

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
Tribal Council Meeting  
Tribal Court Room  
7500 Odawa Circle  
Harbor Springs, MI 49740  
January 22, 2012

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:00 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Melvin L. Kiogima

Council Present: Legislative Leader Melvin L. Kiogima, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer John Bott, , Councilor John Keshick, Councilor Aaron Otto Councilor Kevin Gasco, Councilor Bill A. Denemy

Absent: Councilor Belinda Bardwell, Councilor Winnay Wemigwase

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Legislative Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Dexter McNamara

Public: John Liebgot, Yvonne McShane, Chuck Schofield, Alan Proctor, Wesley Andrews

Invited Guests: Bryan Gillette

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9:05 a.m. Councilor Wemigwase arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Gasco to adopt the agenda as amended for January 22, 2012 in honor of Orien Corbiere.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Belinda Bardwell)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Treasurer Bott to approve the minutes of January 8, 2012 as corrected.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Belinda Bardwell)

Motion carried.

9:14 a.m. Councilor Bardwell arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to ratify into the record the Phone Poll dated January 12, 2012. The reason for Phone Poll: Motion to approve the issuance of a liquor license for sale of alcoholic beverages solely for consumption on the premises at the Odawa Hotel, which is located on land held in trust for the Tribe by the United States at 1444

US 131 S. Petoskey, MI 49770, until the date of approval of Waganakising Odawak Statute 2009-019 Liquor and Tobacco Licensing Board Statute by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and authorizes the Tribal Chairman to sign the license.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Denemy to ratify into the record the Phone Poll dated January 12, 2012. The reason for Phone Poll: Motion to approve a liquor license for Biindigen for “off-premises” license to sell alcohol at 2169 US 31 North, Petoskey, MI 49770 until the date of approval of Waganakising Odawak Statute 2009-019 Liquor and Tobacco Licensing Board Statute by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and authorizes the Tribal Chairman to sign the license.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Gasco to ratify into the record the Phone Poll dated January 12, 2012. The reason for Phone Poll: Motion to approve the issuance of a liquor license for sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises at Odawa Casino Resort, which is located on land held in trust for the Tribe by the United States at 1760 Lears Road, Petoskey, MI 49770, and an “off-premises” license for wine sales at the Gourmet 2 Go gift shop and the Sage Restaurant at the same address, until the date of approval of Waganakising Odawak Statute 2009-019 Liquor and Tobacco Licensing Board Statute by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and authorizes the Tribal Chairman to sign the license.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Elder Comments: no comments.

Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to acknowledge the receipt of the Executive report for January 20, 2012.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to approve Certified Motion: Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, FY2012 Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) GLRI Beaver Island Project

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Treasurer Bott to approve Certified Motion: Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, FY2012 Invasive Species Project.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Gasco to approve Certified Motion: Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, FY2012 Circle of Flight Project.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Keshick to approve Certified Motion: Approval of FY 2012 Tribal Transportation Improvement Program.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to approve Certified Motion: Indian Reservation Roads Inventory Additions FY2012.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Gasco to approve Certified Motion: Long Range Transportation Plan FY2012.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to approve Certified Motion: Requesting Road Maintenance Contract.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to accept enrollment List - C Voluntary Relinquishment date January 12, 2012 for a total 1.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bott and supported by Councilor Denemy to authorize Tribal Chairman to sign the Tribal Transportation Accord with State of Michigan.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent  
Motion carried.

10:05 a.m. recess called.

10:14 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by to accept Councilor Gasco to accept the verbal and written Legislative Leader report from Legislative Leader Kiogima for report for January 22, 2012.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Keshick to accept Treasurer Bott's verbal Treasurer Report January 22, 2012.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson Kiogima's verbal report for January 22, 2012.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept the Gaming Authority Committee report as presented by Chairperson Kevin Gasco for January 22, 2012.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

11:46 a.m. Public Comment opened: Michele LaCount provide an FYI regarding the canonization of Kateri Tekakwitha to Saint with later this year and the annual on July 14<sup>th</sup> celebration mass at the St. Francis Solanus Indian Mission Church on Lake St in Petoskey, MI.

11:59 a.m. Public Comment closed.

12:01 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:30 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

1:36 p.m. Councilor Wemigwase arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Councilor Wemigwase verbal travel report regarding Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA) training for January 22, 2012.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Otto to accept the verbal and written report from Legislative Services Attorney Budnick for January 22, 2012.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept the Waganakising Odawa Development, Inc., 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2011 Report as presented by Alan Proctor for January 22, 2012.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

2:01 p.m. Councilor Keshick excused himself from Tribal Council to participate in the Odawa Fishery, Inc., 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2011 Report to Tribal Council.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Otto to accept the Odawa Fishery, Inc., verbal and written 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Report for 2011.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Keshick)

Motion carried.

2:31 p.m. Councilor Keshick returned to Tribal Council.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Denemy to accept the Odawa Economic Development Management Inc., verbal and written 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Report for 2011.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

3:17 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

3:17 p.m. Public Comment closed.

3:17 p.m. Recess called.

3:29 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Gasco to appoint Wesley L. Andrews as the Michigan Anishnaabeg Cultural Preservation and Repatriation Alliance (MACPRA) and Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), Representative and approve the (MACPRA/ NAGPRA) Representative contract dated January 22, 2012, and authority the Tribal Chair to sign such contract.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to authorize Tribal Council to retain legal counsel in the matter of C-120-0411 up to the amount of \$5,000 to come from the Legislative budget.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Gasco to approve the Prosecutor Compensation Contract dated January 22, 2012 and authorize the Legislative Leader to sign such Contract.

Vote: 8- Yes, 0 - No, 1 – Abstained (Councilor Keshick), 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

4:14 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Gasco to enter into closed session for confidential business matters.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

5:12 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Denemy to return to open session.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

5:14 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to adjourn.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written.

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Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

2-8-12

Date