



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians
Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

Weekly Review: May 1-5, 2023

Band Assembly Meeting

May 1, 2023

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

Band Assembly conducted a confirmation hearing for Mel Towle, nominee for the Commissioner of Finance.

The District Representatives received an update from LawVisory in executive session.

The District Representatives denied nomination from Chief Executive Benjamin for Shane Dunn to serve on the Corporate Board, A-Large Position. Term ends March 31, 2027.

The District Representatives approved nomination from Chief Executive Benjamin for Caleb Dogeagle to serve a subsequent term as the Solicitor General for the next term ending April 30, 2027.

The District Representatives approved nomination from Chief Executive Benjamin and Secretary-Treasurer Boyd for Mel Towle to serve a subsequent term as the Commissioner of Finance for the next term ending April 30, 2027.

In the “Messages from the Representatives” portion of the agenda, District I Representative Virgil Wind opened with thanking the band membership for reaching out with concerns and questions regarding today’s nominations, he stated these are very important roles within the band and the people voices and their ability to voice concerns will help us to be better and provide better service. Representative Wind stated congratulations to Caleb Dogeagle and Mel Towle and their families; appreciate the work that they do and the work they can do together to provide better service to the band going forward. Representative Wind closed his comments with yesterday the District I office sponsored a Roundy; a few hundred people came out with a number of specials. It was a wonderful day of togetherness and fun. Thank everyone that came out and contributed to the event.

District II Representative Wendy Merrill opened with congratulations to both and looking forward to next four years. Representative Merrill closed her comments with we have a Mother’s Day craft fair this Friday, May 5, 2023 at Chiminising and they’re looking for more vendors, if there are any band members that they want to sell any items please reach out to her or Cheryl Miller.

Workshop

May 2, 2023

Legal staff facilitated a workshop for the elected officials and staff regarding discussion on Human Resources Personnel Policy – next steps, discussion on Title 15 – Gaming Regulatory Authority, and presentation on Minors’ Trust.

Weekly Sync Meeting

May 2, 2023

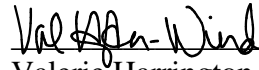
Legislative staff facilitated a Weekly Sync Meeting with elected officials to review the upcoming Band Assembly agenda items. The review included discussion regarding the Gaming Regulatory Authority board vacancy for District III, scheduling confirmation hearings for Lyle Corbine and Gordan Matrious; the workshop schedule; workshop projects; and District Representative initiatives.

Workshop

May 4, 2023

Legal staff facilitated a workshop for the elected officials and staff regarding draft bill minors' trust.

The next Band Assembly meeting is currently scheduled for Monday, May 8, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.



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