

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Housing Commission
Regular Meeting
18Aug 2008
3:30 p.m.
Conference Room 312, LTBB Government Complex

Closed Session: No

Call to Order: 3:45 pm

Roll call: Chairman Ray Kiogima – present, Vice Chairperson – Ken Harrington, - present; Secretary Mike Lyons – present, Commissioner Arlene Naganashe – absent,

Staff present: John Givens, Housing Director

Guests present:

Opening Prayer: Ray Kiogima

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Tri county performed work today utilizing the surveying benchmarks laid by Ray Kiogima and Ken Harrington.

Motion made by Ken Harrington and supported by Mike Lyons to approve the agenda as amended for the Aug 18th, meeting.

Vote: 3 – Yes, 0 – No, 1 – Absent, 0 – Abstained 1 - Vacant

Motion Carried

Ken Harrington briefly mentioned to the chairman the continuing possibility of utilizing tax credits.

Motion made by Ken Harrington and supported by Mike Lyons to approve the minutes for the August 4th, 2008 Meeting.

Vote: 3– Yes, 0 – No, 1 – Absent, 0 – Abstained 1 - vacant

Motion Carried

Housing Director Report:

Mill St Contracts: Tri County excavating was the low bidder. Excavation was completed today. Their contract has been made a continuing contract to cover additional dirt work, e.g. spread of top soil, driveway, etc.

Mark's Masonry was low bid for foundation. He could start as soon as this Wednesday.

A list of contractors will still need to be contacted for electrician, plumber, hvac, dry wall and lumber retailer. An itemized list of building materials will be needed from retail

lumber bids. The housing department will coordinate efforts with the Pellston Schools to set up a time schedule for delivery of building materials.

New IHS contract signed to enable the housing dept to continue to provide water and sewer services to tribal members.

Housing evictions. 3 evictions ordered within last 6 months. 2 more scheduled for august 19th and august 28th. The major problem is lack of payment of rents. There have also been concerns with nuisance.

The leases have a provision that pertains to continual nuisances.

Motion made by Ken Harrington and supported by Mike Lyons to Accept the Housing Director's verbal and written report.

Vote: 3– Yes, 0 – No, 1 – Absent, 0 – Abstained 1 - vacant

Motion Carried

Requisition for payment of prints will be forwarded to accounting with a copy of the approved minutes. Contractors often require a copy of the blueprints in order to make an accurate bid.

Maple Leaf Project. We may need to inspect these properties. We may request a member of the legislative and executive accompany us on this inspection. It is possible that we could use tax credit financing to purchase this development.

We will preliminarily plan to schedule a review of this property on Thursday, Aug 21st at 11:00 am. We will invite several persons from the Executive and Legislative branch to accompany us.

Motion made by Ken Harrington and supported by Mike Lyons to approve stipend and mileage for any commissioner who would like to view the Maple Leaf Properties on August 21st, 2008 at 11:00 am.

Vote: 3– Yes, 0 – No, 1 – Absent, 0 – Abstained 1 - vacant

Motion Carried

John will call Pellston Schools to see if they can meet with the housing department and commissioners as a courtesy to elaborate our preferences and expectations necessary to facilitate marketability of the Mill St property. We will propose Friday, September 5th as a time to meet on site.

FYI: a house is currently being placed for sale in Indian Town; 612 Second St Harbor Springs Michigan. The house has been appraised at \$150,000 and is being offered for approximately \$125,000 dollars. Housing Dept will have a representative counsel the owner.

Public Comment open 5:05 pm.

Ray Kiogima – Murray rd update request from John. Mold has been found in the walls of the existing structure; the cost of renovation would be excessive. Although, it is believed the garage may be salvageable. Utilities should be done this year; some clearing for the road and the bridge will be done this year. Most of the infrastructure will be completed within the year. There is a concern about a use of brick pavers in this climate.

Public Comment closed at 5:13 pm.

Motion made by Ken Harrington and supported by Mike Lyons to adjourn at 5:13 pm.

Vote: 3 – Yes, 0 – No, 1 – Absent, 0 – Abstained 1 - vacant

Motion Carried

Date: 8/18/08

Mike Lyons, Secretary/Treasurer