

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
April 6, 2008
Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle

Closed Session: none

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:36 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Marvin Mulholland

Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer Gerald Chingwa, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Marvin Mulholland, Councilor Shirley Oldman

Absent: none

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, Chuck Schofield Office of Enterprise Management Director

Guests: Fred Kiogima, John Keshick, Linda Gokee, Angela Lambert, Barry Lambert, Benjamin Lambert

Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adopt the agenda for April 6, 2008 as amended.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Oldman to approve the minutes of March 16, 2008 as corrected.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor McNamara to ratify into the record the Phone Poll dated March 25, 2008 to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the Indian Land Tenure Foundation (I.L.T.F.), Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Strategic Land Planning Workshops for Tribal Leaders, Staff, and Community Members. LTBB is requesting funding from I.L.T.F. to host training workshops on developing a strategic plan for land reacquisition and that will outline the goals and objectives, which will be presented to Tribal Council for approval, for the next two to five years. The Phone Poll passed.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 2 – No (Councilor Harrington, Jr. Legislative Leader Law), 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

No Tribal Elder comments at this time.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adopt Tribal Resolution Tribal Council Revokes the Tribal Chair's Authority to Establish a Commercial Plan for the Victories Site and Provides for a Preliminary Analysis and Feasibility Study for Victories Site in the Amount of \$35,000 from Prior Year Funds.

Roll call vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr., -no, Councilor Kiogima-no, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-no, Councilor Oldman-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

10:59 a.m. Recess called.

11:05 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adopt Tribal Resolution Support the Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Building Fund to come from Prior Period Funds in the Amount of \$3,000.

Roll call vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr., -yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt Tribal Resolution Appropriation of Funds for the 2009 Operating Budgets and Restatement of Funding Allocation for the 2009 Fiscal Year.

Roll call vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr., -yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: John Keshick spoke regarding \$900,000.00 Tribal Council removed from the 2000 Consent Decree funds used for the purchase of Bell's Fishery of which \$450,000.00 is to be reimbursed to the 2000 Consent Decree funds.

11:49 a.m. Public Comment closed.

12:05 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:33 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to table the Proposed Legislation and Draft Statutes until after the Legislative Leader report.

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

Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor Kiogima for April 19, 2008 Tribal Council work session interview for the Associate Judge position of Jenny Kronk for a 4-year term.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 4 – No (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor McNamara, Councilor Oldman, Councilor Yellowbank), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

3:01 p.m. Public Comment opened: Angela Lambert spoke regarding their Barry's Total Home Maintenance and Repairs and the offering of their services. Barry Lambert spoke regarding his company and Cherokee heritage.
3:06 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Oldman to adopt Tribal Resolution Authorize the Establishment of a Line-of-Credit for Inventory Purposes for Bell's Fishery.

Roll call vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr., -yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Oldman to adopt Tribal Resolution Authorization to Accept Easements for Hagar Drive Replacement and Dissolve Reciprocal Easement Agreement.

Roll call vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr., -yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Oldman to accept the Legislative Leader verbal and written report for April 6, 2008 with confidential items.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

3:18 p.m. recess called.

3:26 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept the Treasurer's verbal report as presented by Treasurer Chingwa.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to accept the Land and Reservation Committee's verbal and written report as presented by Committee Chairperson Councilor Kiogima.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept the Legislative Services Attorney verbal and written report.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept verbal and written travel reports from Councilor Oldman and Councilor Harrington, Jr. regarding Michigan Indian Education Conference, Treasurer Chingwa regarding National Congress of American Indians and Secretary Gasco Bentley regarding Anishinaabemowin Teg.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to post to the Legislative Calendar, Dissolution of Marriage.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to place the Enrollment for Citizenship Statute on the Legislative Calendar.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Tribal Notary Public.

Roll call vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr., -yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor McNamara for Tribal Council attendance to meet with Dr. James McClurken at his office in Lansing Michigan on April 26, 2008.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Kiogima for Tribal Council attendance at the Affordable Housing Conference in Lansing, Michigan April 28-30, 2008.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Yellowbank for Tribal Council attendance at National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Conference in Reno, Nevada in June 2008.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley for Tribal Council attendance at the National Congress of American Indians Annual Conference in Phoenix, Arizona in October 2008.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adjourn at 5:00 p.m.

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

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:

Approved:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

Date