

1 The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
2 Tribal Council Meeting
3 Tribal Council Chambers
4 7500 Odawa Circle
5 Harbor Springs, MI 49740
6 October 8, 2015
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9 **GENERAL SESSION I**

10 Closed Session: None

11 **Call to Order: 9:11 a.m.**

12 Opening Ceremony: Bill A. Denemy

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15 **Roll Call:** Council Present: Secretary Julia Shananaquet, Treasurer Marcella
16 Reyes, Councilor Bill A. Denemy, Councilor John Keshick, Councilor Beatrice A.
17 Law, Councilor Naganashe, Councilor Aaron Otto

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19 Council Elect: Dexter McNamara, Frank Bernard, David Harrington

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21 Absent (at time of Roll Call): Councilor Winnay Wemigwase

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23 Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Budnick,
24 Legislative Office Manager Michele LaCount, Financial Analyst Stella Kay, Tribal
25 Historic Preservation Officer Wesley Andrews, Citizens Assistance Attorney
26 Cherie Dominic

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28 Executive Officials and Staff Present: Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley,
29 Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr., Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson,

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31 Tribl Court: Associate Judge John Lemire, Court Clerk Cynthia Bouchard,
32 Administrative Assistant Joetta Gasco

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34 Public: Carol Quinones, Angel Bernard, Ezra Bernard, Carol McFall, Andrew
35 Stich, John Bott, Douglas Sprague, Marty VanDeCar, David Dominic, Bart
36 Gasco, Alice Hughes, Christine Shomin, Jessica Searles, Deb McNamara, Mary
37 Lou Bowers, Merle Carson, Linda Gokee, Marcia Sutton

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39 Invited Guests: none
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42 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Naganashe
43 to adopt the October 8, 2015, General Session I agenda as presented.

44 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

45 Motion carried.
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1 Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Denemy to
2 approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 17, 2015, as
3 corrected.

4 Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 2–Absent (Councilor Law, Councilor
5 Wemigwase)

6 Motion carried.

7 8 **Executive Updates**

9 Discussion Items: Youth Grant Extension, Tribal Summit attendance, Water
10 Quality Summit to be held in Traverse City, MI. Meeting regarding possible Tribal
11 Pharmacy (reviewed Watersmeet and Hannaville Tribal Models), Native
12 American Halloween Costume Citizen complaint. Councilor Keshick gave an
13 update on CORA meeting issues.

14 Questions raised regarding: Liquor Control Board, Meaningful Use

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16 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Secretary Shananaquet to
17 acknowledge the verbal report as presented by Chairperson Regina Gasco
18 Bentley on October 8, 2015.

19 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

20 Motion carried.

21 22 **Tribal Council Officer Reports:**

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24 **Legislative Leader** - Position is currently vacant.

25 26 **Secretary:**

27 The following Tribal Council adopted/approved documents were delivered/signed
28 by the Executive:

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- 30 • Waganakising Odawak Statute 2015-015 Amendment to 2015-009
31 Gaming Enterprise Statute
32 Delivered to the Executive Department on 09-09-15
33 Signed on 09-23-15.
 - 34 • Tribal Resolution #091715-01; Michigan Elder's Association Delegate
35 Appointment
36 Delivered to the Executive Department on 09-23-15
37 Signed on 09-23-15.

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39 **Veto:** None

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41 **Phone Polls:** None

42 43 **Additional Items:**

44 With the budgetary cuts we are currently experiencing, I would like to extend my
45 sincerest thank you the Grant Department staff, Amber Holt and Julie Kapula for
46 working so diligently in securing the much needed grant funds for our Tribal
47 programs. Both ladies are working very hard to assist in offsetting our program

1 shortages and the work they do is greatly appreciated. There are two other
2 special ladies I would like to say Miigwetch to, Carol Kiogima and Ellie
3 Winkelhorst. During harvest season, these two ladies continuously volunteer
4 their precious time to pick and deliver vegetables to community Tribal Elders.
5 Thank you and blessings to you both for being who and how you are. Thank you
6 Councilor Denemy, Councilor Keshick and Councilor Wemigwase for all the
7 lessons you have taught me during your term on Tribal Council, it has been a
8 pleasure and honor to serve with you. Last but not least, Congratulations to our
9 very own, Joe Van Alstine who is the newly elected President of the National
10 Association of Food Distribution Programs on Indian Reservations (NAFDPIR).

11
12 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to accept
13 Secretary Shananaque's verbal report as presented on October 8, 2015.
14 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)
15 Motion carried.

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17 **Treasurer:**

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19 Motion made by Councilor Naganashe and supported by Councilor Law to accept
20 Treasurer Reyes' verbal report as presented on October 8, 2015.
21 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)
22 Motion carried.

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24 **Tribal Council Travel Reports:**

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26 **Table Councilor Wemigwase's report tabled until later in morning session**

27
28 Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Denemy to
29 acknowledge the written and verbal travel report of Treasurer Reyes' attendance
30 at meeting with Department of Justice and Department of Interior, held in
31 Washington, DC, on October 1, 2015.
32 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)
33 Motion carried.

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35 Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Secretary Shananaquet to
36 acknowledge the written and verbal travel report of Councilor Law's attendance
37 at meeting with Department of Justice and Department of Interior, held in
38 Washington, DC, on October 1, 2015.
39 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)
40 Motion carried.

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42 **Tribal Council Reports: - No reports**

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44 **Tribal Council Committee Reports:**

1 **Agriculture Assessment Work Group** (Final Report)

2 Discussion: This will be the final report for AAWG. Today's agenda will include,
3 Transfer of funds and the Dissolution of AAWG. Councilor Keshick's extends
4 thank you to everyone who assisted in bringing the farm to fruition.

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6 Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to
7 accept the verbal report of the Agriculture Ad-hoc Work Group as presented by
8 Councilor Keshick, Committee Chairman.

9 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

10 Motion carried.

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12 **Land and Reservation Committee**

13 Discussion: Treaty boundaries and report on trip to Washington, DC. Councilor
14 Keshick hopes for continued support in Tribes effort to establish jurisdictional
15 boundaries.

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17 Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to accept the
18 verbal report of the Land and Reservation Committee as presented by Councilor
19 Keshick, Committee Chairman.

20 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

21 Motion carried.

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23 **Legal Legislative Committee**

24 Discussion: Today's agenda will include Amendment for Legal Legislative
25 Committee. Councilor Law expressed her appreciation to the outgoing Council
26 members.

27
28 Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Naganashe to
29 accept the verbal report of the Legal and Legislative Committee as presented by
30 Councilor Law, Committee Chairperson.

31 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

32 Motion carried.

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34 **Ethics Committee** – No report

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36 **LTBB Charter and/or Enterprise Committee/Board Reports**

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38 **Gaming Enterprise Board**

39 Discussion: Welcome Billi Jo Head and Denise Petoskey. Incidence reports
40 happening at Casino. New training programs, moving forward with Mackinaw
41 City officials and meeting tonite in Mackinaw city. New budgets submitted.

42
43 Motion made by Councilor Naganashe and supported by Councilor Denemy to
44 accept the verbal report of the Gaming Enterprise Board (GEB) as presented by
45 Councilor Law, Committee Chairperson.

46 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

47 Motion carried.

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2 **Action Items – Motions**
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4 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve
5 Certified Motion #100815-01; Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian
6 Affairs Fire Management/Fuel Reduction Funds Project.

7 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

8 Motion carried..
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10 Motion made by and supported by to approve Certified Motion #100815-02;
11 Request for funding from the Office of Vocational and Adult Education, Native
12 American Career and Technical Education Program Waganakising Odawa
13 Career and Technical Education Project (WOCTEP) Supplemental Funding FY
14 2016.

15 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

16 Motion carried.
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18 Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to approve
19 Certified Motion #100815-03; Request for Funding from America Walks Every
20 Body Walk! Collaborative Micro Grant Walking Safety and Promotion.

21 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

22 Motion carried.
23

24 Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to approve
25 Certified Motion #100815-04; Approval of FY 2016—FY 2019 Tribal
26 Transportation Improvement Plan.

27 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

28 Motion carried.
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30 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve
31 Certified Motion #100815-05; Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan Tribal Colon
32 Cancer Collaborative Grant.

33 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

34 Motion carried.
35

36 Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Keshick to
37 approve Certified Motion #100815-06; Request for Funding from the Petoskey-
38 Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation Discretionary Funding Educational
39 Fracking Forum.

40 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

41 Motion carried.
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43 Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Otto to approve
44 Certified Motion #100815-07 to Dissolve Ad-Hoc Agricultural Work Group
45 (AAWG).

46 Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 2–Absent (Councilor Law, Councilor
47 Wemigwase)

1 Motion carried.

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4 10:24 a.m. Break

5 10:37 a.m. Resume

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7 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve a
8 Tribal Nomination Letter for Sarah Schilling Washington Internships for Native
9 Students (WINS) Program and authorize Secretary Shananaquet to sign.

10 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

11 Motion carried.

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13 Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Denemy to
14 assign Tanya Gibbs to a 5 year term beginning October 08, 2015 ending October
15 8, 2020 for the Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. and to reflect
16 the assignment within the OEDMI Corporate Charter documents.

17 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

18 Motion carried.

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20 Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Keshick to
21 approve Certified Motion #100815-08; Designation of Ziibimijwang Assets 5055
22 Gill Road, Carp Lake Township, Michigan.

23 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

24 Motion carried.

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26 Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Law to approve
27 the Legislative Office to secure back ground report on Mary Kilmer based on
28 interviews conducted for Gaming Enterprise Board.

29 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

30 Motion carried.

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32 Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Naganashe to
33 approve the Legislative Office to secure back ground report on Marvin
34 Mulholland based on interviews conducted for Gaming Enterprise Board.

35 Vote: 3-Yes, 4-No (Treasurer Reyes, Councilor Denemy Councilor Law,
36 Councilor Otto), 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

37 Motion fails.

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39 Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to approve
40 the Legislative Office to secure back ground report on Thomas Newberry based
41 on interviews conducted for Gaming Enterprise Board.

42 Vote: 3-Yes, 4-No (Secretary Shananaquet, Councilor Keshick, Councilor
43 Naganashe, Councilor Otto) 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

44 Motion fails.

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46 Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to
47 post Waganakising Odawak Statute Repeal of Waganakising Odawak Statute

1 2010-007 Legal and Legislative Committee. Sponsored by Secretary
2 Shananaquet.

3 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

4 Motion carried.

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6 Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Otto to approve
7 Certified Motion 100815-09 National Congress of American Indians
8 Representative Beatrice A. Law as the alternate representative for LTBB.

9 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1–Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

10 Motion carried.

11 12 **Action Items – Resolutions**

13
14 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Keshick to adopt
15 Tribal Resolution: Transfer of Funds from the Legislative Branch- Ad Hoc
16 Agricultural Work Group fund to Ziibimijwang, Inc., a Tribally Chartered
17 Corporation, in the Amount of \$31,136.46.

18 Roll call: Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Law-yes,
19 Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Councilor Wemigwase-absent,
20 Treasurer Reyes-yes, Secretary Shananaquet-yes

21 Motion carried.

22
23 Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Treasurer Reyes to pass
24 Waganakising Odawak Statute Elder and Adult Conservatorship and Guardian
25 Statute. Sponsored by Councilor Denemy

26 Roll call: Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Law-yes,
27 Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Councilor Wemigwase-absent,
28 Treasurer Reyes-yes, Secretary Shananaquet-yes

29 Motion carried.

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31 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to pass
32 Waganakising Odawak Statute Domestic Violence. Sponsored by Councilor
33 Wemigwase.

34 Roll call: Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Law-yes,
35 Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Councilor Wemigwase-Absent,
36 Treasurer Reyes-yes, Secretary Shananaquet-yes

37 Motion carried.

38
39 Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Law to pass
40 Waganakising Odawak Statute Administrative Procedures Statute. Sponsored by
41 Councilor Law

42 Roll call: Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Law-yes,
43 Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Councilor Wemigwase-absent,
44 Treasurer Reyes-yes, Secretary Shananaquet-yes

45 Motion carried.

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1 Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Secretary Shananaquet to
2 appoint John Bott as Appellate Justice for a term ending April 17, 2017.

3 Roll call: Councilor Denemy-no, Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Law-no,
4 Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Councilor Wemigwase-absent,
5 Treasurer Reyes-no, Secretary Shananaquet-no
6 Motion fails.

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8 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Keshick to pass
9 Waganakising Odawak Statute Repeal of Waganakising Odawak Statute 2011-
10 012, Odawa Fishery Incorporated Statute. Sponsored by Councilor Law and co-
11 sponsored by Councilor Keshick

12 Roll call: Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Law-yes,
13 Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Otto-no, Councilor Wemigwase-absent,
14 Treasurer Reyes-no, Secretary Shananaquet-no
15 Motion carried.

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17 **11:07 a.m. Public Comment opens**

- 18 • **Citizen Andrew Stich thanked out going Council member for their**
19 **service. Travel Reports**

20 **11:08 a.m. Public Comment closes**

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22 Councilor Wemigwase unable to attend to give her travel report. Removed from
23 Agenda.

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25 **Adjournment**

26 11:10 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Law
27 to adjourn General Session I of October 8, 2015.

28 Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-Absent

29 Motion carried

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32 Please contact the Legislative Office at 231-242-1403 or 231-242-1404 for
33 additional updates and clarifications of these minutes as presented.

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35 These Minutes have been read and approved as written (or) corrected: (delete
36 either the word "written" or "corrected" as pertains to how the minutes were
37 approved.)

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42 Julia A. Shananaquet, Tribal Council Secretary

Date