

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Housing Commission
Regular Meeting
January 7th, 2013
4:00 p.m.
Conference Room 312, LTBB Government Complex

Closed Session: None

Call to Order: 4:00 p.m.

Roll call: Chairman Ray Kiogima – Present, Vice Chairperson Arlene Naganashe – Absent, Secretary Patrick Wemigwase – Present, Commissioner Larry Stead – Present, Commissioner Vacant

Staff present: Executive Housing Director – John Givens

Guests present: None

Opening Prayer: Ray Kiogima

Motion made by Larry Stead and supported by Ray Kiogima to accept the agenda as written for the January 7, 2013 meeting.

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

Motion Carried

Motion made by Ray Kiogima and supported by Larry Stead to accept the minutes as written for the December 3rd, 2012 meeting.

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

Motion Carried

Housing Director Report:

Capital Improvements: It's has been suggested by Rural Development that we look into spending money on Capital Improvements in and around the elders duplex units. Things that have been suggested are landscaping projects and gazebo/fire pit projects. Does the Housing Commission have any other ideas?

Recycle Dumpsters at Housing: The Recycle Dumpster for the Mtiigwaakiss (Murray Rd.) Village is here. It should be put in place within the next week. Tenants will be notified and information will be delivered detailing how the unit is too be used. A similar unit for the Wah Wahs Noo Da Ke (Harbor Springs) Village is being discussed.

Snow Removal: We have had some complaints about tenants and/or guest parking on the roads. We will be sending notices out to the tenants asking them **NOT** to park on the roads during the morning hours.

Motion made by Patrick Wemigwase and supported by Larry Stead to accept the Housing Director's verbal and written report.

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

Motion Carried

Elders Coordinator Report: None

Motion made by Ray Kiogima and supported by Larry Stead to accept the dates as set down by the Commission the dates are: January 7th, February 4th, March 4th, April 1st, May 6th, June 3rd, July 1st, August 5th, September 9th, October 7th, November 4th, & December 2nd. All in Room 312 at the LTBB Governmental Complex @ 4:00 p.m. and they all take place on Mondays like always.

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

Motion Carried

FYI:

Ray was asking John about where we are at on the signs; for each of our tribal housing villages. John was letting the commission know that maybe we should build our own instead of having one of the local sign companies do it for us. It would be a lot less expensive and we can maybe get one of the citizens in the tribal community to do it also. The Housing Commission agreed with him on this matter.

John is waiting on Jim Bransky to get back with him on some of the legal matters about the NAHASDA Rental Operations Policy. With regards to the changes that the Housing Department and Housing Commission want to make to it when it comes to the felonies and sexual crimes, also with in regards to the changes to the security deposit part of the policy.

John was explaining the over housing meaning to the commission: It means that a single person living in a three bedroom unit will have to move into a one bedroom unit if we need it for a family.

Patrick was explaining how the Village meetings went last month (December [Harbor Springs – 6th, Murray Rd. – 12th,]. Harbor didn't have one, because no one showed up for it, so it was canceled. Murray Rd. was very good had as many tenants as we did the last time. What were mostly talked about were things that needed to be repaired, but there was an issue with someone having a dog; as in the rental agreement pets aren't allowed. John said he was aware of the dog issue, and has taken the appropriate steps to resolve the matter. He has talked to the tenant, but to his knowledge the person in question has not removed the animal from the premises, and this is putting the whole family at risk.

Public Comment Opens: 5:20 p.m.

Public Comment Closes: 5:29 p.m.

Motion made by Larry Stead and supported by Ray Kiogima to adjourn at 5:30 P.M.

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

Motion Carried

Next meeting is on February 4th, 2013 @ 4 p.m. in Conference Room 312 at the LTBB Government Complex.

Date: 1/07/13

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Patrick Wernigwase, Secretary

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