



LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS
2608 GOVERNMENT CENTER DRIVE
TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.
VIA ZOOM
AGENDA

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

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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

4/7/21

4/14/21

4/14/21 Emergency

5/12/21

5/26/21

E. Swearing In of Associate Judge-Caroline La Porte, J.D.

N. Champagne

III. Continuing Business

A. Grants & Contracts

B. Budget Modifications

1. Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S.

Tribal Ogema

Department of Interior-Government to Government

Indian Reservation Roads and approving a

modification to the Operating Budget MB-2021-___

in the amount of \$2,930.37

Acceptance of funds.

2. Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S.

Tribal Ogema

Department of Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs

and approving a modification to the Operating

Budget MB-2021-__ in the amount of \$3,830

Acceptance of funds.

3. Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S.

Tribal Ogema

Department of Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs

and approving a modification to the Operating

Budget MB-2021-__ in the amount of \$1,155,022

Acceptance of funds.

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4. **Acceptance of contract funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2021-__ in the amount of \$17,788.55** Tribal Ogema
Acceptance of funds.

- C. **Approval of Budgeted Expenditure**
1. **Authorization of Expenditure for Annual Dues to the National Congress of American Indians for 2021-2022** Tribal Ogema
No rationale provided.

IV. **Old Business**

- A. **Operations Report** August 2021
B. **Binojeeuk Commission** August 2021
C. **Update Designated Individuals authorized to sign Tribal Certificates of Exemption under the terms of the Tax Agreement between the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the State of Michigan** J. Wolfe
The Resort has had a change in their Purchasing Department staff which warrants a need to update their authorized signers for Certificates of Exemption. This item was postponed at the 9/8/21 and 9/15/21 Tribal Council Meetings.
D. **Establishing the Criterion and procedures for excluding of persons, or other entities to be on lands of the Tribe and defining who is not legally entitled to be on the lands of the Tribe and are able to be excluded and removed** C. Champagne
Set framework for exclusion and removal action. This item was Postponed to a work session at the 9/15/21 Tribal Council Meeting.

V. **New Business**

- A. **Re-Appointment of Steve Parsons to the Gaming Commission** Tribal Ogema
This re-appointment is for Seat #4 with a term ending 9/20/2025.
B. **Re-Appointment of Mark Jespersen to the Gaming Commission** Tribal Ogema
This re-appointment is for Seat #3 with a term ending 9/20/2025.
C. **Approve Posting New Draft Ordinance entitled Virtual Meetings Act for 30-Day Public Comment Period** Nitumigaabow
Champagne
The Tribal Council has drafted this ordinance with input from Tribal members and seeks public comment on the new draft ordinance.
D. **Adoption of Emergency Amendments to the Election Ordinance Ordinance #08-200-02** J. Wolfe
Emergency Amendments to address immediate need of Tribal Council to address the procedural irregularity of requiring Tribal Council to act on the Final Report of the Election Board. Emergency Action is required to avoid any unnecessary delay in implementation

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of the election results. It is vital to the preservation and protection of the welfare, peace, safety of the Tribe for a fully seated judiciary if at all possible. The amendments include clarifying the procedure of the Election Report filing with Tribal Council, eliminating the need for Tribal Council Action and correcting formatting and an internal reference error.

VI. Concluding Business

- A. Next Meeting Date(s) - Wednesday, October 6, 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
- 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
 - a) Delisting of the Gray Wolf
- C. Bids & Contracts
 - 1. Ratification of Contract for 2022-2023 with the Law Offices of Richard G. Mc Gee, LLC J. Wolfe
Special Legal Counsel for the LRBOI Gaming Commission.
- D. Acceptance of Submission from Tribal Entities requiring action in Closed Session
 - 1. Binojeuk Commission Closed Session Minutes August 2021
- E. Litigation
 - 1. Sedelmaier v LRBOI & Romanelli (Employment Matter)
 - 2. Israel Stone vs LRBOI Tribal Council
 - 3. Larry B. Romanelli, Tribal Ogema vs LRBOI, Tribal Council
- F. Personnel

VIII. Open Session

- A. Items moved from Closed to Open Session

IX. Adjourn

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