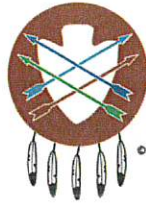


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# PEORIA TRIBE

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Paul J. Attocknie Jr.

## PEORIA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING

June 3, 2025

### MINUTES

#### CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION:

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

#### DECLARATION OF QUORUM:

Treasurer Jason Dollarhide declared a quorum with 5 members present.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion was made by Jason Dollarhide and seconded by Paul Attocknie to approve the agenda.  
Motion carried unanimously.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Nicholas Hargrove made a motion and was seconded by Kara North to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, held on May 21, 2025, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed.

#### GUEST PRESENTER:

Chief Dobbs introduced Bryce Washington. I am the Tribal Administrator and have been for five months. I will be speaking to you tonight about some of the businesses and construction that is going on in the Tribe. I will speak with you first about the business. The Tribal citizens have asked this Business Committee to put the Golf Course on the market. So, they did and the specifics of that I can't tell you since we don't have any now. The Business Committee will be announcing perhaps a price, other things that go along with the golf course, selling some of the personal assets the golf course has such as the tractors and other things. We just don't have those tonight. The point that I want to make to the Tribal members who are listening to this is that you asked your Business Committee to put that on the market and they did. You will be hearing reports about that in the future. The second business I will talk about is what we call Henley. Henley makes furniture and metal stuff. A lot of their work has been going to the tribe. The Business Committee is opening a new school. The school will have about eighty new students and about twenty-five additional teachers. The school will need furniture, lockers, and all kinds of things. Henley will be making all the products and the only thing they are charging for is material not labor. They are not making a profit. This is how Henley has been run up to this point. We have about three months' worth of what I call non-profit work. As we start accumulating customers who are going to pay the bill for our labor and for our market to make money, we need to advertise Henley to the world that we are selling high-end furniture and high-end metal products. We will be branding that company with a new name and logos. We will also be finishing up a business plan to show to the Business Committee. Let's say Henley has been budgeted for \$800,000, in year one Henley makes a profit

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Isabella Clifford

TREASURER  
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THIRD COUNCILMAN  
Scott Myers

of \$400,000, year two \$600,000 and year three \$800,000, but at some point, all that has to be paid back and that is called the payback period, after that we should be making a profit. Tribes across America invest in other businesses other than their casino and they do that to diversify. I will speak about the construction projects and that some of them have gotten away. I think the Peoria people want all of us to be truthful, honest, and fair with you. Not all of our projects have gone well. One project that was started has run out of money and things were going wrong. To correct this problem the Business Committee has set a policy where they are in charge from here on out. Not the construction manager or I. They will have monthly reports to see what is working. It has been my honor to serve the Peoria Tribe.

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

#### **Financial Reports**

Nicholas Hargrove made a motion and was seconded by Scott Myers to approve the Financial Reports for April 2025 as presented. Motion passed.

#### **Enterprise Reports**

### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:**

- Hosted a facilities tour with Chief Glenna Wallace
- Meeting with Hoyit Bacon, Third Councilman for the Seneca Cayuga Nation regarding Leadership training
- Meeting with KTS regarding boundary retracement survey
- Attended the OSU American Indians in Medicine and Science (AIMS) for two graduating Peoria Citizens, now Dr. Cassie McCoy and Dr. Jessica Blaylock, with Second Chief Attocknie, Treasurer Dollarhide and First Councilman Hargrove and presented them with stoles and blankets
- Chaired 1<sup>st</sup> Business Committee
- Meeting with District 2 Commissioner Robert Clark and Guy Engineering regarding the BIA Bridge program
- Attended a Greenhouse/Food Distribution strategic planning meeting
- Attended Grants Management meeting with our team
- Attended the NTHS Wellness Center Open House
- Meeting with Miami Police Department New Chief of Police, Stephen Sigmon and Captain Todd Hicks to discuss MOU and Special Law Enforcement Commissions
- Meeting with OKTA regarding tribal portal
- Attended ITC meeting
- Chaired 2<sup>nd</sup> Business Committee meeting
- Attended the Economic Development Board meeting
- Met with Shelly Wahr, Tribal Transportation and Public Safety Coordinator, to review Bridge funding application
- Welcomed and attended the Memorial Day Tribute and lunch
- Attended the Chamber of Commerce, Women in Business Luncheon, Chief Glenna Wallace as featured speaker
- Attended the MTHS Governing Board meeting
- Attended meeting with Miami Agency BIA Superintendent, Randy Trickey
- Meeting with Civic Plus regarding the tribal portal

- Meeting with Ted Bearden, Rural Water District #5

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Discussion/Approval of Rescinding the Contract with NEO and Early Childhood:** Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Scott Myers to table. Motion passed.

**Discussion/Approval of Citizen Portal:** Motion was made by Scott Myers and seconded by Kara North to table. Motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**New Members Recommended for Approval by the Enrollment Committee on 05/22/2025 Tentatively to be Approved by the Business Committee on 06/03/2025 or at the Next Regularly Scheduled or Special Meeting:** Motion was made by Scott Myers and seconded by Nicholas Hargrove to approve New Members. Motion Passed.

**R-06-03-25-A “Approval for Changes to the Peoria Tribal Membership Roll”:** Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Kara North to approve Resolution R-06-03-25-A as presented. Motion Passed.

**R-06-03-25-B “Resolution Authorizing Submittal of Grant Application to the Preserving Native Places Program”:** No motion was taken.

**Discussion/Approval of Accounting Policies and Procedures Manual:** Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Paul Attocknie to approve accounting policies and procedures. Motion passed.

**Discussion/Approval of Property Management Policies and Procedures Manual:** Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Scott Myers to table. Motion passed.

**Discussion/Approval of Ary Land Company Contract:** Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Scott Myers to enter into a contract with Ary Land Company. Motion passed with a vote of 4 for and 1 opposed, Paul Attocknie.

**Discussion/Approval of Employee Wage Change Recommendations (was held in Executive Session):** Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Scott Myers to approve wage changes as recommended by H.R. in Executive Session. Motion passed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Citizen LeAnne Reeves:

My name is LeAnn Reeves. I have been involved in this financial black hole that we call Peoria Ridge for twenty-five years. In those twenty-five years it's never made a cent. We talked about this at the last meeting, over ten years, actually nine years, there is \$5.1 million in sunken costs that we will never ever get back. In the early years of Peoria Ridge, the tribe had no income. All we had was farm income. As a treasurer I distinctly remember scraping together virtually every cent of undesignated funds to pay the electric bill so they wouldn't turn it off at Peoria Ridge. This story has not changed for twenty-five years. I applaud you all for finally stepping up and



saying this dog has been dead for a very, very long time. I think Mr. Speck's report that was in the Business Committee packet was really interesting, very informative. I firmly believe that this is an operational mismanagement. I don't think it is an accounting error. I think like so many things it is just reckless, and I know this man is new. He has got some background in golf, but I do not believe that it is fair to him to open the front door and say knock yourself out if there are no operational guidelines and standards. When an individual presents himself to play a round of golf, do they pay a green fee because they are not a member? Do they check to see if they are a member? Do they have a corporate membership with a company they haven't worked for, for two years? It is that kind of sloppy stuff and the lack of operational standards. I remember Doug Jungleford wasn't part of it. He was the second chief and when he retired, he and I had a lot at Peoria Ridge because it was a second- or third-year operation. He opened a file cabinet and the whole bottom drawer was full of hot checks. Bounced checks that nobody ever got around. I don't see how it is not losing \$184,000 a month. I mean it gets worse every year. Is there a task force that can be put together? Is Bryce overseeing the day-to-day operations? Has this guy had any training? We've got an irrigation technician, but can he do anything because last month three weeks ago he was still in training and to Scott's point you have to maintain a house if you put it on the market. According to Mr. Speck's report, they have a lot of operational expenses. We are in dire need of a refrigerator that will hold two kegs of beer. We need maintenance equipment for the grounds crew and a new fleet of golf carts. This is in addition to the fact that I still don't know we didn't answer that at the last meeting. What's this irrigation going to cost? What's it going to cost to rebuild all these bunkers? What are we going to do about the drainage? All of which is a perennial problem. We've got an irrigation system that is twenty-five years old and belongs to the Memorial Peoria. Don't do anything about it until it falls down or vanishes completely. That is just how this tribe has always been. It just happens. What's it going to cost to put lipstick on this pig? Who is accountable for these operational standards and methods, procedures?

*Citizen Hank Downum:*

I want to congratulate the Business Committee on putting the golf course up. I've been on it for twenty years. I've seen it open. You've got to add a number of golfers every month and in my area, they don't produce it. The club is a beautiful club. I've worked all over the United States in my job and I've seen tribal members say we want your golf course. They only want it once. Everything LeAnne says is right. That is all I've got to say.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Scott Myers to move into Executive Session at 7:21 p.m. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Jason Dollarhide to come out of Executive Session at 8:20 pm. Motion passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Kara North. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 pm.

*Kenna Dobb*  
Authorized Signature

*6/18/25*  
Date Approved

