

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
Tribal Council Meeting  
August 3rd, 1997**

**Closed Session:** No

**Called To Order:** Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. at Harbor Springs Ottawa Stadium

**Opening Ceremony:** Opening ceremony was conducted by Patti Dyer-Deckrow

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

**Council Absent:** Shirley Oldman.

**Staff Present:** Susan Keller, Dora Willis

**Guests Present:** See attached list.

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**Agenda:**

**Motion** was made by **Patti Dyer-Deckrow** and was **Seconded** by **Barry Laughlin** to adopt the agenda as presented.

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

**Bills:**

It was noted that the bills to be paid were in a packet at the Tribal office. Barry Laughlin left the meeting at 10:10 a.m. to retrieve the packet from the Tribal office.

**Minutes:**

The July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1997 meeting minutes were reviewed and corrected.

**Motion** was made by **Janet Shomin** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** to accept the July 27<sup>th</sup>, meeting minutes as corrected.

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

**Public Comment:** Public comment opened at 10:21 a.m. Fred Harrington, LTBB Education Director, voiced his concerns regarding the hunting and fishing inland regulations. Council stated that this was a Natural Resources item. Fred further stated that he had also made a comment at the Natural Resources Commission meeting, but since regulations have changed with the DNR, he would like council to pay attention to our regulations also.

**Public Comment:** Public comment closed at 10:24 a.m.

**Tribal Chairman's Report:**

Chairman Ettawageshik announced that Minnie Wabanimkee is here to take the Tribal Council photograph. The Transportation Planning Fund was also discussed. There is \$5000.00 available again from this grant. A resolution of support for the Transportation Planning Fund is needed.

**Motion** was made by **Alice Yellowbank** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** in support of the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP), **Resolution #08039791**.

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

**Motion** was made by **Janet Shomin** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** in support the Transportation Planning Fund, **Resolution #08039702**.

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

**Motion** was made by **Janet Shomin** and was **Seconded** by **Alice Yellowbank** to approve travel to Washington D.C. for Chairman Ettawageshik to meet with the Department of Interior and the Department of Justice.

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

The Tribal Council photograph was discussed and the need to increase the amount to cover the expense of the photograph.

**Motion** was made by **Alice Yellowbank** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to increase the photograph amount from \$200.00 to \$300.00 for the Tribal Council official photograph to come from the Development Account.

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

Chairman Ettawageshik stated that Gerry Parish has approved the financial report that has been sent to him. There has been a meeting set up for Tuesday, August 5, 1997 at 915 Emmet Street building, to work on the 97 monies.

**Motion** was made by **George Anthony** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to accept the Tribal Chairman and the interim Tribal Administrator's verbal report.

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

### **Staff Reports**

**Accounting:** No report was submitted for this administrative meeting. Council stated that the report will be heard at the next Tribal Council Administrative meeting.

**Council Arrives:** Barry Laughlin returned to the Tribal Council meeting at 10:50 a.m.

**Motion** was made by **Janet Shomin** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** to accept the Office Manager's written report.

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

**Motion** was made by **Patti Dyer-Deckrow** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** to accept the written Health report with the exception of the job descriptions.

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

### **Health Job Descriptions**

The job descriptions from the Health Department were referred to the Tribal Administrator to review and discuss with the Health director.

**Motion** was made by **Janet Shomin** and was **Seconded** by **Barry Laughlin** to accept the Human Services written report.

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

**Motion** was made by **Alice Yellowbank** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** to accept the Substance Abuse written report.

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

**Comments:** Janet Shomin stated that she liked the report that Tessa Reed had sent to Council.

**Motion** was made by **Patti Dyer-Deckrow** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to accept the Tribal Court written report.

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

A brief discussion was held regarding the Enrollment Ordinance. It was decided by Council that the Enrollment Ordinance needs to be on the Legislative calendar.

**Council Arrives:** Shirley Oldman arrived at 11:06 a.m.

**Motion** was made by **Janet Shomin** and was **Seconded** by **Alice Yellowbank** to accept the Enrollment written report.

**Vote:** 6 YES                      0 NO                      1 (Shirley Oldman) ABSTAINED                      **Motion Carried**

**Comments:** Council would like to see the statistics from Enrollment on the tuition waivers. This item was assigned to the Tribal Administrator. Shirley Oldman stated she would be abstaining as she did not receive her packet.

**Motion** was made by **Janet Shomin** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** to accept the Planner's written report.

**Vote:** 6 YES                      0 NO                      1 (Shirley Oldman) ABSTAINED                      **Motion Carried**

**Comments:** Patti Dyer-Deckrow stated that she would like to see a report on how LTBB would use land that is acquired. Janet Shomin stated that Bryan Gillett needs to be informed of the Housing training in Chicago.

George Anthony, Natural Resources Commissioner, stated that members can obtain a hunting license from the NRC Department. The fee is \$3.00 for 18 years or older. Members under 18 and elders are free.

**Motion** was made by **Patti Dyer-Deckrow** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to accept the Natural Resource Commission's written report.

**Vote:** 6 YES                      0 NO                      1 (Shirley Oldman) ABSTAINED                      **Motion Carried**

**Comments:** As report has been submitted regarding the Pleasantview property and garbage being dumped on it. Pictures have been taken of this material. NRC will be requesting funds to do a land survey as soon as possible.

**Motion** was made by **Alice Yellowbank** and was **Seconded** by **Patti Dyer-Deckrow** to accept the written Housing report.

**Vote:** 5 YES                      1 (Janet Shomin) NO                      1 (Shirley Oldman) ABSTAINED                      **Motion Carried**

**Comments:** Janet Shomin stated that she will not be voting yes on the Housing report as this is the same report that was submitted for July's administrative meeting. Fred Harrington stated there was a mix up in his department and assured Council that all of the staff underneath him will be submitting calendar month reports from this point on.

**Motion** was made by **Patti Dyer-Deckrow** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to accept the written Education report.

**Vote:** 6 YES                      0 NO                      1 (Shirley Oldman) ABSTAINED                      **Motion Carried**

**Comments:** Janet Shomin questioned when the Education Directors evaluations will be completed.

**Motion** was made by **Janet Shomin** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** to accept the written Law Enforcement Report.

**Vote:** 6 YES                      0 NO                      1 (Shirley Oldman) ABSTAINED                      **Motion Carried**

**Comments:** Janet Shomin stated that she has a concern regarding office buildings being secured. She made a recommendation that the key policy be given to Phil Ludos, Chief of Police, for revision.

Chairman Ettawageshik stated that Wes Andrews, Officer of Archives and Records Management is developing an alternative plan for the storing of the artifacts from the museum, but recommends that the lease agreement should be signed as is and then LTBB will present an alternative plan at a later date.

**Motion** was made by **Alice Yellowbank** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to sign the artifacts storage agreement with the City of Harbor Springs and Michigan State University Museum.

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

**Motion** was made by **Barry Laughlin** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to accept the written Communications report.

**Vote:** 6 YES                      0 NO                      1 (Shirley Oldman) ABSTAINED                      **Motion Carried**

## Newsletter

Tribal Council corrected portions of the Odawa Trails newsletter. Alice Yellowbank will provide the Communications staff with her corrections on Monday, August 4, 1997.

**Motion** was made by **Janet Shomin** and was **Seconded** by **Barry Laughlin** to accept and mail the newsletter with the corrections completed.

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

**Motion** was made by **Barry Laughlin** and was **Seconded** by **Janet Shomin** to pay the bills with the correction of Frank Ettawageshik's name removed and Alice Yellowbanks name inserted in its place.

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

**Comments:** Shirley Oldman would like the Accounting office to insure that the Chamber of Commerce has not already been paid membership fees for this year.

### **Pow Wow**

Shirley Oldman stated that everything is going well. She stated that participation is up, vendor attendance is up, and some traders believe that general public attendance is low this year. She further reported that one of the food vendors was burnt on Friday night and later had to go to the hospital for treatment. The Health Department was efficient in assisting in the situation.

**Motion** was made by **Barry Laughlin** and was **Seconded** by **George Anthony** to accept the verbal Pow Wow report from Shirley Oldman.

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

**Public Comment:** Public Comment opened and closed at 11:54 a.m. There was no public comment issued.

**Motion** was made by **George Anthony** and was **Seconded** by **Patti Dyer-Deckrow** to adjourn the Tribal Council meeting at 11:55 a.m.

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

**These minutes have been read and approved as written:**

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**Barry Laughlin, Tribal Council Secretary**

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**Date**