

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
March 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 9:40 a.m.

Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Melvin L. Kiogima, Treasurer Shirley Oldman, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Mary Roberts, Councilor Regina Gasco Bentley, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.
Absent: Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Councilor Alice Yellowbank

Executive Office Present: Rebecca Fisher-Executive Assistant

Legal Staff Present: Donna Budnick-Legislative Services Attorney

Staff Present: Michele LaCount-Legislative Office Manager, Annette VanDeCarr-Communications Director

Commission, Boards, and Committees: none

Guests: Virginia VonderLippe

Opening Ceremony: Beatrice A. Law

9:41 a.m. Councilor Yellowbank arrives.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt the agenda for March 11, 2007, as amended.

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

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve the minutes of February 25, 2007, with corrections.

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

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to reject the Burial Request Programs Regulations as presented at today's meeting.

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

10:40 a.m. Recess called.

10:50 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Roberts to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services Grant Program Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2007 Museum Services Project. Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes Councilor Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency FY 2007 Pollution Prevention Grants Program, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Pollution Prevention Project. Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Fiscal Year 2007 Tribal Solid Waste Management Assistance Project. Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes
Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Roberts to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians 2007 Basic Library Services Grant. Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Oldman to approve Citizenship list "A" Eligible for Citizenship dated February 21, 2007, for a total of thirteen (13).
Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve Citizenship List "B" Declination Ineligible dated February 21, 2007, for a total of seven (7).

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

Motion carried.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Michele LaCount

11:50 a.m. Public comment closed.

12:05 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:38 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Roberts for Tribal Council to attend the interview for the Appellate Justice position on April 12, 2007, at 1:00 p.m.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 2 - No (Treasurer Kiogima, Councilor McNamara), 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Treasurer Oldman to accept Legislative Leader Law's report including confidential materials for March 11, 2007.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to accept the Secretary Kiogima's verbal and written report.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to accept Treasurer Oldman's verbal report.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Secretary Kiogima to accept Tribal Council member reports from Councilor Yellowbank, Treasurer Oldman, and Councilor Harrington, Jr.

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

Motion carried.

2:40 p.m. Recess called.

2:46 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr. and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve Tribal Council attendance at the 14th Annual Stabilizing Indigenous Languages Symposium in June 2007.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Shananaquet, Councilor McNamara)
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Treasurer Oldman to approve Tribal Council attendance at the Annual Citizens Meeting in May 2007.
Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Shananaquet, Councilor McNamara)
Motion carried.

4:08 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

4:08 p.m. Public Comment closed.

4:24 p.m. Recess called.

4:30 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Secretary Kiogima to acknowledge the receipt of the nomination of James M. Genia for Appellate Justice of the Tribal Court from the Executive.
Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)
Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adjourn at 5:03 p.m.
Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)
Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:

Approved:

Melvin L. Kiogima, Tribal Council Secretary

Date