



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians
Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

Band Assembly Weekly Update: Week of January 25-29, 2021

Tuesday, January 26, 2021: Legislative hosted a Pre-Band Assembly meeting to discuss the agenda items. New Business: Bill 19-03-21-21 (Appropriation for Admin, HHS, DNR, & Education), Bill 19-03-22-21 (Amending Title 17 – “Foundation Bill”), Bill 19-03-23-21 (A Bill of supplemental appropriation for Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021), Resolution 19-03-44-21 (Continuance of MLCV Operations), Resolution 19-03-45-21 (FY 2025 Match for MnDOT grant), 8 contracts (3 DOJ, 3 HHS, 1 Admin, 1 Education), 3 foster care licenses (all D1), and 1 hardship request (D1). There was discussion, comments and questions on each item. Major project list overview of completed, draft completed, and incomplete. Representatives lastly had open discussion of their legislative agendas, ideas and requests.

Wednesday, January 27, 2021: Band Assembly occurred through conference call and Zoom.

- **Approval of Agenda:** Band Assembly approved the agenda.
- **Approval of Minutes: None.**
- **Reports and Presentations: None.**
- **Unfinished Business: None.**
- **New Business:**
 - a) **Band Assembly Bill 19-03-21-21:** A Bill of supplemental appropriation and budget revisions/transfers for Administration, Health & Human Services, Natural Resources and Education for the fiscal years ending September 30, 2020 and September 30, 2021.
Sponsor: District I Representative. Bill was introduced, read, and approved.
 - b) **Band Assembly Bill 19-03-22-21:** A Bill amending Title 17 of the Mille Lacs Band Statutes (“MLBS”) for the purposes of establishing the Advisory Committee to the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Foundation.
Sponsor: District II Representative. Bill was introduced and approved with a waiver of the formal reading.
 - c) **Band Assembly Bill 19-03-23-21:** A Bill of supplemental appropriation for Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021.
Sponsor: District III Representative. Bill was introduced, read, and approved.
 - d) **Resolution 19-03-44-21:** A Resolution Approving the Continuance of Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures, Non-Gaming, and Gaming Fiscal Operations Until March 31, 2021. Resolution was read and approved.

- e) **Resolution 19-03-45-21:** A Resolution Approving the FY2025 Required Match for the Minnesota Department of Transportation, Transportation Alternatives Program Grant. Resolution was approved.
- f) **Contract (DOJ):** A contract for Zuercher Technologies to provide maintenance for the records management system used by the Band's Tribal Police. Contract end date is November 1, 2021. Contract was approved.
- g) **Contract (DOJ):** A contract for Garrison Fire Department to provide fire service in District I. Contract end date is December 31, 2021. Contract was approved.
- h) **Contract (DOJ):** A contract for Lockridge Grindal Nauen PLLP to provide legal services for Line 3 Replacement matters. Contract end date is September 30, 2021. Contract was approved.
- i) **Contract (Admin):** A contract for Pine Technical & Community College to provide classes for CDA, CNA, Serve Safe, Auto Technician, Welding, Computer skills and Parenting classes for Aanjibimaadizing clients. Contract end date is November 30, 2021. Contract was approved.
- j) **Contract (Edu):** A contract for JSB Surveillance to provide replacement and updates for the current interior and exterior camera system at the MLEE building in District I. Contract end date is September 30, 2021. Contract was approved.
- k) **Contract (HHS):** A contract for Pine County Public Health to provide collaboration with existing community prenatal, infant and early childhood programs as well as provide Evidence Based Home Visiting services to eligible families per grant agreement. Contract end date is June 30, 2021. Contract was approved.
- l) **Contract (HHS):** A contract for Mille Lacs County Public Health to provide collaboration with existing community prenatal, infant and early childhood programs as well as provide Evidence Based Home Visiting services to eligible families per grant agreement. Contract end date is September 30, 2021. Contract was approved.
- m) **Contract (HHS):** A contract for Procentive to provide electronic medical records system for Four Winds Lodge. Contract end date is September 30, 2021. Contract was approved.
- n) **Foster Care License:** New: District I FFH2010001. License approved.
- o) **Foster Care License:** New: District I FFH20100010. License approved.
- p) **Foster Care License:** Renewal: District I FFH1810001. License approved.
- q) **Hardship Request:**

District I

1. **D1-03-12-20.** Hardship request approved.

- **Letters/Announcements: None.**

- **Scheduled Meetings/Events:**

February 3, 2021 Band Assembly Meeting

February 10, 2021 Band Assembly Meeting

February 17, 2021 Band Assembly Meeting

February 24, 2021 Band Assembly Meeting

- **Other:**

Thursday, January 28, 2021: Legislative held a work session for the Band Assembly members, Legal Counsel, Staff Attorneys, Legislative Staff, and Office of Chief Executive Legal & Policy Counsel. Work Session Agenda: Bill: Rules of the Band Assembly and Title 3. Went through Rules of the Band Assembly Draft redline version with comments. Discussion, questions and comments on various parts of the draft document version. Road map for Title 16 (Corporate) Statutory Revision plan was discussed. Discussion of next working session agenda.