

**PEORIA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA
SPECIAL BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 16, 2017**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION:

Chief John Froman called the meeting to order. Carolyn Ritchey gave the invocation.

DECLARATION OF QUORUM:

Secretary Tonya Mathews declared a quorum with all members present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion was made by Carolyn Ritchey and seconded by Wayne Blalock to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Craig Harper and seconded by Jason Dollarhide to approve the minutes of April 4, 2017 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MONTHLY TRIBAL/PROGRAM REPORTS:

Peoria Ridge Golf Course:

Milton Hale reviewed his written report, adding that during the month of April they had significant lightening issues due to recent storms and flooding. Nate Benedict gave an oral report, and answered questions of the Committee regarding expired golf cart lease that will not be renewed.

Buffalo Run Hotel:

Steve Bashore gave the financial report for March 2017. Cathy Scott was unable to attend the meeting.

Buffalo Run Casino:

Steve Bashore reviewed the March 2017 financial reports for Buffalo Run Casino.

Direct Enterprise Development:

Tony Holden presented bids received from contractors to reseal and restripe the Buffalo Run Casino and Resort parking lot, and answered questions of the Committee. Following discussion, motion was made by Jason Dollarhide and seconded by Craig Harper to approve expenditures out of the Capital Reserve Account in the amount of \$78,000.00 to reseal and resurface the parking lot at the Buffalo Run Casino and Resort. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Holden notified the Committee of the need to replace the billboards located at the back of the Casino, along Interstate-44, and provided pictures of replacement options.

Financial Reports:

Chief Froman gave a brief explanation of current investments and reinvestment options with Stockton & Associates. Motion was made by Alan Goforth and seconded by Carolyn Ritchey to approve the financial reports for March 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

Administrative/Program Reports:

Chief Froman reviewed the Administrative Report for the month of April 2017. Chief gave the Committee a brief update on recent preliminary meetings held with Arrowhead Contracting Inc., regarding expansion proposals to Buffalo Run Casino, and answered questions regarding potential options and proposed budget for overall project. Chief recommended that Environmental Director, Erin Barnes 120-day Employee Evaluation be rescheduled, and time period extended. The Peoria Tribal Enrollment Committee held multiple meetings with a consulting firm to revise the current Enrollment Ordinance. Enrollment Director Donna Harp, will provide a drafted copy of the proposed revisions to the Business Committee for their review and consideration. Upcoming Town Hall Meetings will be announced and posted on the Peoria Tribal website in order to inform tribal members of proposed changes to current Enrollment Ordinance, and how it will relate to those seeking enrollment. David Qualls, Direct Enterprise Development L.L.C., gave a brief update on proposed Oklahoma State Senate bill(s) regarding potential changes to Oklahoma's State-Tribal Gaming Compact, which will expire January 1, 2020.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Approval to Proceed with VIP Lounge Renovation at Buffalo Run Casino out of the Reserve Account:** Motion was made by Jason Dollarhide and seconded by Alan Goforth to remove Item A from the table. Motion carried unanimously. Tony Holden notified the Committee that more time was needed to plan renovation project. Following discussion, a motion was made by Jason Dollarhide and seconded by Carolyn Ritchey to table VIP Lounge Renovation project until the July Business Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Members Recommended for Approval by the Enrollment Committee on 04/11/2017 Tentatively to be Approved by the Business Committee on 05/02/2017 or at the Next Regularly Scheduled or Special Meeting”: Motion was made by Wayne Blalock and seconded by Jason Dollarhide to approve new members recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution SR-05-16-17-A, “Approval for Changes to the Peoria Tribal Membership Roll”: Motion was made by Craig Harper and seconded by Alan Goforth to approve Resolution SR-05-16-17-A, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution SR-05-16-17-B, “Resolution Supporting Submittal of the Housing Authority of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma Fiscal Year 2017 Housing Rehabilitation Indian Community Development Block Grant”: Following brief explanation by Jason Dollarhide, motion was made by Craig Harper and seconded by Carolyn Ritchey to approve Resolution SR-05-16-17-B. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution SR-05-16-17-C, “Peoria Tribe Certification that Citizen Participation Requirements Met for Fiscal Year 2017 Indian Community Development Block Grant”: Following discussion, motion was made by Alan Goforth and seconded by Jason Dollarhide to approve Resolution SR-05-16-17-C, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Public comments were received from John Froman. Chief Froman stated that a Town Hall Meeting has been tentatively set for Saturday, July 15, 2017, to discuss the Peoria Tribal Enrollment Ordinance revisions. Details of the Town Hall Meeting will be posted on the Peoria Tribal website. Enrollment Director, Donna Harp, will provide members of the Business Committee with a drafted copy of revised Enrollment Ordinance in advance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by Jason Dollarhide and seconded by Craig Harper to move into Executive Session at 6:58 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. Following Executive Session, motion was made by Jason Dollarhide and seconded by Carolyn Ritchey to move into Open Session at 7:08 p.m. There was no action taken following Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Carolyn Ritchey and seconded by Jason Dollarhide. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Authorized Signature

Date Approved