



PEORIA TRIBE

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PEORIA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING August 5, 2025

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION:

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

DECLARATION OF QUORUM:

Secretary Isabella Clifford declared a quorum with all members present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Isabella Clifford requested to amend the agenda. Discussion/Approval of Peoria Citizen Pricing for Bison Meat. Motion was made by Isabella Clifford and seconded by Nicholas Hargrove to approve the amended 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 July 16, 2025, to approve the minutes with amendments requested by Scott Myers. Motion passed.

GUEST PRESENTER:

MONTHLY TRIBAL/PROGRAM REPORTS:

Financial Reports

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

Enterprise Reports

Mary Jewett introduced herself as General Manager at Buffalo Run Casino & Resort. Ms. Jewett began her report, which included June Highlights. Ms. Jewett provided a presentation that included slots, food and beverages, hotel, casino financials, and Tribe distribution. Ms. Jewett stated that the casino has a total of one hundred and ninety-five employees, one hundred thirty-seven are full-time and fifty-eight are part-time, thirty-eight of the one hundred and ninety-five are tribal: Cherokee, Wyandotte, Creek, Seneca Cayuga, Shawnee, Osage Ottawa, Quapaw, Potawatomi, Navajo, Miami, Delaware, and Peoria. The casino held a State of the Casino. This event is where team members go in and talk about what has happened in the last six months, what changes we need, and what the future looks like. Team members are provided with feedback cards. We received over one hundred responses back. Ms. Jewett stated that some hotel upgrades have been made.

- All the suites received
 - New carpet
 - Accent wall
 - Hung lamps on the wall
 - New pillow to complement rug and skirts
- Laundry Room has two new sets of stackable washer/dryer that take credit cards or apple pay
- Replacing and relocating hotel front desk
- Replacing entrance flooring
- Replacing Carpet in all rooms with LVT
- Removing wallpaper and painting in bathrooms and hallways
- Adding Wayne's Coat in Hallways

The grab and go machine were replaced with vending machines that take debit or credit cards. Ms. Jewett stated that three new billboards went up in Pittsburg. Ms. Jewett stated that they have been working on inactive guest campaigns:

- Reactivated 96 guests (3-9 months inactive)
- E-Mail and Postcard Campaigns

Ms. Jewett stated that for August and September entertainment will be:

- Vixen-August 16th
- Brother Osborne-September 26th

Ms. Jewett thanked the committee.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

- 07/01/25 Golf Course Tour with Orion
- 07/01/25 Chaired 1st BC Meeting
- 07/02/25 Meeting with Heather Lillard to discuss Burial Policy/Self-pay
- 07/03/25 Office Birthday Celebration
- 07/07/25 Meeting with Tribal Programs Staff
- 07/08/25 Director's Meeting
- 07/08/25 Reservation Boundary Meeting at Cultural Preservation
- 07/09/25 Meeting with Chief Epperson/ 2nd Chief Cody Hollenbeck of the Ottawa Tribe and Jason Dollarhide and Nick Hargrove to discuss PHA funds and Convenience Store
- 07/10/25-07/12/25 Business Committee trip to Forest County Pottawatomie's and Logan Pappernfort at Staved Rock State Park
- 07/15/25 Meeting with Natural Resources Dept. to discuss Leasing Ordinances Responsibilities
- 07/16/25 Chaired 2nd BC Meeting
- 07/16/25 ITC Board Meeting
- 07/17/25 Attended the TCAP Closing Ceremony @ NEO
- 07/17/25 Economic Development Board Meeting
- 07/18/25 NTHS Governing Board Meeting
- 07/21/25 Meeting with Chief Gene Epperson/ 2nd Chief Cody Hollenbeck of the Ottawa Tribe and Tracy Coach/ Stacy Lindsly HHS Staff to discuss Title VI funds and Tag Policy
- 07/22/25 Moccasins Across America Greet/Walk/Pray
- 07/23/25 Oklahoma Tax Commission Meeting, Tulsa, OK

- 07/24/25 Meeting with BIA Reality to discuss Lease Terms
- 07/31/25 Meeting with J&M Farms

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Discussion/Approval of Construction Projects: Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Paul Attocknie to cancel maintenance building. Motion passed.

Appointment of Gaming Commissioners: Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Paul Attocknie to appoint Hank Downum to fill remaining term expiring on December 31, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Members Recommended for Approval by the Enrollment Committee on 07/16/2025 Tentatively to be Approved by the Business Committee on 08/05/2025 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-08-05-25-A “Approval for Changes to the Peoria Tribal Membership Roll”: Motion was made by Paul Attocknie and seconded by Kara North to approve Resolution R-08-05-25-A as presented. Motion Passed.

R-08-05-25-B “Resolution Authorizing Submittal of FY2025-Historic Preservation Fund-Annual Tribal Historic Preservation Office Grant Application to the National Park Service”: Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Paul Attocknie to approve Resolution R-08-05-25-B as presented. Motion Passed.

R-08-05-25-C “Resolution Designating Authorized Signees for Deed and Land-Related Transactions on Behalf of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma”: No motion was made resolution failed.

Discussion/Approval of Burial Policy: Motion was made by Kara North and seconded by Scott Myers to table. Motion passed.

Discussion/Approval of Orion Golf Management Contract: Motion was made by Scott Myers and seconded by Nicholas Hargrove to move forward with full management contract negotiations. Motion passed.

Discussion/Approval of Revision of Peoria Tribal Tax Commission Motor Vehicle Registration and General Revenue and Taxation Act Chapter Four: Motor Vehicle Registration Policies: Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Jason Dollarhide to approve policies. Motion passed.

Discussion/Approval of Employee Wage Change Recommendations (was held in Executive Session): Motion was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Kara North to approve wage changes as recommended by H.R. in Executive Session with the exception of Casino Management. Motion passed.

Discussion/Approval of Peoria Citizen Pricing for Bison Meat: Motion was made by Isabella Clifford and seconded by Nicholas Hargrove to price bison at \$2.87 lb. for citizens with maximum of 5 lbs. per week. Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Citizen John Froman:

One thing I like to correct is on trust applications; it must be a resolution from the Business Committee not just a signature required. It is majority vote of the Business Committee that gets processed. I would like to throw my name in the hat for any opening on any committee, whether it be tax commission, gaming commission, enrollment. I would do it. I have 30 years' experience in this tribe. Thank you all.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by Paul Attocknie and seconded by Nicholas Hargrove to move into Executive Session at 7:31 p.m. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Paul Attocknie and seconded by Kara North to come out of Executive Session at 9:16 pm. Motion passed

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Nicholas Hargrove and seconded by Scott Myers. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 pm.


Isabella Clifford

Authorized Signature


08/20/2025

Date Approved