



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians
Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

Band Assembly Weekly Update: Week of July 26-30, 2021

Tuesday, July 27, 2021: Legislative hosted a Pre-Band Assembly meeting to discuss the agenda items. **Approval of Minutes:** July 21, 2021. **Reports and Presentations:** None. **Unfinished Business:** None. **New Business:** Band Assembly Bill 19-04-55-21 (D1) Amending Title 11 – Herbicides Bill, Band Assembly Bill 19-04-56-21 (D2) Apb 7.22.21 and Legislative req., Band Assembly Bill 19-04-57-21 (D3) Red Willow Estates, Foster Care License: Renewal: D1: FFH16100011, and Foster Care License: New: D1: FFH2110003. **Other:** Budget Review(s): Tribal PD, OSG, BMLA, Admin, Aanjibimaadizing. There was discussion, comments and questions on each item. Work Session schedule. Representatives lastly held open discussion of their legislative agendas, ideas and requests.

Wednesday, July 28, 2021: Band Assembly occurred through conference call and zoom.

- **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order.
- **Roll Call:** Roll call was completed all Representatives present.
District I Representative, Virgil Wind
District II Representative, Marvin Bruneau
District III Representative, Wallace St. John Sr.
- **Approval of Agenda:** Agenda was amended and approved.
- **Approval of Minutes:**
 - a) **Band Assembly Record:** July 21, 2021. Record was approved.
- **Reports and Presentations: None.**
- **Unfinished Business: None.**
- **New Business:**
 - a) **Band Assembly Bill 19-04-55-21:** A Bill amending Title 11 of the Mille Lacs Band Statutes for the purpose of permitting application of herbicides on the soils after approval by the Department of Natural Resources of a permit for said application.
Sponsor: District I Representative. Bill was introduced, read, and approved.
 - b) **Band Assembly Bill 19-04-56-21:** A Bill of Supplemental Appropriation for the purpose of authorizing expenditures and budget revisions/transfers for the Executive Branch and Legislative Branch for the Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2021. This bill has been drafted based on formal documents submitted by the Administration Policy Board Per Commissioner's Order 2021-02 on July 22, 2021, and memorandum submitted by the Legislative Affairs Director dated July 21, 2021.
Sponsor: The District II Representative. Bill was introduced, read, amended, and approved.

- c) **Band Assembly Bill 19-04-57-21:** A Bill of Supplemental appropriation and authorization of Long-Term Savings Funds for the Red Willow Estates Housing Development for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2021.

Sponsor: District III Representative. Bill was introduced and tabled.

- d) **Foster Care License:** Renewal: District I FFH16100011. License was tabled.

- e) **Foster Care License:** New: District I FFH2110003. License was approved.

- **Other Business:**

- **Budget Review(s):**

- a) **Budget Review(s):** Tribal Police Department, Office of Solicitor General, Band Member Legal Aid, Administration, Aanjibimaadizing. Budget review was completed for Tribal Police Department, Band Member Legal Aid, Office of Solicitor General, Administration, and Aanjibimaadizing with summaries by Office of Management & Budget and representatives from each program with discussion, questions, and comments.

- **Messages from the Chief Executive-** Not present.

- **Messages from the Representatives-District I Representative**-A couple of announcements. District I Community meeting tonight at Old Community Center at 5:30 p.m. on the agenda is the recently sworn in Commissioners with information on their plans in their new roles. Mary Sam information on Central Lakes College. Dawn Day meal served with her fry bread. Will also have t-shirts available. Shout out to Community Development on up keeping of our parks to safer standards. Appreciate that. Appreciate public works and community development for the help with the Herbicide bill. Reach out we can work together for short falls or needs for improvement. Pow Wow committee met last night. Three weeks away, great job! Mark your calendar for August 21st & 22nd still slated as scheduled. Thank you. **District II Representative**-First Community meeting tomorrow in East Lake. Informal gathering in Chiminising in August. Regular meeting starting September 23rd 5pm once renovations complete. Still need planning board for substance abuse rehabilitation facility. Working on planning for funding. It's much needed for all of Mille Lacs Band. Miigwech. **District III Representative**-Reiterate what I said last week. Dog ordinance. Some have complied, majority have not. If you get a citation it has been put out there. Pay attention to the ordinance. This is a safety hazard, danger on the road, and people getting bit. Next week is Valley Fair for District III. Don't take cash only accept credit cards, you can get one filled at the bank or Wal-Mart. Need one bus loading Aazhoomog then pick up rest of riders at Tobies or Corporate Commission building. Mi'iw.

- **Messages from the Secretary-Treasurer-**No message.

District I Representative hosted a District I Community meeting. The agenda included Mary Sam from Central Lakes College: Exploring Career Options, and Commissioners Peter Nayquonabe, Maria Costello, and Nicole Anderson providing updates.

Thursday, July 29, 2021:

Legislative held a work session for the Band Assembly members, Legal Counsel, Revisor of Statutes, Staff Attorney, Legislative Staff, Legal Policy Counsel, and Mille Lacs Band MCT Delegates.

Work Session Agenda: Workshop: Bill – Sovereignty Commission Adam Candler

Legal Counsel presented on Sovereignty Commission with a series of questions. The questions were reviewed with discussion, comments and questions from Legislative, Delegates and Executive on each question and sub question. There was great discussion and revisions to the draft bill with a plan to move forward with collaboration. The draft bill will be revised and forwarded to all parties involved. The draft bill will be sent to Parliamentarian with a request to be added to Band Assembly agenda.

District I Representative & District III Representative attended a Community Meeting for the Urban Community.