

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
March 23rd, 1997
9:00 a.m.**

Closed Session: A closed session was conducted.

Called To Order: Meeting was called to order at 9:34 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Opening ceremony was conducted by Frank Ettawageshik.

Council Present: Alice Yellowbank, Frank Ettawageshik, Barry Laughlin, George Anthony, Patti Dyer-Deckrow

Council Absent: Shirley Oldman, Janet Shomin

Staff Present: Susan Keller

Guests Present: See attached list.

AGENDA:

The agenda was reviewed and amended.

Motion was made by **Patti Dyer-Deckrow** and was **Seconded** by **Alice Yellowbank** to approve agenda as amended.

Vote: 5 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Council Arrives: Janet Shomin arrived at 9:50 a.m.

BILLS:

Bills were reviewed.

Motion as made by **Alice Yellowbank** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** to approve the bills as amended.

Vote: 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Francis Killer & Associates

A discussion was held regarding an extension of the Francis Killer & Associates Contract and the vacancies in the Accounting Department.

Motion was made by **Barry Laughlin** and was **Seconded** by **Alice Yellowbank** to approve the extension of the Francis Killer & Associates Contract dated March 21, 1997, authorizing Chairman Ettawageshik to sign the contract.

Vote: 5 YES NO 1 Patti Dyer-Deckrow ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Comments: See statement.

Organizational Chart

The Organizational Chart was reviewed.

Council Arrives: Shirley Oldman arrived at 10:48 p.m.

Motion was made by **Alice Yellowbank** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to adopt the Organizational Chart for Calendar Year ending December 31, 1997. This motion supersedes the previous motion made on March 2, 1997.

Vote: 5 YES 0 NO 2 George Anthony & Shirley Oldman ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Indirect Status Report

A discussion was held regarding the Indirect Cost Rate Proposal.

Motion was made by **George Anthony** and was **Seconded** by **Barry Laughlin** to approve per diem, travel, and lodging for Frank Ettawageshik and Janet Shomin to attend 1997 Indirect Cost Rate negotiations in Washington D.C.

Vote: 5 YES 0 NO 2 **Alice Yellowbank & Patti Dyer-Deckrow** ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Tribal Council Folders

A discussion was held regarding the work that needs to be completed by the Tribal Council Treasurer, Janet Shomin concerning Tribal Council advance folders. It was agreed by Council that original documentation should not be taken to the Treasurer's home to complete the work, but rather the information should be copied and forwarded to the Treasurer.

Comments: See statement from Patti Dyer-Deckrow.

Letter from Francis Killer

A discussion was held regarding social security numbers that need to be obtained for the commissioners on the NRC Commission. A form will be provided to the NRC staff to gather this information at their April 9, 1997 NRC meeting.

Recess: A recess was called at 12:20 p.m. Meeting called back to order at 12:42 p.m.

1997 Program Budgets

Marcia Sutton distributed budget information to Tribal Council. It was stated that the Indirect budget is going to the Inspector General's office in the next two days.

National Indian Housing Council

George Gaasvig, a Technical Assistance Specialist gave a verbal and written presentation on housing assistance. He informed Council of the process that needed to be completed in order to access these housing funds.

Motion was made by **Barry Laughlin** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** to add the Odawa Housing Council Ordinance on today's legislative agenda.

Vote: 7 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by **George Anthony** and was **Seconded** by **Barry Laughlin** to consider the Odawa Housing Council Statute under the legislative provisions act 1995019 Section 4B.

Vote: 7 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Council reviewed the Odawa Housing Council Ordinance section by section.

RECESS: A recess was called at 3:00 p.m.. The meeting was called back to order at 3:21 p.m.

Motion was made by **Shirley Oldman** and was **Seconded** by **Alice Yellowbank** to adopt Waganakising Odawak Statute 1997003, Odawa Housing Council Ordinance.

Vote: 7 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by **Barry Laughlin** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to appoint Shirley Oldman, Janet Shomin, Alice Yellowbank, and Patti Dyer-Deckrow, & George Anthony to the Odawa Housing Council.

Vote: 7 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by **Alice Yellowbank** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to appoint Patti Dyer-Deckrow as Chairperson for the Odawa Housing Council.

Vote: 7 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

The terms of office for the Housing Council is as follows: Janet Shomin - 4 years, Shirley Oldman - 2 years, Alice Yellowbank - 1 year, George Anthony - 4 years, Patti Dyer-Deckrow 3 years.

Chairman Ettawageshik sworn in the above mentioned to the Odawa Housing Council.

Motion was made by **George Anthony** and was **Seconded** by **Patti Dyer-Deckrow** to designate \$500.00 from the Development Account for start up of the Odawa Housing Council.

Vote: 7 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Public Comment: Public comment opened at 4:16 p.m. No public comment was issued. Public comment closed at 4:16 p.m.

Council Departs: Patti Dyer-Deckrow departed at 4:18 p.m.

MINUTES

The March 2, 1997 Tribal Council meeting minutes were reviewed and corrected.

Motion was made by **Barry Laughlin** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** to approve the March 2, 1997 Tribal Council meeting minutes.

Vote: 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Phone Polls

Motion was made by **Shirley Oldman** and was **Seconded** by **Barry Laughlin** to approve the phone poll dated 3-10-97 and attach it to these meeting minutes.

Vote: 5 YES 1 Alice Yellowbank NO ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Comments: See attached.

Motion was made by **Shirley Oldman** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** to approve phone poll dated 3-12-97 and attach to these meeting minutes.

Vote: 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Tribal Administrator's Report

The written resignation of Tribal Administrator was reviewed. Alice Yellowbank read Patti Dyer-Deckrow's written statement aloud to Council. Alice also expressed her concern that Tribal Council members are legislators not administrators.

Motion was made by **Barry Laughlin** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** to accept the written resignation of the Tribal Administrator.

Vote: 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Recess: Recess was called at 5:26 p.m. Meeting was called back to order at 5:47 p.m.

Interim Tribal Administrator

After review of Francis Killer's recommendations regarding an interim Tribal Administrator, it was decided by Council to designate Chairman Ettawageshik as interim Tribal Administrator until a new Tribal Administrator is hired.

Motion was made by **George Anthony** and was **Seconded** by **Shirley Oldman** to designate the Tribal Chairman to assume the interim position of the acting Tribal Administrator.

Vote: 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by **Shirley Oldman** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** authorizing Chairman Ettawageshik to stay up to three nights per week at the Comfort Inn while acting as interim Tribal Administrator to come from the Administrator's budget.

Vote: 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

In Chairman Ettawageshik's absence Susan will attend assigned meetings.

Tribal Chairman's Report

Issues such as Commodity Foods Program, NRC relocation, and Commissions newsletter were discussed.

Motion was made by **Barry Laughlin** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** to accept the Tribal Chairman's verbal report.

Vote: 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by **George Anthony** and was **Seconded** by **Shirley Oldman** to pay per diem, lodging, mileage, and registration fee, for Alice Yellowbank to attend the 1997 Critical Issues Conference to come from Council Training.

Vote: 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by **George Anthony** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to table the Commissions Procedure.

Vote: 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by **Barry Laughlin** and was **Seconded** by **Alice Yellowbank** to table the Tribal Council Procedure Manual.

Vote: 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by **Barry Laughlin** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to table the Health Board Commissions Statute.

Vote: 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by **Barry Laughlin** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** to table the Commissions and Nepotism Statute.

Vote: 5 YES 1 Shirley Oldman NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by **Barry Laughlin** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to table the Personnel Policies.

Vote: 5 YES 1 Shirley Oldman NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Check Signer Resolution

Motion was made by **Barry Laughlin** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to adopt **Resolution #02239701** in support of revised check signing authority.

Vote: 5 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Comments: One person was absent at time of vote.

LTBB Travel Policy

The LTBB Travel Policy was reviewed and amended.

Motion was made by **Shirley Oldman** and was **Seconded** by **Alice Yellowbank** to approve the LTBB Tribal Travel Policy.

Vote: 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by **George Anthony** and was **Seconded** by **Alice Yellowbank** to table the Enrollment Policy.

Vote: 6 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Council Departs: Janet Shomin left at 8:06 p.m.

Recess: A two minutes recess was called at 8:26 p.m. to look at the Hale Bopp Comet. Meeting was called back to order at 8:28 p.m.

Background Check Release Form

Motion was made by Barry Laughlin and was **Seconded** by George Anthony in support of the Background Check Release Form.

Vote: 5 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Harbor Springs Chamber of Commerce

Motion was made by Shirley Oldman and was **Seconded** by Alice Yellowbank to join the Harbor Springs Chamber of Commerce authorizing up to \$100.00 to be used from the Development Account.

Vote: 5 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by Barry Laughlin and was **Seconded** by Shirely Oldman to approve the purchase of a Cell Phone for the LTBB Police Department with funds coming from the police budget.

Vote: 5 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

1996 Law Enforcement Budget Modification

The budget modification for the Law Enforcement office was discussed.

Motion was made by Barry Laughlin and was **Seconded** by George Anthony for Law Enforcement budget modification

Vote: 5 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Comments: Shirley feels that the budget modification form should have a line where the person requesting the budget modification could sign.

NRC Appointments:

The commissioner, George Anthony, did not have the letters of intent for the NRC commission from the three current commissioners. This appointments will be conducted at the next Tribal Council meeting.

Motion was made by Barry Laughlin and was **Seconded** by George Anthony to table the NRC appointments.

Vote: 5 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Election Board

Motion was made by George Anthony and was **Seconded** by Shirley Oldman to table the Election Board appointment.

Vote: 5 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Holy Childhood Restoration & Renovation Committee

Motion was made by Alice Yellowbank and was **Seconded** by Barry Laughlin to table the Holy Childhood Restoration & Renovation Committee appointment.

Vote: 5 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by **George Anthony** and **Seconded** by **Alice Yellowbank** to go into closed session at 8:51 p.m.

Open Session: Open session resumed at 9:05 p.m.

Motion was made by **George Anthony** and was **Seconded** by **Alice Yellowbank** to adjourn the Tribal Council meeting at 9:05 p.m.

These minutes have been read & approved as written:

Barry Laughlin, Tribal Council Secretary **Date** _____