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**SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL  
LITTLE CREEK CASINO  
August 27, 2008**

**Attendance:**

<b>Tribal Council</b>	<b>Dave Lopeman</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
	<b>Arnold Cooper</b>	<b>Vice Chairman</b>
	<b>Vince Henry, Sr.</b>	<b>Secretary (<i>absent</i>)</b>
	<b>Russell Harper</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>
	<b>Misti Saenz-Garcia</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Council Member</b>
	<b>Marcella Castro</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Council Member</b>
	<b>Charlene Krise</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Council Member</b>
<b>Executive Director</b>	<b>Ray Peters (<i>annual leave</i>)</b>	
<b>Little Creek Casino</b>	<b>Cameron Goodwin</b>	
	<b>Mark Chandler</b>	
	<b>Mark West</b>	
<b>Tribal Gaming</b>	<b>Desi Smith</b>	
<b>Legal Counsel</b>	<b>Kevin Lyon (<i>absent</i>)</b>	
<b>Recording Secretary</b>	<b>Melissa Puhn</b>	

Dave called the meeting to order at 1:11 p.m. Russell offered the opening prayer.

Mark Chandler briefed on the financials and handed out the statements for the month and months ending July 2008.

Cameron and Council discussed the lower revenue and impacts from fuel prices, he stated that nationwide casino's are not doing very well. Comparatively, Little Creek has been doing well. The coin in number is continuing to grow, and other than new games no financial adjustments have been made.

Mark went through the financial statements page by page.

Discussed entertainment and upcoming shows, impact from past shows, what sells, what profits, etc.

Marcella shared that she recently ate at the buffet and was pleased with the food. Arnold ate there and said the same. Cameron shared they have made changes to the food service and hopes the service and food has improved.

Cameron went over the debts and how much is owed to what. Total debt is \$64M which includes all improvements, tobacco factory, events center, golf course, bridge, pond, wastewater plant, etc. Cameron will write this up and provide for Council. Cameron shared that part of the deal to take possession of the entertainment center, was to build IEI a tobacco factory and find them offices, then to retrofit the events center. IEI is not paying for the factory and the IEI house. Council would like to see IEI pay back that amount to the casino.

Next LCOB will be at the end of September.

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Charlene would like to get all of the entities together and brainstorm ways to get the debt down. Charlene would like this proposed from Council, and stated that all entities and Council need to sit down and look in to decreasing the debt. Charlene stated that Mark and Cameron are doing good in keeping council informed on the debt. Cameron said that the casinos books are open to council if they would like to see anything. Include Ray and Deb also.

Mark continued through the financials, went through table games and machines.

Discussed employee incentives and the turkey giveaway for employees. Council would like to give turkeys to employees as well. Cameron says they go through Sisco. Charlene suggested to include all of IEI and government employees along with the Casino to provide turkeys for employees. Whatever turkeys are left over will be donated to local food banks. This can be included with tomorrows discussion.

Arnold asked how fishing will affect the casino. LCC came to an agreement with employee fishers, if this year is a good year, next week they will allow employees to take leave and back fill those positions. Or periodically if someone wants to take time off then others will fill in. There might be ten people who will take advantage of this. Similar to the plan that IEI has. Some employees will take less than 60 days. Cameron said that LCC is very flexible for fishermen. No policy has been set, but will give it a try, more of a test to get through the season this year and is open to suggestion for next year.

Marcella would like an electronic copy of policies from Cameron.

Cameron discussed money that has been put back in the community. Cameron has been wanting to share publicly the impact the tribe has on the community; donations, payroll, etc. See how much money is put back in to the community.

Mark West went over gaming revenue.

Cameron briefed on food and beverage revenue. He has heard that customer service is improving.

Chuck Berry and Jay Leno coming up, Spike & the Impalers are coming back and New Years Eve is not on sale yet, looking at boxing. Cameron looked in to Latino shows, received prices back and will give it a try once.

Looking to do a public employee thank you.

Went over hotel occupancy.

Facilities update.

Cameron went over the upcoming promotions including getting ready for football season and incorporation nice fantasy football prize.

Council brought up again the subject of moving TGA offices to a different location. Discussed the Marshall house and the Clary house.

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Tribal Liaison position to be discussed tomorrow.

Council discussed the golf course and the pros/cons of finding an outside investor versus the tribe finishing the course itself. Council asked Cameron to look in to finishing the golf course, to assist Bobby with finding a way to finish it, preferable without outside investors. Cameron stated that his last direction was that the golf course is on hold. Council discussed another feasibility study be done.

Misti asked about a museum on the Clary property. One issue is crossing the road. A LCC shuttle service would help. Cameron suggested to sell MLRC tickets for a discount at the front desk, to draw patrons to the museum. Could even inc. the cost in the room and give “free” tickets.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.