

1 **Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians**
2 **Natural Resource Commission**
3 **Regular Meeting**
4 **February 27, 2019**
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6 Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by John Keshick III, Chairman;
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8 Roll Call: John Keshick III, Chairman; Treasurer, Frederick Holdorph;
9 Commissioner, Gerald V. Chingwa; and Commissioner, William R. Ortiz.
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11 Absent: Vice-Chairman, Renee Dillard; None
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13 NRD Staff: Director, Douglas Craven; Chief Conservation Officer, Kevin
14 Willis; Great Lakes Biologist, Kevin Donner; Great Lakes Specialist, Caroline
15 Moellering; and Office Coordinator, Debra Smithkey-Browne;
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17 Absent: Inland Wildlife Biologist, Archie Kiogima Jr.; Inland Fish and Wildlife
18 Biologist, Max Field; Inland Fisheries Biologist, William Parsons; Great Lakes
19 Biologist, Jason Smith; Environmental Services Manager, Daugherty
20 Johnson;
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22 Guest: James Bransky, LTBB Tribal Attorney; Donna Budnick, LTBB Tribal
23 Attorney;
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25 Open Ceremony – Renee Dillard
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27 Public Comment opened 6:06 p.m. – Donna Budnick comments on the mtg with
28 governor; judge on the reservation case; CORA received litigation support funds.
29 James Bransky commented on the Wycamp Property;
30 Public Comment closed at 6:10 p.m.
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32 NRC reviewed the Agenda
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34 **Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the agenda as**
35 **presented; William Ortiz, Commissioner; supports.**

36 **4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant**
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38 **Motion Carried**
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40 NRC reviewed the minutes of January 9, 2019
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42 **Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to approve the minutes of**
43 **January 9, 2019 as presented; Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; supports.**

44 **4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant**
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46 **Motion Carried**
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48 NRC reviewed the minutes of February 13, 2019
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50 **Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the minutes of**
February 13, 2019 as presented; John Keshick III, Commissioner;
supports.

1 **4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant**

2 **Motion Carried**

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4 **Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to accept the Phone Poll of**
5 **February 14, 2019 approving the 2018 NRC 4th Quarter Report into the**
6 **record and submit to Executive Office; William Ortiz, Commissioner;**
7 **supports.**

8 **5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant**

9 **Motion Carried**

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11 **Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to accept the Phone Poll of**
12 **February 20, 2019 approving the Commissioner Attendance at the**
13 **Sturgeon Advisory Meeting held on February 21, 2019 into the record and**
14 **submit to Executive Office; Gerald Chingwa, Commissioner; supports.**

15 **4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant**

16 **Motion Carried**

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18 **Natural Resource Department Director's Report – Douglas Craven, Director**

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20 **Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to approve the Natural**
21 **Resource Director's Verbal Report as presented by Douglas Craven,**
22 **Director; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.**

23 **4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant**

24 **Motion Carried**

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26 **Inland Fish and Wildlife Managers Written Report – Archie Kiogima, Inland**
27 **Wildlife and Fish Biologist**

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29 **Motion made by Gerald Chingwa, Commissioner; to approve the Natural**
30 **Resource Inland Fish and Wildlife Written Report as submitted by Archie**
31 **Kiogima, Inland Fish and Wildlife Biologist; supported by Frederick**
32 **Holdorph, Treasurer.**

33 **4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant**

34 **Motion Carried**

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36 **Natural Resource Conservation Law Enforcement Report – Kevin Willis,**
37 **Chief Conservation Officer**

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39 **Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the Natural**
40 **Resource Conservation Law Enforcement Verbal Report as presented by**
41 **Kevin Willis, Chief Conservation Officer; supported by William Ortiz,**
42 **Commissioner.**

43 **4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant**

44 **Motion Carried**

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46 **Natural Resource Great Lakes Fishery Report – Kevin Donner, and Jason**
47 **Smith, Great Lakes Fishery Biologist –**

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49 **Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the Natural**
50 **Resource Great Lakes Fishery Written and Verbal Report as presented by**

1 Kevin Donner, Great Lakes Fishery Biologist; supported by William Ortiz,
2 Commissioner.

3 4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant
4 Motion Carried

6 Natural Resource Environmental Services Report - Written Report
7 submitted by Daugherty Johnson III, Environmental Services Manager

9 Motion made by; Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the Natural
10 Resource Environmental Services Written and Verbal Report presented by
11 Caroline Moellering, Great Lakes Grant Specialist; supported by Gerald
12 Chingwa, Commissioner.

13 4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant
14 Motion Carried

16 Commissioner's Report - Commissioners

- 17 • No Report

19 Motion made by John Keshick III, Commissioner; to approve the
20 commissioner attendance at the February 28, 2019 and receive mileage,
21 lodging, per diem and stipend; supported by Frederick Holdorph,
22 Treasurer.

23 4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant
24 Motion Carried

26 Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to approve the commissioner
27 attendance at the March 28, 2019 and receive mileage, lodging, per diem
28 and stipend; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.

29 4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant
30 Motion Carried

32 Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to approve the Natural
33 Resource Commission 2019 meeting schedule and submit to Executive
34 Office; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.

35 4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant
36 Motion Carried

38 Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to approve the Natural
39 Resource Commissioner Attendance for the 2020 Negotiation Tribal Talks
40 on March 14, 2019 in Manistee, MI and receive lodging, per diem mileage
41 and stipend; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.

42 4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant
43 Motion Carried

45 Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to table the 2019 Budget
46 review until the next scheduled meeting, to be held on March 12, 2019;
47 supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.

48 4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant
49 Motion Carried

1 Discussion was held on the local Deer Quality Management to install a buck pole up
2 and where it will be located on tribal land.

- 3 • Douglas will move on this with Executive Office;

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5 Discussion and review were held for the CORA Packet, meeting scheduled for
6 February 28, 2019.

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8 Discussion and review was held on the LTBB Safety Grant application submitted by
9 William Ortiz, Commissioner for the Mishomis.

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11 **Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the LTBB Safety**
12 **Grant in the amount of \$2,500 requested by William Ortiz LTBB Commercial**
13 **Fisherman; supported by Gerald Chingwa, Commissioner.**

14 **3 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 1 Abstained (Ortiz) 0 Vacant**

15 **Motion Carried**

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17 Discussion and review the Bear River Impoundment,

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19 **Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to approve the Letter of**
20 **Support to the Bear River Impoundment dam; supported by Frederick**
21 **Holdorph, Treasurer.**

22 **4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant**

23 **Motion Carried**

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25 Break at 8:10 p.m.

26 Meeting reconvened at 8:28 p.m.

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28 Discussion was held on the Bay de Noc fence and access for tribal fishermen;

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30 **Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve changing the**
31 **March 13, 2019 NRC meeting to March 12, 2019 due to 2020 Tribal talks**
32 **meeting on March 14, 2019 in Manistee, MI; supported by William Ortiz,**
33 **Commissioner.**

34 **4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant**

35 **Motion Carried**

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37 **Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to enter into Executive**
38 **Session at 8:36 p.m. for 2020 Negotiation Talks; supported by William**
39 **Ortiz, Commissioner.**

40 **4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant**

41 **Motion Carried**

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43 **Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to exit Executive Session**
44 **and reconvene open meeting at 9:38 p.m.; supported by William Ortiz,**
45 **Commissioner.**

46 **4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant**

47 **Motion Carried**

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49 **Public comment at 9:42 PM**

1 **Public comment closed at 9:43 PM**

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3 **Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to adjourn the meeting at**
4 **9:44 p.m.; supported by Gerald Chingwa, Commissioner.**

5 **4 Yes 0 No 1 Absent (Dillard) 0 Abstained 0 Vacant**

6 **Motion Carried**

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8 Next scheduled meeting will be held on March 12, 2019

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Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman

_____ Date

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