



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians
Legislative Branch of Tribal Government

Band Assembly Weekly Update: Week of February 1-5, 2021

Monday, February 1, 2021: Legislative held a meeting for the Parliamentarian and Elected Officials to discuss Band Assembly Records for September and October 2020.

Tuesday, February 2, 2021: Legislative hosted a Pre-Band Assembly meeting to discuss the agenda items. New Business: Resolution 19-03-46-21 (Adopting FY 2021-2024 TTIP), OMB contract w/ Brady, Martz & Associates P.C. (FY 2020 audit), 2 MLCV requests for FY 2021 capital projects (IGT Bonusing & Event Center Roof), 10 MLCV notifications for FY 2021 capital projects, and 2 foster care license renewals (1 x D1 & 1 x D2). Item for Discussion: Foundation bill. There was discussion, comments and questions on each item. Representatives lastly had open discussion of their legislative agendas, ideas and requests.

Wednesday, February 3, 2021: Band Assembly occurred through conference call and Zoom.

- **Approval of Agenda:** Band Assembly approved the agenda.
- **Approval of Minutes: None.**
- **Reports and Presentations:**

11:30 a.m. Compromise hearing

Re: Band Assembly Bill 19-03-22-21. Compromise hearing was held with two issues discussed and a compromise was made on the bill.

- **Unfinished Business: None.**
- **New Business:**

- a) **Resolution 19-03-46-21:** A Resolution Adopting the FY2021-2024 Mille Lacs Band Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan and FY 2-21 TTP Retained Services Addendum. Resolution was approved.
- b) **Contract (Legislative):** A contract for Brady, Martz & Associates, P.C. to provide the FY2020 audit of the basic financial statements of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe. Contract end date is June 30, 2021. Contract was approved.
- c) **Formal Request** dated January 26, 2021 from Joseph S. Nayquonabe, Commissioner of Corporate Affairs to open a FY2021 capital project for IGT Bonusing at Grand Casino Mille Lacs (M21-MKT-01) and Grand Casino Hinckley (H21-MKT-01). Formal request approved.
- d) **Formal Request** dated January 26, 2021 from Joseph S. Nayquonabe, Commissioner of Corporate Affairs to open a FY2021 capital project for Event Center Roof at Grand Casino Mille Lacs (M21-PRO-05). Formal request approved.

- e) **Formal Notification** dated January 26, 2021 from Joseph Nayquonabe, Commissioner of Corporate Affairs, of FY2021, Quarter 2 Capital Projects that reads as follows:

Please accept this letter as a formal notification that we intend to open FY2021 Q2 capital projects. Per the revenue ordinance we must provide notice at least ten (10) business days before expending the money on a capital project. If the Band Assembly fails to stay the project within ten (10) business days after receiving notice, then Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures may expend money on the project.

Grand Casino Mille Lacs Projects:

1. **Grand Rewards Printing Kiosks (M21-HOT-01)**
2. **Plums Dining Room Remodel (M21-FPL-01)**
3. **Plums Ordering Technology (tbd – reallocation from M21-1991-01)**

Grand Casino Hinckley Projects:

4. **Alto-Shaam (H21-FPK-01)**
5. **Golf Carts (H21-GLF-01)**
6. **72” Rough Mower (H21-GLF-02)**
7. **Fairway Mower (H21-GLF-03)**
8. **Tractor (H21-GLF-04)**

Joint Grand Casino Mille Lacs and Grand Casino Hinckley Projects:

9. **M5 Platform (M21-SYS-04) (H21-SYS-04).** Formal notification approved.

f) **Foster Care License:** Renewal: District I FFH18100018. License approved.

g) **Foster Care License:** Renewal: District II FFH9520003. License approved.

- **Letters/Announcements: None.**

- **Scheduled Meetings/Events:**

February 10, 2021 Band Assembly Meeting

February 17, 2021 Band Assembly Meeting

February 24, 2021 Band Assembly Meeting

- **Other:**

Joint Session of the Band Assembly occurred through conference call and Zoom

- **Roll Call:** All Joint Session elected officials present.

Chief Executive, Melanie Benjamin
Secretary-Treasurer, Sheldon Boyd
District I Representative, Virgil Wind
District II Representative, Marvin Bruneau
District III Representative, Wallace St. John Sr.

- **Approval of Agenda:** Joint Session approved the agenda.
- **New Business:**
 - a) **Nomination (TERO):** A letter dated January 20, 2021 from District II Representative, Marvin Bruneau, nominating Cheryl Miller and Jennifer Gahbow to serve as the TERO Commission member for the term ending December 31, 2024. Roll call vote was called for and nomination for Cheryl Miller passed.
- **Other:**

Thursday, February 4, 2021: Legislative held a work session for the Band Assembly members, Legal Counsel, Staff Attorneys, and Legislative Staff. Work Session Agenda: Bill: Rules of the Band Assembly. 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.