

**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2016
LITTLE RIVER BAND
GOVERNMENT CENTER**

**OPEN SESSION
MINUTES**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians held a meeting at the Little River Band Government Center on September 7, 2016. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

I. Opening Prayer

Chuck Fisher, Tribal Warrior, offered the Opening Prayer.

Creator, I think it is necessary to ask you today to help us with all the struggles that are occurring all over the world.

Our struggles for life and death and other struggles for what is right, just and fair. All those things that you don't necessarily see with our eyes but are there and real just as real as anything else.

Recently there has been kind of a great struggle, an increasing struggle on resistance to the pipeline and a lot of other things going on in that area of Indian Country so I am asking for, praying for a good outcome to all of that and could really use your help there.

Things have gotten really complex, matters of right and wrong, and injustice are complex.

Help us get through that, through the difficulties that involves and simplify things and get down to the basics like respect, your teachings, and it is much appreciated.

Creator, Miigwech.

II. General Business

A. Call to Order

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

B. Roll Call

J. Riley - Present	J. Burger- Absent	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: Kelly Maser, Carol Gibner, Lani Rozga, Diane Lonn, Jake Kequom, Frank Beaver, Allison Smart, Gary Lewis, Chuck Fisher, Jennifer Crampton, Jason Holguin, Bill Willis, Jason Cross, Robert Medacco, Frank Figgels, Karen Love, Shanaviah Canales.

Others Present That Did Not Sign In: Grace Hendler, George Le Vasseur, Ogema Romanelli, Officer from Public Safety, Dave Corey, Shayne Machen, Caitlin Rollins, Kenny Pheasant.

Speaker Johnson said just a remainder for their guests here in the meeting that Councilor Burger is on vacation and she will be out for a couple of weeks.

C. Approval of Agenda

MOVE TO ADOPT THE AGENDA FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2016; by Riley; supported by Lewis.

Speaker Johnson asked if anybody was going to abstain and that it was open for discussion.

Roll Call #1

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Riley noted the agenda is adopted.

D. Tribal Council Minutes 8/24/16 8/29/16

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 8/24/16 AND 8/29/16 FOR FILING; by Medacco; supported by Di Piazza.

Speaker Johnson asked if anybody was going to abstain and that it was open for discussion.

Roll Call #2

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Riley noted the minutes for 8/24 and 8/29 are accepted.

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

Speaker Johnson noted they do not have anything for Grants & Contracts.

B. Budget Modifications

1. Acceptance of grant funds from the Manistee County Community Foundation-Live Well Manistee Collaborative Grant Program and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2016-__ in the amount of \$10,000

The Tribe has received a new Grant Award to assist in funding the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Child & Family Development Center.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, and Jason Cross, Director of Family Services, represented this agenda item. Willis said yes the funds are.....that are on the agenda for acceptance are associated with the Child & Family Development Center. Willis said he thinks they are specific to purchasing materials associated with freezing and canning supplies and stuff like that but they just need to accept the money and amend the Operating Budget. Willis said Jason Cross is here to answer any specific questions should Council have any.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #16-0907-251;
ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE MANISTEE
COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION-LIVE WELL MANISTEE
COLLABORATIVE GRANT PROGRAM AND APPROVING A
MODIFICATION TO THE OPERATING BUDGET MB-2016-44 IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000; by Medacco; supported by Lewis.**

Speaker Johnson asked if anybody was going to abstain and that it was open for discussion.

Roll Call #3

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Riley confirmed Resolution #16-0907-251 is passed.

2. Approval of Budget Modification MB-2016-__; Authorizing the modification of the Utility Department Budget, Program #7500-703 in the amount of \$34,403

Tribal Council must approve the re-allocation of funds within a Program Budget that exceeds 10% of the total original Program Budget.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, and Gary Lewis, Director of the Utilities Department, represented this agenda item. Willis said yes this is a request by the Utilities Department to modify their.....one of their existing Program Budgets to move money around specifically for a cellular.....to upgrade their billing software through the cellular function that will allow them to be more efficient. Willis said part of the money is going to be moved into Small Equipment and the other part into Property Repair/Maintenance.

Speaker Johnson said at this point he would invite Gary Lewis to let the general audience know what this is all about in regards to the software and how it is going to improve the performance of the department and help it.....help the community out. Johnson said to Gary Lewis that he had the floor.

Gary Lewis, Utility Department Director, said basically the current set-up that they have for the billing software for the meter readings is they have two software programs, a billing software and another set of software. Lewis said they download the route from one software to another and they load that into a flash drive then from the flash drive they load it into a remote device. Lewis said with the remote device they ride around pick up the readings come back upload that back into the flash drive and upload that into one set of software then transfer that into the billing software. Lewis said with this upgrade on the cellular service basically there is just two parts to that and they can do it all from the office so they will be able to just transfer from each software to the other right from the office and they won't have to go anywhere so it will eliminate the need for the Operators to have to go out and drive around and read. Lewis said there are some other things in the works for the department itself that could increase the amount of customers that they have by quite a few so in the long run this is going to help save a lot of time in that respect. Lewis said this also has the option on there that each individual that has a water meter can have their own account number and they can log on and look at their account so if they are out of town for two weeks on vacation they can set it up to their phone that if there is an alert that they are using water and they could call the Housing Department telling that there is something wrong like they have a leak in their house and they can check it out so that gives each person that has a meter the option to go on and look at their own account.

Speaker Johnson thanked Gary Lewis. Johnson called on Recorder Riley.

Recorder Riley said he totally understands that he actually had a pipe burst under his sink once while he was out of town and ruined the floor and everything because it was like three days before he got back so he thinks this is a good thing.

Councilor Di Piazza said one question. Di Piazza asked if that only dials up once a day and sends a text.

Gary Lewis replied it continually.....he thinks if he understands it correctly it will automatically like every five seconds pulls data and sends that data once an hour.

Councilor Di Piazza said once an hour.

Gary Lewis said so when they pull that up it will.....they can have all that data. Lewis said it will send that to the program every hour. Lewis said it captures that data every five seconds it is pulling data.

Speaker Johnson thanked Gary Lewis again. Johnson said he believed he is missing something on this side of the.....

Recorder Riley said Councilor Lewis has a comment or had one.

Councilor Lewis said no she was going to read the resolution.

Speaker Johnson said he is going to turn this part over to Councilor Lewis.

MOVE FORWARD RESOLUTION #16-0907-252; APPROVAL OF BUDGET MODIFICATION MB-2016-45; AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION OF THE UTILITY DEPARTMENT BUDGET, PROGRAM #7500-703 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,403; by Lewis; supported by Di Piazza.

Speaker Johnson asked if anybody was going to abstain and that it was open for discussion.

Recorder Riley said Councilor Lewis distracted him for a second. Riley asked Gary Lewis if he mentioned.....because he knows they have a lot of citizens that have concerns over smart meters that this is the same as one text message per day flying through the air and it is not, they know, any substantial amount of radiation or anything like that because he knows they do have people that were concerned when they put the power meters out there from Consumers.

Gary Lewis responded that actually he thinks their cell phone is probably ten times worse because that is to their ear whereas the cellular device that will be installed is up in their basement against the wall and so unless they are actually up against it all day long it's not going to have any effect on them.

Speaker Johnson asked if there is any other discussion on this item.

Roll Call #4

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Riley confirmed Resolution #16-0907-252 is passed.

- 3. Approval of Budget Modification MB-2016-__;** Authorizing the modification of the Bank Building Budget in the amount of \$11,900 for costs associated with replacement of Roof Top Unit Tribal Council must approve the re-allocation of funds within a Program Budget that exceeds 10% of the total original Program Budget.

Speaker Johnson said they talked about this in Agenda Review about replacing the air conditioner at the Bank Building.

Bill Willis, Budget Coordinator, represented this agenda item. Willis said yes this is actually a request by the Commerce Department who manages the Bank Building Budget because it is a leased property. Willis said the roof top unit has been constantly in need of repair and seeing how they have renters in there now it is critical to fix the unit. Willis said Custom Sheet Metal actually came and looked at it and said in light of the fact that they repaired it several times it is probably more cost effective to replace it and fortunately they had enough money in the existing Building Budget to move around to allow for the purchase of and installation of the unit so that is really what this request is for.

Speaker Johnson said this is open for discussion or a motion. Johnson called on Recorder Riley.

Recorder Riley asked what is the usable life on a new unit like that.

Bill Willis said he couldn't tell them. Willis reiterated that he couldn't tell them because he doesn't know how long the one has been there.....that is on there now but it could be an original unit as far as he knows.

Recorder Riley said he is just curious because their leases are to make money off of and when they have this significant expenditure like that it kind of cuts into it so.....

Bill Willis said fortunately enough year to date rental income for that property is \$94,981 so.....

Recorder Riley said that works for him.

Bill Willis said yeah so the rental income is basically supporting that entire building costs so.

Speaker Johnson asked if there are any other questions on this item.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #16-0907-253;
APPROVAL OF BUDGET MODIFICATION MB-2016-46;
AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION OF THE BANK
BUILDING BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,900 FOR COSTS
ASSOCIATED WITH REPLACEMENT OF ROOF-TOP UNIT;** by
Medacco; supported by Lewis.

Speaker Johnson asked if anybody was going to abstain and that it was open for discussion.

Roll Call #5

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Riley confirmed Resolution #16-0907-253 is passed.

4. Approval of Supplemental Appropriation 2016-__-4th QTR to fund Child & Family Development Center Construction and Operational costs in the amount of \$660,330.40

This resolution will support the construction costs related to the Child & Family Development Center not currently covered by grants. It will also cover the costs of employees until revenue is generated.

Jason Cross, Director of Family Services Department, and Chuck Fisher from the Grants Department represented this agenda item. Cross said this is a request for a supplemental appropriation to allow for funding for operational costs for the fourth quarter for the Child & Family Development Center which will allow them to hire and train staff that will be working that facility as well as complete the Construction Budget for that facility.

Speaker Johnson said it is open for discussion and/or a motion.

Recorder Riley asked if they aren't in the third quarter still.

Jason Cross said by the time they post and hire they will be in the fourth quarter.

Recorder Riley said okay.

Councilor Medacco said he has a question on the resolution itself on the very last resolved it says to include an appropriation of \$521,166 to fund Pharmacy Construction costs.

Jason Cross said that is a typo and should be Child & Family Development Center Construction Costs.

Councilor Medacco said he just wanted to make sure it was caught so it can be taken care of.

Speaker Johnson said it is open for discussion, for questions or a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #16-0907-254;
APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION 2016-04-4th
QTR TO FUND CHILD AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CENTER
CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONAL COSTS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$660,330.40; by Medacco; supported by Lewis.**

Speaker Johnson asked if anybody was going to abstain.

Recorder Riley said he is not abstaining but he didn't catch that and asked Councilor Medacco if he amended the resolution to reflect that it is Child Development and not Pharmacy.

Councilor Medacco said he would like to amend it so that the last whereas the Pharmacy Construction is out of there and it goes to the Child & Family Center.

Speaker Johnson asked Councilor Lewis if she still supported.

Councilor Lewis responded yes.

Speaker Johnson said so it is amended and supported by Councilor Lewis. Johnson said amended by Councilor Medacco and supported by Councilor Lewis. Johnson asked if there was any other discussion on this item.

Jason Cross said in that same whereas there is another.....no.....in the final whereas it is FURTHER RESOLVED THAT it is allocated it states first quarter it should be fourth quarter.

Speaker Johnson said it so noted. Johnson said going back to the motion maker.

Councilor Medacco said he will amend it.

Councilor Lewis said she will still support.

Speaker Johnson said Councilor Lewis supports that second change also. Johnson asked if there are any other changes to this resolution. Johnson said it is still open for discussion.

Roll Call #6

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Riley confirmed Resolution #16-0907-254 is passed.

C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

1. Approval of Expenditure for Metron-Farnier VN Cellular Water Meter Registers with software integration in the amount of \$30,000

The Utility Department believes it is in the best interests of the Tribe to identify ways that they can control costs while continuing to provide high quality services by making continuous improvements to Water & Sewer Systems that are critical to the health, well-being and public safety of the community.

Gary Lewis, Director of the Utility Department, represented this agenda item. Lewis said so what he said earlier one other crucial thing he thinks should be added to that. Lewis said right now they can.....people call up and they want to know the history of their water bill and they actually have to take their remote device with an infrared cable out to the water meter and download that information bring it back to the office and upload that into the software and they can review their information but with this upgrade they can do that right from the office and they don't have to go anywhere and pull their data up. Lewis said if they don't want to go on and look at their own account and not used to doing that kind of thing they can pull that data right from the office.

Speaker Johnson said this item is open for discussion, questions and/or a motion.

Councilor Medacco asked how far back can the resident go back to check their meter.

Gary Lewis said he thought he said it was three years if he remembers correctly.

Speaker Johnson asked if there are any other questions or discussion on this item or a motion.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #16-0907-255;
APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE FOR METRON-FARNIER VN**

CELLULAR WATER METER REGISTERS WITH SOFTWARE INTEGRATION; by Medacco; supported by Di Piazza.

Speaker Johnson asked if anybody was going to abstain and that it was open for discussion.

Roll Call #7

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Riley confirmed Resolution #16-0907-255 passes.

Speaker Johnson said to Gary Lewis that before he leaves he just wanted to thank him on behalf of Council and the Tribal membership for bringing this technology forward because he thinks it shows the leadership and the community and he would be happy to share this with the other people of the government agencies when they meet with the Units of Government in the Manistee Township Hall and tell them what they are doing to improve their relationships with their customers such as their members in how they do meter readings and how they can better serve them for the future. Johnson reiterated that he wanted to thank him for that. Johnson asked if there was anything else in regards to this item.

- 2. Approval of Travel for Councilors Burger & Lewis to attend National Indian Health Board Annual Consumer Conference**
The 33rd Annual Consumer Conference is being held on September 19-22, 2016 at the Talking Stick Resort in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Councilor Lewis said this will be Councilor Burger and herself attending the National Indian Health Board 2016 Annual Conference. Lewis said she is honored to state for the record that her colleague, Councilor Burger, has been asked also to be on a panel to discuss being a Tribal Leader also being a Licensed Healthcare Provider and also her experience of being a Health Administrator.

Speaker Johnson said to Councilor Lewis that he got an e-mail on this issue also he believed about how to pursue Self-Governance within the organization and he thinks it encompasses all those items she was talking about and he knows that Councilor Burger was very involved along with Janine Sam in their Self-Governance in the second phase of getting recognized for Self-Governance. Johnson said it is going to be good to have their leadership there talking about those kinds of issues. Johnson said it is open for discussion or a motion.

MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF TRAVEL FOR COUNCILORS BURGER AND LEWIS TO ATTEND THE

NATIONAL INDIAN HEALTH BOARD ANNUAL CONSUMER CONFERENCE; by Crampton; supported by Medacco.

Speaker Johnson asked if anybody was going to abstain. Johnson noted that Councilor Lewis is going to abstain one of the travelers. Johnson said it is open for discussion.

Roll Call #8

J. Riley - Yes	J. Burger- Absent	F. Medacco- Yes
S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza- Yes	M. Wabindato -Yes
R. Wittenberg-Yes	V. Johnson - Yes	S. Lewis - Abstain

Motion carried (7-0-1-1)

Recorder Riley noted the motion passes.

IV. Old Business

- A. Operations Report** None Submitted
- B. Financial Report**
 - 1. March 2016
 - 2. April 2016
 - 3. May 2016
 - 4. June 2016
- C. Health Commission** None Submitted
- D. Housing Commission** None Submitted
- E. Natural Resource Commission** None Submitted
- F. Commerce Commission** None Submitted
- G. LRBOI Tribal Government Preference Report** None Submitted

Speaker Johnson noted that they did have the Financial Reports provided to them for March, April, May and June. Johnson said he wanted to thank and he wanted to get this right, Lani or Lani Rozga, sorry he didn't get it right. Johnson reiterated he wanted to thank her for providing them with that oversight. Johnson said there is not action required for them to do from that meeting so it is just noted that they accept the reports for filing.

V. New Business

- A. Approval of Donation to Homeward Bound Animal Shelter in the amount of \$500**

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Revenue Allocation Plan provides for awarding of funds to charitable organizations as part of the plan. Tribal Council and Tribal Ogema wish to show their support by donating \$250 each.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #16-0907-256;
 APPROVAL OF DONATION TO HOMEWARD BOUND IN THE**

AMOUNT OF \$500 WITH \$250 FROM THE OGEMA AND \$250 FROM TRIBAL COUNCIL; by Medacco; supported by Wabindato.

Speaker Johnson asked if anybody was going to abstain and that it was open for discussion.

Roll Call #9

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Riley confirmed Resolution #16-0907-256 is passed.

B. Approval of Donation to the International Down Syndrome Coalition in the amount of \$500

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Revenue Allocation Plan provides for awarding of funds to charitable organizations as part of the plan. Tribal Council and Tribal Ogema wish to show their support by donating \$250 each.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #16-0907-257; APPROVAL OF DONATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL DOWN SYNDROME COALITION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500 WITH \$250 FROM THE OGEMA AND \$250 FROM TRIBAL COUNCIL; by Medacco; supported by Di Piazza.

Speaker Johnson asked if anybody was going to abstain and that it was open for discussion.

Roll Call #10

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Riley confirmed Resolution #16-0907-257 is passed.

C. Correction to Resolution #16-0829-250; Emergency Adoption of Amendments to the Gaming Enterprise Board of Directors Act of 2010, Ordinance #10-800-03 to Gaming Enterprise Oversight Act, Ordinance #10-800-03

The resolution was passed by motion and a correction needs to be made to the title of the resolution.

Recorder Riley explained that it is a correction to the language in the resolution because it was referred to as the Gaming Enterprise Board of Directors Act and that was actually changed to the Gaming Enterprise Oversight Act previously.

Speaker Johnson thanked Recorder Riley. Johnson said it is open for discussion or a motion.

**MOVE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #16-0907-258;
 CORRECTION TO THE RESOLUTION #16-0829-250,
 CORRECTING THE TITLE AND RESOLUTION TO
 EMERGENCY ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE
 GAMING ENTERPRISE OVERSIGHT ACT, ORDINANCE #10-
 800-03; by Riley; supported by Di Piazza.**

Speaker Johnson asked if anybody was going to abstain and that it was open for discussion.

Roll Call #11

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Riley confirmed Resolution #16-0907-258 is passed.

VI. Concluding Business

A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, September 28, 2016

Speaker Johnson explained that the 14th they elected not to have that meeting because of a funeral that some of their colleagues would like to attend and also the 21st is a holiday so they will not be meeting until the 28th.

B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update

Ogema Romanelli said he will pass this on it's an awards for 2016 Energy Gas and Oil. Romanelli said he is not sure and that some of these are kind of not on the up and up but he passed it onto Council. Romanelli said he will give them a copy. Romanelli said he also has asked of their Natural Resource Director and hoped he passed it onto him as well. Romanelli said they get those types of things every now and then. Romanelli said also they were contacted by the West Michigan Chapter of ____, Michael Finley and he also passed that onto Council so he is not sure if anybody is familiar with Mr. Finley or not. Romanelli said he is not but he was talking about the possibility of assisting with the Standing Rock and that is something he will be bringing up later in his report. Romanelli said he got.....he had a personal call from Diane Rosen yesterday and she announced

that she is retiring and she wanted to call Little River Band personally to let them know she will be retiring. Romanelli said as they remember about a year ago there was talk of her retiring and she decided to stay on board. Romanelli said Diane Rosen has been a wonderful friend for Little River Band of Ottawa Indians out of the BIA she assured them that they will be in good hands going forward. Romanelli said it appears that Scott Douag and Diane Baker which they both.....they know both of them will be taking over in her absence. Romanelli said they wish her a lot of luck and he gave her the best from the Tribe and wished her a good retirement. Romanelli said Sturgeon Release is happening on the 17th of this month in two weeks on a Saturday and the time has been changed to 11:00 by his understanding where they can view the actual Sturgeon trailer and then 11:30 is the actual time of the Sturgeon Release. Romanelli said what else, also on that date he is suggesting and planning on putting together an Informational Meeting at 3 p.m. on the same day as the Sturgeon Release to explain the changes with the Oversight of the Casino Resort. Romanelli said he is getting a lot of information and a lot of concerns about what's going on. Romanelli said he would invite Council to come to that Informational Meeting and it is probably going to be at the Resort and he will try and find the room. Romanelli said they are looking at 3 p.m. on the 17th and just basically to clear people's minds as to what the transition means and what's going on. Romanelli said he thinks it is probably good time to also explain the idea of a management company coming in because he has heard talk of that as well and the Oversight Committee and the Board of Directors. Romanelli said again that will be at 3 p.m. and he will probably be sending out information to all Tribal members. Romanelli said they also talked about employee time off for the Standing.....with Standing Rock and he knows that at least one Council.....Tribal Councilor did go and Councilor Lewis was down there and he think it was last week there was discussion about trying to give some of their employees time off to go down to Standing Rock and support their efforts. Romanelli said he knows they had a brief discussion in Council yesterday but he is not sure they came any closer to.....a conclusion on how they can do that. Romanelli said the main thing is as one Councilor brought up too they have to be careful that people, if they allow that, are in violation and lose their benefits. Romanelli said he would be supportive if they could find a legitimate way to do this and what they are talking about is to give some of their employees time off, they wouldn't lose their vacation or PTO, it is just time off to go do this and it would not be penalized for not using one of those. Romanelli said that's, he guessed, one of the main sticklers that they would have to talk with the Legal Department about. Romanelli said the second issue that he has is that if the person is gone and he knows there was talk of possibly up to two weeks somebody would be going down there and standing with them. Romanelli said if an employee is gone for two weeks from their job does the job still go on. Romanelli said they have to make sure that their services are still being covered. Romanelli said if those two answers of those two questions could be answered he wouldn't be opposed to it and again, it would have to be up to the Director level because the Director would have to approve. Romanelli said there are some jobs

where they only have one person in that position and it is simply not reasonable to let them go for two weeks for something like that but he is still supportive of the idea and if.....he doesn't know if Councilor Lewis would like to ask Legal or if she wanted him to ask Legal what the options are as she knows again another Council member suggested that they have to be careful in doing so and other than that he can ask the Directors as well. Romanelli said he.....they know that it is critical and they know that the Standing Rock issue is not going to go away any time soon and it is a big issue not only for the Tribes.....for that Tribe but for other Tribes for the U.S citizens in general. Romanelli said they also have the Pipeline #5 up underneath the Mackinaw Bridge and these are all critical issues to their people and to all the nations. Romanelli said yeah go ahead Councilor Lewis and that concludes his report by the way.

Councilor Lewis said yeah she was going to kind of say this for Legislative but she did have the honor to go out to Standing Rock. Lewis said a few of them got together and they carpooled. Lewis said a bunch of donations were sent out that way and she does want to state for the record Clatus Clyne went out, Leanne Banke, Antoine Pete's Family, Kareen Lewis, donations were sent out from Sally Bell, Julie Wolfe, Spring Howe, Chad Stone, a Tribal Flag was also donated from Jay Sam and then also Virgil Johnson had donated one flag and it is posted out there. Lewis said it is such an honor to see that. Lewis said Council and Ogema did also sent out \$1,000 to support food efforts. Lewis said she went on her own vacation time and that is how she spent her vacation but it is just so important. Lewis said water is a gift from the Creator and this isn't just a Standing Rock issue it is a human's rights issue. Lewis said they all have a right to drink clean water and the Enbridge Line 5 they know, that is a lot of destruction down at the Kalamazoo River and they are in imminent danger there because that life span on that pipeline there only has about five to six years left of life on it. Lewis said it is not just a Standing Rock issue it is an all people issue. Lewis said she thinks it is a really good thing that if their voice is heard out there maybe for all pipelines through the United States their voice might be heard that it is time to wake up and take care of Mother Earth and look for alternative ways to get energy. Lewis said when she was out there she did get to go on a Women's Talking Circle, a Sweat Lodge, a Pipe Ceremony, and also a protest on the bridge in Bismarck and what they did was walk half way through the bridge, stopped at a Pipe Ceremony, and everybody put tobacco out. Lewis said in the camp it is very safe and it is all peaceful. Lewis said it is all unity. Lewis said their weapon there is prayer and unity of the people. Lewis said she is in strong support that as many of their people can get out there that if they can be there experience and be a part of what is going on there just the blessing and the learning experience that they would have from that and it is amazing to see so many nations get together. Lewis said when she was out there there was 68 nations that were there and by the time she got home there was already 98 or like in the 90's that amount of nations were there. Lewis said there were colors of all people, everybody is there, and it is amazing and it is amazing to see how well all the people are working together. Lewis said everybody is watching over each other over there and helping each

other. Lewis said just as many of their people could experience that and bring that back home she thinks it would be a really good thing for them. Lewis said she wanted to say “thank you” to Councilor Wittenberg because he did go to the Enbridge Line 5 this past Saturday and they did have a protest over there. Lewis said she wanted to thank him for being there and representing them. Lewis said she guessed that is about all she wanted to say about that but it was really an amazing experience and she wished that for everybody here that they would just see the unity and how people are working together. Lewis said she knows that people have seen videos on the front line where it is direct action that they are taking. Lewis said they do have classes out there if they wanted to go on the front line they can, they don’t have to but they can do that. Lewis said in the camp it is all unity and all prayer and it is amazing.

Speaker Johnson said he has in the queue Councilors Medacco and Crampton. Johnson asked if he missed anybody.

Councilor Medacco said he just wanted to address the other two issues that Ogema Romanelli brought up. Medacco said Mike Finley is a Tribal member from Muskegon. Medacco said he grew up with him down there and he knows that he had a message on his phone so later on this afternoon he is going to call him and see exactly what he is looking for like what kind of support he is looking for and he can bring that back to Council and to the Ogema later on this week to see what he needs or what he wants. Medacco said the other one he wanted, if it is okay with Council and the Ogema, if they have the Natural Resource Director come up and talk to them about the Sturgeon Release about what happened this year that there is no release being done on Sturgeon that they were taking because the last one died. Medacco said the release were going to be the ones from last year that was caught in nets. Medacco reiterated if it is okay with the Elected Officials if he comes up so he can tell the membership exactly what happened.

Speaker Johnson said he has Councilor Crampton in the queue next and if that is permissible with him.

Councilor Crampton said yeah of course.

Frank Beaver, Natural Resource Director, thanked them and asked if now was a good time. Beaver said so yes they had a low success rate this year in terms of the Sturgeon that they were able to catch during drift and during egg mats. Beaver said they place out egg mats and then they.....and also.....to get those if the eggs stay plus they do larval drift to try and capture some Sturgeon. Beaver said they did not have a lot of success this year for that so they had maybe, he doesn’t know, definitely less than half maybe even 25% of what they would normally get so their normal more tallied they would have in the Sturgeon Trailer where they might lose 30-40 fish over the course of the season and normally that’s an impact that they feel but it doesn’t.....they know....kind of acceptable losses sort of issue. Beaver said definitely they feel they are improving over the

success rates that would happen in nature. Beaver said some losses are unfortunately unavoidable but since they had the low success rate in terms of drift those 40 fish that they would have lost they definitely felt much more so then towards the end of the season they had one remaining wild fish that they had in the trailer that they were able to raise and he did not make it. Beaver said they have pulled in a number of fish that they do in a joint project with the DNR and Fish & Wildlife Service to protect the young of year Sturgeon, the hatched Sturgeon rather, that would be out in the river and vulnerable during the Lamprey treatment when the Lampricide is put in the river so they pull them out from the river and they only hold those during the time when the river is really hot and there is a lot of chemicals out there and then return those. Beaver said this year they have retained a few of those fish to have as part of the Sturgeon Release so they do have something to release for the community to be there and to return those back. Beaver said none of those are reared Sturgeon that they would have caught from drift or from those egg mats. Beaver said so that is what happened this year in a nutshell. Beaver said it doesn't put them in a very good position but sometimes that happens.

Speaker Johnson said to Frank Beaver before he leaves he has a quick question for him because he knows they been doing this for well over ten years. Johnson said he knows that they tag these fish as they release them or put some kind of marker on them.

Frank Beaver said yes.

Speaker Johnson asked any of the fish that he caught that were existing in the river systems were they tagged fish from previous releases.

Frank Beaver replied no because they were just hatched this year, right, so none of them but they do tag those fish too that they bring back in. Beaver asked Allison Smart if that was right. Beaver said right, so those fish that they do pull in from the Lampricide treatment they also do tag those so they will be able to track those and the other agencies like he said they work with, both DNR and Fish & Wildlife Service, on that project that they just used their Rearing Facility to hold those fish and protect them from that treatment.

Speaker Johnson asked if there are any other questions on this item.

Councilor Medacco thanked Frank Beaver.

Speaker Johnson also thanked Frank Beaver. Johnson said to Councilor Medacco that he still had the floor.

Councilor Medacco said he is all set.

Councilor Crampton said he just wanted to jump back a little bit to something the Ogema said in his report and that was an Informational Meeting. Crampton said he didn't believe Council's been consulted on that and they haven't heard anything about an Informational Meeting so he is going to hold a meeting, an Informational Meeting, on an action taken by Council when Council has not been consulted and is in the middle of litigation. Crampton said he is not sure what information he can give but he knows that he said in a meeting with the Gaming Commission and the Council and got the same information that they got. Crampton said he is just kind of concerned because at that time everybody was in agreement that something needed to be done but now it looks like its political wrangling. Crampton said he thinks it would be more prudent to the whole Tribe to have this meeting at the Membership Meeting when more people can attend and it is only a couple weeks away.

Ogema Romanelli said he thinks they are talking about two different things. Romanelli said the Informational Meeting that he said that they talked about with the Gaming Commission, the Ogema, and the Council is something totally different. Romanelli said he just sent an e-mail to all Tribal Council and he suggested that maybe because they keep bringing that one up that maybe they bring that out sooner and if he wanted to bring it out at the Membership Meeting that's fine. Romanelli said that was done one other time if he remembers correctly where there was an issue that was brought up and there was finding of sorts from the Gaming Commission it was brought out and ultimately it resulted in very little.....some of the information was incorrect. Romanelli said they can do it in that fashion again. Romanelli said he suggests not but if that is the way Council wants to do that information that is fine. Romanelli said this Informational Meeting is something that is being called by the Ogema and he is giving them notice right here and right now that he planned on doing so. Romanelli said this Informational Meeting has nothing to do with that. Romanelli said this has to do with explaining to the membership what's transpired and how the casino is being run. Romanelli said now in the past they had a Management Team come in here, Management Company, they also had a Board of Directors, and now they're in between the Board of Directors and what is called the Oversight Task Force Group. Romanelli said that is where people are getting confused and he thinks that, he doesn't know about Councilor Crampton, but he had a number of calls and people talking to him about what are they doing. Romanelli said that is their biggest Golden Goose there so he thinks they deserved at least information on that. Romanelli said he invites the Tribal Council to come to the meeting so that they can make sure that it is explained properly, not that there is misinformation going out there, and that they are comfortable both the employees or the membership is comfortable with what is being done in that. Romanelli said yes there is a lawsuit at one part of it and he thinks they can work around that hopefully and just give the honest information here. Romanelli said that other thing that he is talking about, again, when he called the Emergency Meeting.....excuse him when he mentioned this before it was brought up about some letter. Romanelli said that letter that Councilor Crampton was talking about

was miscommunicated and that was not what he was talking about. Romanelli said he was talking about an e-mail that went to Council from the Ogema so in this case he is talking about the change of the oversight of the casino. Romanelli said once that Board of Directors is gone what are they now doing and that is pretty much it. Romanelli said he assumed that there would have to be some time requirements on there so that people aren't going on lengthy periods of time but this is notice to Council right here.

Councilor Crampton said but he is holding the meeting.

Ogema Romanelli repeated that he is holding the meeting.

Councilor Crampton said usually these Informational Meetings there is very little information disseminated and basically.....

Ogema Romanelli said he disagrees.

Councilor Crampton went on to say usually a bunch of people attacking.

Ogema Romanelli said no, he disagrees with that. Romanelli asked Councilor Crampton if he has been to the Informational Meetings. Romanelli said most of them he has not.

Councilor Crampton said yes he has.

Ogema Romanelli said that he has held.....

Councilor Crampton said the last one they didn't.....Council agreed at the time that it was a Fishing ___ and heard that members weren't very satisfied.

Ogema Romanelli said he heard that members weren't very.....he wasn't in attendance and he can tell him that he held the meeting on the Fishing Program because he spent his first three to four years working through that and again, he cautions to say that no real information came out of that, absolutely so....

Speaker Johnson said to Councilor Crampton that he still had the floor.

Councilor Crampton said he is good.

Recorder Riley said going back to something else and kind of lightening it up a little bit. Riley said they know as fast as Dakota Access got their EIS done maybe they should have told them in Muskegon that they were building a pipeline.

Ogema Romanelli said right it gets it moving.

Speaker Johnson asked if there was anything else and they are still in the Business Updates. Johnson said he just wanted to add to this that he knows that their Recorder sent out to all the Council the applications for licensure for the Board and he completed his two weeks ago. Johnson reiterated that he has his completed and submitted and right now it is on a temporary to do like a 30 day screening so as of today when he talked to the Gaming Commissioners there has been two applications turned in and have issued temporary licenses at this point. Johnson said that is just where they are at with that.

Recorder Riley said just to add to that he already has his permanent license.

Speaker Johnson said that was one of the two.

Ogema Romanelli asked that was one of the two.

Speaker Johnson answered yes. Johnson said they need to get on top of this is all he is saying.

Councilor Di Piazza said his is just in limbo because he hasn't been able to gamble going on three years.

Speaker Johnson asked anything else in Business Updates.

Councilor Di Piazza said all he has to do is walk in and resubmit and there it is.

C. Legislative Affairs Update

Councilor Crampton said going back to the Standing Rock issue. Crampton said a judge ordered a Temporary Restraining Order for a portion of the pipeline not for the full pipeline but a portion and interestingly enough this original pipeline was scheduled to go into Bismarck which is just north of the Capital of the Dakotas. Crampton said there was so much protests and upheaval from the leaders, State Leaders, that it didn't go in. Crampton said they were scared of contamination to the drinking water of the public in Bismarck so they moved it to an Indian Reservation.

Speaker Johnson said yup.

Councilor Crampton said that's it.

Speaker Johnson said they do have the Units of Government Meeting on the 20th of September which he is planning on attending.

D. Public Comment Period

Speaker Johnson said he would invite any Tribal member to come forward with their I.D. and called on Diane Lonn.

Diane Lonn said Enrollment and Election Board Director. Lonn said the Election Board per the Constitution has to do background checks and they have started looking and have found out that the Tribal Police cannot do it nor can the Gaming Commission. Lonn said so they have looked at outside places. Lonn said the Police have given them some really good sites but the cost is going to be \$79.95. Lonn said the question being is Council going to pay that for every person that is going to run. Lonn said that is her question.

Speaker Johnson asked Council.

Diane Lonn said she needs an answer because she needs to go forward with this and if they are then she needs to know.

Speaker Johnson said maybe this is something they can discuss between now and their second open. Johnson said they can come back in second open to give their final.....he is not sure on this.

Councilor Crampton asked would this be more appropriate for a work session.

Diane Lonn said the problem is that she has another meeting unless the girls can come but the thing is it is \$79.95 and that is the going rate for every site that their attorney's been on to do a background check. Lonn said that doesn't cover all of the, like they said, they wanted the State, Tribal and the Federal. Lonn said it does not cover all that. Lonn said neither the Gaming Commission nor the Police like she said are able to do it.

Councilor Crampton said wait who said State, Local and Federal.

Diane Lonn said it says that within the.....

Councilor Crampton said in the Constitution changes it lists the places.

Diane Lonn said it does. Lonn said they are at a stand-still right now and they have exactly two weeks when they declare the elections so she needs to know today because she needs flyers that have to go out to the Tribal people. Lonn said if they are going to pay for it, if they say no, then they will pay for it and they will charge but she needs an answer. Lonn said she means what are they going to do. Lonn said she needs yes or no because if it's no then she will put it in.....they will put it in the flyer that they have to pay.

Speaker Johnson said to Councilor Crampton that he has the floor.

Councilor Crampton said in his reading of it he doesn't.....unless they are elected it says they must declare. Crampton said once they are elected.....if they are elected to that seat then they will probably do the background check to make sure that person is declaring.....

Diane Lonn said her understanding of it is the "*Election Board shall issue such rules and regulations consistent with the Constitution*" then it says "*they will....background investigations of candidates for Elected Office*" it doesn't say for Elected Officials it says candidates so that would start with the primary itself.

Councilor Crampton asked Diane Lonn if he can see the paper that she is reading from.

Speaker Johnson said it appears as Councilor Crampton indicated earlier that maybe they need to do a work session on this then work from there and move forward.

Diane Lonn said okay she will not be there, one of the girls will have to be there, because she has another meeting but.....and thanked them.

Speaker Johnson asked if there is any other Public Comments.

Ogema Romanelli said they are talking about having a work session. Romanelli said Diane Lonn said she needed the information and this is due in two weeks.

Diane Lonn said yes they have to get the information out in the next three days because they declare the election in two weeks from tomorrow so she needs to let people know if they are going to have to pay for it or if Council is going to pick it up.

Ogema Romanelli said he was just wondering if Council could let them know when the work session would be scheduled and is that going to be within.....he means in the next few days he is assuming, right, that's what is needed.

Diane Lonn said today.

Ogema Romanelli said at least today would be better, right.

Diane Lonn said she has to run off all those copies to send to people like if they are going to pay for it. Lonn said if the Council pays for it then she has to change the calendar.

Speaker Johnson said to Diane Lonn that he is going to invite her to come up to the microphone because he doesn't know if Grace Hendler is catching all this or the recorder is catching all this information.

Diane Lonn said the Calendar of Events will go out ASAP because she has to let them know what all the different time limits are and that has to go within the next.....as soon as possible. Lonn said they are working tonight and tomorrow night trying to get it out as fast as they can but they also make all the copies so they send it to all eight and above which is 3,000 copies that she has to make of everything. Lonn said if Council does not want to pay for it then the charge will go to the people running if Council pays for it then she needs to change everything, all the forms that she has including the Section 3 and 4 so she needs an answer.

Speaker Johnson said he has Councilor Di Piazza in queue and then he will get Councilor Crampton.

Councilor Di Piazza said Councilor Wabindato.

Councilor Wabindato said no he was waving for.....

Speaker Johnson said Councilors Di Piazza and Crampton.

Councilor Di Piazza said it's his opinion that he thinks it probably needs to fall on the candidate that is running.

Diane Lonn said pardon she didn't hear.

Councilor Di Piazza repeated that in his opinion that it needs to fall onto whoever is running, the candidate, they need to pay for it.

Diane Lonn said whatever they decide she needs to know. Lonn said she has no problem doing it either way but she has to correct those forms if they decide to pay for it.

Councilor Di Piazza said 50 people running that is almost four grand.

Diane Lonn said probably maybe more. Lonn said last time she thinks they had just in the primary at least 70 people running. Lonn said so 70 at \$80 is what \$5,600 or something like that. Lonn said if they decide that they should pay it she has no problem but she does need an answer.

Councilor Crampton said another issue regarding the election. Crampton said he knows that there were a lot of concern expressed over the company that just screwed up the BIA Election and another Tribe's Election prior to that and the concern was to give them time to probably correct the issue or get another company. Crampton asked if they had done anything in that area or are they still using the same company.

Diane Lonn replied that they are still using the same company because they are able to get down but they are changing the form. Lonn said they have talked to them so if they can't change the form they will get something else but right now they said they would.....were going to work with the Post Office and change the form.

Speaker Johnson said he has a couple of questions in this area. Johnson said it is his understanding after running for Council for two times in a row there was nothing that he.....that the Tribal Government subsidized his election process at all. Johnson said he had to pay for everything out of his own pocket.

Diane Lonn said Speaker Johnson was right.

Speaker Johnson said even he got the Mailing List when he went to the Enrollment he had to pay for those lists.

Diane Lonn said she wanted to charge him twice but they wouldn't let her. Lonn said no he is right.

Speaker Johnson said they would be setting a precedent if they started paying for background checks so.....

Diane Lonn said all they need is a yes or no.

Speaker Johnson said he is having a difficult time with this because this would be the first time ever that they would be subsidizing the candidates on their process for running for office.

Recorder Riley said he would say the candidates pay their own.

Diane Lonn asked if she can have a yes or no, please, so she can go forward.

Councilor Crampton said he thinks Council is pretty much bound because if they are sitting here talking about paying for people's candidacies they are, Tribal Council, what can benefit them directly.

Speaker Johnson said he has Shayne Machen saying something.....

Shayne Machen was speaking from the audience and it wasn't picked up on the tape recording.

Speaker Johnson said they can do this in second open, okay, because he thinks it is just a brief discussion with them.....

Diane Lonn said okay then one of the girls will be here. Lonn asked what time is second open usually.

Speaker Johnson said they got a long.....they got a lengthy stuff in closed today. Johnson said a lot of contracts and stuff to handle so he would say possibly the earliest would be 1:00. Johnson reiterated the earliest but more like around two.

Diane Lonn said okay and thanked them.

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

MOTION TO ADJOURN FIRST OPEN AT 11; by Medacco;
supported by Crampton.

Roll Call #12

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

VIII. Open Session

The Council reconvened in Open Session at 1:32 p.m.

MOTION TO GO INTO SECOND OPEN AT 1:32; by Medacco;
supported by Lewis.

Roll Call #13

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Riley noted they are in second open and they have a quorum.

A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session

MOVE TO MOVE CLOSED SESSION C.1, C.2, C.3, C.4, C.5, C.6, C.7, C.8 AND C.9, MOTION AND ROLL CALL VOTES TO OPEN SESSION; by Riley; supported by Di Piazza.

Speaker Johnson asked if anybody was going to abstain and that it was open for discussion.

Roll Call #14

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

Recorder Riley noted the items were moved.

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

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 16-0907-259,
 RATIFICATION OF CONTRACT WITH GRAND TRAVERSE
 CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR INVASIVE SPECIES
 CONTROL ON MANISTEE LAKE;** by Medacco; supported by Riley.

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

Roll Call #C-4

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 16-0907-260,
 RATIFICATION OF CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY WILD
 RICE GENETIC CONTRACT;** by Medacco; supported by Lewis.

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

Roll Call #C-5

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 16-0907-261,
 APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH DATA WORKS PLUS;** by
 Medacco; supported by Lewis.

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

Roll Call #C-6

R. Wittenberg - Yes	S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza - Yes
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V. Johnson - Yes	F. Medacco – Yes	J. Riley – Yes
J. Burger - Absent	M. Wabindato– Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 16-0907-261,
 RATIFICATION FO T.E.A.M.S. CONTRACT;** by DiPiazza;
 supported by Wabindato.

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

Roll Call #C-7

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

Motion carried (7-1-0-1)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 16-0907-262,
 RATIFICATION OF BUSINESS VOICE OVER IP CONTRACT
 WITH AT&T;** by Medacco; supported by DiPiazza.

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

Roll Call #C-8

R. Wittenberg - Yes	S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza – Yes
V. Johnson - Yes	F. Medacco – Yes	J. Riley – Yes
J. Burger - Absent	M. Wabindato– Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 16-0907-263,
 APPROVAL OF LETTER AGREEMENT WITH VALLIANT
 CONSULTING TO PROVIDE LIMITED GENERAL
 CONSULTING SERVICES TO THE HUMAN RESOURCE
 DEPARTMENT FOR 2016;** by Riley; supported by Wabindato.

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

Roll Call #C-9

R. Wittenberg - Yes	S. Crampton - Yes	G. DiPiazza – Yes
V. Johnson - Yes	F. Medacco – Yes	J. Riley – Yes
J. Burger - Absent	M. Wabindato– Yes	S. Lewis - Yes

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 16-0907-264,
 APPROVAL OF LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT WITH VALLIANT**

CONSULTING TO CONDUCT JOB ANALYSIS AND JOB DESCRIPTION FOR 175 POSITIONS WITHIN LRBOI TRIBAL GOVERNMENT; by Medacco; supported by Wabindato.

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

Roll Call #C-11

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

MOTION TO AMEND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT OF RESOLUTION # 16-0907-261 AND AMEND IT TO RESOLUTION #16-0907-265 (DATAWORKS); by Medacco; supported by Lewis.

Roll Call #C-12

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 16-0907-266, AUTHORIZING THE OGEMA TO SIGN CONTRACT WITH SEUNG-NI MARTIAL ARTS ACADEMY TO HOLD THREE SELF-DEFENSE CLASSES FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS EVENTS; by Medacco; supported by Lewis.

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

Roll Call #C-13

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 16-0907-267, APPROVAL OF CONTRACT SERVICES WITH GOSLING CZUBAK ENGINEERING SCIENCES, INC. CONTRACT; by Medacco; supported by DiPiazza.

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

Roll Call #C-14

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

Motion carried (8-0-0-1)

This concludes the items moved from Closed Session to Open Session.

Speaker Johnson said he cautiously says this because he doesn't have anything written in front of him but in Council's Chambers when they discussed this item about the Election Board and also doing the background investigation. Johnson said the law says it has to be done and because it has to be done it is up to the Election Board to implement it but Council is not going to pay for it or the Government is not paying for it. Johnson said he believed it is up to the candidates to pay for their background search but he would encourage the Election Board to make sure that the background searches are done to fulfill the needs of the law. Johnson said that is the best way.

Councilor Crampton said he just wanted to make one correction that the law doesn't state that background checks has to be done it just says the person has to declare. Crampton said the problem comes in when who verifies that and that would be the Election Board.

Karen Love, Election Board Member, said they were going to actually have their attorney because the information that would be coming as a background check they don't know exactly the statues and all that go together so their attorney is going to take and verify all the information that comes in on a criminal check so everything will be up front in that process.

The Election Board Members were speaking from the audience and most of their comments were not picked up on the tape recording. The following is what the transcriptionist was able to make out on the recording.

Carol Gibner, Election Board Member, said they won't have their eyes on it as far as Tribal members and the background so.....

Councilor Crampton said that is probably the smartest way.

Karen Love said there was another thing too on there as far as the.....

Speaker Johnson asked Recorder Riley if the recorder was on.

Recorder Riley responded yes.

Speaker Johnson said he would invite Karen Love to come up to the podium so they get it on the recording.

Karen Love said Election Board as far as the Criminal Checks go they said they had Grabowski and Robert Medawis along with their attorney in there with them last week about criminal checks and according to the State Law they would only go back like seven years now according to the new amendment they have to go back ten years so she thinks Federal Law can go back ten years but she doesn't know what that cost would be. Love said to be fingerprinted and everything so they know there are a couple of little issues that they have to look into right now too so it would have been nice on the amendment part if it was just a little bit more specific and more clear they know to let people vote on it so but they will get through it.

Councilor Crampton said alright.

Karen Love said they will take care of it.

Recorder Riley said honestly the language was left pretty vague so the Election Board could have the agency on how this is implemented and it really only says that they have to disclose these things so however that happens it is up to them how it happens so.

Carol Gibner thanked Tribal Council.

IX. Adjourn

MOVE TO ADJOURN SECOND OPEN AT 1:36; by Riley; supported by Lewis.


Roll Call #15

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

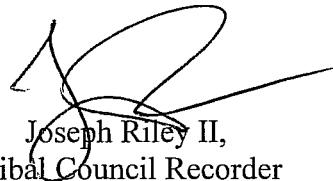
Motion carried (7-1-0-1)

The meeting was adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Grace A. Hendler
Transcribing Assistant



Joseph Riley II,
Tribal Council Recorder