

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
February 11, 2007
Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle
9:15 a.m. Smudging
9:30 a.m.

Closed Session: none

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:33 a.m.

Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Melvin L. Kiogima, Treasurer Shirley Oldman, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Mary Roberts, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.

Absent: Councilor Regina Gasco Bentley, Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Councilor Dexter McNamara

Executive Office Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik

Legal Staff Present: none

Staff Present: Michele LaCount-Legislative Office Manager

Commission, Boards, and Committees: Denise Petoskey, Election Board Chairperson

Guests: John Liebott, Catherine M. Laba

Opening Ceremony: Alice Yellowbank

9:45 a.m. Councilor Shananaquet arrived.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt the agenda for February 11, 2007, as amended.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor McNamara, Councilor Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.

10:00 a.m. Councilor McNamara arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Treasurer Oldman to approve the minutes of January 28, 2007, with corrections.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to adopt Tribal Council Resolution #021107-01 Requesting Explanations of a

10% Increase in Casino Employee Turnover Rate, for Advancement, Hiring and Financial Discrepancies at the Casino.
Motion withdrawn.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to postpone Tribal Council Resolution #021107-10 until the next regularly scheduled Tribal Council meeting.
Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 2 - Abstained (Councilor Roberts, Treasurer Oldman), 1 – Absent (Councilor Gasco Bentley)
Motion carried.

10:43 a.m. Recess called.
10:52 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to postpone Tribal Resolution #021107-02: Donation of \$3000 to the Restoration of St. Francis Solanus Indian Mission Church and Burial Ground and further authorize the Casino to help support the fund-raising dinners.
Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Gasco Bentley)
Motion carried.

11:06 a.m. Councilor Gasco Bentley arrived.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to adopt Tribal Resolution #021107-03 Quill Art of the Waganakising Odawa Additional Funding in the amount of \$5,000 to come from prior period funds.
Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-absent, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to adopt Tribal Resolution #021107-04 Resolution to Authorize the Executive to Issue Public Performance Licenses for Tribal Video Productions.
Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to postpone Tribal Resolution #021107-05.
Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 2 – Abstained (Treasurer Oldman, Councilor Roberts), 0 – Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt Tribal Resolution #021107-06 Appropriation of Additional Funds for 2007 Tribal Court Budget.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to adopt Tribal Resolution #021107-07 Appropriation of Additional funds for the Wah Wahs Noo Da Ke Community Building Capital Project.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

A verbal report was given by the Election Board Chairperson Denise Petoskey.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to adopt Tribal Resolution #021107-09 The Tribal Chair is hereby directed to ensure General Manager of the Casino makes reports to the Gaming Board of Directors that are in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), and ensure all financial reports to or from the Gaming Board of Directors shall be reported in accordance with Generally Accepted Principles as required by the Gaming Board of Directors Statute.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-abstain, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-abstain, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Denise Petoskey

11:47 a.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to postpone Legislative Branch Operations Governmental Employee Personnel Policies Handbook until the next scheduled Tribal Council work session and regular meeting.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to place the Amendment to the Gaming Board of Director's Statute on the Legislative Calendar.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor McNamara to approve \$3,000 relocation allowance for the Legislative Services Attorney to come from Tribal Council Travel Line item.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 – No (Councilor Shananaquet), 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Discussion held pertaining to a case to be heard by Chief Judge Gasco.

Discussion held on the proposed Tribal Council Judicial and Prosecutor Appointment Procedures. Matter to be further discussed at a Tribal Council work session.

4:01 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

4:01 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to accept Citizenship Enrollment List B – Declination (Ineligible) for a total of four (4).

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Harrington), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt Tribal Resolution #021107-08 Support for the Urban Indian Community Assessment Project.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Harrington to accept the Legislative Leader's Report which includes confidential material.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to accept the Tribal Treasurer's verbal and written report.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank for any Tribal Council member to attend the Reservation Restoration Tribal Council Meeting at Little River Band of Ottawa Indians in March 2007.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Shananaquet), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

4:28 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Harrington to adjourn.
Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:
Approved:

Melvin L. Kiogima, Tribal Council Secretary

Date