

# Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Election Board

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Chairman: Merle Carson (2015)  
Vice-Chairman: Alice Hughes (2017)  
Secretary: Carol Quinones (2017)

Member: Jon Shawa (2017)  
Member: Christine Shomin (2015)

## MINUTES SATURDAY, JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2015 MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL: Chairman, Merle Carson Present  
Vice-Chairman, Alice Hughes Present  
Secretary, Carol Quinones Present  
Member: Jon Shawa Present  
Member: Christine Shomin Present  
5 - Present 0 - Absent/Excused Quorum – Yes

GUESTS: Tribal Citizen Dexter McNamara

### AGENDA

Motion made by member Shomin, supported by Vice-Chairman Hughes, to approve the agenda for this meeting as written and presented. Motion read back by Secretary Quinones.

5 – Yes 0 – No 0 – Abstained 0 – Absent

Motion carried

### MINUTES

Motion made by Vice-Chairman Hughes, supported by member Shawa, to approve the minutes of Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as written and presented. Motion read back by Secretary Quinones.

5 – Yes 0 – No 0 – Abstained 0 – Absent

Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT (Recommended 3 minutes per comment) Opened at 9:10 a.m.

Tribal Citizen McNamara asked for an up-date on the Primary Election challenge. Chairman Carson stated that the challenge to the Primary was ruled in favor of the Election Board. The challengers have until July 8<sup>th</sup> to file an appeal. The election process for the General Election cannot move forward until we know if there will be an appeal filed. Chairman Carson stated that the candidates would be informed as soon as the Election Board knows about the appeal. Citizen McNamara thanked the Election Board for answering his questions.

Public comment closed at 9:15 a.m.

**OFFICERS REPORTS**

● **Chairman Carson**

**Discussion Items**

- **Space Lease**
- **Initiative**
- **Court Decision for Primary Election**

**Motion made by member Shomin, supported by Vice-Chairman Hughes to accept the verbal report of Chairman Carson. Motion read back by Secretary Quinones.**

**5—Yes 0—No 0—Abstained 0—Absent**

**Motion carried.**

**Vice- Chairman Hughes**

**Discussion Items**

- **Enrollment Data**
- **Questions from Candidates**

**Motion made by member Shawa, supported by Chairman Carson to accept the verbal report of Vice-Chairman Hughes. Motion read back by Secretary Quinones.**

**5—Yes 0—No 0—Abstained 0—Absent**

**Motion carried.**

**Secretary Quinones**

**Discussion Items**

- **Sent posting changes to MIS**
- **Preparations for this meeting**
- **Up-dated Voter registration list**

**Motion made by Vice-Chairman Hughes, supported by member Shomin, to accept the verbal and written report of Secretary Quinones. Motion read back by Secretary Quinones.**

**5—Yes 0—No 0—Abstained 0—Absent**

**Motion carried.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Discussion Items**

- **Voter Registration Up-date**  
**1,797 Registered voters as of 6-13-2015**

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

**Discussion Items**

- **New Space Lease**
- **Set Date for General Election**

**Tentative Date for the General Election is Monday, August 17, 2015**

**Action Item**

● **Motion made by Secretary Quinones, supported by member Shawa to make the following changes to the Election Meeting Schedule:**

**Cancel the following dates:**

**Work Session--Sunday, June 28, 2015 General Election Day—Monday, June 29, 2015**

**Work Session—Work Session—Monday, July 13, 2015**

**General Election Certification—Tuesday, July 14, 2015**

**Add the following dates:**

**Work Session—Friday, July 10, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.**

**Regular Meeting—Saturday, July 11, 2015 at 9 a.m.**

**Work Session—Friday, July 24, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.**

**Regular Meeting—Saturday, July 25, 2015 at 9 a.m.**

**Work Session—Friday, July 31, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.**

**Meet the Candidates Forum—Saturday, August 1, 2015 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

**Court—Friday, August 7, 2015 at 10:30 a.m.**

**Work Session—Sunday, August 16, 2015 at 9 a.m.**

**General Election Day—Monday, August 17, 2015 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.**

**Motion read back by Secretary Quinones.**

**5—Yes 0—No 0—Abstained 0—Absent**

**Motion carried**

- **Closed session (legal)**

**10:15 a.m.**

**Motion made by member Shawa, supported by Vice-Chairman to go into a closed session for legal purposes. Motion read back by Secretary Quinones.**

**5—Yes 0—No 0—Abstained 0—Absent**

**Motion carried.**

**10:45 a.m.**

**Motion made by Secretary Quinones, supported by Chairman Carson to end close session and return to open session. Motion read back by Secretary Quinones.**

**5—Yes 0—No 0—Abstained 0—Absent**

**Motion carried**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion made by member Shawa, supported by Chairman Carson to adjourn this meeting at**

**11 a.m.**

**5—Yes 0—No 0—Abstained 0—Absent**

**Motion carried**

**Meeting adjourned at 11 a.m.**

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.**