



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
EMERGENCY MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2016
LITTLE RIVER BAND
GOVERNMENT CENTER**

**EMERGENCY OPEN SESSION
MINUTES**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held an emergency meeting at the Little River Band Government Center on September 1, 2016. Following are the minutes of that meeting. Speaker Johnson welcomed everyone to their Emergency Meeting for.....requested by the Ogema. Johnson said at this time the process in which they do is discuss only the Item A on this thing here.

I. Call to Order

The emergency scheduled Tribal Council meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m.

II. Roll Call

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| J. Riley - Present | J. Burger- Present | F. Medacco- Present |
| S. Crampton - Present | G. DiPiazza- Present | M. Wabindato -Present |
| R. Wittenberg-Present | V. Johnson - Present | S. Lewis - Present |

Quorum established.

Others Present: Grace Hendler, George Le Vasseur, Mary Thomas, Ogema Romanelli, Officer Patrick Gilles, John Pabami, Charmaine Stone, Israel Stone, Austen Brauker, Michael Burmeister, Tom Guenthardt, Sandy Mezeske, Diane Lonn, Ron Pete, Jamie Friedel, Gary Lewis, Robert Medacco, Kenny Pheasant, Diana O’Neal, Kelly Maser, Rebecca Liebing, Caitlin Rollins.

Speaker Johnson said the meeting is in place now and the item that they are going to be discussing here and there is only one Item here that was filed by the Ogema. Johnson read the following:

III. Open Session

A. Discuss concerns and perceived problems related to the passage of Resolution #16-0810-228

- 1. Additional duties placed on the Ogema as a result of the Resolution**
- 2. Communication to the Ogema since the passing of the Resolution**
- 3. Length of time to implement the Oversight Committee**
- 4. Replacing the Board of Directors without having Gaming Licenses**

5. Concerns from Resort employees

Speaker Johnson said there are five concerns regarding this one subject. Johnson said at this point he is going to turn this over to the Ogema.

Ogema Romanelli said he appreciates the Council allowing him to call this Emergency Session. Romanelli said he wants to refer to Resolution #16-0810-228 as a lengthier name of Emergency Adoption of Amendments to the Gaming Enterprise Board of Directors Act of 2010, Ordinance #10-800-03 and renaming the act the Gaming Enterprise Oversight Act. Romanelli said before he gets started he wanted to thank the people that are in the audience as well. Romanelli said he had asked this to become an open meeting because there was an option of having open or closed. Romanelli said because it is an open meeting he would ask that their Legal Staff please if they see that he may be doing.....going out of the bounds a little bit please give him a little directive. Romanelli said he will try to stay within the bounds of an open meeting. Romanelli said with that said he does have some concerns.....concerns and perceived problems that he believed need to be addressed since the passage of that resolution. Romanelli said the first part he is going to as he knows there is a pending action between the Council on this so there is a part of this that he thinks he is going to have to not speak about because he doesn't know that they can get into it anyway but he can tell them that the removal of the Board of Directors and he doesn't believe that there is any way for them to be brought back at this point because he thinks they have been disbanded. Romanelli said he thinks now what he is going to speak of is going forward from the time that the action was taken. Romanelli said he had his concerns with the process but they will go past that because of the pending action. Romanelli said the removal of the Board of Directors has placed additional work on at least the Ogema's desk and he is sure all nine of them, the Tribal Council. Romanelli said it is clear that the Ogema workload is pretty well maxed even before this change took place. Romanelli said he is sure he wouldn't hear of any objections to that statement. Romanelli said since the ordinance was implemented there had been times where the Ogema was not included in the invitation to meetings with the Resort on at least two occasions. Romanelli said he spoke with the Council and he thinks they have an understanding that hopefully he will be included in the future. Romanelli said there have also been directives given to the Resort through the General Manager that the Ogema was not cc'ed on and he finds that concerning as well because since the removal of the Board in the interim period the resolution says that there is a possibility of an Oversight Committee being organized. Romanelli said it will go from the Board of Directors to this Oversight Committee and there are a couple of problems with that. Romanelli said in the resolution there is no guarantee that that Oversight Committee will be implemented because it says that it is at the Council's discretion whether that is even implemented. Romanelli said what they have in place in this gray area and interim period is they have the ten Elected Officials up here overseeing much of the Resort taking much of what the Board of Directors used to do while giving some of the additional duties to the General Manager but

any oversight in this gray period is now the ten of them, Elected Officials. Romanelli said it is a little concerning that is where they are at now. Romanelli said that can go on for a period of time that is indefinite by the resolution that says that it isn't indefinite. Romanelli said they can discuss that and he is getting a no but in this.....they are in that timeframe now and that is concerning to him because he thinks that he is not sure they are fully prepared at this point to do what they need to do. Romanelli said one of his biggest concerns is this period and the establishment of a Gaming Enterprise Oversight Committee. Romanelli said in his opinion knowing how committees are put together it can take no less than probably three months to really put a clear Oversight Committee in place. Romanelli said they have to post.....first they are going to create the duties and the qualifications and they are going to have to post these positions then they are going to have to interview. Romanelli said then they are going to have to submit the appointees what would make the appointments per the Constitution and give them to the Council to either accept or deny. Romanelli said during that time they still have these ten Elected Officials that are basically in charge of much of the oversight of the Resort. Romanelli said he thinks measures need to be put in place to protect their Resort. Romanelli said he will make it short and allow the Council to either respond or whatever they want to do. Romanelli said the purpose of the meeting was to discuss these concerns and problems and those are mostly what he has. Romanelli said since the resolution was passed there also had to be an emergency meeting set-up that he believed was on Tuesday of this week or earlier in this week to correct one of the oversights that happened during that process and he was concerned with the speed in the process that took place to put this new resolution in place and thanks to the in-house attorneys an emergency meeting happened and that problem was taken care of. Romanelli said here is what he is asking for the Council to consider, he also has a concern.....one last concern with the Resort employees. Romanelli said he wants to ensure the employees of the Resort that they will continue, that they have some oversight and they are paying attention to the needs. Romanelli said he knows that during times of change it is really hard for the Resort from upper level right on down through the different places he wants them to be.....feel and know that they are absolutely protected as best as he can do and he is hoping that he can assure that from the Council as well. Romanelli said so going forward here is what he is asking from the Council he is asking that they ensure that the Ogema is includingis included in all meetings with the Resort. Romanelli said that meaning that he would have the option to either attend or send somebody in his place. Romanelli said he wants to make it clear that one of the duties that the emergency meeting that was held the other day gives the Ogema the ability to work with the Unions and he has placed Shayne Machen in his place in his proxy and he just wants them to be aware of that. Romanelli said he also asking the Council any communications and directives to the Resort that they allow the Ogema to weigh in on or have an opinion on before they send it and anything going out that is a directive the Ogema should be included on. Romanelli said he thinks these are very fair and reasonable expectations since they are all ten supposed to be working together. Romanelli said there are questions about the

Gaming packets or if they should have gaming background checks and he absolutely agrees with that he thinks that is absolutely necessary. Romanelli said he is asking that every.....all ten of them submit a packet whether they believe they can pass it or not, submit that packet to the Gaming Commission, and either be accepted or rejected at that point and time. Romanelli said if they are rejected he would accept.....expect that the person being rejected not vote or have any dealings with.....concerning what the resolution or what powers this resolution gave them. Romanelli said he is asking Tribal Council to release some tapes and minutes of closed sessions of the Tribal Council Meetings for the last two months. Romanelli said this is in response to some of the concerns and rumors that have been going around that also affect their staff at the Resort. Romanelli said finally he asking all of them to please refrain from making any comments or taking any actions that could be interrupted as to be threatening to the staff of the Resort. Romanelli said he would ask that they get an up or a down or a yes or a no from the Council on each of these action items.

Speaker Johnson said before he entertains Councilor Crampton here he just wants to also extend from Council's end of it.....he talked to Councilor Crampton briefly about this that they have the Unified Legal Department out there as they move forward in the discussion to ensure that they are compliant with the Board of Directors Act and that if there is something they may have said he would invite them to correct them immediately so they get the record straight as they move forward in this discussion. Johnson said with that said and called on Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Crampton said his main concern is that Tribal Council acts by a.....as a body through resolutions and ordinances they have nothing on this agenda today that is an action item. Crampton said the concerns could have been addressed in a work session that the public could have been included in but what resolution or ordinance are they passing today.

Ogema Romanelli said they are not passing any resolution other than action items. Romanelli said he was asked to produce action items for the Council to consider. Romanelli said if he is out of place please let him know.

Councilor Crampton said he guessed he don't see what's the action item.

Ogema Romanelli said he thinks he just explained the action items. Romanelli said here is what.....he can go over them again. Romanelli said the action items that he is asking the Council to weigh in on or to vote on is going forward that the Ogema is included on all meetings with the Resort which is pretty simple and straight forward. Romanelli said he thinks that any communications and directives to the Resort that they would allow the Ogema to weigh in on and that they are not just taking.....they say the Council acts as a body. Romanelli said in this instance when they are dealing with the Resort it is now ten of them and not nine of them but ten of them and he thinks that he should have every right to

weigh in on any directives that is given to the Resort. Romanelli said he asking that each Tribal Council member be expected to submit background packets to the Gaming Commission.

Speaker Johnson said to Ogema Romanelli that he wants to be very respectful here and the question was by Councilor Crampton about the action items and the Recorder has the purpose of this meeting on an e-mail or on a document here he would invite him to read that to everybody the purpose of the meeting.

Recorder Riley said going forward the action items include the Ogema on all meetings of the Resort, done, that was a minor oversight at the beginning. Riley said any communications and directives to the Resort allow the Ogema to give his opinion before sending. Riley said he believed that has been done and thinks there has been some communications but they were regarding Council's Specific Duties that were sent over there that he is aware of unless anybody sent anything. Riley said each Tribal Councilor should be expected to submit a background pack to the Gaming Commission as far as he knows everybody has.....everybody is in receipt of an application at the least he thinks maybe half of the people up here has submitted those already. Riley said Tribal Council should release tapes and minutes of closed session of the Tribal Council Meetings for the last two months and that would have to be something that they will have to take under advisement and take action on at a later time. Riley said the ten Elected Officials should refrain from making any comments or taking any actions that could be interpreted to be threatening to the Resort Staff and he is unaware of anything personally that has been sent or said that could be perceived as threatening but he is sure that the Ogema is in possession of something that is a threat that was sent over there if he is bringing this up.

Ogema Romanelli said he is.

Speaker Johnson said he believed Councilor Crampton had the floor but he asked the question the purpose of the meeting.

Councilor Crampton responded yes.

Speaker Johnson said that was read off. Johnson asked does that satisfy and that Councilor Crampton still had the floor.

Councilor Crampton said he doesn't really.....the thing he is concerned about is if the Ogema is asking for the release of closed session information he assumes it is pertaining to this issue.

Ogema Romanelli said as far as what.....he is sorry.....

Councilor Crampton said closed session meetings.....releasing closed session minutes.

Ogema Romanelli said yes it has to do with.....because.....

Councilor Crampton said historically a Tribe has never done that. Crampton said historically since their inception so he means if they are going to go down that road can the Council also do that on other issues.

Ogema Romanelli replied that he would think so.

Councilor Crampton said okay.

Councilor Burger said that would set a precedent and open it all up.

Speaker Johnson called on Israel Stone. Johnson said he almost did it and yes he knows it is just one of those Freudian things for him and apologized to everybody. Johnson said to Israel Stone that he had the floor.

Israel Stone, Tribal #1735, said actually the Constitution states that the Council acts by motion, resolution and ordinance. Stone said if the Ogema is asking for the Council to act today they can act in accordance with the Constitution via motion not all the items.....actionable items that he has requested before the Council today. Stone said so that is in the Constitution and is very clear. Stone said he too has an interest in the last two months, closed session minutes, as a citizen because he received a phone call last night from two former Board members stating that there were threats made against the Resort employees in meetings with Tribal Council. Stone said so he.....Larry is not aware of this he received the phone call and he has a vested interest in that because the Constitution affords every Tribal citizen of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians equal protection under the law and it doesn't say that they have equal protection if their name is this or their name is not that. Stone said it says they have equal protection under the law. Stone said the Indian Preference and Employment Act if they look at the act nothing when they pass but the purpose for the act was to employ Tribal members....gainfully employ Tribal citizens. Stone said if they were taking actions such as the former Preference Law that they passed eliminating preference people, Tribal members, from the ability to seek gainful employment that goes against what the intent of the Federal Law was. Stone said he also has a vested interest because they know that he worked in this jurisdiction and worked in the Department of Corrections and he worked in Criminal Justice and has been through many background checks nobody who is making decisions for a multi-million dollar enterprises of the Tribe should be making those decisions without the same license that he wears every day when he walks through the door or any other team member that holds that position when they walk through the door every day. Stone said he's got nothing to hide in his background and those guys.....he will give them permission to get his file from the Gaming Commission because there is nothing there. Stone said everybody should be subjected to the same requirements under the law also he does have issue with the fact that when this act was passed not all the Council members

were present to have their voices heard it was almost like this was slammed on the agenda and pushed through when there were people that weren't here to speak their voice. Stone said these are significant decisions that impact the Tribe and he can see the sarcasm in.....and frustration on some people's faces and they know what it is, a fact, the truth. Stone said there were people missing on a significant decision. Stone said he won't get into the....to the case that he has with Tribal Council in Tribal Court, okay, because he believed that needs to be protected as well but at the same time there are clear separation of powers in the Constitution that everybody needs to consider. Stone said there are directives coming across to the Resort from Tribal Council. Stone said there are directives coming over there without the Ogema's knowledge that's a fact and they received one yesterday asking about personal financial information of team members, what do they make, what position do they hold and they want to know it all. Stone said to him there is no specific business reason for anybody to obtain that information unless they are planning on making a targeted attack against individuals that are employed by the enterprise. Stone said that e-mail could be produced and it did happen so to sit up there and say that they don't know of any information that has been requested, not them guys that didn't say the comment, but the person that did say the comment that has been requested from Tribal.....from the enterprise when it came from their e-mail he blatantly lied to the citizens. Stone thanked them and said he was done.

Speaker Johnson said before he entertains Recorder Riley. Johnson said one of the things he wants to make real clear and he is glad the Unified Legal Department is in the audience he heard that there was a discussion by former Board members about closed session items. Johnson said that disappoints him because the Board of Directors knows the rules about closed session items and discussing it outside the meeting. Johnson said he would encourage their Unified Legal Department to draft a letter quickly to send out to these Board members that they cannot be sharing anything in closed session to anybody other than they know the rules of closed session information. Johnson said he seen this happen once before many years ago where a previous Board member did this and this is how they responded to that. Johnson said closed session is closed session. Johnson said until Council says it is okay to release that, those discussions, it cannot be done. Johnson said with that said Recorder Riley has the floor.

Recorder Riley said never mind.

Israel Stone said there is a court case that Council may be aware of that isn't his and is called Ex Parte vs. Johnson. Stone said it is a court case that states that Sovereign Immunity does not apply in an instance where there is a violation of Constitution or law meaning as long as they act within the scope of their authority they are okay the minute they act outside of that immunity no longer applies. Stone said those former Board members are no longer Board members. Stone said those former Board members can be subpoenaed to a Whistleblower's complaint through the Tribal Court. Stone said it discourages him to stand up

there and say he heard this information and then the censor comes out they need to send her a letter right away to cover this up that this happened because that is what he heard and he knows that's what probably every other Tribal citizen in the room heard. Stone said it is not right. Stone said they have an obligation whether they like him or not personally to give him the same protection under the law as they do anybody else. Stone said it is not about personal feelings it is about doing the right thing. Stone said he doesn't dislike any one of them. Stone said that Councilor Crampton and he have went back and forth for how many years now, 16. Stone said they have been going back and forth now for 15, 15 years. Stone said he doesn't dislike the man they have a difference of opinion they stand on a different place, okay, so it is not about disliking somebody, he serves their Council and serves in a position of honor, okay, to watch over their people but that is all of their people and that is where all of them sit is in that same place to watch out for every citizen of the Tribe. Stone said that is where that equal protection of the law comes from that's why they the people of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians starts out. Stone said the Council is not the Tribe. Stone said the Tribe is the citizens. Stone said they are here as servants to the Tribe. Stone said it is an honorable position and a good place to be, yes, but they are here to serve the people. Stone said no different than when he sat up there or any of the other people that have sat up there, sat up there. Stone said it bothers him that they have to get to the point where the Ogema has to call a special meeting to get people in the room to discuss these kinds of issues. Stone asked why are they not having more meetings with their citizens why do they not talk to them about what their feelings are. Stone said in fact back in November.....or October of last year and during the Spring Membership Meeting the members told them very clearly they didn't want the Council involved in the enterprise of the Tribe because he will ask the question how many of them have a Business Degree.

Speaker Johnson said um.....

Israel Stone said no this is related to the item.

Speaker Johnson said he understands the question but he wants to stay focused on the agenda item for Emergency Meeting and they are getting off on a tangent.

Israel Stone said he will go back so he would respectfully request that the Og.....Council take action by motion on the items the Ogema presented. Stone said Constitutionally they can do so. Stone said for the record he is there on his own time. Stone thanked them.

Speaker Johnson said okay Austen Brauker.

Austen Brauker, Tribal #4762, said he is in fear of losing his job and it is not because anybody has the power to hire or fire but they do have the power to eliminate budgetary sections departments and things like that. Brauker said he has stood up there as a Tribal citizen and voiced his concerns over things and

some of that has been in opposition to some of the actions that have been taken. Brauker said he believed that because of that, because of speaking his mind, because of sharing his opinion as a Tribal member which he should have the right to do he believed he does have that right. Brauker said he believed he put himself in jeopardy because he shared unpopular opinions or opinions that are not unpopular with the membership but opinions that are unpopular from the leadership. Brauker said he believed that has put a target on his back. Brauker said he doesn't think that should be the case. Brauker said when they.....in their Constitution they are guaranteed the right to be heard on issues and it says so in that Constitution and he believed that when this ordinance was passed there were people in the queue including the Ogema and that the rules of order of the meeting took precedent over their Tribal Constitution because they put forth the motion and they voted for it and they closed down the ability to be heard which is described he believed in their Constitution. Brauker said he believed since there were people in the queue including the Ogema that the operational rules of order of that meeting superseded the Constitution. Brauker said he believed their Constitutional rights were violated at that moment when they were not allowed to be heard and he doesn't believe that the rules of order are more important than the Constitution and he don't.....he is having stress because he should be able to speak out on opinions that affect their Tribe. Brauker said he is having trouble sleeping, eating, and worrying about things because of this. Brauker said he too has heard things that have leaked out of possible closed session meetings that he is the target or will be the target in an end run of having their Budget cut because they don't like what he has said about things publically. Brauker said he doesn't think that is fair to him and believed that he is also protected under the law and believed some of these issues.....there has been some Constitutional problems with how this went down and he thinks that it should be explored, audited, looked at and looked at for illegal actions, they know, if there is something in the Constitution and they pass an ordinance that goes.....that violates that Constitution until that Constitution has been changed that ordinance is either illegal or the Constitution is being violated one or the other. Brauker said it seems like that is the case with certain things like the Unified Legal the Constitution still says they can go seek outside legal assistance but yet they know, they can't have it both ways.

Speaker Johnson said they got to keep it on topic. Johnson said he has Councilor Crampton in the queue but before he gets to Councilor Crampton in the queue just to keep....make sure everybody ____ what they did on that meeting was Robert's Rules and that is how they operate their Business Meetings by Robert's Rules. Johnson said that people are afforded to give their comments before or after they make actions on them so he doesn't believe at this point that they are in violation of the Constitution because people did have a chance to discuss that item both before and after but because they used Robert's Rules and it came up to that point to call the question they follow it. Johnson said that is the guidelines on how they operate. Johnson said to Councilor Crampton that he had the floor.

Councilor Crampton said first of all he would like to thank his colleagues for their professional candor today and remind everybody in attendance this is an Emergency Meeting and he will read this into the minutes "*in accordance with Article IV Section 6 (c) Emergency Meetings, in the Tribal Constitution, the business to be transacted at the Emergency Open Session Meeting shall be limited to the specific purpose stated above.*" Crampton said he would appreciate it if they would keep this on track because he knows Council wants to say a lot of things but they are trying to be professional here and he would hope people would do the same.

Speaker Johnson said he has Ron Pete and the Ogema.

Ron Pete, Tribal #4158, said to Speaker Johnson please stop him if he is not staying on the track of this meeting because he doesn't know about all the ins and outs so.....but he does want to respond to some things that people have said and something actually that he told Council members that he was going to do. Pete asked the Speaker if he is stopping him.

Speaker Johnson said the thing is he wants to make sure everybody fully understands why they are having this meeting and read it out here the purpose of this meeting. Johnson said he wants to stay focused on it and he apologized to the people out there and his colleagues at the table here because they got a little bit off topic and they need to stay focused on this subject. Johnson said if they need them to reread the purpose of the meeting they can.

Ron Pete asked if he can direct something that he heard as the purpose of the meeting and that is the concerns of employees at the Resort so is that part of the purpose of this meeting.

Speaker Johnson replied that he believed so.

Ron Pete asked is it, is it not, or if it is not then tell him.

Ogema Romanelli read "*#5 Concerns of Resort Employees.*"

Ron Pete said so that's is what he is here to address. Pete asked okay.

Speaker Johnson said okay.

Ron Pete said he heard the things on the floor too and walks that floor at least four times a day and has certain times when he gets up and talk to front line employees and guests and sometimes up to six. Pete said and so he has been hearing things on the floor people directly to him, front line people saying they are concerned that Council is going to come over here and there is going to be a big layoff and there is going to be this and there is going to be that. Pete said he has heard it so he.....that was about two weeks ago he called really for them at the Resort an

Emergency Mandatory Meeting for all employees and he scheduled it from 6:00 a.m. in the morning and his last one was at 6:00 at night so it was about a 14 hour spread there. Pete said in fact one of the Unified Legal was at one of the meetings and he expressed at the Resort all the things they had talked about together when this was passed. Pete said he told them that they know what, they are still running a Resort that is what they are doing they are running a Resort. Pete said them guys according to what he heard and read in this ordinance so far is that in terms of employee and personnel issues just like before there was no effect on employee and personnel issues and the only effect that he knows of is he has a new boss. Pete said that is the effect and he reports.....he was told he reports to the Ogema but he also knows he reports to Tribal Council so he has a new boss. Pete said them guys do not need to worry about anything and he let them know and thought they were very, very, very fruitful meetings that they had. Pete said he is hoping they got through to it and is hoping he is but he has had people, he had waitresses come up to him and say different things. Pete said he heard there was going to be a big layoff. Pete said he told them there wasn't going to be any layoff they need their team members so all he is saying to Council and the reason he brings this up to the Speaker he hopes when he talks to Council about this and that is what they told him that is the way this is.....is that they told him straight up the way it is and they are not making.....telling his employees something that isn't true. Pete said that is all he is saying and thanked them.

Speaker Johnson said to the Ogema that he had the floor.

Ogema Romanelli said he believed he is trying to protect the Tribe and its enterprises by putting these items out there as he believed that Tribal Council is trying to protect.....do the same protections to the Tribe and its enterprises by the actions that they have taken. Romanelli said he must say that he let his concerns be known to the Tribal Council at different points in time whether it's the purpose of this amended action that took place or the subsequent emergency action they took the other day he did let his concerns be known. Romanelli said he does that on a regular basis. Romanelli said the fact is since that action has taken place the Ogema has been excluded from meetings and he hopes they have it corrected. Romanelli said he has talked with their Recorder and there have been communications sent out that does not have him included and that should not happen. Romanelli reiterated that should not happen. Romanelli said the place where they are at it is all ten of them that are on there and he realized he only has 1/10th of the vote if anything comes up which he means he knows that is a limited vote and he knows how things usually go but he has to tell them that he has considerations to look at going forward so he is asking for them to look at these things that he asked them to do....to look at...and he hopes he could get an answer here either before lunch or shortly after so that they can move forward. Romanelli said since it has been discussed even by the Speaker he wants to talk about Article IV which is Tribal Council and Section 6 which are the rules of Tribal Council in these meetings. Romanelli read "*Tribal Council shall determine its own rules of procedures for the meeting of the Tribal Council*

subject to any limitations imposed in this Constitution. This Constitution such rules and procedures shall provide for an opportunity for the general membership to be heard on any question under consideration by the Tribal Council."

Romanelli said that was one of his major concerns. Romanelli said they are talking about not just any question this is one of the biggest questions that has come in his nine years as Ogema. Romanelli said when they decide to change the direction and the oversight of their #1 money maker he can't think of too many questions more important. Romanelli said they talk about closing of enrollment and sets like that those are big questions. Romanelli said he has seen lesser questions much lesser questions go on for an hour and a half from questions from the audience. Romanelli said this one was stopped very short. Romanelli said he was one of the three or four that were in the queue, the Ogema. Romanelli said now he is not saying Larry Romanelli he is saying the Ogema he is saying the Leader of this Tribe did not have the right to speak before them as the membership before this vote was taken. Romanelli said he finds that objectionable to the Ogema's Office and he finds that objectionable to their Tribal citizens. Romanelli said he finds that highly unacceptable to this Constitution. Romanelli thanked them.

Speaker Johnson said he thinks they addressed all the items on the purpose of this meeting and thinks they can move on. Johnson said yes to Israel Stone.

Israel Stone said there is one more question that he has for Council.

Speaker Johnson said it has to be relative to the meeting.

Israel Stone commented from the audience and it wasn't picked up on the tape recording.

Israel Stone said his question is he read through the ordinance multiple times now and there is a cause and action on all aspects of the ordinance. Stone said what he reads states nowhere in there that all ten Elected Officials are on this Board. Stone said what he really reads is it says the Ogema shall appoint Council members to this Oversight Committee and the Ogema shall appoint citizens at large could be Tribal or Non-tribal. Stone said to his knowledge the Ogema hasn't brought forward any names to this point to sit on this Oversight Committee so are they already breaking a law that was just passed by Tribal Council by acting in the capacity of ten Elected Officials serving on this Oversight Committee because he.....and it is related to their agenda.....it is the first item he has on there, the passage of the law. Stone said he.....he....he questions that. Stone reiterated that he questions that because he has not heard the Ogema request.....appoint.....applications for appointment and he has not heard of any recommendations being made for appointment so he does have concerns with that.

Speaker Johnson thanked Israel Stone. Johnson said okay, he sees no other hands. Johnson said with that said he would entertain a motion to adjourn this meeting at 10:41.

IV. Adjourn

MOVE TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 10:41; by Burger;
supported by Wabindato.

Roll Call #1

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| J. Riley - | Yes | J. Burger- | No | F. Medacco- | No |
| S. Crampton - | Yes | G. DiPiazza- | Yes | M. Wabindato - | Yes |
| R. Wittenberg- | Yes | V. Johnson - | Yes | S. Lewis - | Yes |

Motion carried (7-2-0-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Grace A. Hendler
Transcribing Assistant



Joseph Riley II,
Tribal Council Recorder