

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS  
OF ODAWA INDIANS  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
DECEMBER 4, 2004

GOVERNMENTAL COMPLEX  
HARBOR SPRINGS, MICHIGAN

Meeting called to order by Chair Kishigo at 9:48 am.

Smudging by Chair Kishigo and invocation by Vice-Chair Bott.

Roll call:

Present: Cheryl Kishigo, John Bott, Patricia Dyer-Deckrow and Michael Givens

Absent: Wenona Singel, excused

Quorum established.

Staff: Susan A. Swadling, Economic Development Assistant  
Theresa Keshick, Economic Development Research Assistant  
Allie Maldonado, Tribal Attorney

Guest: Donna Searles, Tribal Member

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott to adopt the agenda as presented and amended,  
supported by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow.

Vote taken: 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 absent (Commissioner Singel).

Motion passed.

Corporation Charter

Allie G. Maldonado, Tribal Attorney, discussed the Odawa Enterprise Corporation  
Charter.

Commissioner Singel came in at 10:24 am.

Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik came in at 10:38 am.

Chairman Ettawageshik presented the Commission with a timeline for the proposed  
sewer and electric utility company; discussion followed.

Chairman Ettawageshik left at 10:51 am.

Discussion resumed regarding the Odawa Enterprise Corporation Charter.

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Chairman Ettawageshik came in at 11:13 am.

Discussed submission of the Corporation Charter at the Tribal Council meeting on  
December 5, 2004.

Chairman Ettawageshik left at 11:20 am.

Chair Kishigo left at 11:35 am

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow left at 11:36 am

Chair Kishigo and Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow returned at 11:37 am

Commissioner Givens left at 11:38 am

Commissioner Singel left at 11:38 am

Commissioner Singel returned at 11:40 am

Commissioner Givens returned at 11:41 am

Continued discussion regarding the Corporation Charter.

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow left at 12:21 pm

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow returned at 12:22 pm

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow left at 12:27 pm

Allie Maldonado, Tribal Attorney, left at 12:29 pm

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow returned at 12:29 pm

Break at 12:31 pm

Reconvened at 1:12 pm

Continued Corporation Charter discussion.

Tabled the November 13, 2004 minutes until the next meeting.

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to approve the phone poll dated  
November 23, 2004, supported by Vice-Chair Bott.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent

Motion passed.

Opened public comment at 1:45 pm

Cheryl Kishigo, Wenona Singel, Susan A. Swadling

Closed public comment at 1:52 pm

Council feedback

Discussed the Odawa Utility information

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow left at 1:57 pm

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow returned at 2:00 pm

Economic Development Director Report

Jaime Barrientoz, Economic Development Director, submitted a written report.

Theresa Keshick, Economic Development Research Assistant, reported on the swipe card system progress. The Enrollment Statute Amendment will be before Tribal Council on December 5, 2004.

Susan A. Swadling, Economic Development Assistant, reported on the Tribal Business Resource Center. Hal Dorf continues to staff the center on Mondays.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott to accept the Economic Development Department staff report, supported by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent

Motion passed.

Chair report

Discussion was held regarding the Renewable Energy Grant.

Motion made by Commissioner Givens to accept the Chair's verbal report, supported by Vice-Chair Bott.

Vote taken: 4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain (Chair Kishigo), 0 absent

Motion passed.

Vice-Chair report, no report

Treasurer report, no report

Secretary report

Discussion was held regarding the Economic Development Commission meeting schedule for 2005

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott to approve the Economic Development Commission meeting and work schedule January through June 2005, supported by Commissioner Givens.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent

Motion passed.

Opened public comment at 3:27 pm

Closed public comment at 3:27 pm

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Telephone call from Jaime Barrientoz, Economic Development Director, regarding the wind energy meeting.

Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik came in at 3:31 pm and left at 3:32 pm

Motion to request the Economic Development Director to work with Heidi Yapple to prepare a grant application for the Department of Energy's Tribal Energy Program for submission to the Department of Energy by January 20, 2005; and to request that the Economic Development Director and Heidi Yapple consult with Wenona LaDuke on a pro bono basis to receive advice on the grant writing process, brought by Commissioner Singel, supported by Vice-Chair Bott.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent

Motion passed.

No closed session

Next meeting will be on January 8, 2005.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott to adjourn the meeting, supported by Commissioner Givens.

Vote taken: 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 absent

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:55 pm.

\_\_\_\_\_, Michael Givens, Secretary

Attachment