



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians
Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

Weekly Review: August 29-September 2, 2022

Work Session

August 29, 2022

Legal staff facilitated a work session for the elected officials and staff regarding proposed revisions to Title 3 (Legislative Branch) and discussion on Tribal Register.

Work Session

August 30, 2022

Legal staff facilitated a work session for the elected officials and staff regarding discussion of Mille Lacs Band housing policies.

Legislative Branch Weekly Sync Meeting

August 30, 2022

Legislative staff facilitated a Weekly Sync Meeting with elected officials to review the upcoming Band Assembly agenda items. The review included discussion about Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures appropriation requests, the Tribal Register, and the workshop schedule.

Band Assembly Meeting

August 31, 2022

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

The District Representatives approved the minutes from the Band Assembly meeting dated August 24, 2022.

Band Assembly received a presentation from the Commissioner of Health & Human Services regarding the licensure requirements for social workers.

The District Representatives amended the agenda to add new business item “e.”

The District Representatives approved Band Assembly Bill 20-02-73-22 (A Bill of Supplemental Appropriation for the purpose of authorizing a budget revision for the Legislative Branch for the Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2022).

The District Representatives approved Resolution 20-02-32-22 (A Resolution to Cancel Resolution 12-01-125-06 for Mille Lacs Band Member 410B038208).

The District Representatives approved Resolution 20-02-33-22 (A Resolution to Cancel Resolution 17-01-69-16 for Mille Lacs Band Member 410B006713).

The District Representatives tabled the nomination for Rick Dunkley to serve on the Nay-Ah-Shing School Board.

The District Representatives amended and approved Band Assembly Bill 20-02-74-22 (A bill amending Subsection 3122 (b) of Title 8 of the Mille Lacs Band Statutes (“MLBS”) to clarify the required licensure for social workers employed by the Non-Removable Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe).

In the “Messages from the Representatives” portion of the agenda, District I Representative Virgil Wind thanked Health & Human Services and Family Services staff for their presentation today. Representative Wind stated that the day’s events were a good example of Band officials and employees working together. Representative Wind provided a reminder that the District I Community End of Summer celebration would occur on Friday, September 2, 2022, from 1:00 - 6:00 p.m., at the new District I community center.

District II Representative Wendy Merrill congratulated the Aanjibimaadizing program for the Rosetta Stone dinner the previous night and stated that she is proud of the work they have done and the information they have provided. Representative Merrill stated that there is still a need for volunteers for the Minisinaakwaang Family Fun Night and anyone interested can sign up at the East Lake Community Center. Representative Merrill stated that the adult Christmas party is confirmed for December 9, 2022, at Grand Casino Hinckley, and that a save-the-date flyer will be distributed from Taria Aubid and Cheryl Miller. Representative Merrill described upcoming events, including community meetings for Chiminising and Minisinaakwaang that will occur on September 21 and 22, respectively. Mel Towle will be the guest speaker for those events. Representative Merrill added that the Chiminising Elder Bingo event will occur on September 28, 2022, and is tentatively scheduled for 6:00 p.m. Minisinaakwaang Elder meetings are scheduled for September 12 and October 10.

District III Representative Harry Davis stated that he had to postpone the end of the summer celebration due to a tragic accident and the event is rescheduled for Friday, September 9, 2022. The community meeting will occur on September 21, 2022, at Grand Casino Hinckley. Representative Davis closed his comments by stating that he had purchased more State Fair tickets for those who didn’t receive the first round of tickets.

Secretary-Treasurer Boyd commended staff, protocols, the flexibility of the staff, and Band Assembly following the rules and navigating through the agenda. Secretary-Treasurer Boyd closed his comments by stating that, with live streaming, we’re always proud to show the membership the legislative process.

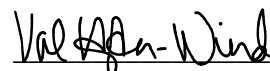
Work Session

September 1, 2022

Legal staff facilitated a work session for the elected officials and staff regarding proposed revisions to Chapter 1 (Gaming Regulatory Authority) of Title 15 (Independent Agencies).

Legislative Branch elected officials and legislative staff attended a meeting with the Minnesota House Speaker Hortman.

The next Band Assembly meeting is currently scheduled for Wednesday, September 7, at 10:00 AM.



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