

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Chambers
7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740**

Tribal Council Regular Meeting
November 3, 2016

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6 Call to Order: 9:13 a.m.

7 Opening ceremony: Councilor Frank Bernard

8 Closed Session: No

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10 Council Present: Legislative Leader Aaron Otto, Secretary Julie Shananaquet,
11 Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Councilor Frank Bernard, Councilor David Harrington,
12 Councilor Beatrice Law, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Michael
13 Naganashe, Councilor Emily Proctor

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15 Absent: none

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17 Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-
18 LaCount, General Counsel James Bransky

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20 Executive Officials and Staff Present: Vice-Chair Stella Kay, Communications
21 Coordinator Annette VanDeCar

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23 Judicial Officials and Staff: none

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25 Public: Andrew Stich

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27 Invited Guest: Tribal Traditional Burial Board, Inc. Board Secretary Gwen Gasco
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30 **Agenda:**

31 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve
32 the agenda of November 3, 2016, as presented.

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

34 Motion carried.

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36 **Minutes:**

37 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Proctor to approve
38 the minutes of October 20, 2016, as presented.

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

40 Motion carried.

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42 **Executive Report:**

43 **Discussion:** 7&4 Report on Tradition's occurring during the fall Season-
44 attended by General Counsel James Bransky and Natural Resource Department
45 Director Doug Craven; Reservation Boundaries issues raising a lot of questions

1 that are fielded by General Counsel Bransky; Health Insurance issues; Stocking
2 Fish (salmon).

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4 Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Reyes to
5 acknowledge receipt of the Executive Office Financial Report for September
6 2016 and verbal updates as presented by Vice-Chairperson Stella Kay on
7 November 3, 2016.

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

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11 **10:11 a.m.** Break

12 **10:28 a.m.** Resume

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14 **Legislative Officer Reports:**

15 Legislative Leader Report –

16 Discussion: Posted Sr. Financial Officer Report, with no word if there are any
17 applicants. Returned and passed on Secretary files to Secretary Shananaquet.
18 Sent out two letters, one to Gaming Enterprise Board regarding reporting
19 requirements and one to the Appellate Justices regarding Backlog Reports.
20 Continued discussion regarding new computers for Council.

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22 Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Treasurer Reyes to
23 accept Legislative Leader Otto's verbal report as presented on November 3,
24 2016

25 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent
26 Motion carried

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28 Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law
29 to authorize Legislative Leader Otto to send follow up letter to Appellate Justices
30 regarding Back log report and to sign.

31 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent
32 Motion carried

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34 Secretary Report

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36 i. Documents Delivered to Executive: none
37 ii. Vetoes: none
38 iii. Phone Polls: none

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40 Treasurer Report

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42 i. Appropriations and Finance Committee (AFC) Meeting Dates
43 -Last meeting: October 7, 2016
44 -Next meeting: November 8, 2016 at 1:10 p.m.
45 ii. Phone Poll(s): none
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1 **Tribal Council Travel Reports:**

2 Michael Naganashe - 2014 Anishinaabemowin TEG Conference, 2014 Food
3 Sovereignty Summit, 2015 Marijuana Conference, 2016 Partners in Action, 2016
4 Great Lakes Native American Conference, 2016 Fighting Poverty in Indian
5 Country, 2016 United Tribes of Michigan, and Building Sovereign Nations.

6 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to
7 acknowledge receipt of Counselor Naganashe's written travel reports for
8 attendance at the 2014 Anishinaabemowin TEG Conference, 2014 Food
9 Sovereignty Summit, 2015 Marijuana Conference, 2016 Partners in Action, 2016
10 Great Lakes Native American Conference, 2016 Fighting Poverty in Indian
11 Country, and the verbal and written reports as presented on November 3, 2016
12 for attendance at the October United Tribes of Michigan, and Building Sovereign
13 Nations held in Manistee, MI.

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

15 Motion carried.

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17 Secretary Shananaquet - United Tribes of Michigan and Building Sovereign
18 Nations

19 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to
20 acknowledge receipt of Secretary Shananaquet's verbal and written travel report
21 as presented on November 3, 2016, for attendance at the October United Tribes
22 of Michigan meeting and Building Sovereign Nations, held in Manistee, MI.

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

24 Motion carried.

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26 Treasurer Reyes – October United Tribes of Michigan and Building Sovereign
27 Nations

28 Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to
29 acknowledge receipt of Treasurer Reyes verbal and written travel report as
30 presented on November 3, 2016, for attendance at the October United Tribes of
31 Michigan meeting and Building Sovereign Nations, held in Manistee, MI.

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

33 Motion carried.

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35 Councilor Harrington - Building Sovereign Nations

36 Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to
37 acknowledge receipt of Councilor Harrington's verbal and written travel report as
38 presented on November 3, 2016, for attendance at the Building Sovereign
39 Nations, held in Manistee, MI.

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

41 Motion carried.

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43 **Public Comment**

44 **11:41 a.m.** Open

- 45 • Andrew Stich commented on attendance at United Tribes and Sovereign
46 Tribes. Tractor still broken down at Farm and what is the status of house.
47 Status of Cabins at Wilderness.

- 1 • Michele Portman-LaCount spoke regarding mental health services at the
2 clinic and need for therapists, what is Tribe doing to assist Citizens who
3 are patients or Citizens who need assistance.

4 **12:05 p.m.** Closes

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6 **12:05 p.m.** Lunch Break

7 **1:33 p.m.** Meeting Resumes

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9 Councilor Bernard - Building Sovereign Nations

10 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to
11 acknowledge receipt of Councilor Bernard's verbal and written travel report as
12 presented on November 3, 2016, for attendance at the Building Sovereign
13 Nations, held in Manistee, MI.

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

15 Motion carried.

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17 **Tribal Council Member Reports**

18 No reports presented

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20 **Tribal Council Committee Reports:**

21 Land and Reservation Committee

22 Meeting dates:

- 23 • Last meeting: October 7, 2016-Cancelled
24 • Next meeting: November 4, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

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26 Ethics Committee

27 Meeting dates:

- 28 • Last meeting: October 25, 2016
29 • Next meeting: December 20, 2016

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31 Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Proctor to accept
32 the Ethics Committee Report for meeting held on October 25, 2016 and
33 presented by Ethics Committee Chairperson Law on November 3, 2016.

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

35 Motion carried.

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37 **Legislative Staff Reports:**

38 Tribal Historic Preservation Officer - None

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40 Legislative Services Attorney Report - Unavailable

41 Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Reyes to
42 accept Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick's written report as
43 presented on November 3, 2016.

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

45 Motion carried

1 Enjinaaknegeng Report

2 Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to accept
3 Enjinaaknegeng's verbal report as presented by General Counsel Bransky on
4 November 3, 2016.

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

6 Motion carried

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8 Legislative Office Manager Report

9 Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Law to accept
10 the verbal and written report of Legislative Office Manager, Michele Portman-
11 LaCount as presented on November 3, 2016.

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

13 Motion carried

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15 Sr. Financial Analyst Report: Position currently vacant.

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17 **Corporate Charters and/or Board Updates (if any)**

18 Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. - None

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20 Traditional Tribal Burial Board (TTBB) - Invited for 3rd Quarter Reporting

21 Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Proctor to
22 acknowledge receipt of the 3rd Quarter Traditional Tribal Burial Board as
23 presented by Board Secretary Gwen Gasco, on November 3, 2016.

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

25 Motion carried

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27 Ziibimijwang, Inc. - Invited for 3rd Quarter Reporting (No Show)

28 Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Harrington to
29 authorize Legislative Leader Otto to send letter to Ziibimijwang, Inc., requesting
30 3rd quarter Report.

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

32 Motion carried

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34 Gaming Enterprise Board – Scheduled to attend the Tribal Council Meeting of
35 November 17, 2016.

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37 **2:57 p.m.** Break

38 **3:13 p.m.** Resume

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40 **3:13 p.m.** Public Comment Opens and Closes – No comments

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42 **Action Items: (Motions)**

43 Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Harrington to
44 approve two Tribal Council members to attend the Michigan Economic
45 Developers Association meeting on December 1, 2016 in Lansing MI.

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

47 Motion carried.

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Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to acknowledge receipt of the written 2016 August Monthly report of the Odawa Casino Resort (OCR) from the Gaming Enterprise Board (GEB).

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

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Naganashe to acknowledge receipt of the Odawa Casino Resort (OCR) September 2016 Monthly Report.

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

Motion made by Councilor Naganashe and supported by Councilor Proctor to acknowledge receipt of the September 2016 Gaming Enterprise Board (GEB) Budget and Expenditure Reports.

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

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Law to acknowledge receipt of the BDO Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians 401(k) Plan Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedule Years Ended December 21, 2015 and 2014; and BDO 401(k) Plan Audit Wrap-Up December 31, 2015.

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

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Proctor to acknowledge receipt of REG-WOS 2013-004-110116-001A, 2017 Reservation Natural Resources Rules and Regulations as submitted by the Executive on November 2, 2016.

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

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Naganashe to acknowledge receipt of REG-WOS 2013-004-110116-001B, 2017 1836 Ceded Territory as submitted by the Executive on November 2, 2016.

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

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to table the 2017 Legislative Branch Regular Work Session and Regular Meeting Schedule until the next regularly scheduled Tribal Council Meeting.

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

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2 **Action Items: Roll Call Votes**

3 Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Harrington
4 to adopt Tribal Resolution Amendment to the Legislative Branch Operations
5 Governmental Employee Personnel Policies Handbook Section II. Employee
6 Benefits & Compensation Program.

7 Roll call vote: Councilor Bernard-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor Law-
8 yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Proctor-yes,
9 Secretary Shananaquet-yes, Treasurer Reyes-yes, Legislative Leader Otto-yes
10 Motion carried.

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12 **Other Business:**

- 13 • Discussion regarding Permanent Supportive Housing

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15 Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to
16 acknowledge report presented by Treasurer Reyes and Councilor Naganashe
17 regarding Permanent Supportive Housing and authorize Legislative Leader Otto
18 to contact Ryan Champagne, Grand River Social Services to set up video or
19 other means of electronic conferencing.

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

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23 **Adjournment:**

24 **4:02 p.m.** Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor
25 Law to adjourn.

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

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29 Next Tribal Council Meeting
30 **Regular: November 17, 2016**

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32 Please contact the Legislative Office at 231-242-1403, or 231-242-1404 for
33 additional updates and clarifications of these minutes as presented.

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35 These Minutes have been read and approved as written (or) corrected: (delete
36 either the word “written” or “corrected” as pertains to how the minutes were
37 approved.)

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42 Julie Shananaquet, Tribal Council Secretary

_____ Date