

Waganakising Odawa
Tribal Council
Land and Reservation Committee Meeting
Room 312
May 14, 2008

Meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

Committee members present: Councilor Regina Bentley, Councilor Dexter McNamara,
Committee Chairperson Mel Kiogima

Committee members absent: none

Staff in attendance: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick

Guests: Tribal Council Legislative Leader Bea Law, Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik,
Tribal Vice Chairman Bill Denemy, General Counsel Jim Bransky, Housing Director John
Givens, Housing Specialist Kay Rowland, Planning Director Brian Gillett

Motion made by Councilor McNamara, seconded by Councilor Bentley, to approve the agenda
as amended.

Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara, seconded by Councilor Bentley, to approve the minutes
of April 22, 2008.

Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara, seconded by Councilor Bentley, to post the draft minutes
for the meetings of April 26, 2008, and May 9, 2008.

Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

Motion carried.

From New Business, discussed *Residential Lease of Tribally Owned Land, Lease #2008-01*, with
Tribal Chairman Ettawageshik, General Counsel Bransky, Housing Director Givens, Housing
Specialist Rowland, and Planning Director Gillett.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara, seconded by Councilor Bentley, to recommend Tribal
Council approve *Residential Lease of Tribally Owned Land, Lease #2008-01*.

Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

Motion carried.

11:19 a.m. Break.

11:27 a.m. Meeting resumes.

11:27 p.m. Public Comment opened: 1. Tribal Vice Chairman Denemy commented that the
Land and Reservation Committee has their work cut out for them. 2. Legislative Leader Law
concurred and commented that both the Land and Reservation Committee and the
Appropriations and Finance Committee play very important roles to Tribal Council. 3.

Councilor Bentley recommended that we get current asking prices for various properties for consideration of fulfilling services to Tribal Citizens.

11:35 a.m. Public Comment closed.

Old Business

Legislative Services Attorney (LSA) Budnick advises that no new information has been received from the Indian Land Tenure Foundation (ILTF) about the grant application that was submitted on March 28, 2008. Tentative consideration date is May 22, 2008, by ILTF.

Councilor Bentley reports that the survey to establish LTBB priorities for land acquisition is still a work in progress.

Councilor McNamara reports that work continues in arranging a tour of Tribally owned properties.

Committee Chairperson Kiogima continues to compile all current statutes, regulations, and policies that are in place that impact the duties assigned to this Committee. It was suggested to also inquire on other reports that may have been drafted/published and determine Tribal affiliations with other organizations that work on 'land' matters.

Committee Chairperson Kiogima to finalize a letter to the Odawa Trails addressing the formation of, and duties assigned to, the Land and Reservation Committee.

LSA Budnick continues to work on a draft procedure to streamline inquiries/offers for land purchases received by LTBB.

LSA Budnick continues to review the Tribal Seal Statute.

Committee Chairperson Kiogima to again check on the status of posting signs on all LTBB properties.

New Business

Committee Chairperson Kiogima to contact the Indian Land Working Group to determine possible LTBB involvement with them.

Committee Chairperson Kiogima shared the book *Hear Our Voices, Stories from the Elders of LTBB* with the Committee.

Discussed the LTBB Master Land Use Plan (Public Comment Draft) and other LTBB 'land' documents and maps. Planning Director Gillett gave a brief synopsis of the Plan.

Motion made by Councilor Bentley, seconded by Councilor McNamara, to have the LTBB Planning Department present the draft LTBB Master Use Plan, and other related items, to Tribal Council.

Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

Motion carried.

LSA Budnick presented an opportunity to submit an application for a grant for a Scenic Byway Signage in the next fiscal year. Planning Director Gillett indicated that the Planning Department

was already planning to apply for this same grant next year and would keep the Committee, so Tribal Council, informed of the application and subsequent status of same.

Discussed the preliminary meetings with Historian Dr. James McClurken and Attorney William M. Brooks. It was pointed out that the 'Land' Committee's goals and objectives may have to parallel or shadow activities that will be taken as a followup to the receipt of Dr. McClurken's Historical Report.

Discussed the receipt of opportunities to purchase lands within our reservation boundaries. Planning Director Gillett will provide copies to the Legislative Office of land considerations done in previous years. Upon review, may consider utilizing the procedures that were in place previously.

No new information on Indian court cases that may impact 'land' matters in Indian country.

Action Items

Motion made by Councilor Bentley, seconded by Councilor McNamara, to approve the list of Goals accomplished, Short term goals, and Long range goals for the Land and Reservation Committee.

Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara, seconded by Councilor Bentley, to recommend that Tribal Council adopt Tribal Resolution *Confidentiality of Historical Report and Records*.

Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

Motion carried.

Miscellaneous

The next meeting date is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, June 11, 2008, at 9:00 a.m. at a location to be determined.

Motion made by Councilor Bentley, seconded by Councilor McNamara, to adjourn at 1:27 p.m.

Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

Motion carried.