

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS
OF ODAWA INDIANS
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 13, 2004

GOVERNMENTAL COMPLEX
HARBOR SPRINGS, MICHIGAN

Meeting called to order by Chair Kishigo at 10:18 am.

Smudging by Commissioner Bott and invocation by Susan A. Swadling.

Roll Call:

Present: Cheryl Kishigo, John Bott, Patricia Dyer-Deckrow

Absent: Michael Givens, excused

Wenona Singel, excused

Quorum established.

Staff: Susan A. Swadling, Economic Development Assistant

Commissioner Givens came in at 10:25 am.

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

Vote taken: 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 absent (Vice-Chair Singel).

Motion passed.

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to adopt the minutes of October 16, 2004 as presented and amended, supported by Commissioner Bott.

Vote taken: 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 absent (Vice-Chair Singel).

Motion passed.

Opened public comment at 10:45 am.

Susan A. Swadling, Cheryl Kishigo, Patricia Dyer-Deckrow, John Bott and Michael Givens.

Closed public comment at 10:52 am.

Election of Officers

Telephone call to Vice-Chair Wenona Singel put on speaker phone.

Chair – Commissioner Bott nominated Chair Kishigo, seconded by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow – accepted.

Motion made by Commissioner Bott to name Commissioner Kishigo as chair by acclamation, supported by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow.

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

Motion passed.

Vice-Chair – Commissioner Bott nominated Vice-Chair Singel, seconded by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow – declined.

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow nominated Commissioner Bott, seconded by Commissioner Givens – accepted.

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to name Commissioner Bott as Vice-Chair by acclamation, supported by Commissioner Givens.

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

Motion passed.

Treasurer – Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow nominated Commissioner Bott, seconded by Commissioner Givens – declined.

Commissioner Bott nominated Commissioner Singel, seconded by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow – declined.

Commissioner Singel nominated Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow, seconded by Commissioner Givens – accepted.

Motion made by Commissioner Bott to name Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow as Treasurer by acclamation, supported by Commissioner Givens.

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

Motion passed.

Secretary – Commissioner Bott nominated Commissioner Givens, seconded by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow – accepted.

Motion made by Commissioner Bott to name Commissioner Givens as Secretary by acclamation, supported by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow.

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

Motion passed.

Ended speaker phone call to Commissioner Singel.

11:32 am break.

12:06 pm reconvene.

Council feedback.

Chair Kishigo passed around Tribal Council information for Commissioners to review.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott to authorize Commissioner Givens, Secretary, to write a letter to Tribal Council requesting EDC involvement in Victories II planning for Odawa

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Utilities, reference to alternative energy and water treatment, supported by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow.

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

Motion passed.

Economic Development Director Report.

Jaime Barrientoz, Economic Development Director, submitted a written and verbal report. Theresa Keshick, Economic Development Research Assistant, submitted a written report.

Discussion was held on the tobacco and fuel numbers for the exemption. Next year's quota was also discussed.

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow to accept the Economic Development Director and staff verbal and written report, supported by Commissioner Givens.

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

Motion passed.

Chair report

Chair Kishigo discussed the hold up on the amendment for the swipe card system.

New by-laws were distributed and discussion held.

Discussed the Corporate Charter and the comments received.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott to accept the Chair's written and verbal report, supported by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow.

Vote taken: 3 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain (Chair Kishigo), 1 absent (Commissioner Singel).

Motion passed.

Vice-Chair – no report.

Treasurer's report.

Revenue and expense report was distributed and discussion was held.

Motion made by Commissioner Bott to accept the Treasurer's verbal and written report, supported by Commissioner Givens.

Vote taken: 3 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain (Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow), 1 absent (Commissioner Singel).

Motion passed.

Secretary report – no report.

Wind energy

Discussed the Wind Energy Grant and the criteria required,

Wenona LaDuke will be in Traverse City at a speaking engagement for GTB.

EDD structure

Discussion was held on the Charter, EDC will be working on it at the work session.

Strategic plan

Discussion held and concluded that the plan needs to be complementary to Tribal Council's strategic plan. EDC will request a meeting with Tribal Council.

Cell tower

Discussion revealed that the entire spectrum has been sold and it would be too expensive to buy into at this time.

Alternative energy

Discussion was held and it was decided to continue with the letter declining the bio-diesel venture at this time.

Swipe card system

Enrollment statute amendment was addressed by Tribal Council at their October 24th meeting to be placed on the legislative calendar and should be posted for thirty days. A meeting has been scheduled on November 18th with E Z Miner representatives, EDD, Enrollment, CFO and Tribal Administrator to discuss the swipe card system.

CDFI

Discussion was held on the CDFI and to plan steps to move forward for a credit union and present it to Tribal Council. Need to check on Oweesta training and decide who will be attending.

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow left at 1:34 pm

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow returned at 1:40 pm.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott for any commissioner that wanted to go to the Indian Economic Development conference in Las Vegas from February 7th to 10th, 2005, and to include travel, per diem and stipend to come out of the 2005 budget, supported by Commissioner Givens.

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

Motion passed.

Reviewed 2005 meeting schedule and will adopt at the next meeting.

Opened public comment at 1:49 pm.

Closed public comment at 1:49 pm.

No closed session.

Next meeting will be on December 4, 2004 at 9:30 am.

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

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

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm.

_____ Michael Givens, Secretary