

Appropriations and Finance Committee  
LTBB Governmental Administration Building  
Tribal Council Chambers  
7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740  
Regular Meeting  
January 14, 2020

Call to Order: 9:11 a.m.

Committee Member Roll Call: Councilor Leroy Shomin, Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Treasurer Marcella R. Reyes

Absent: none

Tribal Councilors Present: Councilor Fred Kiogima

Legislative Staff: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, Legislative Administrative Assistant Linda Gokee

Corporate Charters/Boards Present: Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. Vice President Alan Proctor, Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky, Ziibimijwang, Inc. Chair Joe VanAlstine, Traditional Tribal Burial, Inc. Gwen Teuthorn

Executive Staff/Official Present: Grant writer Alison Simon, Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson, Vice Chairperson Stella Kay, Unit II Executive Director Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson,

Tribal Court Staff/Official Present: none

Public: none

Invited Guests: none

Closed Session: No

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**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to adopt the Agenda of January 14, 2020 as presented.

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

Motion carried.

**Phone Polls:**

*-12/19/19 Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to reauthorize and reapprove Odawa Casino Resort's PNC Final Term Sheet and Commitment Letter for Transaction One not to exceed \$26,500,000 for the refinancing of Wells Fargo loan debt, Ozone renovation and Mackinaw OCR expansion and authorize the Treasurer Marcella Reyes and Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley to sign.*

*Phone Poll Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent*

*Comments: None*

*Motion carried.*

**-12/19/19 Motion** to recommend to Tribal Council to reauthorize and reapprove Odawa Casino Resort's PNC Final Term Sheet and Commitment Letter for Transaction Two not to exceed \$28,500,000 for the Petoskey OCR Hotel Construction project and authorize the Treasurer Marcella Reyes and Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley to sign.

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

Comments: None

Motion carried.

## **New Business:**

### **Discussion:** Family Violence Prevention and Services Program Act FY 2020

- Annual formula funding
- To prevent incidents of family, domestic or dating violence; provided shelter, supportive services, access to community-based programs and to provide specialized services for children.
- Flexible funding. Grant funding may also assist with child care vouchers, transportation gas cards, job training and employment services, rental assistance to secure permanent housing, housing supplies and appliances to allow safe, secure and adequate housing, parenting education and other prevention services.

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend to Tribal Council to approve Certified Motion # 012320-01 Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Family Violence Prevention and Services Program Act FY 2020.

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

Motion carried.

### **Discussion:** Tribal Transportation Program Agreement

- Annual funding agreement to accept BIA Tribal Transportation Program funds
- Maintain BIA funded roads

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend to Tribal Council to approve Certified Motion # 012320-02 Funding from the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, Tribal Transportation Program Agreement.

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

Motion carried.

### **Discussion:** Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Funding FY 2020

- Projects that support Tribal protection and restoration projects that contribute to one or more measure of progress of Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Action Plan III.
- Stocking and rearing of whitefish
- Restoring road/stream crossings in Emmet County and bike trail culverts
- Eagle aviary design

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend to Tribal Council to approve Certified Motion # 012320-03 Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Funding FY 2020.

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

Motion carried.

**Discussion:** Tribal Capacity Funding FY 2020

- BIA annual funds
- This funding request ensures the Lake wide Management Plans and Programs are meeting the requirements of the Great Lakes Quality Agreement and Section 118 of the Clean Water Act.
- Protection of the Great Lakes.

**Motion** made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to recommend to Tribal Council to approve Certified Motion # 012320-04 Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Capacity Funding, Tribal Capacity Funding FY 2020.

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

Motion carried.

**Discussion:** Mental Health Block Grant FY 2021-2022

- Funding to provide for Case Manager and Cultural Advisor (already staffed)
- Co-occurring disorders
- Bridge the gaps between existing programs

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend to Tribal Council to approve Certified Motion # 012320-05 Acceptance of Funds as a sub-grantee from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), Mental Health Block Grant FY 2021-2022.

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

Motion carried.

**Discussion:** FY 2020 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS)

- CTAS for Tribal Youth Services
- Funding would allow this program to continue to support and enhance tribal efforts to prevent and reduce delinquency and strengthen a fair and beneficial juvenile justice system response for American Indian and Alaska Native Youth.
- Program funding for 5 years
- Funding amount did not increase
- Competitive funding

**Motion** made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to recommend to Tribal Council to approve Certified Motion # 012320-06 Request for Funding from United States Department of Justice, FY 2020 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS).

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

Motion carried.

**9:45 a.m.** Break

**9:59 a.m.** Resume

**Discussion:** Boards Distribution Policy

- Tribal Council has requested an organizational chart of charters/boards.
- Change charters to an LLC
- Re-work annual budgets to include strategic plans for 2-5 years
- Three goals to include are:

- Must be viable
- Housing
- Expand Economic Development

**11:04 a.m.** Break

**11:12 a.m.** Resume

**Motion** made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to approve the Minutes of December 10, 2019 as corrected.

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

Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend to Tribal Council to approve Tribally Chartered Corporations Distribution Policy and Procedures.

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

Motion carried.

### **Sr. Financial Analyst Report:**

- Economic Business and Development Director position is being discussed and responsibilities divided amongst staff.
- Councilor Tamara Kiogima approached Senior Financial Analyst Rachel Cope of spaces the Tribe rents. What the Tribe needs? Why?
- Attended the Gaming Authority Meeting last Friday, January 10, 2020. Discussion held on Sports Betting. Ziibimijwang, Inc. also attended this meeting in hopes of working with the casino's food service. Cost issues are the disadvantage of the farm however, talks were productive. Ziibimijwang farm Indian Health Service (IHS) inspection is soon.
- Straws are costly \$65,000 for cardboard vs plastic
- Three (3) additional menu items will be added to Odawa Casino Resort Mackinaw City for the summer as a smoker will be added to the kitchen.
- Working out the finer details of the hotel plans.
- Met with Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson over general fund-fund balance.
  - Discussion on revenue sources for 2021.
  - Odawa Casino Resort on target for 2020. \$11,750,000 to be distributed to Tribal Government.
  - Discussion had on what would it take to make the pharmacy a revenue source. Will need a business plan, long and short term.
- Renegotiate the Tax Agreement Area Business Sales Tax.
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Street House in the City of Harbor Springs needs to be separate from the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA).
- Auditors

**Motion** made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to acknowledge receipt of Senior Financial Analyst Rachel Cope's verbal report on January 14, 2020.

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

Motion carried.

**Old Business:** none

**Closed Session:** none

**Public Comment:**

11:57 a.m. Opens

- No Comments

11:58 a.m. Closed

**Adjourn:**

11:58 a.m. **Motion** made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to adjourn.

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

Motion carried.

Next regular Meeting date:  
**Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.**