



**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS  
2608 GOVERNMENT CENTER DRIVE  
TRIBAL COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 28, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.  
VIA ZOOM & LODGE  
AGENDA**

*\*This agenda is subject to adoption or amendment by vote of the Tribal Council\**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

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**I. Opening Prayer**

**II. General Business**

**A. Call to Order**

**N. Champagne**

**B. Roll Call**

**J. Wolfe**

**C. Approval of Agenda**

**D. Tribal Council Minutes  6/11/21**

**III. Continuing Business**

**A. Grants & Contracts**

**1. Grant Application Request: United States**

**Tribal Ogema**

**Department of Agriculture (USDA)-Food  
Distribution Program on Indian Reservation  
(FDPIR) Annual Budget Request FY2021-2022**

Food Distribution is making their Annual Budget Request to the USDA to manage their program. The request is for \$423,114 of which there is a 20% In-kind Tribal Match of \$84,623. A Waiver is being included to waive the 20% In-Kind Tribal Match if approved by the USDA.

**B. Budget Modifications**

**1. Acceptance of contract funds from the Department  
of Health and Human Services-Indian Health  
Services and approving a modification to the  
Operating Budget MB-2021-\_\_ in the amount of  
\$317,514**

**Tribal Ogema**

Acceptance of funds.

**2. Approval of Supplemental Appropriation 2021-\_\_ -  
3<sup>rd</sup> QTR to cover Muskegon Clinic Project expenses**

**Tribal Ogema**

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**in the amount of \$903,141**  
Approval of Supplemental Appropriation.

**C. Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**

**IV. Old Business**

**V. New Business**

**A. Liaisons assigned to the following commissions and committees**

**J. Wolfe**

Assigning Tribal Council Members as Liaisons to Commissions, Committees, State & Federal and Local Agencies.

<b>Elders Committee:</b>	<b>Sandra Lewis Shirley Wever Gary Di Piazza</b>
<b>Biskaabiiyaang Committee:</b>	<b>Pam Johnson Ron Wittenberg Gary Di Piazza</b>
<b>Binojeeuk Commission:</b>	<b>Cindy Champagne Nitumigaabow Champagne Tom Guenthardt</b>
<b>Enrollment Commission:</b>	<b>Ron Wittenberg Sandra Lewis Cindy Champagne</b>
<b>Gaming Commission:</b>	<b>Pam Johnson Julie Wolfe Tom Guenthardt</b>
<b>Health Commission:</b>	<b>Sandra Lewis Pam Johnson Nitumigaabow Champagne</b>
<b>Housing Commission:</b>	<b>Sandra Lewis Ron Wittenberg Tom Guenthardt</b>
<b>Natural Resource Commission:</b>	<b>Gary Di Piazza Tom Guenthardt Ron Wittenberg</b>
<b>Federal Liaisons:</b>	
<b>Democrat</b>	<b>Sandra Lewis Nitumigaabow Champagne</b>
<b>Republican</b>	<b>Pam Johnson Gary Di Piazza</b>
<b>State Liaisons:</b>	<b>Gary Di Piazza Pam Johnson</b>
<b>Joint Units of Government:</b>	<b>Gary Di Piazza</b>

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Ron Wittenberg

**B. Appointment of Delegates and Alternates to various agencies**

J. Wolfe

**1) National Congress of American Indians (NCAI)**

Delegate: Larry Romanelli, Tribal Ogema

Alternate: Cindy Champagne, Tribal Council

Alternate: Sandra Lewis, Tribal Council

Alternate: Gary Di Piazza, Tribal council

**2) National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA)**

Delegate: Larry Romanelli, Tribal Ogema

Alternate: Cindy Champagne, Tribal Council

Alternate: Tom Guenthardt, Tribal Council

Alternate: Sandra Lewis, Tribal Council

**3) National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC)**

Delegate: Tom Guenthardt, Tribal Council

Delegate: Julie Wolfe, Tribal Council

Alternate: Pam Johnson, Tribal Council

**4) United Tribes of Michigan (UTOM)**

Delegate: Larry Romanelli, Tribal Ogema

Alternate: Ron Wittenberg, Tribal Council

Alternate: Gary Di Piazza, Tribal Council

**5) Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes (MAST)**

Delegate: Larry Romanelli, Tribal Ogema

Alternate: Sandra Lewis, Tribal Council

Alternate: Ron Wittenberg, Tribal Council

Alternate: Cindy Champagne, Tribal Council

Alternate: Nitumigaabow Champagne, Tribal Council

**6) U.S. Chamber of Commerce**

Delegate: Nitumigaabow Champagne, Tribal Council

Delegate: Julie Wolfe, Tribal Council

Alternate: Gary Di Piazza, Tribal Council

**C. Ratification of 2021 MetLife and Disability Insurance**

Tribal Ogema

Moved from Closed: **Benefit Renewal Contract**

Government Employee Life and Disability Benefit Renewal.

**VI. Concluding Business**

**A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, August 4, 2021**

**B. Ogema Weekly Status and Business Update**

**C. Legislative Affairs Update**

**D. Public Comment Period**

*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.*

**VII. Closed Session**

**A. Tribal Council Closed Session Minutes  None Submitted**

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- B. Submissions for business matters that are Confidential**
    - 1. Enterprise and/or Reservation Development matters**
      - a) 2020 Consent Decree Negotiations (Treaty Rights)**
    - 2. Legal Updates**
  - C. Bids & Contracts**
    - 1. Ratification of 2021 MetLife and Disability Insurance** Tribal Ogema  
**Benefit Renewal Contract**  
Government Employee Life and Disability Benefit Renewal.
  - Moved to Open:**
  - D. Acceptance of Submission from Tribal Entities requiring action in Closed Session**
  - E. Litigation**
    - 1. Sedelmaier v LRBOI & Romanelli (Employment Matter)**
  - F. Personnel**
- VIII. Open Session**
- A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session**
- IX. Adjourn**

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