



# THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE INDIANS

*Legislative Branch of Tribal Government*

## SECRETARIAL ORDER 42-17

### **A SECRETARIAL ORDER TO THE COMMISSIONER OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, HOUSING DEPARTMENT, AND REAL ESTATE OFFICE TO DELIVER A COMPLETE LIST OF HOMES AND LAND OWNED BY THE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE TO THE MILLE LACS BAND ASSEMBLY**

- WHEREAS, pursuant to 3 MLBSA § 7(a), the Secretary-Treasurer has the authority and duty to superintend and manage all fiscal operations of the Mille Lacs Band; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to 3 MLBSA § 7(g), the Secretary-Treasurer is authorized and has the duty to issue Secretarial Orders to implement decisions concerning matters of the fiscal affairs of the Band; and
- WHEREAS, the Secretary-Treasurer ordered an audit of the Mille Lacs Band Housing Department records, processes, and policies by Finley & Cook in Secretarial Order 39-16, and ordered the Mille Lacs Band Office of Management and Budget to cease assessing Band Members for repairs, maintenance, and other work orders done on Mille Lacs Band rental housing in 40-16; and
- WHEREAS, Finley & Cook completed the audit and shared the findings with the Joint Assembly and Commissioner of Community Development; and
- WHEREAS, the Secretary-Treasurer issued Secretarial Order 41-16 ordering the Commissioner of Community Development to develop a corrective action plan in response to the audit findings, and the Commissioner of Community Development did not develop a complete plan; and
- WHEREAS, the Secretary-Treasurer and the Band Assembly also requested a list of all of the homes and land that the Band owns, and have not yet received the list; and
- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Commissioner of Finance requested the Housing Initiative Budgets, and has not yet received them; and
- WHEREAS, the accuracy of financial recordkeeping within the Office of Management and Budget and following policy and procedures within the Housing Department is necessary to maintain accurate records of Band financial assets and is within the oversight responsibility of the Secretary-Treasurer.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, that the Mille Lacs Band Commissioner of Community Development, Housing Department, and Real Estate Office deliver a complete list of all houses and land owned by the Mille Lacs Band to the Band Assembly no later than May 31, 2017; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Commissioner of Community Development, Housing Department, and Real Estate Office specifically list whether each home is owned or rented; provide a list of land leases and whether each parcel of land is in trust or fee status, and if fee status, the tax information on each parcel per year; whether the land is private or commercial; and provide a list of boarded up homes owned by the Band with a plan and cost to repair each home to the Band Assembly no later than May 31, 2017; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, the Commissioner of Community Development also deliver the Housing Initiative Budgets to the Band Assembly and Commissioner of Finance no later than May 31, 2017.

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March 2017

*Carolyn Beaulieu*

Carolyn Beaulieu, Secretary-Treasurer

Effective Date: March 23, 2017

Expiration Date: May 31, 2017

**OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND**

