



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Council Chambers
Land and Reservation Committee
August 3, 2018

Call to order: **9:11 a.m.**

Committee Member Roll Call: Councilor Emily Proctor, Councilor David Harrington, Treasurer Marcella R. Reyes

Tribal Council Present: Councilor Dexter McNamara

Legislative Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, Legislative Administrative Assistant Linda Gokee, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Wes Andrews, Deputy Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik

Executive Staff/Official Present: GIS Jim Keiser, Environmental Response Specialist Traven Michaels, General Assistant Program Coordinator Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson

Judicial Staff/Official Present: none

Guests: Rick Sheffer, Dennis Lord

Public: none

Motion made by Councilor David Harrington and supported by Councilor Proctor to adopt the agenda for August 3, 2018 as amended.

Comments: none

Vote: 3-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain; 0-absent

Motion carried.

The review and approval of Minutes moved to the end of agenda.

Phone Polls:

-06/07/18 Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and the Secretaries of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Veterans Affairs (VA) and Agriculture (USDA) for insured and/or guaranteed loans to Tribal Citizens.

Comments: none

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

Motion carried.

New Business:

Discussion: Garden Island Cemetery.

-The M'nis Kitigon Drum (MKD) Group will be hosting their annual meeting on September 28 & 29, 2018 at Wilderness State Park specifically for Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

and the hope of Tribal Council attendance. The topic of discussion is the possibility of transferring the Garden Island Cemetery property from MKD to Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.

-Areas of concern for MKD are:

- The Tribe must take care of and maintain the property,
- The Clan posts need attention and preservation,
- Make sure there is no land development by the Tribe, and
- The relationship between MKD and the Tribe has not been good. MKD felt the cultural knowledge was absent during the discussions of transferring the property. Bundles and tobacco were presented to the Tribe in which the Tribe did not reciprocate. Due to the poor relationship, MKD has a large number of “nay sayers”, mainly from Wisconsin, who are not in agreement of transferring the property to the Tribe.

-The cemetery has different ceremonial procedures-mainly Midewin, however, on the south end, there is a Christian burial area.

-Wes would like to see involvement from Tribal Council, the Executive, and Language speakers. Treasurer Reyes will bring this forward to the next Tribal Council Meeting to be held on Thursday, August 9, 2018.

Discussion: St. Martin Island Lighthouse and property.

-A grant assessment of the the lighthouse has been completed. Natural Resources Director Doug Craven intends to write a management plan and transfer it to the THPO program.

-The roofs are collapsing around the lighthouse and the buildings are deteriorating.

-This lighthouse was listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

-It is evident the lighthouse needs money for upkeep and to stabilize the structures. A study needs to be completed on how much would it cost to stabilize vs. the clean-up costs associated with letting it “fall”.

-Marine Engineering (less expensive) vs. Army Corp. of Engineers (way more expensive).

-Regardless, the Tribe looks irresponsible in the Federal upkeep (see YouTube video titled Poverty Island and St. Martin’s Island Lighthouse drone video by Eddie Verhamme or by copying the following link into your browser, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uOvPmxAKbs>) by doing nothing.

Discussion: Mackinaw Billboards and Lamar Advertising

-Lamar owns all the billboard signs west of I-75. They would like to remove billboard #3 and move it to north to location titled #4 (new site).

-No competitors will be allowed to rent the billboards.

-A single pole would be constructed at the new site and would be digital allowing up to six (6) advertisements at once.

-Lamar will send an updated plan.

10:12 a.m. Break

10:31 a.m. Meeting resumes

Lears/Anderson Road signage tabled until the next Land and Reservation meeting on either Friday, August 31, 2018 or Friday, September 7, 2018.

Discussion: New Land Parcel

Motion made by Councilor David Harrington and supported by Councilor Proctor to assign Land Parcel #112.

Comments: none

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

Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor David Harrington and supported by Councilor Proctor to acknowledge receipt of Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Wes Andrews' verbal report as presented on August 3, 2018.

Comments: none

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

Motion carries.

Public Comment

11:08 a.m. Public Comment Opens

-No comments

11:08 a.m. Public Comment Closed

Discussion: Odawa Construction Ad-hoc update

-Had an informal meeting. Legislative Leader Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor McNamara, Councilor David Harrington and Councilor Proctor met with two (2) engineers.

-Lengthy discussion on Fred's vision of Odawa Construction to include construction, 8A Housing, Community housing by casino, cultural buildings, and a recreation center.

-Met with two engineers who expressed an interest in the Odawa Construction. Councilor Proctor suggests they be invited to Tribal Council so council may see who they are and listen to their expertise.

Motion made by Councilor David Harrington and supported by Councilor Proctor to approve the Minutes of March 2, 2018 as presented.

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

Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor David Harrington and supported by Councilor Proctor to approve the Minutes of May 11, 2018 as presented.

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

Motion carries.

Old Business-none

Adjournment:

11:23 a.m. **Motion** made by Councilor David Harrington and supported by Councilor Proctor to adjourn.

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

Motion carries.

Next Meeting Date: Friday, August 31, 2018 at 9:00 a.m