



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians
Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

Weekly Review: February 16-20, 2026

Weekly Sync Meeting

February 17, 2026

Legislative staff facilitated a weekly sync meeting with elected officials and staff to review the upcoming Band Assembly agenda. The meeting included discussion on bills to work on, the workshop schedule, workshop projects, and District Representative initiatives.

Band Assembly Meeting

February 18, 2026

The Speaker of the Assembly convened a meeting of the Band Assembly. The District Representatives approved the agenda.

Band Assembly received a presentation from Verus, Anne Westreich and Zeca Cardoso regarding the Comprehensive Performance Report. Prior to going into executive session there was a summary of the report.

Band Assembly received a presentation from the Mille Lacs Band Delegates regarding updates and reports.

The District Representatives approved Resolution 22-01-08-26 (A Resolution approving the continuance of the fiscal operations of the Mille Lacs Band Government, Circle of Health, Gaming Regulatory Authority, Department of Cannabis Regulation, Department of Athletic Regulation, Supplemental Income Program for Elders, Tribal Employment Rights Office, Housing Initiative, and Band Member Legal Services). Sponsor: District III Representative

The District Representatives approved Resolution 22-01-09-26 (A Resolution approving the continuance of Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures' Gaming and Non-Gaming fiscal operations). Sponsor: District II Representative

Messages from the Chief Executive:

Chief Executive Virgil Wind was not present.

Messages from the Representatives:

District I Representative Carolyn Beaulieu shared upcoming events:

- Elder Circle Sunday, February 22, 2026 at 12:00 p.m.
- District I Community Meeting Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. on the agenda is Band Member Legal Services, Community Development Housing, and Healing to Wellness Court.

District II Representative Wendy Merrill shared tonight is our Chiminising Community Meeting at 5:30 p.m. and next Friday, February 27, 2026 5:30 p.m. Side Step Social.

District III Representative Harry Davis shared last night Wanetta Thomson supplied story telling project at Meshakwad completed last night had chili and fry bread it was a success. He shared our community meeting will be tomorrow at Grand Casino Hinckley at 5:30 p.m.

Messages from the Secretary-Treasurer:

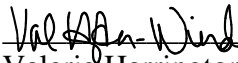
Secretary-Treasurer Sheldon Boyd shared “I’d just like to speak to and I was sharing my comments with members of the Assembly here on behalf of the investment structure that’s in place. We have Verus Investments, Western Providence, Holland & Knight and there’s a project that’s coming to it’s beginning to solidify of restructuring the minor trust accounts moving forward. I just like to comment to the folks here a lot of this work is financial and it’s done behind the scenes and the work of the people that are working on and also with the Investment Board the meetings are scheduled they’re regular and metered out. These folks that are doing the work on behalf of the band are getting these things done methodically and they’ve got a lot done on behalf of the band. And that’s a structure that’s in place by band law, so that will exist hopefully many many years into the future. And just let you know that the structure is in place within government and it’s taking care of things the financial matters for the minor trust. And how that works I’d like that to be common knowledge, probably the messengers could be the folks within the Legislative Branch and District Reps everybody has to have at least a concept of how this works and especially the youth of the improvements that have been made. And I’ll always say it’s not about intelligence it’s about experience. And we’ll just move people into those, just tell them and those folks will understand. I have faith in that of the youth being understanding and becoming financial literate. That’s about all I got to say. That project was being reported to the Assembly here and the particulars of that was done during executive session, but that was the subject matter and I think that was a big achievement on behalf of the band your band government”.

Workshop

February 19, 2026

Legal counsel facilitated a workshop with the Band Assembly regarding a discussion about the Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP) revisions, Title 8 - child support program revisions bill, and Title 12 - elder home loan forgiveness bill.

The next Band Assembly meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.



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