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PEORIA TRIBE

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CHIEF
Craig Harper

SECOND CHIEF
Rosanna Dobbs

**PEORIA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA
BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING
October 3, 2023**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION:

Second Chief Rosanna Dobbs called the meeting to order, as Chief Harper was absent due to attending the NAFOA Conference. Kara North gave the Invocation.

DECLARATION OF QUORUM:

Secretary Jenny Rampey declared a quorum with five members present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Scott Myers made a motion and Carolyn Ritchey seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Kara North and seconded by Hank Downum to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, held on September 5, 2023. Motion passed.

MONTHLY TRIBAL/PROGRAM REPORTS:

Financial Reports

Carolyn Ritchey made a motion and was seconded by Jenny Rampey to approve the Financial Reports for August 2023 as presented. Motion passed.

Enterprise Reports

Second Chief Dobbs thanked the Committee and citizens for attending. She then introduced Mary Jewett, Acting General Manager of Buffalo Run Casino & Resort. Ms. Jewett introduced herself and thanked the council for having her.

Ms. Jewett began her report, which included August Highlights:

Slot Financials

- **Slot Win** showed a *decrease* of 8.78% (\$224,655) from August 2023 to August 2024 and a *decrease* of 6.68% YTD.

- **Distribution** showed an *increase* of 21.19% (\$75,040) from August 2023 to August 2024 and an *increase* of 6.88% YTD.

Hotel Financials

- 0.58% (11) *increase* in **Occupancy** from August 2023 to August 2024, and down 3.36% (340) YTD.
- -6.12% (\$10,190) *decrease* in **Room Revenue** from August 2023 to August 2024, and down 3.21% (\$26,860) YTD.

Golf Financials

- **Golf Revenue** showed an *increase* of 6.85% (\$8,431) from August 2023 to August 2024, and up 19.29% (\$98,237) YTD.
- **Golf Rounds** showed a *decrease* of 1.58% (56) from August 2023 to August 2024, and up 15.12% (2,137) YTD.

Food and Beverage

- **Bistro** comparing August FY2023 to FY2024 showed an *increase* of 45.52%, (\$27,169).
- **Backwoods** showed a *decrease* of -11.04%, (\$5,938).
- **Coal Creek** showed an *increase* of 7.61%, (\$7,636).
- **Main Bar** showed a *decrease* of 56.87%, (\$87,498).
- **Backwoods Bar** showed a *decrease* of 53.65%, (\$6,598).
- **Total F&B Sales** showed a *decrease* of 17.16%, (\$65,228).

Ms. Jewett continued her report by sharing what changes are coming up for Enterprise.

- Celebrating the Casino's 19th Anniversary on Friday, October 27, 2023.
- Remodeling the warehouse to create a central location for all inventory. Will hire a clerk and a warehouse manager to oversee all functions.
- Currently working on a better flow for buffet customers at Coal Creek. Trying to prevent the kitchen doors from hitting anyone.

Ms. Jewett thanked the Committee and asked if there were any questions.

Second Chief Dobbs then introduced Jason Dollarhide, Director of the Peoria Housing Authority.

Mr. Dollarhide began his report, which included the following:

- Where We Were (Last Quarter) –
 - Audit completed – 0 findings.
 - Hosted our annual Summer Bash = 60 families.
- Where We Are (This Quarter) –
 - Current Day-to-Day operations.
 - Maintenance on 260 units.

- Phase two of the 16 new low-rent units being built on “Q” street. Currently awaiting approval from ODEQ pertaining to the installation of the water main.
 - Put out a bid for curb and guttering for new units.
 - Removed and replaced approximately 3,100 sq of shingles in the Miami and Quapaw area low rentals and homeownership homes.
- Where We Are Going –
 - Remove and replace freshwater lines.
 - Remove and replace sewer drain lines that have rotted in the Miami Low Rent units.
 - Improve water runoff for the Authority.

Mr. Dollarhide thanked the Committee for having him and asked if there were any questions.

Third Councilman, Scott Myers asked about the cost of the roof repairs. Mr. Dollarhide stated that it is approximately a \$970,000 project.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

Second Chief Dobbs did not give a verbal recap of Chief Harper’s administrative report as she would not be able to shed any light or answer questions regarding it.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

New Members Recommended for Approval by the Enrollment Committee on 09/14/23 Tentatively to be Approved by the Business Committee on 10/03/23 or at the Next Regularly Scheduled or Special Meeting: Motion was made by Kara North and seconded by Carolyn Ritchey. Motion passed.

Resolution R-10-03-23-A, “Approval for Changes to the Peoria Tribal Membership Roll”: Motion was made by Scott Myers and seconded by Kara North to approve Resolution R-10-03-23-A as presented. Motion passed.

Resolution R-10-03-23-B, “Tribal Membership in National Congress of American Indians”: Motion was made by Kara North and seconded by Hank Downum, to approve Resolution R-10-03-23-B as presented. Motion passed.

Discussion/Approval of Employee Wage Change Recommendations: No wage change recommendations were given.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Second Chief Dobbs began "Public Comments" by asking if there were any questions so that each Tribal Citizen had the opportunity to address the Business Committee or ask questions.

Comment from Citizen Leanne Reeves:

Ms. Reeves stated that the financials do not make sense to her and hopes that the Business Committee has a better understanding and level of confidence to approve the financials each month.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by Scott Myers and seconded by Kara North to move into Executive Session at 6:29 p.m. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Jenny Rampey and seconded by Carolyn Ritchey to come out of Executive Session at 7:37 pm. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Carolyn Ritchey and seconded by Kara North. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.


Jenny Rampey
Authorized Signature

11/7/23
Date Approved