

Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting MINUTES

March 13, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Pawnee Nation Resource Center
Pawnee Tribal Reserve

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W. Bruce Pratt - President	Sammye Adson - First Council seat
Darrell J. Wildcat - Vice President	Dawna Hare - Second Council seat
Patricia McCray - Secretary	Charles Lone Chief - Third Council seat
M. Angela Thompson - Treasurer	Charles Knife Chief - Fourth Council seat

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I. Call to Order & Invocation

Vice-President Darrell Wildcat called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm and Mr. Charles Knife Chief gave the invocation.

II. Roll Call - Declaration of Quorum

Secretary Patricia McCray called the roll. President Bruce Pratt - excused, Darrell Wildcat - here, Patricia McCray - here, M. Angela Thompson - here, Sammye Adson - here, Dawna Hare - here, Charles Lone Chief - here and Charles Knife Chief - here. Quorum established.

III. Approval of Agenda

Remove: New Business, Item #4. Approval of Resolution #18-18, TERO Ordinance Modifications

ADD: New Business, Item #9. Approval of Letter of Support, Pawnee Nation College; Item #10. Approval of Letter of Support, The Center of Public Health Practice; and Item #11. Approval of Pawnee Nation Tax Commission Proposed Excise Tax

Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Business Council agenda for March 13, 2018 with amendments, seconded by Sammye Adson.

Vote: Patricia McCray - yes, M. Angela Thompson - yes, Sammye Adson - yes, Dawna Hare - yes, Charles Lone Chief - yes, Charles Knife Chief - yes and Vice-President Wildcat - not voting. Motion carries.

IV. Pawnee Business Council President Report

No report given.

V. Pawnee Business Council Committee and Travel Reports

Charles Lone Chief: reported in the Proposal Review Committee meeting

Patricia McCray: reported on the Enrollment Committee meeting

M. Angela Thompson: working with the TIBC report with the agency, participated in several conference calls

Dawna Hare: attended the Enrollment Committee meeting

VI. Pawnee Business Council Travel Requests for Approval

No Travel Requests

VII. Pawnee Nation Executive Director Report

No Report given.

VIII. Pawnee Nation Attorney General Report

No Report given.

IX. New Business

1. Discuss Tribal Charter School Community Response, Starla Bilyeu (15 Minutes)

Starla Bilyeu was present to discuss the community response to the Tribal Charter School. Mee-Kai Clark also spoke to the Council on the importance and expressed interest in the Charter School.

There is a training on April 6th at 130 pm in Oklahoma City.

2. Approval of Request to use Pawnee Nation Tax Exempt for Vietnam Combat Memorial Wall, Walter Lorentz (15 Minutes)

No presentation or decision made by the Council.

3. Approval of Resolution #18-17, CRF Phase III, Grant Application

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #18-17 for the CRF Phase III grant application, seconded by Dawna Hare.

Vote: Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and Vice-President Wildcat – not voting. Motion carries.

4. Approval of Resolution #18-19, Support for Transportation Infrastructure Investment Act of 2018

Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve Resolution #18-19 for support for Transportation Infrastructure Investment Act of 2018, seconded by Sammye Adson.

Vote: Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and Vice-President Wildcat – not voting. Motion carries.

5. Approval of Pawnee Nation Safe Routes to School Construction Contract

Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the Pawnee Nation Safe Routes to School Construction Contract, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.

Vote: Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and Vice-President Wildcat – not voting. Motion carries.

6. Approval of Request for Perpetual Easement ODOT J/P 20314(05) (812 T 20000)

Motion made by Dawna Hare to deny the request for perpetual easement for Oklahoma Department of Transportation, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.

Vote: Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and Vice-President Wildcat – not voting. Motion carries.

7. Approval of Request for Perpetual Easement ODOT J/P 29692(05) (ID 812 347)

Motion made by Dawna Hare to deny the request for perpetual easement for Oklahoma Department of Transportation, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.

Vote: Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and Vice-President Wildcat – not voting. Motion carries.

8. Discussion on Request from Council Member Adson to Discuss TDC Status

Ms. Adson asked for this item on the agenda. She has requested the financials and has yet to receive the report. Discussion on concerns about business and where is the Nation going concerning TDC.

Ms. Thompson answered some of the questions asked, that she was able to answer.

Suggestion is to meet with the TDC Board and get some further questions answered.

Vice-President Wildcat called for a break at 7:39 pm

Vice-President Wildcat called the meeting back to order at 7:50 pm

9. Approval of Letter of Support, Pawnee Nation College

Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the letter of support for the Pawnee Nation College, seconded by Charles Lone Chief.

Vote: Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and Vice-President Wildcat – not voting. Motion carries.

10. Approval of Letter of Support, The Center for Public Health Practice

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to decline the letter of support for the Center for Public Health Practice due to lack of information, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.

Vote: Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Dawna Hare – no, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and Vice-President Wildcat – not voting. Motion carries.

11. Approval of Pawnee Nation Tax Commission Proposed Excise Tax

The Pawnee Nation Tax Commission is proposing an excise tax for the Pawnee Nation tags to stay in line with the State of Oklahoma's rates.

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to deny the Pawnee Nation Tax Commission, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.

Vote: Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and Vice-President Wildcat – not voting. Motion carries.

X. Open Forum

Sammye Adson: clarification on her request to use her maiden name during the PBC meetings

Jimmy Whiteshirt: addressed the PBC on the Code of Ethics and Whistle Blower Protection Act; discussed the Business Ethics and Conflict of Interest Policy;

Ronald James: addressed the Council to request a bonus of \$5,000.00 to be given to Warren Pratt Jr. as a teacher and to support his efforts to teach our children;

Nila Whiteshirt: learned a lot on transparency at tonight's meeting; thanked Sammye Adson for her efforts to move forward and make change for the tribe; asked the Council to work as one unit and work for the people and to advocate for the people.

Discussion on putting the PBC meeting videos on the website.

XI. Adjournment

Motion made by Charles Knife Chief, seconded by Sammye Adson to adjourn.

Vote: All in favor, none against. Motion carries to adjourn at 8:41 pm.

Approved: April 5, 2018
Date

W. Bruce Pratt
W. Bruce Pratt, President
Pawnee Business Council

Patricia McCray
Patricia McCray, Secretary
Pawnee Business Council