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**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS  
TRIBAL COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 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 September 28, 2022. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Recorder Wolfe said Mr. Speaker the recording is on.

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton said welcome everyone they are here for the September 28, 2022 Meeting of Tribal Council. Crampton said the first thing they are going to do is start off with an attendance. Crampton said so when their name is called or their number is called please state their name and their Tribal I.D. Crampton said um, first one would be 215-2739, he thinks that is Karen Love.

Karen Love said he is correct. Love thanked them. Love said good morning everybody, #2494.

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton said um, Jolene O'Signac.

Jolene O'Signac said #3866.

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton said ah, Al Metzger.

Al Metzger said #0890. *There was some electronic disturbance going on with his connection in the background on the ZOOM recording.*

Speaker Crampton thanked him. Crampton said Chelsea Densmore.

Chelsea Densmore said #3225.

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton said um, Connie Waitner.

Connie Waitner said #0022.

Speaker Crampton thanked her very much. Crampton said ah, Corey Wells.

Corey Wells said #4839.

Speaker Crampton thanked him. Crampton said oops, everything just shifted. Crampton said ah, Laura Echelbarger.

Laura Echelbarger said #2276.

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton said ah, Lee Ivinson.

Lee Ivinson said #0099.

Speaker Crampton said Martha Howell.

Martha Howell said #3635.

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton said ah, Sandy Mezeske.

Sandy Mezeske said #0018.

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton said ah, Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa said #4478.

Speaker Crampton said okay, then they have one that just says val.

Valerie Mc Donnell said #4340.

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton said he doesn't see anybody else is anybody else popping.

Recorder Wolfe said Joe Riley.

Speaker Crampton said oh, Joe Riley. Crampton said Joseph Riley.

Joseph Riley said yes.

Speaker Crampton said he just needs to state his name and I.D. number.

Joseph Riley said oh, #2904.

Speaker Crampton thanked him very much. Crampton said now they can get going.

## **I. Opening Prayer**

Speaker Crampton said they are going to start this meeting with an Opening Prayer and if Mr. Wittenberg would honor them.

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

We thank you for this day and everything in it.

We ask that you be with us.

Guide our hearts, our minds, and our Spirits so that we may walk, talk and go on a good way.

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

Speaker Crampton thanked Councilor Wittenberg.

Councilor Wittenberg said Ahoo.

## **II. General Business**

Speaker Crampton said okay, let's do attendance.

Recorder Wolfe said Call to Order.

### **A. Call to Order**

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

Recorder Wolfe said she forgot the Roll Call Sheets just a second.

*Speaker Crampton chuckled.* Crampton said they are going to take a moment.

*Councilor Wever can be heard in the background on the ZOOM recording asking, "Where is Elise?"*

### **B. Roll Call**

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

Quorum established.

Recorder Wolfe said eight are present and one is absent quorum is established.

### **C. Approval of Agenda**

Speaker Crampton said he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE  
FOLLOWING REMOVALS FROM THE AGENDA; UNDER NEW  
BUSINESS, A, B AND C; by Guenthardt.**

Speaker Crampton said he has a motion does he have support.

Councilor Wever said support.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE  
FOLLOWING REMOVALS FROM THE AGENDA; UNDER NEW  
BUSINESS, A, B AND C; by Guenthardt; supported by Wever.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anybody going to abstain. Crampton said ah, Councilor Wittenberg.

Councilor Wittenberg said ah, did he hear him right on that Tom on remove....he thought he said A, B and C. Wittenberg said er, New Business A would be an add then B and C would be removed on his.....his ah, sheet here.

Recorder Wolfe said just to clarify that they have a correction and she is going to call Steve Parsons to the podium for the item. Wolfe said they did get new information from.....on that item.....on the agenda.

Steve Parsons, Planning Department Coordinator, thanked Madame Recorder. Parsons said um, ironically he guessed would have it. Parsons said about ten minutes before the meeting he got a call from Consumers Energy and they were ah, withdrawing their request for an easement. Parsons said apparently they found another way to get electrical service to that house across the street. Parsons said it's on the corner of Custer Road and First Street. Parsons said he guessed their... whoever does their um, ah, their ah, electrical service hoovesup.....hookups ah, said they preferred actually to cross First Street.....he is sorry, going across Custer Road as opposed to First Street. Parsons said so they wouldn't need an easement from them because they are not connecting to any power lines that are on their properties. Parsons said with that he just told them that it was on today's agenda but that he would formally ask that that item be removed. Parsons said so they were fine with that.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

Steve Parsons thanked them.

Councilor Wittenberg said Miigwech. Wittenberg said he's good.

Speaker Crampton asked okay, he's good. Crampton asked Julie if she had anything.

Recorder Wolfe said no, they are all set with the agenda.

Speaker Crampton said okay, is anybody going to abstain on Council. Crampton said okay, he will open it to Council for discussion. Crampton asked any discussion. Crampton asked any discussion from the membership.

Recorder Wolfe said she just wanted to note for clarification where they see the add by all the items they had just eliminated....forgot to add who was representing the item on there so that add is just indicates that their names were added to this final agenda.

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton said okay, please do a do a roll call.

**Roll Call #1**

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 -	Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor and one absent agenda has been approved.

Speaker Crampton thanked her.

**D. Tribal Council Minutes    ☐ 9/14/22    ☐ 9/15/22**

Speaker Crampton said he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Wittenberg said yeah, he would like to make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES FOR  
9/14/22 AND 9/15/2022; by Wittenberg; supported by Wolfe.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anybody going to abstain on the issue. Crampton said he will open it up for discussion from Tribal Council. Crampton said seeing none he will open it up to the membership. Crampton asked is there any further discussion from Tribal Council. Crampton said seeing none please do a 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 -	Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor minutes have been accepted.

### **III. Continuing Business**

#### **A. Grants & Contracts**

##### **1. Approval to Apply for Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF) Formula Funding**

Requesting approval to apply for formula ARPA Funding with no match required of the Tribe.

Speaker Crampton said that is Mr. Dorr.

Lyle Dorr, Grants Department, represented this agenda item. Dorr said good morning Council. Dorr said um, as they have done in the work session....covered in the work session and um, Agenda Review this is Local Assistance to Tribal Consistency Fund. Dorr said it is formula fund ah, ARPA related and it's....it's under ARPA guidance. Dorr said it's based on a formula and a couple of different things. Dorr said the total amount is \$1,364,712.00 and they do have to apply for it but there is no match and they don't need a plan to use it necessarily. Dorr said they just need to apply and that has to be done by the end of the month. Dorr said the only caveat to it is, as they have discussed, he is waiting on the Waiver...the Tribal Waiver so they don't have to abide by the *Buy American Build American Act* that is out there. Dorr said that is in comment right now....there was a 15-Day Comment Period they're working on. Dorr said he is not sure that is over because they didn't state when they put it up but anyway it should be soon. Dorr said as soon as they know that that Waiver is approved or not approved but probably approved they would go ahead and apply for that if that's workable. Dorr said that is it.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

Recorder Wolfe said just for clarification he said the end of the month and it is actually ending Friday, right.

Lyle Dorr said he is sorry his mind is already in October, sorry about that, by the end of October.

Recorder Wolfe said so they have until the end of October to apply. Wolfe said she just wanted to \_\_\_ that they did ask for the funds to be restricted when they came in until a plan can be developed by Tribal Council and that's included in the resolution. Wolfe said that is her two comments. Wolfe thanked him. Wolfe said yeah, she had it added.

Speaker Crampton said okay. Crampton said he will entertain a motion if there is no questions. Crampton asked what.

Councilor Wittenberg said yeah, if there are no other questions he would like to make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-0928-161;  
APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR U.S. TREASURY LOCAL  
ASSISTANCE AND TRIBAL CONSISTENCY FUND (LATCF)  
FORMULA FUNDING; by Wittenberg.**

Speaker Crampton asked who is in support.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-0928-161;  
APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR U.S. TREASURY LOCAL  
ASSISTANCE AND TRIBAL CONSISTENCY FUND (LATCF)  
FORMULA FUNDING; by Wittenberg; supported by Guenthardt.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anybody going to abstain on the issue. Crampton said seeing none he will open it up for discussion. Crampton said he will open it up to the membership. Crampton said Jessica.

Jessica Steinberg, Tribal #0148, thanked Mr. Speaker. Steinberg said um, is this....she guessed two questions. Steinberg said is this a recurring amount, the request, and then she was looking at the \_\_\_\_ guidance and it looks like there is a \$2.7 million per year request that the Tribe could make based on their population so she was just wondering why the amount is not at that level. Steinberg thanked them.

Speaker Crampton said Mr. Dorr.

Lyle Dorr said not recurring that he knows of that can always change. Dorr said on the other item is this is a formula so there are two parts to the formula one was on their census on enrollment and the other was on their membership enrollment to employment. Dorr said he knows statistics were off in the past that were used to formulate ARPA Funds and the Federal Government is the one who said this is the category that they fall in so there are five different levels and um, he thinks they are somewhere in the middle probably third or fourth stage of whatever those are in both categories. Dorr said so that is not something that they can just switch and go to that other level or do whatever it is a specific....it's a formula grant.

Speaker Crampton asked so the other level of funding is not applicable at this time.

Lyle Dorr asked say it again.

Speaker Crampton said the other level of funding isn't applicable at this time is what he is saying.

Lyle Dorr said he doesn't know anything about what Jessica has mentioned there he just knows that they can apply for at this level they are at.

Speaker Crampton said okay. Crampton thanked him. Crampton said Julie.

Recorder Wolfe said so she reads over the information that was provided the \$2.7 is the maximum amount allowed per Tribe for their enrollment number based on their enrollment statistics they are in that four which is not eligible for the \$2.7.

Lyle Dorr said there they go.

Speaker Crampton thanked them for clarification.

Recorder Wolfe said correct.

Speaker Crampton said he will entertain a motion on the item.

Recorder Wolfe said they have a motion.

Speaker Crampton said oh, he is sorry. Crampton asked is anybody going to abstain.....oh, that's right so they will go back to Tribal Council. Crampton asked does Tribal Council have any further discussion.

*Someone coughed loudly in the background on the ZOOM recording.*

Speaker Crampton said seeing none please do a 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 -	Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor resolution has been approved.

Lyle Dorr thanked them very much.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

Recorder Wolfe said they do have those two people that just joined, Karol Ann Chabot and this phone number.

Speaker Crampton said okay, if they could just have them identify themselves and give their Tribal I.D. um, when he calls their name. Crampton said Karol Ann Chabot.

Karol Chabot said #3742.



Speaker Crampton said he is sorry um.....

Karol Ann Chabot repeated #3742.

Speaker Crampton said okay. Crampton said and where is the.....

Recorder Wolfe said the last phone number there.

Speaker Crampton said okay, they need 299-7355. Crampton asked 299-7355 could they please identify themselves.

Recorder Wolfe asked is it star six to unmute for a phone.

Speaker Crampton said he thinks it's star six to unmute, yes and star nine to raise their hand. Crampton said if they....could they please try to unmute themselves, 299-7355.

Recorder Wolfe said she doesn't recognize the number to identify as a Tribal member.

Speaker Crampton said he apologizes but they are probably going to have to exclude that number if they don't identify themselves. Crampton said please identify themselves, 299-7355. Crampton said all right he apologizes they are probably going to have to exclude that number. Crampton said okay, moving onto ah, um, B, Budget Modifications.

**B. Budget Modifications**

- 1. Acceptance of contract funds from the Department of Health and Human Services-Well & Septic Program and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2022-\_\_ in the amount of \$70,000**  
No rationale provided.

Speaker Crampton said that is the Ogema's Office and representing is Mr. Willis

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis thanked them. Willis said good morning. Willis said as they discussed on Agenda Review on Monday there was one question he guessed that was asked he thinks it was Madame Recorder regarding whether this was like their annual funding. Willis said it is in fact their annual funding um, but that number fluctuates from year to year based on the numbers that they supply to Indian Health Services based on he guessed it's prior need or people they may have on existing Waiting List whatever so. Willis said this particular funding is from IHS it's ah, it's ah, it's designed to ah, pay for three individual wells um, at the amount of \$7,500 a piece and three septic systems at \$11,000 a piece as he think he mentioned Monday ah, that could

be a Tribal member's total or it could be, they know, could be ah, he doesn't even know the word he is looking for but it could be less than that depending on whether the Tribal member gets both, okay. Willis said so um, Linda is here.....Linda Wissner is here to answer any specific questions that Council may have but again, this is their annual funding. Willis said he thinks it was last year they got \$170 some thousand um, and they had some difficulties spending that okay, so anyway.

Speaker Crampton asked any further questions. Crampton said go ahead.

Recorder Wolfe said so their award dropped by \$100,000 from year to year and he is saying that is based on.....

Linda Wissner, Member Services Coordinator, said what they do is Indian Health Services requests an estimate on how many sites they would like to have serviced and they go by the past history and they submit that. Wissner said they return it with a request sign off and it goes back to them then they send back the funding that is available. Wissner said this one right now.....the \$70,000 had allotted already to individual households so this money is actually pretty well spent already so this is a previous grant that was awarded. Wissner said so they have the \$170,000 before those slots have not been filled. Wissner said currently there is a few pending for site evaluation and they will be added to that one they already have accepted and they do have two for sure maybe three requests from other Tribes that live within their area that need their assistance which they trade so if they have a Tribal member somewhere another Tribe will assist their Tribal members there. Wissner said it is just a friendship between Tribes.

Recorder Wolfe said okay. Wolfe thanked her.

Speaker Crampton asked if she was good.

Recorder Wolfe replied she is all set.

Speaker Crampton said okay, are there any other questions. Crampton said he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-0928-162;  
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES-WELL &  
SEPTIC PROGRAM AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO  
THE OPERATING BUDGET MB-2022-31 IN THE AMOUNT OF  
\$70,000; by Guenthardt; supported by Johnson.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anybody going to abstain on the issue. Crampton said okay, he will open it up for discussion from Tribal Council. Crampton said seeing none he will open it to the membership. Crampton said seeing none is there any further discussion from the Tribal Council. Crampton said seeing none please do a 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 - Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor resolution has been approved.

Bill Willis thanked them.

Speaker Crampton thanked him. Crampton said yeah, they are going to go back to the number, okay, um, please state their name and ah, their Tribal I.D. and that was....

Janae Shaw said Tribal I.D. #4641.

Recorder Wolfe said that is her, 299.

Speaker Crampton said okay, so they got her. Crampton said okay. Crampton thanked her very much.

Janae Shaw asked can she mute herself now. *Shaw started laughing in the background on the ZOOM recording.*

Speaker Crampton said yes, star six.

Janae Shaw said okay. Shaw thanked him.

2. **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 \$338,000**  
Acceptance of funds.

Speaker Crampton said that is Allison Smart. Crampton said holy cow, she has changed Allison.

Frank Beaver, Natural Resource Department Director, represented this agenda item. Beaver said holy cow he has changed. Beaver said good morning, Allison is

out today so she asked him to come pinch-hit for her this morning. Beaver said this is their first allocation from EPA for the two year um, grant funding cycle the PPG, the Performance Partnership Grant. Beaver said contained within this there are a number of programs um, including Water Quality, Brownfield, Air Quality a number of programs are in this. Beaver said this is their first allocation in the current two year grant and they are approaching Council this morning to request acceptance into the Budget.

Speaker Crampton thanked him. Crampton said do they have any questions from Council. Crampton said okay, he will entertain a motion on the item.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-0928-163;  
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY-PERFORMANCE  
PARTNERSHIP GRANT AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION  
TO THE OPERATING BUDGET MB-2022-32 IN THE AMOUNT  
OF \$338,000; by Guenthardt; supported by Wittenberg.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anybody going to abstain on the issue. Crampton asked is there any discussion. Crampton said seeing none he will open it to the membership.

Recorder Wolfe said Karen Love needs to mute her phone.

Speaker Crampton asked can you please mute your phone Karen.

Karen Love said sorry.

Speaker Crampton said okay, he will open it back up to the Council. Crampton seeing none please do a do a roll call.

**Roll Call #5**

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 - Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor resolution is passed.

Frank Beaver thanked Council.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

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-2022-\_\_ in the amount of \$408,370**  
Acceptance of funds.

Speaker Crampton said that is the Ogema's Office. Crampton asked is that Bill Willis again.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said yeah, sorry. Willis thanked them. Willis said this is as he mentioned in Agenda Review these funds are their first award for Contract Support Cost dollars under 2020 Self-Governance Compact with the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Willis said they do anticipate getting additional Contract Support Funds between now and the end of the year. Willis said ah, just need to accept the money and amend the Operating Budget.

Speaker Crampton thanked him. Crampton asked are there any questions from Council. Crampton said all right, he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-0928-164;  
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.  
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR-BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING  
BUDGET MB-2022-33 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$408,370; by  
Guenthardt; supported by Wittenberg.**

Speaker Crampton asked is there anyone that is going to abstain. Crampton said okay, he will open it up for discussion from Tribal Council. Crampton said he will open it to the membership. Crampton said all right, seeing no discussion he will bring it back to Council. Crampton said no further discussion 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 -	Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor resolution has been approved.

Speaker Crampton thanked them.

**4. Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S. Department of Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2022-\_\_ in the amount of \$227.13**

Acceptance of funds.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said he going to tag team this item with Mr. Parsons but this money....Road Maintenance Money that they received through the Bureau of Indian Affairs ah, it is \$227.00 but they already have ah, a Budget if they will with previous funds. Willis said the balance on that is \$1,584.00 so this money will be added to that to be utilized for whatever ah, Steve is asking that the money goes into supplies so that could be used for Road Salt or whatever so. Willis said he is going to turn it over to him ah, at this point.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

Steve Parsons thanked them. Parsons said um, just to clear up some of the....he will say confusion because it, it, it doesn't make a lot of sense because this was no where near the funding that they receive from their um, Tribal Transportation Program Agreement with the BIA which is actually the next item on the agenda. Parsons said um, this is a hold over from um, he is not sure exactly when but ah, when the...the Bureau of Indian Affairs would get money from the Department of Transportation other than being a pass through they've actually allocate the funds to Tribes. Parsons said it is still there and he is not sure why its there he never got an answer from anybody that makes sense in terms of why they get this small amount every year. Parsons said as Bill had said it is about \$1,500 or so that they have accumulative from this funding but the caveat is um, in the Road Classifications for their Tribal Road Inventory ah, this money can only be spent on what they call BIA Roads. Parsons said frankly they got two and neither one of them....they are in the inventory but they are not in service they really don't do anything with them so the money kind of just sits because they don't want it back and, and they're not concerned with them hanging onto it. Parsons said so there may come a day when they can actually utilize these funds, they know, and do something with it but it is a hold over and everybody deals with that. Parsons said other Tribes finds ways of dealing with it but the reason the funding is as small as it is it is really only funding maintenance on two BIA Roads. Parsons said so it is a very small amount and again, there is no real constructive way for them to utilize the funding because of the way it is set up so. Parsons said sorry for the long explanation but that's why.....it doesn't do any harm to accept it they will just keep adding to what they got but realistically there is no way to spend the funding right now because they just have no way to do that so. Parsons said yeah. Parsons thanked them.

Speaker Crampton thanked him for the explanation. Crampton said okay, is there any further questions from Council if not he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-0928-165;  
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.  
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR-BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING  
BUDGET MB-2022-34 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$227.13; by Guenthardt;  
supported by Wittenberg.**

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton said okay he will open it up for discussion from Tribal Council. Crampton said seeing none he will open it to membership. Crampton said seeing none he will bring it back to Council. Crampton said please do a 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 -	Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor resolution is passed.

Steve Parsons thanked them.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

Recorder Wolfe said she did want to have Staci identify for the record. Wolfe said right here.

Speaker Crampton said oh, okay, they just had Staci Cheney join them. Crampton said just for the record if she could state her name and her Tribal I.D.

Staci Cheney said #0992. Cheney thanked them.

Speaker Crampton thanked her very much.

- 5. Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S. Department of Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs G2G IRR Roads and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2022-\_\_ in the amount of \$573,022.08**  
Acceptance of funds.

Speaker Crampton said that moves them onto the next item which Mr. Parsons has already mentioned.

Steve Parsons, Planning Department Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Parsons thanked him. Parsons said all set. Parsons said okay, basically what this item is their Fiscal Year 2022 um, BIA Roads allocation ah, it's a little complicated because they really should have gotten this money a lot sooner but the reason for the hold up was the fact that um, ah, in Washington they were waiting for um, the Infrastructure Bill that was proposed to be passed happened last November....November of 2021. Parsons said within that Infrastructure Bill there was Federal Highway Money that was going all different places. Parsons said States got some and Tribes got some, they know, it was going to various entities throughout the country. Parsons said in any event for them to be able to accept the funding they had to amend their Tribal Transportation Program Agreement which is also known as Government to Government Agreement that they have with the BIA. Parsons said so they had to go in and make the changes because they have to tie it to whatever the funding source is and in this case um, it's the new ah, Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act he thinks because um, Madame Recorder ask him that question in the work session he couldn't remember what the acronym stood for but that's basically it. Parsons said it's the new Federal Highway Bill. Parsons said that holds up and the fact that they had to allocate this money to all the Tribes that have this program they really didn't get notified about this until August that the funding was available um, and so the way it works is they get something called the Referenced Funding Agreement that needs to be signed off by the Tribal Ogema, goes to the BIA for their signature then it's a functional document for the Finance Department so they can draw down the funding. Parsons said um, and of course that is what this resolution is about is to add this money to the Budget. Parsons said without getting too longwinded which he thinks he has already done um, basically that is what this is um, but just to kind of put them on notice the Fiscal Year 2023 Funding the Federal Government's Fiscal Year 2023 starts on October 1<sup>st</sup> so he is surmising that they should get something similar to this um, much sooner probably sometime later this Fall. Parsons said um, they will catch up at that point so they should be in good shape. Parsons said basically this accepts the money from the Feds into the Tribal Budget ah, so they can utilize that. Parsons said there is no immediate need to access what this funding right away because their Government to Government Agreement allows them to carry money over from one Fiscal Year to the next and because they are allowed to do that they have....they do have sufficient funding currently in the Budget to handle the Road Projects that are currently underway for this year. Parsons said but in the future they will certainly need this but there is no.....there is no hurry it is just something what they need to do so. Parsons said he will leave it there to see if they have any questions for him.

Speaker Crampton said no he appreciates his explanation and he would rather have more than less. Crampton said all right is there any further questions from Council. Crampton said all right if not he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Wittenberg said he would like to make a motion.



**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #22-0928-166;  
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.  
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR-BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT INDIAN RESERVATION  
ROADS AND APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE  
OPERATING BUDGET MB-2022-35 IN THE AMOUNT OF  
\$573,022.08; by Wittenberg; supported by Wever.**

Speaker Crampton said just to modify that \$573,022.08.

Councilor Wittenberg said oh.

Councilor Wever said it sounded good.

Speaker Crampton said it sounded good....*then started laughing in the background on the ZOOM recording.* Crampton asked is anybody going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any discussion or further questions from Council. Crampton said seeing none he will open it to the membership. Crampton said seeing none he will bring it back to Council. Crampton asked any further discussion. Crampton said seeing none please do a 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 -	Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor resolution is approved.

Steve Parsons thanked Council.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

Recorder Wolfe asked does he want to get this one.

*Speaker Crampton made a comment in the background on the ZOOM recording but it wasn't picked up clearly to understand.* Crampton said just for the record if they would state their name and their Tribal I.D. they have Antonio's phone.

Recorder Wolfe said it is still connecting to audio.

Speaker Crampton said oh, he is sorry it is still connecting.

Recorder Wolfe said it's done it's the computer not her....but it's still connecting. Wolfe said it is close and he should be able to talk.

Speaker Crampton said okay, just for the record if they can get their name and Tribal I.D. for Antonio's phone.

Antonio Romanelli said #3954.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

### **C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**

Speaker Crampton noted they don't have anything for C.

## **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 Crampton started reading all the commissions at once.

Recorder Wolfe said roll call on each one, motion.

Speaker Crampton said yeah, he wanted to go through them, date them off, that they have the Binojeeuk Commission-August 2022, Gaming Commission-August 2022, Health Commission-None Submitted, Housing Commission-August 2022 and Natural Resource Commission-None Submitted.

## **V. Acceptance of Commission Reports**

### **A. Binojeeuk Commission** ☐ August 2022

Speaker Crampton said so they will start with the Binojeeuk Commission and they will do this by motion. Crampton said he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BINOJEEUK COMMISSION  
REPORT FOR AUGUST 2022;** by Guenthardt; supported by  
Wittenberg.

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 any more questions from Council. Crampton said seeing none please do a 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 -	Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor the report has been accepted.

**B. Enrollment Commission** ☐ **None Submitted**

Speaker Crampton again noted that there was none submitted.

**C. Gaming Commission** ☐ **August 2022**

Speaker Crampton said he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE GAMING COMMISSION REPORT  
FOR AUGUST 2022;** by Guenthardt; supported by Wittenberg.

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor report has been accepted.

Speaker Crampton thanked her.

**D. Health Commission** ☐ **None Submitted**

Speaker Crampton again noted there was none submitted.

**E. Housing Commission** ☐ **August 2022**

Speaker Crampton said he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE HOUSING COMMISSION REPORT  
FOR AUGUST 2022;** by Guenthardt; supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton said okay, is there any questions from Council. Crampton said seeing none he will open it to discussion from Tribal membership. Crampton said seeing none he will bring it back to Council. Crampton said seeing none please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #11**

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 -	Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor report has been accepted.

**F. Natural Resource Commission** ☐ **None Submitted**

Speaker Crampton again noted there was none submitted.

**VI. Acceptance of Committee Minutes and Other Entities**

**A. Little River Casino Resort Preference Report** ☐ **August 2022**

Speaker Crampton said he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE LITTLE RIVER CASINO RESORT  
PREFERENCE REPORT FOR AUGUST 2022;** by Guenthardt;  
supported by Wolfe.

Speaker Crampton asked is anybody going to abstain on the item. Crampton asked is there any further discussion from Council. Crampton said seeing none is there any discussion from the membership. Crampton said seeing none he will bring it back to Council. Crampton said Councilor Wolfe.

Recorder Wolfe said just again, she has been asked by Tribal membership to read the Preference numbers into the record. Wolfe said so the totals for August 2022 total employment at the Resort is 361, Natives of other Tribes is 21, Non-Preference is 486, Tribal members are at 82, Spouses at 15 and Descendants at 27.

Speaker Crampton thanked her. Crampton said okay, that takes them down to 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 -	Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor the report has been accepted.

**B. Biskaabiiyang Committee** ☐ **None Submitted**

Speaker Crampton noted there has been none submitted.

**C. Elders Committee Minutes** ☐ **August 2022**

Speaker Crampton said he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Guenthardt said he will make a motion.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE ELDERS COMMITTEE MINUTES  
FOR AUGUST 2022;** by Guenthardt; supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain on the issue. Crampton said he will open it for discussion from Tribal Council. Crampton said seeing none he will open it to the membership. Crampton said seeing none he will bring it back to Council for further discussion. Crampton said seeing none please do a do a roll call.

**Roll Call #13**

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 -	Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor report has been accepted.

**VII. Old Business**

**A. Financial Report** ☐ **July 2022**

Speaker Crampton said he will entertain a motion.

Recorder Wolfe said she will make a motion.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JULY  
2022;** by Wolfe; supported by Johnson.

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any discussion from Tribal Council. Crampton said seeing none he will open it to the membership. Crampton said okay, seeing none he will bring it back to Tribal Council for any further discussion. Crampton said please do a do a roll call.

**Roll Call #14**

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

Motion carried (7-1-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said seven in favor, one against and one absent motion is..... report is accepted.

Speaker Crampton thanked her.

**VIII. New Business**

**A. Authorizing an Easement for Consumers Energy**

Consumers Energy is requesting an easement on Tribal Property in Custer in order to run a power line across First Street to new residence across the road.

**B. Rescinding Resolution #16-1221-401; Authorizing the Ogema to Oversee the Government Employee Personnel Manuel**

To re-evaluate authorization.

**C. Notice of Intent to Repeal the Unified Legal Department Act of 2015, Ordinance #15-100-08a**

Notice is required under the Administrative Procedures Act, Ordinance #04-100-07.

Speaker Crampton noted A, B and C have been removed.

**D. Posting Amendments to the Budget & Appropriations Act, Ordinance #13-100-04 for 30-Day Public Comment**

Required 30-Day Posting for membership review and comment period.

Speaker Crampton said he put this forward. Crampton said um, one of the first things he did when he came to office is ask for a recurring meeting on this to address some of the issues and some of the shortfalls and trying to prove....to prove the document. Crampton said the Tribal Council has held many work sessions on this and they are posting this for a 30-Day Public Comment. Crampton said if Mr. Pringle would like to outline the changes.

Brad Pringle, Comptroller General, represented this agenda item. Pringle said sure, certainly he can. Pringle said hello Tribal Council and Tribal members here and ZOOM. Pringle said um, the particular Budget & Appropriations Act consists of about 13 changes they will all be red underline when this is posted and they should be red underlined as well on any copies that they may have. Pringle said um, they are going to start with the very first change which was 3.08 which is found on Page two of the particular Appropriations Act of 2013. Pringle said in here it says that ah, ah, a single office with a Director so as they are aware not every single office has a Director so they added wording there as a Lead or an Executive Appointee so that helps clarify the ah, issue with ah, every office having a Director.

*Councilor Guenthardt left the Lodge Room at 10:48 a.m.*

Brad Pringle continued. Pringle said the next change was a definition...he is sorry the next change is on Page two as well. Pringle said it is 3.10 which is a definition of an Annual Budget, plan for the Tribe's projected revenues and expenditures over the course of a year. Pringle said the next change is on Page three as well it's an addition of 3.11 which is the budgeted revenue. Pringle said it is a definition that explained as predictions of revenues they plan to earn for the next year. Pringle said the following page, which is Page three on the ah, about a quarter of the way down under Article IV, Balanced Budget, they changed the wording it used to say in law it now says adopted by Tribal Council Resolution. Pringle said about three quarters of the way down on Page three under Section C, they added the wording completed Performance Reports will be maintained in the office of the Business & Accounting. Pringle said the following page, Page four in the middle of the page F, the wording under F is other information deemed necessary and appropriate by acting Oversight Body. Pringle said the old wording said appropriate by the Board. Pringle said so they add some clarification on what the .....what the Board actually means. Pringle said it actually means the Oversight Body of that particular ah, enterprise. Pringle said the following page, Page five three quarters of the way down under Section 5.08 under Overall Performance Requirements, the wording went on to say the Ogema shall include Executive Summary and shall include pertinent information it now says it shall include all information.

*Councilor Guenthardt re-entered the Lodge Room at 10:50 a.m.*

Brad Pringle continued. Pringle said moving onto Page nine under Section 5.11 which is Tribal Council Draft Budget Review. Pringle said they reworded the sentence the new sentence says while formulating the Budget the Ogema may request assistance from the Tribal Council. Pringle said the old wording the Tribal Council may provide assistance and input during the formulation of the Budget request of the Ogema. Pringle said so they just reworded that sentence. Pringle said then they added um, late submissions will be ah.....he is sorry....late submissions will move calendar timeline back equivalently now that was also an

emergency change that was made on he believed about ten days ago. Pringle said 5.13 which is right below ah, the last changes um, the old wording used to say no later than the end of November and now it says no later than November 30<sup>th</sup>. Pringle said Section B, right below it, it used to say ah, Tribal Council shall provide the Ogema with electronic data copies of the approved Budget. Pringle said it now says Tribal Council shall provide the Ogema with hard copy changes. Pringle said the reason that had to happen is that the current Budget ah, Excel Spreadsheets that are given to them by the Budget Department um, are locked down and the formulas can't be changed so in order for them to actually ensure that their information gets forwarded in the same format they would have to actually give them hard copies. Pringle said now in the future depending on the change he may be able to make those changes and give electronic copies but for worst case scenario there certainly are portions of the Budget that cannot be changed. Pringle said the portions of the Budget that are electronically locked down and he cannot change. Pringle said Page 11, under Section 5.19, this was an add that says Annual Budget Reconciliation, within 90 days of the end of the Budgeted Fiscal Year the Ogema shall provide Tribal Council a summary of Budget Performance and Reconcile all revenue and expenses and summarizes the financial carry over dollars of the prior year's Budget. Pringle said the unspent funds from the prior year Budget will be handled as directed in 6.07 Carry Over of unexpected funds. Pringle said right below its in Section VI, Under Administration of the Tribal Budget the wording used to say ah, and delivered to the Tribal Council describing the financial condition, needs of the Tribe. Pringle said it now reads ah, delivering to the Tribal Council stating the financial condition and needs of the Tribe. Pringle said under Page 12, Section B, right in the middle of the page it used to say for the Speaker of Tribal Council, it now says the Speaker of Legislative Branch. Pringle said that summarizes all 13 of the potential changes in the ah, 30-Day posting that was discussed during those four or five Budget & Appropriations Act Work Shops.

Speaker Crampton said all right. Crampton thanked him very much. Crampton asked is there any questions from Council. Crampton said okay. Crampton asked is anybody going to abstain.....oh, he is sorry do they have a motion.

Recorder Wolfe said no.

Speaker Crampton said he will entertain a motion.

*Councilor Wittenberg can be heard saying, "They got somebody on there," in the background on the ZOOM recording.*

Recorder Wolfe said comments from membership.

Speaker Crampton said oh, he is sorry, Sara Agosa, he is sorry he didn't see her hand up.



Sara Agosa said her comment is that she fully supports these changes and she would like to thank Council for bringing this forward. Agosa said she was absolutely shocked yesterday of what she learned in a work session that reconciliations have not been done in the past so these changes are definitely needed. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Crampton said oh, he would just like to add on that this is a 30-day posting. Crampton said these are changes brought forward by Council and what they are looking for is input from the membership so if they have anything that they think would improve this document he would urge them to incorporate those into their comments. Crampton thanked them. Crampton said okay, any further discussion from Council if not he will entertain a motion.

**MOTION POSTING AMENDMENTS TO THE BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS ACT, ORDINANCE #13-100-04 FOR 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT;** by Wolfe; supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain on the issue. Crampton said seeing none he will open it for discussion from Tribal Council. Crampton said seeing none he will open it to the membership. Crampton said okay, he will bring it back to Tribal Council for any further discussion. Crampton said seeing none please do a do a roll call.

**Roll Call #15**

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 -	Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor motion has been approved.

Speaker Crampton thanked them. Crampton thanked Mr. Pringle.

**IX. Concluding Business**

*Speaker Crampton started reading the following: 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.*

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, October 5, 2021**
- B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**

Ogema Romanelli thanked him. Romanelli said he has just a couple of items. Romanelli said he just wanted to remind the membership that they have the Membership Meeting coming up on October 8<sup>th</sup> at about 10-12 days from now.

Romanelli said they are doing.....ah, continuing to work on the Budget which they did submit the Budget he thinks the last Wednesday to the Tribal Council and they have received back the recommendations....the suggestions from the Tribal Council which they are working on and hope to have that reviewed and back to the Council by October 15<sup>th</sup>. Romanelli thanked them very much.

Speaker Crampton thanked him. Crampton asked okay, are there any questions. Crampton said all right, seeing none that takes them down to Legislative Affairs.

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

Speaker Crampton asked does anybody have anything for Legislative Affairs. Crampton said Mr. Di Piazza.

Councilor Di Piazza said yeah, he has one. Di Piazza said at the CORA Meeting the American Transmission Company which actually runs ah, the power grid under the straits underneath the Mackinaw Bridge ah, gave a presentation on installation of the cables across the straits at the monthly CORA, Ottawa Resource Authority Meeting. Di Piazza said unlike Enbridge they make a presentation to CORA and have them modify their cables to ensure no further oil release if the cables are struck. Di Piazza said the company hired specialist to monitor the installation and these contractors have the power to shut down the project at any time in an effort to protect the resources held relevant discoveries. Di Piazza said as many of them may recall in 2018 there was an anchor strike that release oil into the straits of Lake Michigan. Di Piazza said since that time they have made multiple presentations and consulted with the Tribes. Di Piazza said they are close to completing the project but if they want to know more about the project they can visit American Transmission Company website and review the project under the project tabs and look for the straits cable replacement project. Di Piazza said so they are taking some precautions because last time it leaked out a lot of mineral oil when someone struck them lines with an anchor so. Di Piazza said that was the main grid that runs the UP from the lower Peninsula.

Speaker Crampton asked is that it.

Councilor Di Piazza said other than it is Hunting Season. Di Piazza said if anyone has any stories, pictures they loved to hear them or see them. Di Piazza said that's it.

Speaker Crampton thanked him. Crampton said he just wants to go on...jump back a little bit on the Budget they were talking. Crampton said they got a late submission from the Executive which is about two weeks late um, the Council hunkered down and um, did the return in he thinks it was four days total and they did an open session for the membership so they can see the process. Crampton said he thinks it was one of the first times that Council has open that up.....to the formulation process to the membership so he just wanted to state that. Crampton

said there are a couple of things out there that need to be clarified for Legislative Affairs. Crampton said that the Legislative Body has been actively working and changing things for the betterment of the membership um, but there has been some rumors put out there. Crampton said one of them was put out last Friday. Crampton said he got calls from casino employees telling him that um, an employee was running around telling people that the member...that the Council had ordered the ah, ah, employees to open up all the rooms. Crampton said he contacted the General Manger that is untrue whoever started that rumor was a liar. Crampton said um, there was also something put on Face Book about Council requiring membership to ah, ah, ah, participate in ceremonies eh, to get their Per Cap. Crampton laughingly said that is not true Council is not doing that. Crampton said so he just wanted to clarify that for the membership. Crampton said all right. Crampton asked is there anything further for Legislative Affairs.

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

Speaker Crampton asked do they have any Public Comment. Crampton said Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa said she has two questions. Agosa said her first question what is the status of any pending COVID Assistance Payments and her second question is um, is Council on target to issue the newsletter on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Speaker Crampton said he didn't hear the last part.

Recorder Wolfe said issuing the newsletter on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Speaker Crampton said okay.

Sara Agosa said yes. Agosa thanked them.

Speaker Crampton said he will turn it over to her.

Recorder Wolfe said so for the newsletter pending no faults with the Printing Company this paper will be out in the mail on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Speaker Crampton said he apologize what was her first question again. Crampton said oh, he is sorry the CARES the assistance. Crampton said right now there was a work.....two work sessions on the issue and ah, he thinks one he's sorry and ah, the discrepancy was the funding source. Crampton said if it was going to....he had proposed it coming out of one-time payment coming out of the Online Gaming Tax but that worked out to about \$1,400 per member. Crampton said that....the only reason that was sought was because they were under the impression that ARPA was not available for another payment but contacting the outside attorneys he found out that was not true so they can actually go for ARPA and they can give a lot more so the funding source has been identified and now

it's just creating the program which he thinks shouldn't take very long because they have a lot of templates. Crampton asked any further questions. Crampton said Sara Agosa.

Sara Agosa asked is the Tribal Newsletter going to be issued electronically too.

Recorder Wolfe said it will also be posted to the website, correct.

Speaker Crampton said it was his understanding that it might be in eBook format where it turns the page for them. Crampton said he is going to move onto Chuck Fisher.

Charles Fisher, Tribal #1297, said ah, he is the Acting Chair of the Elders ah, Committee and ah, its been through a few changes recently that have kept things kind of up in the air so what he is here basically to try to do is facilitate ah, the ah, approval of the ah, Elders Conference. Fisher said he knows there is a work session scheduled for October the 4<sup>th</sup> and he would like to thank everybody for making that accommodation. Fisher said he guessed what he is asking the Council for is to ah, be able to anticipate any problems for the Budget because he would really like to see the ah, approval happen on the 5<sup>th</sup> so everything else can kind of fall in place. Fisher said they are kind of behind the eight ball in terms of finalizing everything. Fisher said everything is planned but he can't really go forward until they know, it is actually approved. Fisher said he is seeking approval on the 5<sup>th</sup> and he is trying to anticipate any problems that anybody might have regarding the Budget or they know, any other aspect of they know, the package so. Fisher said they can do this informally and they know, he would like to...yes.

Recorder Wolfe said just a comment when he is ready.

Speaker Crampton said oh, Julie.

Recorder Wolfe said so the Tribal Council has not dispersed the packet for the work session yet. Wolfe said that information she doesn't believe has been received.

Councilor Di Piazza said it was turned in.

Recorder Wolfe said the only thing she received from him was a Work Session Request with no supporting documents. Wolfe said not actual expenditures or Budget is going out for the.....

Councilor Di Piazza said it was submitted with the Agenda Request. Di Piazza said if she would like he will send it off to everybody.

Recorder Wolfe said they should have it for the work session.

Councilor Di Piazza said all right then he has a comment that he would ask that every work session have documentation that goes with them work sessions no matter what that may be.

Councilor Wever said she agrees.

Recorder Wolfe said that's fine she is just saying that he is brining it forward and asking them about information that hasn't been dispersed to them.

Councilor Di Piazza said well, he just did it yesterday so.

Chuck Fisher said all right.

Councilor Di Piazza said he will request right now that everybody on a work session that has documentation attached to it.

Speaker Crampton said he doesn't think....he thinks the issue is that it needs to be done by a resolution per ordinance because it is over the amount that they can just sign for or they would just sign for it, right.

Chuck Fisher said he did submit that ah, he thinks it was dated the 26<sup>th</sup> or at least he sent it on the 26<sup>th</sup> that was an unsigned.....

Speaker Crampton said he thinks he heard that it was just turned in yesterday.

Chuck Fisher said okay, well ah, he is just asking for their support.

Speaker Crampton said he definitely has it.

Chuck Fisher said if there are any issues, problems, or they know anything he can help clarify ah, please let him know so they know, they can take care of it and smooth this out and they know, get 'er done.

Speaker Crampton said he doesn't think there is any real issue other than compliance.

Chuck Fisher thanked them.

Speaker Crampton thanked him.

Chuck Fisher said there is an Elders Meeting on Saturday....this coming Saturday as well. Fisher thanked them.

Councilor Di Piazza asked what time.

Chuck Fisher said noon.

Speaker Crampton thanked them. Crampton asked is there any further discussion. Crampton asked any further Public Comment.

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Speaker Crampton said seeing or hearing none he will entertain a motion to End First Open at 11:06. Crampton thanked them.

**MOTION TO END FIRST OPEN;** by Johnson.

Speaker Crampton asked is there any support.

Councilor Wittenberg said support.

**MOTION TO END FIRST OPEN;** by Johnson; supported by Wittenberg.

Speaker Crampton asked is anyone going to abstain on the item. Crampton said it is open for discussion from Tribal Council. Crampton said discussion from the membership. Crampton said back to Council. Crampton said please do a do a roll call.

**Roll Call #16**

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 -	Absent

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Wolfe said eight in favor they are adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

Speaker Crampton thanked everyone.

**XI. Open Session**

Recorder Wolfe said Mr. Speaker the recording is on.

Speaker Crampton said okey doke. Crampton said that will.....he will entertain a motion to go into Closed.....or Second Open at 1:40.

Councilor Wittenberg said support.

Recorder Wolfe asked him if he was making a motion.

*Tribal Councilors were all laughing in the background on the ZOOM recording.*

Councilor Champagne said she will support.

**MOTION TO GO INTO SECOND OPEN;** by Wittenberg; supported by Champagne.

Speaker Crampton asked is anybody going to abstain. Crampton said please do a roll call.

**Roll Call #17**

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 -	Absent

Motion carried (6-1-0-2)

Recorder Wolfe said seven in favor, one against and two absent they are in Second Open.

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

Speaker Crampton asked do they have any items to move from Closed to Open.

Recorder Wolfe said no items to move.

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

Speaker Crampton said he has a question. Crampton said a few weeks ago um, Larry brought \_\_\_\_ (Riaz) and them guys in here to move that contract for that trust. Crampton asked did they ever move that from Closed.

Councilor Champagne said he did what.

Speaker Crampton said they approved them to take 60 acres into Trust for Non-Gaming purposes.

Councilor Champagne said oh.

Recorder Wolfe said she wasn't aware of that. Wolfe said that was the meeting she was absent.

Speaker Crampton said yeah.

Recorder Wolfe said she was on vacation.

Speaker Crampton said yeah, and he doesn't think it got moved to Open.....*the rest of his comment trailed off here on the ZOOM recording and was lost.*

Recorder Wolfe said she doesn't see any options.

*Speaker Crampton's comments were not picked up clearly on the ZOOM recording to hear what he was saying.*

Recorder Wolfe said okay.

*Speaker Crampton spoke more before the final comment but it wasn't picked up clearly on the ZOOM recording. The following is what was heard:* Crampton said he can't make a motion.

Recorder Wolfe said well she doesn't have a resolution number or any idea on the one that he is asking for.

Speaker Crampton said he will entertain a motion it's just that simple.

Recorder Wolfe said sure.

*Tribal Councilors were laughing in the background on the ZOOM recording.*

Councilor Champagne said it is hard to make a motion when she doesn't have any notes either.

Councilor Wittenberg said he can support but he doesn't know what he is supporting.

Speaker Crampton said let's go back and check that and he did appreciate that they did move it out of Closed.

Councilor Champagne said she doesn't think they did because she doesn't recall moving anything.

Speaker Crampton said he didn't either and said wait a minute.....*the rest of his comment was hard to make out clearly on the ZOOM recording.* Crampton said all right he will entertain a motion.

Councilor Champagne asked why do they do a \_\_\_\_ why can't they wait until next week.



Speaker Crampton said they can probably do it Tuesday because those guys are working down there.....*the rest of his comments were not picked up clearly and were jumbled together on the ZOOM recording.*

Councilor Champagne said oh.

Speaker Crampton said see what he is saying.

## **XII. Adjourn**

Speaker Crampton said he will entertain a motion to End Second Open at 1:43.

**MOTION TO END SECOND OPEN AT 1:43 P.M. ON 9/28/2022;** by Wittenberg; supported by Champagne.

Speaker Crampton asked is anybody going to abstain. Crampton asked is there any discussion. Crampton said Recorder Wolfe please do a do a roll call.

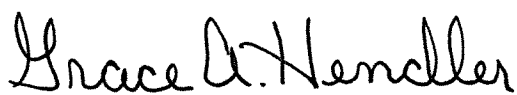
### **Roll Call #18**

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

Motion carried (6-1-0-2)

Recorder Wolfe said seven in favor, one against and two absent they are adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



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