

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
June 10, 2007
Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle

Closed Session: none

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Melvin L. Kiogima

Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Melvin L. Kiogima, Treasurer Shirley Oldman, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Mary Roberts, Councilor Regina Gasco Bentley, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.

Absent: Councilor Rita Shananaquet

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

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, Executive Assistant Rebecca Fisher

Guests: Richard Wemigwase, Patrick Wemigwase

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to adopt the agenda, as amended, for June 10, 2007, in honor of Tribal Citizen Pvt. John L. King who was killed in action on June 6, 1944, in the Battle of Normandy.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Roberts to approve the minutes of May 20, 2007, as presented.

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

Motion carried.

Tribal Elder's Comments: Richard Wemigwase spoke on behalf of elders who are residing out of the service area in Grand Rapids with regard to assistance in obtaining initial housing costs when moving back to the reservation area. Legislative Leader Law to take concerns to Tribal Chairman Ettawageshik.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept a verbal report from Richard Wemigwase regarding Tribal Elder housing.

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

Motion carried.

10:02 a.m. Councilor Shananaquet arrived.

Motion made by Secretary Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Oldman to disapprove the Citizen Statute Regulations REG-WOS 2006-008-051807-001.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Harrington), 1 - Abstained (Councilor Shananaquet), 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Kiogima and supported by Councilor McNamara to table the Commission, Boards, and Committees statute until the end of the day.

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

Motion carried.

10:36 a.m. Recess called.

10:50 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution Support H.R. 2120 to Direct the Secretary of the Interior to Proclaim as Reservation for the Benefit of the Sault St. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians a Parcel of Land Now Held in Trust by the United States for that Indian Tribe.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-no, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-no, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to place the Juvenile Justice Statute on the Legislative Calendar.

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

Motion carried.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Patrick Wemigwase spoke in support of HR 2120 Resolution; Michele LaCount spoke in support of HR 2120 Resolution and the development of a childcare facility for tribal members and employees.

11:52 a.m. Public Comment closed.

12:10 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:40 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt Tribal Resolution Authorizing Furnishing and Equipment Financing with A Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-abstain, Councilor Shananaquet-no, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-abstain, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice Edward Byrne Memorial Discretionary Grants Program, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2007 Criminal Justice System Enhancement Project.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Roberts to adopt Tribal Resolution U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Funding for Tribes under Title IV-B of the Social Security Act, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2008 Title IV-B Child Welfare Services Allotment.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, 2008 Tribal Injury Prevention Project.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing, COPS FY 2007 Methamphetamine Initiative, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2007 COPS Meth Initiative Project.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Roberts to approve Enrollment List A – Eligible for Citizenship date May 24, 2007, for a total of 12.

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

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve Enrollment list B – Declination (Ineligible) dated May 24, 2007, for a total of 13.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 – No (Councilor Harrington), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Councilor McNamara noted his travel report regarding his Tribal Summit attendance that is in the Tribal Council meeting packet, the Harbor Springs park bench he obtained for the Tribe, and Tribal Preference.

Councilor Yellowbank noted her travel report regarding her attendance at the United Tribes as contained within the Tribal Council meeting packet.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to accept the Legislative report, with confidential items, for June 10, 2007.

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

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to accept the Tribal Council member's (Councilor McNamara, Legislative Leader Law, and Councilor Yellowbank) reports for June 10, 2007.

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

3:00 p.m. Public Comment opened: Patrick Wemigwase passed out copies of the questions he submitted at the Annual Membership Meeting of May 12, 2007. Legislative Leader Law will inquire of appropriate sources for answers to Wemigwase's questions and mail the responses to him.

3:10 p.m. Public Comment closed.

3:10 p.m. Recess called.

3:25 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Roberts to adopt Tribal Resolution Four Directions Close Caption Broadcast Funding of \$1500 to come from Prior Period Funds.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Roberts to accept the Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick's report.

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

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Yellowbank for Tribal Council Legislative Leader attendance at the Tribal Leadership Building Healthier Communities Conference in June 2007.
Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley for Tribal Council attendance at the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes Meeting in August 2007 in Welch, MN.
Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley for Tribal Council attendance at the Odawa Casino Opening June 20, 2007, and Grand Opening July 25, 2007.
Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 2 – Abstained (Treasurer Oldman, Councilor Roberts), 0 – Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to accept the Election Board's written Quarterly Report.
Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

3:57 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor McNamara to adjourn.
Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

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

Melvin L. Kiogima, Tribal Council Secretary

Date