



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
Binojeeuk Commission
Administration Office
2608 Government Center Dr.
Manistee, Michigan 49660

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Open Session Minutes December 9, 2021

I. General Business

A. Call to Order: Shawwna Gonzalez 1:07 PM

B. Roll Call:

Present: Shawwna Gonzalez and Corey Wells

Others Present: Jon Hauswirth, Elise McGowan-Cuellar

C. Approval of Agenda for December 9th, 2021

Motion to approve agenda

Made by: Wells.

Supported by: Gonzalez

Gonzalez	Wells	
Yes	Yes	

Motion approved 2-0-0

D. Approval of Open Session Minutes for: None Submitted

II. New Business:

III. Discussion:

A. Continuing Business: Talk to council and find a time change that will work for all parties.

IV. Concluding Business

Binojeeuk Commission
 Open Session Minutes
 Adopted – June 16, 2011

A. Meeting Date December 21st, 2021 @ 1:00 PM

- V. Adjourn Open Session 1:07 PM
Motion to move into Closed Session at 1:07 PM
Made by: Gonzalez
Supported by: Wells

Gonzalez	Wells	
Yes	Yes	

Motion approved 2-0-0

- VI. Adjourn Meeting
Motion to adjourn meeting at 1:59 PM
Made by: Shawwna Gonzalez
Supported by: Corey Wells

Gonzalez	Wells	
Yes	Yes	

Motion approved 2-0-0



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MONTHLY REPORT December 2021

The Binojeeuk Commission is created for the purpose of protecting the best interests of the child and promoting the stability and security of the Tribe and its Indian families by fully exercising the Tribe's rights and responsibilities under the Indian Child Welfare Act and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Children's Code.

Officers:

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|---------------------|--------------|---------|
| 1. Shawwna Gonzalez | Term Ending: | 9/20/23 |
| 2. Corey Wells | Term Ending: | 9/20/23 |

Monthly Activities:

1. Total cases reviewed for the month (3)
2. Submitted dates for open session minutes 12-9-21, 12-21-21
3. Submitted dates for closed session minutes 12-9-21, 12-21-21

Discussion Points/Concerns:

1. Case Managers updated ICWA cases (3)
2. Recommendations issued on ICWA cases (3)
3. Discussion on why the State of Michigan is not taking the recommendations of the tribe. One of the cases for this month shows that the Binojeeuk Commission and the Family Services Department, and in conjunction with LRBOI's Prosecutors Office have been in agreement on a course of action and the State has disregarded the collective opinion of the tribe in regard to a LRBOI Tribal Citizen.



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Open Session Minutes December 21st, 2021

I. General Business

A. Call to Order: Shawwna Gonzalez 1:10 PM

B. Roll Call:

Present: Shawwna Gonzalez and Corey Wells

Others Present Jon Hauswirth Stephanie Persenaire

C. Approval of Agenda for December 21st, 2021

Motion to approve agenda

Made by: Wells.

Supported by: Gonzalez

Gonzalez	Wells	
Yes	Yes	

Motion approved 2-0-0

D. Approval of Open Session Minutes for: 11-16-21 and 12-9-21

Motion to approve Open Session Minutes:

Made by: Gonzalez

Supported by: Wells

Gonzalez	Wells	
Yes	Yes	

Motion approved 2-0-0

II. New Business:

- a. Approval of Date and Time change for 2022 to the first and third Friday of the month at 11AM. This change is to accommodate

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Tribal Council Liaisons and other persons to facilitate their attendance at Binojeeuk Commission Meetings.

Motion to approve Open Session Minutes:

Made by: Wells

Supported by: Gonzalez

Gonzalez	Wells	
Yes	Yes	

Motion approved 2-0-0

- III. Discussion: Advised the Commission that Administrator Williams-Torres was to be cc on all Binojeeuk Commission correspondence with the Tribal Recorder

A. Continuing Business: None

- IV. Concluding Business

A. Meeting Date January 7th, 2021 @ 11:00 AM

- V. Adjourn Open Session 1:22 PM
Motion to move into Closed Session at 1:23 PM
Made by: Gonzalez
Supported by: Wells

Gonzalez	Wells	
Yes	Yes	

Motion approved 2-0-0

- VI. Adjourn Meeting
Motion to adjourn meeting at 2:15 PM

Made by: Shawwna Gonzalez

Supported by: Corey Wells

Gonzalez	Wells	
Yes	Yes	

Motion approved 2-0-0