

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS
OF ODAWA INDIANS
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
DRAFT
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 11, 2006

GOVERNMENT COMPLEX
HARBOR SPRINGS, MICHIGAN

Call to Order: **at 9:51 am**

Commissioners Present: Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky, John Bott, Laura Blumberg, Alan Proctor and Patricia Dyer-Deckrow
Quorum established

Staff Present: **Chuck Schofield, Odawa Enterprise Manager; Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant; Susan A. Swadling, Odawa Enterprise Manager Assistant; Robert Bateman, Biindigen General Manager**

Guests:

Bkwenenjige and invocation by Theresa Keshick.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott and supported by Commissioner Proctor to accept the agenda as presented and amended
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent
Motion passed.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott and supported by Commissioner Blumberg to adopt the minutes of October 14, 2006 as presented and amended.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent
Motion passed

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow left at 10:10 am.
Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow returned at 10:10 am.

Opened public comment at 10:11 am.
Susan Swadling, John Bott, Theresa Keshick, Patricia Dyer-Deckrow, Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky, Laura Blumberg, Alan Proctor, Robert Bateman and Chuck Schofield.
Closed public comment at 10:23 am.

Legislative/Executive feedback

Renewal of the Request for the Biindigen Liquor License that goes to the Tribal Chairman's office, it expires on December 31, 2006.

Government staff reports

Chuck Schofield, OEM, distributed a written report and gave a verbal report.

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow left at 10:40 am.

Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow returned at 10:40 am.

A moment of silence was observed at 11:11 am in honor of Veterans Day.

Break at 11:13 am.

Reconvened at 11:23 am.

Discussion was held regarding the tax agreement.

Sunday, November 19, 2006, a staff meeting is scheduled at Biindigen.

Michigan Petroleum Association's annual convention will be held in March, 2007 in Grand Rapids, commissioners and staff will be scheduled to go.

Store reset will be reviewed with a consultant and Chuck Schofield.

Lunch break at 11:56 am.

Reconvened at 12:35 pm.

Discussion was held on Bell's Fishery and the issues there. Bell's financials were reviewed.

Commissioner Blumberg left at 12:42 pm.

Commissioner Blumberg returned at 12:43 pm.

The enterprise accountant needs a new computer and a fax line, the process for obtaining these things was discussed.

Plan for Bell's Fishery this coming year and the strategy for marketing the products offered.

A conference call was made with Kevin Schlappi, Bell's Fishery Manager, about the fillet machine that was recently installed. Product sales to different retailers were reviewed.

Vice-Chair Bott left at 1:31 pm.

Vice-Chair Bott returned at 1:33 pm.

Commissioner Proctor left at 1:34 pm.

Commissioner Proctor returned at 1:35 pm.

A discussion on the progress of the Kings Inn demolition was held.

Discussion was held regarding the CDFI, looked at the information received from Stewart Sarkoczy-Banoczy, Oweesta Corporation. The work session on Sunday, November 12, 2006, will be for the CDFI paperwork. Reviewed the CDFI budget and discussed the revenue-expenditure report. The grant book needs to be requested from the Tribal grant writer.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott and supported by Commissioner Blumberg to enter into a \$22, 005.00 CDFI contract work plan with Oweesta.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion passed.

Theresa Keshick, DOC Assistant, handed out information regarding the tax agreement fuel and tobacco usage.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott and supported by Commissioner Proctor to accept the government/staff written and verbal report.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion passed.

Chair report

Reviewed the proposed 2007 schedule of meetings and work sessions. Commissioners requested to review and identify any conflicts, to approve the schedule at the next meeting.

Chair Kishigo-Lesky participated with the Biindigen Manager interviews.

The next work session will be scheduled on November 20, 2006 to work on CDFI By-Laws.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott and supported by Commissioner Proctor to accept the Chair's verbal and written report.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstained (Chair Kishigo-Lesky), 0 Absent

Motion passed

Vice-Chair report – no report.

Treasurer report

The revenue and expense report was distributed to commissioners. Discussion was held regarding the EDC budget.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Bott and supported by Commissioner Proctor to accept the treasurer's written and verbal report.

Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstained (Commissioner Blumberg), 0 Absent
Motion passed.

Secretary report – no report

Tabled Conferences

Economic planning development
To begin the process of evaluating future usage of 1966 US 131 S site.

Tabled EDC strategic plan.

Tabled EDC rules of procedures

Opened public comment at 3:15 pm
Closed public comment at 3:15 pm.

No closed session.

Next meeting will be on December 9, 2006 and lunch will be arranged by
Theresa Keshick.

Motion made by Commissioner Dyer-Deckrow and supported by
Commissioner Blumberg to adjourn the meeting.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent
Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:16 pm.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:
Approved:

Secretary

Date