year which runs about \$2-300 a year. Parsons said it is not very expensive but they have to have it on the TTIP so they know they are spending money for that. Parsons said hopefully that will do it.

Councilor Di Piazza said Miigwech.

Speaker Riley thanked Steve Parsons.

Steve Parsons said they are welcome.

Speaker Riley said they still need a motion on this item. Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete said he will make a motion.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-1018-358; ADOPTION OF THE FY 2018-2021 LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTATA INDIANS TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN (TTIP); by Pete; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions and any further questions or discussion on this item. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #10

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Absent	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-1018-358 has been approved.

Steve Parsons thanked them.

Speaker Riley thanked Steve Parsons.

- B. Authorization for Tribal Ogema to Execute Memorandum of Understanding with Women's Information Services, Inc. (WISE), CHOICES, Center for Women in Transition, Communities Overcoming Violent Encounters (COVE), Safe Haven Ministries, OASIS Family Resource Center, YWCA West Central Michigan and Legal Aid of Western Michigan**
Agreement with Private Parties must be authorized by Council and Executed by the Ogema.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Pete.

Councilor Pete thanked Speaker Riley. Pete said if there isn't any comments right now he would like to make that motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #17-1018-359;
APPROVING TRIBAL OGEMA'S EXECUTION OF
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH WOMEN'S
INFORMATION SERVICES, INC. (WISE), CHOICES, CENTER
FOR WOMEN IN TRANSITION, COMMUNITIES OVERCOMING
VIOLENT ENCOUNTERS (COVE), SAFE HAVEN MINISTRIES,
OASIS FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER, YWCA WEST CENTRAL
MICHIGAN, AND LEGAL AID OF WESTERN MICHIGAN; by
Pete; supported by Medacco.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions on this one and any questions or discussion. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #11

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Absent	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis confirmed Resolution #17-1018-359 has been approved.

C. Consideration of Appointment of Frank Medacco as Alternate Liaison to the Binojeeuk Commission

The Binojeeuk Commission will most likely not have a quorum next week unless this appointment is made.

Speaker Riley explained that they have one Commissioner currently and two.....he thought one was leaving or alright.....anyway they just want to make sure that they are covered in the event that the Binojeeuk Commission needs quorum due to the nature of their work and they can't cancel meetings for that particular commission. Riley said so they wanted to make sure that there is always going to be a Councilor available to sit in if necessary. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said if there is no questions he will make a motion.

**MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF
FRANKIE MEDACCO AS THE ALTERNATE LIAISON TO THE
BINOJEEUK COMMISSION; by Crampton; supported by Pete.**

Speaker Riley asked are there any abstentions and any further discussion. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #12

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Absent	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis said motion has been approved for the Appointment of Frank Medacco as Alternate Liaison to the Binojeeuk Commission.

Speaker Riley thanked Recorder Lewis.

IX. Concluding Business

A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, October 25, 2017

B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update

Speaker Riley said to Ogema Romanelli that he had the floor.

Ogema Romanelli thanked them. Romanelli said only two things to report. Romanelli said they attended, Councilor Di Piazza and he, attended the United Tribes Meeting last week where Patrick Miles attended and let the United Tribes know he is running for AG at the next election. Romanelli said two other topics obviously were Line 5 and all the problems that the Great Lakes are facing and is still on the top of the agenda. Romanelli said there was discussion on Marijuana use and Opioids. Romanelli said there was a large discussion on that and then their usuals which was the Education Report and different things from Civil Rights. Romanelli said that is probably it. Romanelli said he thinks Aaron Payment was re-elected as President and Jaimie Stuck is Vice President. Romanelli said the only other issue is that, he thinks they are aware of it, because of the media that the Next Generation Learning Center had an issue but it being dealt with as promptly and fully as possible. Romanelli said that is it.

Speaker Riley asked any questions for the Ogema. Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said yeah he was asked to comment on that himself. Crampton said he felt it was inappropriate and it should come as a joint statement from the government so he will be requesting a joint statement so that they.....

Ogema Romanelli said that was requested but he didn't hear back from the government and thinks it was Speaker Riley and himself who were notified if they wanted to give a statement.

Councilor Crampton said he was talking about something coming from the Tribe so when they are asked as individual Councilors as a guideline.

Ogema Romanelli said oh, okay.

Councilor Crampton said so they are not getting nine different stories.

Ogema Romanelli said right, exactly.

Speaker Riley said they actually, thinks they had discussed, the other day and thinks that Jason Cross had handled that.

Ogema Romanelli said right.

Speaker Riley said they were all aware of it so.

Ogema Romanelli said then the TV was asking for information and the paper but in part they decided to just use the same information that was given to the TV stations for the newspaper. Romanelli said sometimes they do want the Leadership to be.....to get information from the Leadership too.

Speaker Riley said okay anything else. Riley said okay.

Councilor Crampton said last week in the same forum there were some statements that were untrue that were attributed to himself. Crampton said Council has information that he asked to be shared with the Ogema.....

Ogema Romanelli said okay.

Councilor Crampton went on to say.....to support that. Crampton said at this point he basically would like a retraction and apology in the same forum in which it was published before going forward with anything else. Crampton said at this point that would satisfy him.

Ogema Romanelli asked the retraction from whom.

Councilor Crampton said from him.

Ogema Romanelli asked okay for what.

Councilor Crampton said for what he said last week and doesn't he remember what he said last week.

Speaker Riley said the purpose of this meeting is to conduct business so this petty stuff needs to stop.

Councilor Crampton said to Speaker Riley wait, wait, wait, he let it go last week until it defamed him now he is going to try to stop it.

Councilor Lonn said it is stopped.

Speaker Riley said to Councilor Crampton that it is not all about him. Riley reiterated it is not. Riley said he let it go on too long last week and he is not going to do this anymore.

Councilor Crampton said yes he did it was defamation last week and he knows that. Crampton said he asked him to share that information.

Speaker Riley said so is there anything else for the Business Status Update.

C. Legislative Affairs Update

Speaker Riley said Legislative Affairs. Riley recognized Councilor Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said other than like he said they went to United Tribes last week. Di Piazza said there was a couple of resolutions they passed. Di Piazza said one was on Sandhill Crane, evidently the State wants to open that up for hunting. Di Piazza said like he.....they voted to oppose that which it is like the wolf and everything. Di Piazza said it's like they can't eat a Sandhill Crane and he doesn't know why anybody wanted to open hunting up for them. Di Piazza said like he said there was some discussion about Marijuana and being a gateway drug and things. Di Piazza said that kind of got.....there was two different views there. Di Piazza said he will put it that way. Di Piazza said they were just trying to decipher what the discussion was about because they didn't quite understand what they were presenting. Di Piazza said other than that is all he has.

Speaker Riley said anything else for Legislative Affairs.

Councilor Lonn said she thinks they meant when she read that article about that Sandhill Crane something about destroying the area where they are at. Lonn said they are not for eating or anything but that paper explained that they are destroying the land or whatever the swamp whatever.

Councilor Di Piazza said so is the muskrat.

Councilor Lonn said they are evil though.

Speaker Riley said they will have to look into that and see if there is.....

Councilor Di Piazza said he doesn't see too many flying and it is mainly for Gun Lake because that is their crane.

Recorder Lewis said their dodem.

Speaker Riley said alright if there is nothing else for Legislative Affairs at this time.

D. Public Comment Period

Speaker Riley said they will open it up for public comment. Riley asked is there anybody that has a public comment at this time. Riley said actually he has something for public comment and it is with what happened with the Childcare Center and it is something that kind of upsets him. Riley said he feels like they are their own worst enemy in a lot of this stuff because, they know, this stuff that goes on isn't always.....it doesn't always reflect on them in the most positive light when it gets spun a certain way and it is their own people that is doing the spinning. Riley said he thinks they need to treat this Tribe like a family where they have.....when they have certain things that happen he thinks the discussion needs to take place internally and maybe they need to have a better channel for Tribal citizens to discuss this stuff amongst themselves but when they sit here and when something happens in the Tribe that could be used by those who would harm them and it is their own people that are recycling this information and putting it out there and repeating misinformation then it is detrimental to their selves more than anything. Riley said he just wanted to say that he is a little disappointed in the way some of these things happen and the way these rumors start. Riley said he thinks they need to do a better job of giving their people a better place to discuss these amongst themselves and a better job from them of communicating these things in a clear manner when they can communicate them to make sure that there is not as much confusion and misinformation being spun out there. Riley recognized Councilor Lonn.

Councilor Lonn said she would like to.....she is so proud of their Public Safety. Lonn said she listened to the radio and the TV and what they have done to protect the children and follow through and do all the things that are necessary to let the people know that they are safe with this issue. Lonn said it just impressed her so she wanted to thank Robert Medacco and his group. Lonn said he took it upon himself and did it fast. Lonn said it is out there that he did a great job and thanked him.

Councilor Wittenberg said support.

Speaker Riley recognized Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said if they want people to act like a family they have to treat them like family. Crampton said he thinks Speaker Riley hit it right on the head it starts with the Leadership and that will solve a lot of the problems in the Tribe.

Speaker Riley said alright anything else for public comment. Riley said alright at this point they will be going into closed session.

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 Riley said he will entertain a motion to end first open at 10:48.

MOTION TO END FIRST OPEN AT 10:48; by Lewis; supported by Crampton.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #13

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Absent	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis said alright they are ending first open.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

XI. Open Session

The Council reconvened in Open Session at 11:38 a.m.

Speaker Riley said he will entertain a motion to go into second open at 11:38.

MOTION TO GO INTO SECOND OPEN AT 11:38; by Lonn; supported by Di Piazza.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #14

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Absent	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis noted they are in second open.

A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis do they have anything to move.

Recorder Lewis said yes.

MOTION TO MOVE RESOLUTION #17-1018-360, ALSO 361 AND 362; MOTION AND ROLL CALL VOTE ONLY; by Lewis; supported by Di Piazza.

Speaker Riley asked any discussion on that one. Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

Roll Call #15

J. Riley -	Yes	J. Friedel -	Absent	F. Medacco -	Yes
S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes	R. Pete -	Yes
R. Wittenberg-	Yes	D. Lonn -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Lewis said motion and roll call only have been put into open for Resolution #17-1018-360, 361 and 362.

The following motions and roll call votes were moved from Closed to Open Session.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 17-1018-360, AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BETWEEN ELM GROVE ENTERPRISE AND LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS; by Medacco; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Riley asked if anyone was going to abstain from the vote.

Roll Call #C-4

R. Wittenberg -	Yes	S. Crampton -	Yes	G. DiPiazza -	Yes
D. Lonn -	Yes	F. Medacco -	Yes	J. Riley -	Yes
J. Friedel -	Absent	R. Pete -	Yes	S. Lewis -	Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 17-1018-361, AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BETWEEN LAKESHORE CLEANING SERVICES AND LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS; by Medacco; supported by Lonn.

Speaker Riley asked if anyone was going to abstain from the vote.

Roll Call #C-5

R. Wittenberg - Yes	S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - No
D. Lonn - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes	J. Riley - Yes
J. Friedel - Absent	R. Pete - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (7-1-0-1)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 17-1018-362,
LUDINGTON PUMP STORAGE PLANT SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT; by DiPiazza; supported by Lewis.**

Speaker Riley asked if anyone was going to abstain from the vote.

Roll Call #C-6

R. Wittenberg - Yes	S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes
D. Lonn - Yes	F. Medacco - Yes	J. Riley - Yes
J. Friedel - Absent	R. Pete - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

This concludes the items moved from Closed to Open Session.

XII. Adjourn

Speaker Riley said he is looking for a motion to adjourn at 11:39.

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 11:39; by Lewis; supported by Pete.

Speaker Riley asked Recorder Lewis to do a roll call.

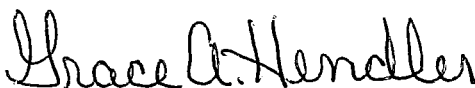
Roll Call #16

J. Riley - Yes	J. Friedel - Absent	F. Medacco - Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes	R. Pete - Yes
R. Wittenberg-Yes	D. Lonn - Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:39 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Sandra Lewis,
Tribal Council Recorder