



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians
Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

Weekly Review: August 19-23, 2024

Holiday Mille Lacs Day **August 19, 2024**

Workshop **August 20, 2024**

Legal staff facilitated a workshop for the elected officials and staff regarding draft resolution BIA transportation agreement, Chief Executive Cannabis board selections, draft Cannabis board appropriations bill and draft Title 15 Cannabis ordinance bill.

Weekly Sync Meeting **August 20, 2024**

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

Band Assembly Meeting **August 21, 2024**

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

The District Representatives took from the table and approved Band Assembly Record: August 7, 2024 Tabled 8/8/24. The District Representatives approved Band Assembly Record: July 22, 2024 and Band Assembly Record: August 8, 2024.

Band Assembly received a presentation from Verus regarding a Comprehensive Performance Report held in executive session. Prior to going into executive session Commissioner of Finance gave brief summary and introduction of Verus.

Band Assembly received a presentation from Joseph Nayquonabe, Commissioner of Corporate Affairs regarding Red Willow Loan Repayment Extension.

The District Representatives amended and approved Band Assembly Bill 21-02-47-24 (A Bill Authorizing a Supplemental Appropriation for the purpose of authorizing expenditures and budget revision(s)/transfer(s) for the Executive, and Judicial Branches for the Fiscal Years ending September 30, 2024 and September 30, 2025).

The District Representatives approved Resolution 21-02-31-24 (A Resolution Concurring with the Chief Executive Asserting the Band's Reserved Rights to Aquatic and Aquatic-Dependent Resources in Wisconsin).

The District Representatives approved contract addendum for Granicus adding additional funds to the contract for continued livestream and agenda management software. This addendum also extends the contract date from August 14, 2024 to August 14, 2025.

The District Representatives approved contract for Heritage Exteriors to provide labor and materials for interior and exterior renovation project at a private elder home in District 1.

The District Representatives approved contract for Simonson Appraisals to provide commercial appraisals to be used in the IHS and BIA 105(1) process. Work includes rent analysis and facility descriptions for twenty-five (25) properties as outlined in the contract.

The District Representatives approved contract for Miller Custom Remodeling to provide labor and materials for interior and exterior renovations at a private elder home in District 1.

The District Representatives approved contract for Umhofer Mitchell & King LLP to provide legal services for A.V. deposition related to sensitive financial matters.

The District Representatives approved Foster Care License: District 1 FFH2210005.

The District Representatives approved Foster Care License: District 1 FFH2310008.

The District Representatives tabled Nomination (A nomination from Chief Wind, nominating Bernida Humetewa to serve as the Band's District III Associate Justice. Current term ends August 15, 2030).

The District Representatives approved Hardship Request: District I: D1-01-08-24.

Messages from the Chief Executive:

Chief Executive Virgil Wind was not present.

Messages from the Representatives:

District I Representative Carolyn Beaulieu shared community meeting is next Wednesday, August 28, 2024 back to school theme. She also said "For the record we should start scheduling shareholder's meetings with Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures. I need to see more details in their spending and I would like to request we have shareholder's meetings scheduled on a quarterly basis with Mille Corporate Ventures and they not only include financials but they include band member statistics as well."

District II Representative Wendy Merrill shared that she had District II community meeting last night and is in District IIA Chiminising tonight at 5:30 p.m. with Ge-Niigaanizijig speakers and Mille Lacs Band delegates on the agenda.

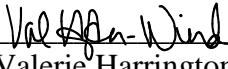
District III Representative Harry Davis was present during Band Assembly meeting via zoom and had to leave due to technical difficulties in the chambers.

Messages from the Secretary-Treasurer:

Secretary-Treasurer Sheldon Boyd shared for the record he would like to re-summarize the report to the Assembly with Verus investments. He shared this reporting process is starting to hit its stride. He shared in the investment board meeting yesterday they recounted the last few years and accomplished a lot. He shared first with getting the law passed by the Assembly and the law making functions here at the Band which created the structure. Per the requirements of the statute an investment board was established and then we started the RFP process for a custodian and investment advisor. We've been through that process and there are a number of other projects that are happening. Once you have that structure in place you have these resources available to begin other projects and things that need to be done financially for the band. He stated overall he thinks getting that in place, the point of making our decision makers who do spend the money, it's a huge responsibility. If we can give them as much information as possible so they can proceed intelligently as a group and with the best interest of

the Band very long term in mind. We have a good group of folks who will take all that information moving forward and that's the role of this office. The way our statutes are built is to provide that information and give the Representatives and Chief Executive very clear financial outlook in response to everyone's roles.

The next Regular Band Assembly meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 28, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.



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