



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
 Natural Resources Commission
 2608 Government Center Drive
 Manistee, Michigan 49660**

January 9, 2023
 Open Session Minutes
Zoom Info
 Meeting ID: 567 831 8925 PW: 1994

I. General Business

A. Call to Order: 5:02pm

B. Roll Call:

Virgil Johnson- Chair.....Present
 John GrocholskiPresent
 Martha Howell - Recorder.....Present
 Connie Eno.....Present
 Vacant

Others Present: Gary DiPiazza, Archie Martel, Julie Wolf, Robert Robles

C. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the January 9, 2023 agenda:

Motion to approve:
 made by: Eno
 supported by: Grocholski

Johnson – yes	Eno - yes	vacant	Grocholski - yes
Howell - yes			

Motion approved 4-0-0-0

D. Approval of Open Session Minutes

Open Session Minutes – 11/14/2022

Motion to approve:
 made by: Grocholski
 supported by: Eno

Johnson – yes	Eno - yes	vacant	Grocholski -
Howell - yes			

Motion approved 4-0-0-0

- I. Law Enforcement Update:** None
- II. Natural Resources Department Update:** Archie is giving an inaudible (Zoom) update about something. Something is being continued. Virgil Johnson is impressed with the Sturgeon rearing facility but is disappointed in the survival rate of the released fish. He would like to see a more coordinated effort for restorations.
- III. Legal Dept. Update:** None
- IV. New Business:** Type D Trout Lake changes discussion.

Motion to put this item “2007 Inland Consent Decree Type D Trout Lake Regulation changes” on the February 13, 2023 agenda.

made by: Grocholski
supported by: Eno

Johnson – yes	Eno - yes	vacant	Grocholski - yes
Howell - no			

Motion approved 3-1-0-0

- V. Continuing Business:** Walleye harvest changes discussion in March/April. Remove Crockery Lake from the walleye harvest. The department has been unable to obtain any walleye population numbers in the areas discussed. The state will no longer stock walleye in certain lakes, those lakes are at risk for being “fished out”.

Motion to prepare a resolution to support “2007 Inland Consent Decree proposed Walleye Table 1 changes”.

made by: Eno
supported by: Grocholski

Johnson – yes	Eno - yes	vacant	Grocholski - yes
Howell - no			

Motion approved 3-1-0-0

Camping Regulation Discussion – The campground needs an attendant. What we have right now at the campground is not working. More policing is the

answer. Virgil wants to send the Ogema a letter asking for increased policing for the 2023 camping season.

Tribal Lands discussion – Waiting for an department update from Frank Beaver about grant funding, land cleanup, property plans, etc...

The NRC would like an update on bear, elk, and deer harvest reports for 2022.

Tippy Dam/Consumers Energy discussion. What if this. What if that. No one knows anything.

VI. Public Comment:

None

VII. Next meeting Date: 02/13/22

- Camping fee letter to the Ogema
- Cleanup of Tribal Lands
- Bear/Elk Harvest Report
- Whitetail Report
- Sturgeon Update

E. Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn the meeting: 6:55pm

made by: Eno

supported by: Grocholski

Johnson – yes	Eno - yes	vacant	Grocholski - yes
Howell - yes			

Motion approved 4-0-0-0