



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians
Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

Weekly Review: July 15-19, 2024

Workshop

July 16, 2024

Legal staff facilitated a workshop for the elected officials and staff regarding legislative priorities and workshop schedule.

Weekly Sync Meeting

July 16, 2024

Legislative staff facilitated a weekly sync meeting with elected officials and staff to review the upcoming Band Assembly agenda. The meeting included discussion about the open seats on the boards for Band Member Legal Services and Cannabis Regulation, Revisor of Statute candidate, bills to work on, the workshop schedule, workshop projects, and District Representative initiatives.

Band Assembly Meeting

July 17, 2024

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

The District Representatives approved Band Assembly Record: July 9, 2024.

Band Assembly receive a presentation from Shena Matrious, Government Affairs; Philip Baker-Shenk, Holland and Knight; James Meggesto, Holland and Knight; and Kayla Gebeck Carroll, Holland and Knight regarding the Federal Government Affairs Update.

The District Representatives approved Band Assembly Bill 21-02-37-24 (A Bill Authorizing a Supplemental Appropriation for the purpose of authorizing budget revision(s)/transfer(s) for the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Branches for the Fiscal Years ending September 30, 2024 and September 30, 2025). Part of the discussion was held in executive session.

Messages from the Chief Executive:

Chief Executive Virgil Wind was not present during this portion of the meeting.

Messages from the Representatives:

District I Representative Carolyn Beaulieu had no messages.

District II Representative Wendy Merrill shared a reminder for Summer fun day Wednesday, July 24, 2024 Chiminising at 5:30 p.m. and Thursday, July 25, 2024 Minisinaakwaang. She shared Thursday, July 25, 2024 ground blessing of the pow wow grounds before the pow wow begins, East Lake pow wow is next week.

District III Representative Harry Davis shared an announcement that community meetings will be Thursday, July 18, 2024 at Grand Casino Hinckley ballroom; presenter is Kelly Applegate, Commissioner of Department of Natural Resources and community meeting will be Thursday,

August 15, 2024 at Aazhoomog with updates from Tracy Burr, Commissioner of Community Development. He shared if community center is not done the meeting will move to the following Thursday, August 22, 2024.

Messages from the Secretary-Treasurer:

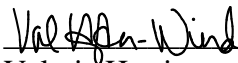
Secretary-Treasurer Sheldon Boyd shared first time back since elections and new session started. He shared there is a change in people and people continue to provide service to members in different capacities. He welcomed back District I Representative, Carolyn Beaulieu former Secretary-Treasurer. He shared “folks keep jumping in and provide service in different capacities, being for myself, whether it be an IT guy somewhere, you always want to just help and whatever capacity you can and then you get here and you just keep on helping, whether you’re back with the tribe and you help in whatever capacity. Former District I Representative Wind has moved on to Chief Executive and folks these are positions of service and very critical to the band.” He closed with “We will be here and try to have processes in place to folks can continue to serve in different capacities with some continuity and a regular orderly way and again welcome everyone we’ll just keep on doing our jobs on behalf of the band and the people.”

Workshop

July 18, 2024

Legal staff facilitated a workshop for the elected officials and staff regarding August Tribal General Welfare Exclusion draft letter, biennium budget draft bill, Revisor of Statute offer draft letter, and review letter from Chief Executive with legislative priorities.

The next Regular Band Assembly meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 22, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.



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