



## *Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians*

### *Legislative Branch of Tribal Government*

October 27, 2020

To Mille Lacs Band Members:

The Band Assembly is currently considering legislation that would establish a Revisor's Office within Band government for the purposes of enhancing the legislative process and ensuring that updated Band laws and policies are accessible to Band members. The proposed statute was posted for public comment on October 14, 2020, and the comment period closes on November 4, 2020.

Importantly, the proposed legislation would transfer the responsibility of the Solicitor General to codify ordinances into Band statute in accordance with 4 MLBS § 18(e) to the proposed Revisor's Office. The Band Assembly is also considering the possibility of placing the proposed Revisor's Office within the Legislative Branch of the government, which would constitute an amendment of Title 3 - Legislative Branch.

According to 3 MLBS § 16(a), "[t]he Band Assembly shall conduct formal public hearings on any bill which alters, amends or repeals Titles 1, 3, 4 and 5, Chapter 1 of Title 2 and Subchapters I to III of Chapter 3 of Title 24 of the Mille Lacs Band Statutes Annotated."

**Thus, prior to voting on the proposed legislation to establish a Revisor's Office, the Band Assembly has scheduled a formal public hearing for November 12, 2020, at 10:00AM. The hearing will be conducted via Zoom. To participate, please contact the Legislative Affairs Director, Brianna Boyd at [brianna.boyd@millelacsband.com](mailto:brianna.boyd@millelacsband.com) or 320-630-8702 by November 4, 2020.**

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Band Assembly does not consider it appropriate to conduct formal public hearings in all districts. However, Band members from all districts are encouraged to participate in the Zoom hearing.

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Sheldon Boyd  
Speaker of the Assembly