



The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
In Council Chambers and via Zoom

**Tribal Council Regular Meeting Agenda
December 19, 2024
9:00 a.m.**

All meetings, work sessions and Citizens' meetings are recorded

Agenda subject to change and may include closed session

Public Comment 11:45 a.m. & 3:00 p.m. (approximate)

Lunch Recess may be held approximately 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Participation. With respect to all participants, and in accordance with Waganakising Odawak Statute 2015-014 Open Meetings of the Tribal Council, and the Tribal Council Meeting Policy and Procedures for Electronic Meetings, participants are required to provide their full name and Tribal affiliation at log in for meeting entry. Citizens use name and enrollment number, all other who are required to be in the meeting, use name and title. Without required identification, you will remain in the Zoom waiting room of this session until the entry criteria is met. If you log in under what appears to be fictitious name, you may be removed and will not be provided entry into the meeting room until such time as your log in is verifiable.

Public Comment.

Tribal Council will not accept comments nor discuss matters that relate to the following:

1. Personnel matters.
2. Personal information affecting any individual's privacy, including personnel matters, medical conditions or similar matters that constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy unless it pertains to the Tribal Council who is raising the matter.
3. Matters covered by attorney client privilege.
4. Matters considered confidential by other Statutes.
5. Matters regarding confidential business or legal matters of the Tribe or a Tribal Citizen.
6. Matters that could impair a criminal investigation.

(Source: WOS 2015-014, July 24, 2015, Section VI)

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GENERAL SESSION

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Ceremony
3. Roll Call
4. Review Agenda:
Motion to adopt the agenda of December 19, 2024 as (presented/amended).
5. Meeting Dedication:
Motion to dedicate this meeting in honor of the following Tribal Citizen (s) who have walked on: Susan Reece-ba, Donald Sloniker-ba, and Richard Washegesic-ba.
6. Review and Approve Minutes of November 21, 2024.
Motion to approve the minutes of November 21, 2024 as (presented/corrected).
7. **9:15 a.m.** Introduction of new Employee Government Employees:
 - Tamara Zimmerman – Dental Front Office Assistant – Health
 - Sophie Buchholz – Great Lakes Policy Specialist – Natural Resources
 - Lakota Worthington – Behavioral Health Administrative Assistant (Transfer) – Health
 - Tricia Denison – Patient Access Representative - Health
8. Executive Oversight Report:
Motion to acknowledge receipt of the (verbal/written) Executive Oversight Report as presented by Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco for December 19, 2024.
9. Legislative Leader Report:
Motion to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Leader Marcella Reyes' verbal and written report for December 19, 2024.
10. Secretary Report:
 - a. Vetoes (a vote of Tribal Council to override a veto shall occur within 90-days of the veto):
 - b. Phone Polls: One
*-11/27/2024 Reason for Phone Poll: Motion to approve Tribal Council attendance at the National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC) legal symposium on December 9-12, 2024 in Las Vegas, NV.
Phone Poll Vote: 9 – Yes, 0 – No, 0 – Abstain, 0 – Absent*

Motion carried.

c. Activities:

Motion to acknowledge receipt of Secretary Emily Proctor's (verbal/written) report as provided on the agenda for December 19, 2024.

11. Treasurer Report:

Appropriations and Finance Committee

- a. Phone Polls passed by the Appropriations and Finance Committee:
- b. Activities:

Motion to acknowledge receipt of the (verbal/written) report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Committee Chair for December 19, 2024.

12. Land and Reservation Committee Report:

- a. Phone Polls passed by the Land and Reservation Committee: Two

-11/26/2024 Reason for Phone Poll #1: Motion to recommend Tribal Council to pursue Land Parcel #221.

*Phone Poll Vote: 3 – Yes, 0 – No, 0 – Abstain, 0 – Absent
Motion carries.*

-11/26/2024 Reason for Phone Poll #2: Motion to approve Confidential Memo # 112124-01

*Phone Poll Vote: 3 – Yes, 0 – No, 0 – Abstain, 0 – Absent
Motion carries.*

- b. Activities:

- c. Confidential Land

_____ **a.m./p.m. Motion** to enter into Closed Session for Confidential Business – Land.
(standard motion)

_____ **a.m./p.m. Motion** to return to open session.

Motion to acknowledge receipt of the Land and Reservation Committee (verbal/written) report as provided on the agenda by Secretary Emily Proctor, Committee Chair for December 19, 2024.

13. Tribal Council Member Reports:

- a. Councilor Fred Kiogima
- b. Councilor Tamara Munson
- c. Councilor William Ortiz – Travel Report & Closed Session for Confidential Business

_____ **a.m./p.m. Motion** to enter into Closed Session for Confidential Business.

_____ **a.m./p.m. Motion** to return to Open Session.

- d. Councilor Aaron Otto
- e. Councilor Melissa Pamp
- f. Councilor Jordan Shananaquet

Motion to acknowledge receipt of...(verbal/written) report for December 19, 2024.

14. Office of Finance and Revenue – Senior Financial Analyst

- a. Office Update
- b. Corporate Charters and/or Boards
 - Gaming Authority – 2025 Odawa Casino Resort Business Plan and Budget
 - Ziibimijwang, Inc.

Motion to acknowledge receipt of Senior Financial Analyst Rachel Cope’s verbal and written report for December 19, 2024.

Motion to approve Confidential Memo #121924-01 – Personnel.

Motion to acknowledge receipt of the written 2025 Odawa Casino Resort Business Plan and Budget.

15. Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation:

Motion to acknowledge receipt of the verbal and written 2024 3rd Quarter Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation Report as presented by Corporate Transition Director Aaron Otto for December 17, 2024.

16. Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc.:

Motion to acknowledge receipt of the (verbal/written) Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. Report as presented by Designated Director Leroy Shomin for December 17, 2024.

17. Legislative Services Attorney - Vacant

18. General Counsel

Motion to acknowledge receipt of General Counsel Jim Bransky’s verbal report for December 19, 2024.

19. Legislative Office Director

Motion to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Office Director Michele Portman-LaCount’s verbal and written report for December 19, 2024.

20. Motions

- a. **Motion** to acknowledge receipt of the Executive Nomination of Patrick Shannon for Prosecutor and to set up an interview.
- b. **Motion** to pursue Land Parcel #221 as recommended by the Land and Reservation Committee.
- c. **Motion** to **not** pursue Land Parcel #223 as recommended by the Land and Reservation Committee (LRC).
- d. The following motion failed in committee
Motion to pursue/not pursue Land Parcel #224.
- e. **Motion** to acknowledge receipt of Citizenship List A – Eligible dated December 10, 2024 for a total of eighteen (18).
- f. **Motion** to acknowledge receipt of Citizenship List B – Ineligible dated December 10, 2024 for a total of two (2).

- g. **Motion** to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 121924-01 Request to Accept Funding Increase from the Bureau of Indian Affairs FY 2024 CTGP and Law Enforcement P.L. 93-638 Annual Funding Agreements.
- h. **Motion** to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 121924-02 Request for Funding from Office of Indian Energy Policy & Programs, Tribal Clean Energy Planning and Development – 2025.
- i. **Motion** to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 121924-03 Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Invasive Species FY 2025 Funding.
- j. **Motion** to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 121924-04 Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Hatchery Maintenance Projects FY 2025.
- k. **Motion** to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 121924-05 Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Tribal Youth Initiative FY 2025 Funding.
- l. **Motion** to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 121924-06 Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Circle of Flight FY 2025 Funding.
- m. **Motion** to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 121924-07 Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Endangered Species FY 2025 Funding.
- n. **Motion** to approve the 2026 Budget Formulation Process Calendar.
- o. **Motion** to appoint Robin Barney-Lees to Ziibimijwang, Inc. Board for a 4-year term ending 09/21/2028 pending a clean back ground report in accordance with WOS 2014-005 Ziibimijwang Incorporated.
- p. **Motion** to approve Tribal Council attendance to the Network Sovereignty: Sharing Tribal Experiences and Best Practices on February 28, 2025 at the Menominee Casino Resort in Keshena Wisconsin.
- q. **Motion** to post for comment Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2015-019 Administrative Procedures.
- r. **Motion** to post for comment Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2012-007 Executive Services Attorney.
- s. **Motion** to post Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2022-003 Enjinaaknegeng (General Counsel/Executive Services Attorney)

21. Roll Call

- a. **Motion** to adopt TRIBAL RESOLUTION Increase Department of Grants Facilitation FY 2025 Operating Budget in the amount of \$47,911 to come from the Indirect Fund.
- b. **Motion** to adopt TRIBAL RESOLUTION Supplemental Funding in the amount of \$100,000 for FY 2025 for a Tribal Event and Public Relations Coordinator position to come from the General Fund-Fund Balance.

- c. **Motion** to adopt TRIBAL RESOLUTION Supplemental Funding in the amount of \$145,000 for FY 2025 to purchase a new shuttle bus for the Elders Department to come from the General Fund-Fund Balance.
- d. **Motion** to adopt TRIBAL RESOLUTION Budget Modification in the amount of \$153,494.67 from the Health Clinic to Health Administration and \$552,024.63 from Community Outreach to the Health Clinic for FY 2025.
- e. **Motion** to adopt TRIBAL RESOLUTION Appropriation of IHS Section 105(l) Lease(s) Revenue for the Health Park Facility Building(s).
- f. **Motion** to adopt TRIBAL RESOLUTION Authorize and approve the reallocation of American Rescue Plan Act funds up to \$35,000 for continued Murray Rd Housing Developments.
- g. **Motion** to adopt TRIBAL RESOLUTION Authorize and approve the reallocation of any remaining Odawa Casino Resort COVID Employee Relief American Rescue Plan Act funds for continued Murray Rd Housing Developments.
- h. **Motion** to adopt TRIBAL RESOLUTION Carryover of unspent funds as of December 31, 2024 for Government Wage Grid Study and Design.
- i. **Motion** to adopt TRIBAL RESOLUTION Migizi Aviary and Rehabilitation Center Supplemental Funding in the Amount of \$403,138.00 from General Fund-Fund Balance.
- j. **Motion** to adopt TRIBAL RESOLUTION Ziibimijwang, Inc. Request for FY2025 Contribution in the Amount of \$106,639.00 to come from the General Fund-Fund Balance.
- k. **Motion** to adopt TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION # 121924-01 To Establish the FY2025 1.5% Cost of Living (COLA) and One-Time 2.5% Relief Payment for Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB) Legislative Branch Employees.
- l. **Motion** to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Amendment to WOS 2022-003 Enjinaaknegeng (Scope of Legal Services)

22. Other Items of Business:

a.

23. Adjournment

_____ a.m./p.m. **Motion** to adjourn.

Next Scheduled Meeting:
Thursday, January 9, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers and via Zoom