Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Council Chambers
Land and Reservation Committee
September 6, 2019

Call to order: **9:08 a.m.**

Committee Member Roll Call: Councilor Fred Kiogima, Legislative Leader Proctor, Treasurer Marcella R. Reyes

Tribal Council Present: Councilor Marty Van De Car, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Melissa Pamp

Legislative Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Senior Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, General Counsel Jim Bransky, Economic Business and Development Director Billi Jo Head, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik, Legislative Administrative Assistant Linda Gokee

Executive Staff/Official Present: Vice Chairperson Stella Kay, Tribal Chair Regina Gasco Bentley, Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon, Unit II Executive Director Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson, GIS Director Alan Proctor, Health Director Jody Werner, Planning Director Amanda Swiss, Planning Administrative Assistant Sharie Temple, Human Resources Generalist Rose Pyant, Health Department Office Manager Cathy Bradley, Elders Department Director Mary Roberts, Human Resources Director Denise Petoskey, WOCTEP Lab Assistant Bob Chicks, Great Lakes Policy Specialist Caroline Moellering, Water Quality Coordinator Lauren Dey, Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar, Chief Conservation Officer Kevin Willis, Social Services Program Manager Sonja Fiel, Human Services Director Heather Boening

Judicial Staff/Official Present: Senior Court Clerk Cynthia Brouckaert

Public: Kevin Gasco, Dexter McNamara, Melissa Moses, Douglas Sprague, Julie Janiskee, Allie Maldonado, Jay Maldonado, Sarah Proctor, Francis Holdorf, Virginia Lewis, Joe VanAlstine, Alice Hughes, Jordan Shananaquet, Andrew Stitch, Lisa Flynn, Cherie Dominic, Eric Hemenway, Diana Naganashe, Tom Naganashe, Shai Leist, JoAnn Carey, Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky, Candace Worthington, Lindsey Walker, Heidi Bosma, Bernadece Boda, Thomas Teuthorn, Gwen Teuthorn

Invited Guests:

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Legislative Leader Proctor to adopt the agenda for September 6, 2019 as presented.
Vote: 3 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstain, 0 - Absent
Motion carries.

Motion made by Legislative Leader Proctor and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve the Minutes of August 2, 2019 as presented.
Vote: 3 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstain, 0 - Absent

Motion carries.

Phone Polls:

-08/28/19 Reason for Phone Poll: *Motion to approve the May 14th, 2019 Summary Terms and Conditions sheet from 5/3 Bank in principal and authorizing OEDMI to work with appropriate LTBB employees to continue negotiations for the purposes of acquiring Land Parcel # 123 and subsequent lease to OEDMI to incorporate into Victories Square. OEDMI will assume repayment terms and conditions for financing.*
Phone Poll Vote: 2 Yes, 1 No (Treasurer Reyes), 0 Abstained, 0 Absent
Motion carried.

New Business:

Motion made by Legislative Leader Proctor and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to appoint Treasurer Reyes to Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson position.
Vote: 3 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstain, 0 - Absent
Motion carries.

Motion made by Legislative Leader Proctor and supported by Treasurer Reyes to appoint Councilor Fred Kiogima as the Land and Reservation Committee Secretary.
Vote: 3 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstain, 0 - Absent
Motion carries.

Motion made by Legislative Leader Proctor and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to designate Friday, October 4, 2019 as the Land & Reservation Committees northern Land Tour.
Vote: 3 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstain, 0 - Absent
Motion carries.

Old Business:

Motion made by Legislative Leader Proctor and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of the Phase I Assessments of Land Parcel #119 by Environmental and Tribal Historic Preservation Officer.
Vote: 3 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstain, 0 - Absent
Motion carries.

9:44 a.m. Break
10:00 a.m. Resume

New Business continued…

Closed Session: Discussion on Reservation Litigation Decision

10:02 a.m. Motion made by Legislative Leader Proctor and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to enter into Closed Session for Legal.
Vote: 3 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstain, 0 - Absent
Motion carries.

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11:24 a.m. Break
11:43 a.m. Resume

12:25 p.m p.m. Motion made by Legislative Leader Proctor and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to return to Open Session.
Vote: 3 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstain, 0 - Absent
Motion carries.

Public Comment
12:27 p.m. Opened

- Andrew Stitch commented Tribal Citizens were not made aware of "White house" demolition.
- John Kawegoma commented there is a critical shortage of housing. The Tribe could have used the "White house" for housing.
- Economic Business and Development Director Billi Jo Head commented the leasing of both the White house and Kings Inn property is for Economic Development purposes.
- Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik commented she received a request to put the White house on the Odawa Registries. Melissa did not receive any paperwork from anyone else.
- Sarah Proctor asked Why didn't the Tribe renovate?
- Linda Gokee commented she had previously worked in this building in 1996 and it had many serious problems then and currently. Why would you want to put your fellow Tribal Citizens in such a building?
- Heidi Bosma commented she is not happy about displacement of workers and it was an unfair move.
- John Kawegoma asked if there were any litigation issues should illness issues arise from the White house. Feels the house should have been restored for historical issues.
- Andrew Stitich questioned who has authority over Tribal properties?
- John Kawegom stated per the Housing Department, the grants are for family units.
- Linda Gokee asked what was the position of the Executive Branch regarding the displacement of workers at the White house?
- Andrew Stitch questioned when the the Courtyard would be opening?
- Economic Business and Development Director Billi Jo Head asked if Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. is receiving incoming funds from the hotel even though the hotel is not open?
- John Kawegoma commented at an Elder picnic two weeks ago, Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. said, "If we do not bring in money, we'll only be relying on grants". John would also like wellness checks done by the Tribal Police.
- Virginia Lewis commented with the recent court decision, is there no reservation?
- Linda Gokee asked when and if the boundary reservation goes through, would all court cases have to heard through the Tribal Court? Linda would prefer any of her business be heard at Emmet County Courts.
- John Kawegoma commented he has the same concern as Linda Gokee on court cases being heard in Tribal Court. He feels the the Tribe's Human Services and Judiciary need to be reviewed.
- Andrew Stitch questioned how much an appeal for the boundary issue would cost. Tribal Citizens were never afforded any communication and how much this would initially would cost.

1:06 p.m. Closed

ADJOURNMENT
1:06 p.m. Motion made by Legislative Leader Proctor and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to adjourn.
Vote: 3 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstain, 0 - Absent
Motion carries.

Next meeting date: **Friday, October 4, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.**

APPROVED