



The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians  
TRIBAL COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION  
Wednesday, September 18, 2024; 9:30 a.m.  
Tribal Administration Building  
Peshawbestown, Michigan

**AGENDA**

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Roll Call

B. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

1. Approval of Agenda

C. Approval of Minutes

1. Tribal Council Regular Session- August 21, 2024

2. Tribal Council Regular Session- August 21, 2024 Closed Session

D. Elders Open Forum

E. Review of Written Management Reports

1. Tribal Manager Report-*Sonya Zotigh, Interim Tribal Manager*

2. Chief Financial Officer Report-*Christina Loucks, Interim CFO*

3. EDC Report-*Agustus Alibocas, EDC CFO*

4. GTRS Report- *Tim Norman, GTRS General Manager*

5. GTED Report- *Anton Matye, GTED President*

6. Natural Resources & Environmental Committee – *Brian Napont, Tribal Councilor/NREC Chair*

II. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Revised Travel Policy-*Stacie McClellan & Christina Loucks & Tyler McCarthy*

1. Motion to approve the revised Travel Policy effective 10/1/2024.

B. GTB Long Term Investment Loan to EDC for Pre-Payment of PNC Loan-*John Petoskey-Legal*

1. Approval of Resolution #24-42.3700.

### III. NEW BUSINESS

A. GTB LLC-BSSW Collateral Loan Extension & Request to Use Proceeds for Project Costs-  
*John Petoskey-Legal*

1. Motion to approve one of the two presented Resolutions: #24-42.3705 approves 1 year extension of collateral loan, but denies the use of proceeds; OR, #24-42.3706 approves a 1 year extension of collateral loan and authorizes the use of proceeds.

B. FY 2025 Legal Contracts for Dentons & William Rastetter-*Page Paul-Legal*

1. Motion to approve the FY2025 contract with William Rastetter.
2. Motion to approve the FY2025 contract with Dentons.

C. Resolution requesting Betsy Coffia to offer House Bill that would Amend MI Unemployment Statute-*John Petoskey-Legal*

1. Approval of Resolution #24-42.3701.

D. Resolution #24-42.3702 requesting Representative Betsy Coffia to offer a House Bill that would Amend the Michigan MCL 257.627 Speed Limit Section of the Michigan Vehicle Code Section 257.627 (2) (e) to Lower It-*John Petoskey-Legal*

1. Approval of Resolution #24-42.3702.

E. NREC Appointments-*Brian Napont, Tribal Councilor/ NREC Chair*

1. Motion to appoint the three (3) vacancies on the NREC.

F. BIA Rural Fire Assistance Grant-*Garrett Fairchild/Jolanda Murphy*

1. Approval by Resolution #24-42.3697 to seek approval and funding in the amount of \$29,135 from the BIA Rural Fire Assistance Grant.

G. 2024 Elders Trust Fund Distribution-October 2024-*Christina Loucks*

1. Approval of Resolution #24-42.3699 Elders Trust Fund Distribution.

H. Amendment to the FY24 Indian Housing Plan-*Nicki Basch*

1. To approve by Motion the submission of the amended FY24 Indian Housing Plan as presented.

I. Approval of the ARPA Funding through 12/31/2026-*Sonya Zotigh, Christina Loucks, Stacie McClellan*

1. Motion to approve the ARPA funding obligated through 12/31/2024
2. Motion to approve the Interagency Agreements and the Tribal Chairwoman to sign.

J. Wolf Property-*Rob Kalbfleisch*

1. Motion to accept approximately six acres of vacant land located in Elmwood Township donated by the Wolf family

K. Request Letter to Rep Betsy Coffia RE: Intro State Bill that Tracks NAGPRA – *Sandra L. Witherspoon & John Petoskey*

1. Motion to approve letter to Betsy Coffia.

L. Letter of Support for State of Mi Veteran Cemetery - *Sandra L. Witherspoon and John Petoskey*

1. Motion to approve letter of support.

IV. Open Forum

V. CLOSED SESSION

- A. General Counsel- *John F. Petoskey, General Counsel*

VI. Return to Open Session

VII. Reaffirm any Motions made during Closed Session

VIII. Adjournment