



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians

Executive Branch of Tribal Government

Office of the Chief Executive

Via E-mail

September 18, 2025

Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of the Assembly
Carolyn Beaulieu, District I Representative
Wendy Merrill, District II Representative
Harry Davis, District III Representative

Re: Appropriation and Budget Revision Requests

Aaniin. In the absence of an Administration Policy Board quorum, I am writing to request the following budget revisions as follows:

1. **Health & Human Services:** Appropriation of Federal Grant Funds in the amount of \$19,349.00 for the Elder Nutrition (223-4060) budget. These funds will be used for the Older Americans Act Nutrition Services Incentive Program for the Native American Award Authority. (Enclosure #1)
2. **Health & Human Services:** Appropriation of Federal Grant Funds in the amount of \$68,371.00 for the Social Nutrition Grant (223-4510) budget. These funds will be used for the Older Americans Act Title VI, Part A for Native American Award Authority. (Enclosure #2)
3. **Natural Resources:** Appropriation of Federal Grant Funds in the amount of \$41,500.00 for the EPA-UST (251-5430) budget. These funds will be used to provide compliance assistance at the Underground Storage Tank ("UST") facilities within the Mille Lacs Reservation, ensuring that tank and line leak detection is conducted to protect ground and surface water. (Enclosure #3)
4. **Natural Resources:** Appropriation of Investment Income Funds in the amount of \$795,000.00 for Government Affairs (107-2260) to cover the expenses of the Beehive Strategic Communications contract for services to be rendered. (Enclosure #4)
5. **Health & Human Services:** Budget Revision in the amount of \$124,401.05 for the Diabetes (221-4150) budget to move funds where projected expenses will occur for the rest of the year to cover expensive diabetes medical supplies including pumps and revisors. No agency approval is needed. (Enclosure #5)
6. **Health & Human Services:** Budget Revision in the amount of \$183,801.96 for the Child Advocacy (223-4855) budget to move funds to the equipment line to purchase equipment for the Child Advocacy Center. The department needs to expense these grant funds by

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September 30, 2025. The granting agency has approved the budget revision. (Enclosure #6)

7. **Health & Human Services:** Appropriation of State Grant Funds in the amount of \$24,958.00 for WIC (225-4500) to cover the purchase of breastfeeding tents for community events. (Enclosure #7)
8. **Health & Human Services:** Appropriation of Federal Grant Funds in the amount of \$191,367.00 for TOR (222-4095) to support the outpatient program salary, fringe, and program supplies. (Enclosure #8)

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Chief Executive

CC:

Greta Sorvik, HHS Director of Finance
Brittany Wind, Grants Director
Kelly Applegate, Commissioner of Natural Resources
Jared Miller, Legislative Counsel
Danielle Smith, Parliamentarian / Clerk of the Assembly
Mel Towle, Commissioner of Finance

Enclosures:

1. Memorandum from Brittany Wind, Grants Director, to Darla Roache, Deputy Assistant, Appropriation Request – Elder Services Social Nutrition Grant Funding (223-4510) (Sept. 16, 2025).
2. Memorandum from Brittany Wind, Grants Director, to Darla Roache, Deputy Assistant, Appropriation Request – Elder Services Elder Nutrition Grant Funding (223-4060) (Sept. 16, 2025).
3. Memorandum from Kelly Applegate, Commissioner of Natural Resources, to Darla Roache, Deputy Assistant, Appropriation Request – U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (251-5430) (Sept. 5, 2025.)

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4. Memorandum from Kelly Applegate, Commissioner of Natural Resources, to Darla Roache, Deputy Assistant, Appropriation Request – Beehive Strategic Communication Service Contract (107-2260) (Sept. 5, 2025.)
5. Memorandum from Nicole Anderson, Temporary HHS Executive Assistant, to Darla Roache, Deputy Assistant, HHS items (covering items 5-8) for Band Assembly (September 18, 2025.)
6. HHS Budget Revision – Diabetes 221-4150
7. HHS Budget Revision – Child Advocacy Center 223-4855
8. HHS Appropriation – WIC 225-4500
9. HHS Appropriation – TOR 222-4095