



# PEORIA TRIBE

OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA

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## PEORIA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING November 4, 2025

### MINUTES

#### **CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION:**

Chief Rosanna Dobbs called the meeting to order, and Isabella Clifford gave the Invocation.

#### **DECLARATION OF QUORUM:**

Secretary Isabella Clifford declared a quorum with six (6) members present.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Scott Myers requested to amend the agenda with Discussion/Approval of Personnel Issue in Executive Session. Motion was made by Scott Myers and seconded by Nicholas Hargrove to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and was seconded by Kara North to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, held on October 22, 2025, as presented. Motion passed.

#### **GUEST PRESENTER:**

#### **MONTHLY TRIBAL/PROGRAM REPORTS:**

##### **Financial Reports**

Nicholas Hargrove made a motion and was seconded by Paul Attocknie to approve the Financial Reports for September 2025 as presented. Motion passed.

##### **Enterprise Reports**

Brian Smith introduced himself as Director of Finance at Buffalo Run Casino & Resort. Mr. Smith began his report, which included September Highlights. Mr. Smith provided a presentation that included slots, food and beverages, hotel, casino financials, and Tribe distribution. Mr. Smith stated that the casino has a total of one hundred ninety-four employees, thirty-nine of the one hundred ninety-four are tribal: Cherokee, Wyandotte, Creek, Seneca Cayuga, Shawnee, Osage Ottawa, Quapaw, Potawatomi, Navajo, Miami, Delaware, and Peoria. Mr. Smith stated that the mobile app had 1,304 new member sign-ups in September and we reactivated 2,211. Mr. Smith stated that for November and December entertainment will be:

- Hollywood Greatest Game Shows – November 15<sup>th</sup>
- Bowling for Soup - November 29<sup>th</sup>
- Turnpike Tributedours – December 6<sup>th</sup>

Mr. Smith thanked the committee.

SECRETARY  
Isabella Clifford

TREASURER  
Jason Dollarhide

FIRST COUNCILMAN  
Nick Hargrove

SECOND COUNCILMAN  
Kara D. North

THIRD COUNCILMAN  
Scott Myers

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:**

- 10/01/25 Special Economic Development Board Meeting
- 10/02/25 OIGA weekly update call
- 10/03/25 Planning meeting with Logan Pappenfort for Illinois trip
- 10/07/25 Chaired 1<sup>st</sup> BC meeting
- 10/08/25 Peoria Housing Q St Ribbon Cutting
- 10/12/25-10/17/25 Travel to Illinois
  - 10/12 St. Louis, MO
  - 10/13 Cahokia visit, Springfield, IL
  - 10/14 Research and Collection Center, Illinois State Museum, Mtg with Director Finnie at IDNR, Lewistown, IL
  - 10/15 Dickson Mounds, Therkildsen Field Station, The Nature Conservancy tour of Emiquon, Lewistown, IL
  - 10/16 Peoria Riverfront Museum tour, press release, commitment signing for partnership between Peoria Riverfront Museum and the Peoria Tribe/Henley Custom, Peoria, IL
  - 10/17 Starved Rock State Park, Grand Village of the Kaskaskia, Peru, IL
- 10/15/25 Monthly ITC meeting, attended by 2<sup>nd</sup> Chief Attocknie
- 10/21/25 Meeting with Community Behavioral Health potential partnership
- 10/22/25 Title VI Mtg with Ottawa Tribe Chief, Ottawa Tribe Title VI employees PT HHS employees
- 10/22/25 Chaired 2<sup>nd</sup> BC meeting
- 10/23/25 Economic Development Board meeting
- 10/24/25 Monthly Northeastern Tribal Health System Governing Board meeting
- 10/29/24 Painted Hides planning meeting with Liz Ellis
- 10/30/25-10/31/25 Riverbottom Sportsman Hunt Opening & Event

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Discussion/Approval of Revisions to Employee Handbook:** Motion was made by Scott Myers and seconded by Jason Dollarhide to allow retention period for one year on minor infractions and remove moderate and serious infraction retention period. Motion was made by Jason Dollarhide and seconded by Scott Myers to remove the section no team member of the Tribe may hold elected office in the Tribe. Motion passed with 4 for and 2 opposed, Nicholas Hargrove and Isabella Clifford.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**New Members Recommended for Approval by the Enrollment Committee on 10/09/2025 Tentatively to be Approved by the Business Committee on 11/04/2025 or at the Next Regularly Scheduled or Special Meeting:** Motion was made by Paul Attocknie and seconded by Jason Dollarhide to approve New Members. Motion Passed.

**R-11-04-25-A “Approval for Changes to the Peoria Tribal Membership Roll”:** Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Paul Attocknie to approve Resolution R-11-04-25-A as presented. Motion Passed.

**R-11-04-25-B “Cancellation of Date for November 19, 2025, Regular Business Committee Meeting”:** Motion was made by Scott Myers and seconded by Paul Attocknie to approve Resolution R-11-04-25-B as presented. Motion Passed.

**Discussion/Approval of Changes for Bank Signatures:** Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Kara North to approve Resolution R-11-04-25-C, R-11-04-25-D, and R-11-04-25-E as presented. Motion Passed.

**R-11-04-25-F “Placement of Previously Allotted Land of the Rockdale Academy into Trust Status”:** Motion was made by Scott Myers and seconded by Nicholas Hargrove to approve Resolution R-11-04-25-F as presented. Motion Passed.

**R-11-04-25-G “Placement of Previously Allotted Land of the Peoria Miicioni Pantry Property into Trust Status”:** Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Paul Attocknie to approve Resolution R-11-04-25-G as presented. Motion Passed.

**R-11-04-25-H “Resolution Authorizing Resound Networks to Implement Broadband Services on Peoria Designated Lands”:** Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Kara North to approve Resolution R-11-04-25-H as presented. Motion Passed.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

##### *Citizen Jonny Skye:*

Jonny Skye here. Two things I wanted to talk about. One is a question that I would love to have clarity about, and I am sure there are others that might share the same question and that is why are we putting land in trust with the Federal Government. I understand generally that there are enterprise opportunities and there are tax breaks. I just wonder why we are trusting the Federal Government with our land. My understanding is that the Federal Government can take that land back when it is in trust with them. I am curious about the thinking there, if it is short term, long term, how it impacts sovereignty and some other issues. Maybe someone can expand on that. The other thing I wanted to talk about is this data center proposition. I think that forces me to wonder what the values are in the tribe and what drives decision making. Data centers are now known to be horrendous on the environment in terms of water usage and electricity. What is happening is that we are moving further away from each other and our relationships. I think as an Indian Tribe with the history we have that this does not align with the values of our citizens. I am really excited there was a survey on strategic planning, but there were only 67 people that responded and that it is dangerous to look at that response. Statistically it is not a valid response survey so just be careful as you look at that data and think about decisions. I still feel like I am not clear what your values are as a leadership council. What do you think about when you make decisions? The data center is just another one that brings that question up for me as well. I do not understand housing, and we have never really gotten a housing report. How many units do we have? How many do we own? How many do we rent? How many are we covering the mortgage for? I do not really know what the whole scenario is and I saw in the news that some new housing was celebrated that just got built. It would be great to understand what that is and how it fits into your strategic vision, where housing fits into tribal efforts.

Citizen LeAnne Reeves:

Something that Jonny said just brought something up that I wondered about myself. Out of 3,800 people, 67 people responded to this survey, about 3% of the citizenship, I personally responded to the survey. It was interesting because there was nothing to validate that the respondent was in fact a tribal member. There was nothing that prohibited an individual from voting multiple times. I know that there have been some folks that have hung their hats on this survey and with all due respect, I would suggest it is not worth the paper it is written on.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Discussion/Approval of Wage Change Recommendations:** Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Scott Myers to approve wage changes as recommended by H.R. Motion passed. Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Paul Attocknie to approve Christmas Bonus as recommended by H.R. Motion passed. Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Scott Myers to approve Director of Gaming. Motion passed.

**Discussion/Approval of Land Acquisition:** No motion was made.

**Discussion/Approval of Legal Updates:** No motion was made.

**Discussion/Approval of Personnel Issue:** Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Jason Dollarhide. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Scott Myers and seconded by Paul Attocknie to move into Executive Session at 6:35 p.m. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Kara North to come out of Executive Session at 8:18 pm. Motion passed

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Jason Dollarhide. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 pm.

  
Isabelle Clifford

Authorized Signature

  
12-2-25

Date Approved