

1 **LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS**
2 **NATURAL RESOURCE COMMISSION**
3 **REGULAR MEETING**
4 **August 08, 2007**
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6 Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Commissioner, John Keshick III.
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8 Roll Call:

9 Commission: Commissioner, John Keshick III; Vice-Chair/Secretary, Debra Browne;
10 Treasurer, Daugherty Johnson III; and Associate Commissioner, Phil Harmon.
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12 Commission Absent: 1 vacant position.
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14 NRD Staff: Chief Conservation Officer, Kevin Willis; Great Lakes Fisheries
15 Biologist, Stephen Lenart; Inland Fisheries Biologist, Bill Parsons and Administrative
16 Assistant, Fiona Banfield.
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18 Public Comment: Opened at 6:12 p.m. and closed at 6:15 p.m. no public present to comment.
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20 NRC reviewed the agenda.
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22 **Motion made by Treasurer, Daugherty Johnson III to adopt the agenda as presented,**
23 **Associate Commissioner, Phil Harmon supports.**

24 **4 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 1 Vacant**

25 **Motion Carried**
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27 6:16 p.m. Natural Resource Director, Doug Craven arrives
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29 NRC reviewed the Minutes of July 25, 2007.
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31 **Motion made by Treasurer, Daugherty Johnson III to adopt the Minutes of July 25,**
32 **2007 into the record with corrections, Vice-chair, Debra Browne supports.**

33 **4Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 1 Vacant**

34 **Motion Carried**
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36 **Motion made by Treasurer, Daugherty Johnson III to enter into the record the phone**
37 **poll dated August 2, 2007 to approve the Inland Negotiations Consent Decree second**
38 **vote, Associate Commissioner, Phil Harmon supports.**

39 **4 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 abstained 1 Vacant**

40 **Motion Carried**
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42 Natural Resource Director's Report: Doug Craven, NRD Director

- 43 • We thought that we would have Bell's dock completed by September 2007 but due to
44 permitting process this process has been delayed. We were able to get an extension
45 on the grant until December of 2008. Work will be done on the dock in the spring of
46 2008 and it should be built by the fall of 2008.
- 47 • Attorney, Matt Lesky has been working on the charter boat license. The biggest
48 problem that we are having is the pilot license that goes with the charter boat license.

1 **Motion made by Treasurer, Daugherty Johnson III to accept the Natural Resource**
2 **Directors report as presented by Doug Craven, Associate Commissioner, Phil Harmon**
3 **supports.**

4 **4 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 1 Vacant**

5 **Motion Carried**

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7 Conservation Law Enforcement Report: LTBB Chief Conservation Officer, Kevin Willis

- 8 • Conservation Officer, Roger Willis went to Traverse City to help with a youth bow
9 hunting camp.
- 10 • Last week when the Conservation officers were doing a group patrol they surveyed
11 27 nets near whitefish point.

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13 **Motion made by Treasurer, Daugherty Johnson III to accept the Conservation Law**
14 **Enforcement verbal Report as presented by Chief Conservation Officer, Kevin Willis,**
15 **Vice-chair, Debra Browne supports.**

16 **4 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 1 Vacant**

17 **Motion Carried**

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19 Great Lakes Biologist Report: Great Lakes Biologist, Stephen Lenart.

- 20 • There were two meeting yesterday regarding Bay Harbor. The first part of the
21 meeting was to sort through data that was collected in 2006. The second part of the
22 meeting was to discuss what should be done about the seepage at the Village of Bay
23 Harbor.
- 24 • A written update on VHS was handed out.

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26 **Motion made by Treasurer, Daugherty Johnson III to accept the Great Lakes Biologist**
27 **verbal report as presented by Natural Resource Director, Doug Craven, Vice-chair,**
28 **Debra Browne supports.**

29 **4 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 1 Vacant**

30 **Motion Carried**

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32 Inland Biologist Report: Inland Fisheries Biologist, Bill Parsons

- 33 • Inland Fisheries Biologist, Bill Parsons has been working on the walleye proposal.
- 34 • Inland Technician, Rick Damstra and Kevin Haynes have been looking at data from
35 the Wycamp assessments in 2006.
- 36 • Inland Fisheries Biologist Bill Parsons attended a walleye workshop in Minnesota.
- 37 • We have been working with the Environmental staff on water quality assessments on
38 Stevens Creek connected to the Jordan River.

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40 **Motion made by Treasurer, Daugherty Johnson III to accept the Inland Biologist**
41 **Report as presented by Inland Fisheries Biologist, Bill Parsons, Associate**
42 **Commissioner, Phil Harmon supports.**

43 **4 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 1 Vacant**

44 **Motion Carried.**

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46 Break at 7:00 p.m.

47 Reconvene at 7:11 p.m.

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1 Great Lakes Biologist, Stephen Lenart gave an update on MH-1. There were several
2 proposals about the Lake Trout bag limit in MH-1 that were presented at the Executive
3 Council meeting. One of the reasons that a bag limit was put in place was to stop those
4 fishermen that were targeting Lake Trout. The committee should go back and look at the real
5 reasons to have a bag limit in place. Great Lakes Biologist, Stephen Lenart will type up the
6 analysis and options as part of our proposal. This will presented at the Executive Council
7 meeting on August 24, 2007.

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9 Discussion was held on the Commercial Salmon Zone and permits. The commission wanted
10 to know if these permits were necessary since we have been without them for so long. No one
11 has inquired about salmon fishing until this year. We should have permits in place for those
12 fishermen that would like to fish for salmon.

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14 **Motion made by Vice-chair, Debra Browne to approve the Salmon Zone policy and**
15 **permit, Associate Commissioner, Phil Harmon supports.**

16 **4 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 1 Vacant**

17 **Motion Carried.**

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19 **Motion made by Vice-chair, Debra Browne to go into executive session at 8:02 p.m.,**
20 **Associate Commission, Phil Harmon supports.**

21 **4 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 1 Vacant**

22 **Motion Carried.**

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24 8:30 p.m. Administrative Assistant, Fiona Banfield leaves.

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26 **Motion made by Treasurer, Daugherty Johnson III to return to regular session at 8:46**
27 **p.m., Associate Commissioner, Phil Harmon supports.**

28 **4 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 1 Vacant**

29 **Motion Carried**

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31 Public Comment: Opened at 8:48 p.m. and closed at 8:50 p.m. no public present to comment.

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33 **Motion made by Vice-chair, Debra Browne to adjourn at 8:52 p.m. Treasurer,**
34 **Daugherty Johnson III supports.**

35 **4 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 1 Vacant**

36 **Motion Carried**

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38 Next scheduled meeting August 22, 2007.

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40 Approved:

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43 **Debra S. Browne, Vice-Chair/Secretary**

_____ **Date**