

Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting AGENDA

October 9, 2019, 6:00 p.m., Pawnee Nation Roam Chief Event Center
Pawnee Tribal Reserve

James Whiteshirt - President
Darrell J. Wildcat - Vice-President
Patricia McCray - Secretary
M. Angela Thompson - Treasurer

Sammye Kemble – First Council Seat Dawna Hare – Second Council Seat Charles Lone Chief – Third Council Seat Charles Knife Chief – Fourth Council Seat

- I. Call to Order & Invocation
- II. Roll Call Declaration of Quorum
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Open Forum
- V. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>
 - 1. PBC Special Meeting Minutes September 23, 2019
- VI. Pawnee Business Council President Report
- VII. Pawnee Business Council Committee Reports
- VIII. Approval of Pawnee Business Council Travel Requests
 - IX. Pawnee Nation Executive Director Report
 - X. Pawnee Nation Attorney General Report
 - XI. Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation Report
- XII. Pawnee Nation College Report
- XIII. New Business
 - 1. PN Budget Committee Recommendations:
 - a. Approval of Elders Wal-Mart Gift Cards for Thanksgiving
 - b. Approval of Employee Turkeys for Thanksgiving
 - c. Approval of 2019-20 Southern Plains Tribal Health Board Dues
 - d. Approval of 2019 Communications Budget Modification #2
 - e. Approval of 2019 Pawnee Business Council Budget Modification #6
 - 2. Discussion and/or Action of Directive for Attorney General to Develop Articles of Incorporation for the Pawnee Nation Seed Preservation as a PN LLC
- XIV. Set the Next Meeting Date
- XV. Executive Session
 - **1.** Discussion and Approval of Resolution #19-79, Attorney Fees and Retainer for All Litigation
- XVI. Adjournment

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I. Call to Order & Invocation

President James Whiteshirt called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm and Mr. Charles Lone Chief gave the invocation.

President Whiteshirt read the rules for the meeting.

II. Roll Call - Declaration of Quorum

Secretary Patricia McCray called the roll. James Whiteshirt – here, Darrell Wildcat – here, Patricia McCray – here, M. Angela Thompson – here, Sammye Kemble – here, Dawna Hare – here, Charles Lone Chief – here and Charles Knife Chief – here. **Quorum established.**

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Patricia McCray to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting agenda for October 9, 2019, seconded by Darrell Wildcat.

VOTE: Darrell Wildcat – yes, Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Kemble – yes, Dawna Hare - yes, Charles Lone Chief - yes, Charles Knife Chief - yes and President Whiteshirt not voting. Motion carries.

IV. **Open Forum**

Debra Echo-Hawk: mentioned that the Elders survey is out and passed out to the PBC members; thanked everyone who has filled out the survey and turned them in; mentioned a nation building conference that is being coordinating and her nephew Bobby Robedeaux is involved in

Lillie Brant: wanted to talk about Resolution #15-79 concerning the fracking; the Council asked the BIA to stop the oil drilling; would like the Council to get with the BIA and follow-up on the request made to the BIA

Morgan Littlesun: presented an invitation he received to do a prayer in Shiprock for the 25th Anniversary; requesting some help in funding for this event to travel

President Whiteshirt: will donate the \$400.00 needed for his trip with no reimbursement

Patricia McCray: asked Mr. Littlesun to go by the bank tomorrow and she will donate some funds for his trip.

V. Approval of Minutes

1. PBC Special Meeting Minutes September 23, 2019

Motion made by Patricia McCray to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Minutes for September 23, 2019, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.

VOTE: Darrell Wildcat – yes, Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Kemble – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and President Whiteshirt – not voting. Motion carries.

VI. Pawnee Business Council President Report

President Whiteshirt reported on the following:

- 1. Mentioned an incident that involved a Tribal Member being a victim of identity theft
- **2.** Oklahoma Attorney General requested a meeting with the Tribes about the Gaming Compact
- 3. Question: asked to report on the statement that was in the Chaticks si Chaticks about the millions of dollars that was missing
- 4. President Whiteshirt retrieved a document from his car and made comments on the question concerning TDC Financials from 2012 to 2018
- 5. Treasurer Thompson explained where the money was expended from 2012 to 2018
- **6.** More discussion on TDC Finances
- 7. QUESTION: asked why the TDC Board has not been brought forward to the Council for appointment?
- **8.** Treasurer Thompson would like the TDC Appointments on the agenda for the next meeting
- 9. QUESTION: asked why the President refused to sign Resolution #19-63
- 10. President Whiteshirt said he did not want to discuss it since it is under litigation and invited everyone to court on October 25th
- 11. QUESTION: asked President Whiteshirt to explain why he told the people that he posted a \$10,000.00 bond, when he did not post the bond
- 12. President Whiteshirt explained that the day he was filling out the petitions he thought he paid a \$10,000.00 bond, he was not seeking a removal of any Council member, the bond was not required
- 13. Further Discussion on Resolution #19-63 and the signing of the resolution

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT:

Pawnee Service Unit Health Board - Tiffany Frietze

VII. Pawnee Business Council Committee Reports

Dawna Hare: attended the Education Sub-Committee meeting today and will be getting on schedule for the Charter School; the Committee has brought Misty Nuttle on to help with the proposal; will meet again in two weeks; invited Muriel and some of her staff to the meeting; attended the Enrollment Committee meeting today; attended the Strategic Planning meeting today; participated in the Census Webinar through NCAI; attended the Inauguration of the District Court Judge; and attended the Supreme Court Justice Annual Meeting

M. Angela Thompson: held a budget committee meeting and the items from that meeting are on the agenda; held a seed preservation meeting; and attended the Strategic Planning meeting

Darrell Wildcat: attended the Strategic planning meeting; attended the Supreme Court Justice Annual Meeting;

Patricia McCray: attended the Community Engagement meeting on the Opioid Epidemic; attended the District Court Judge Inauguration; attended the Strategic Planning meeting; held an enrollment committee meeting; and has been attending the language classes

Sammye Kemble: nothing to report

Charles Lone Chief: chaired the Land Management Committee meeting; attended a Museum Planning meeting in Stillwater; attended the AARP awards ceremony and Richard Tilden was presented an award; attended the budget committee meeting; attended the district judge inauguration of Judge Gore; attended the Pawnee Nation College Board of Trustees meeting; attended the Supreme Court annual meeting; attended the strategic planning meeting

VIII. Approval of Pawnee Business Council Travel Requests

Charles Knife Chief: will be attending a State Opioid meeting in Oklahoma City, not requesting any travel.

IX. Pawnee Nation Executive Director Report

The Pawnee Nation Executive Director, Muriel Robedeaux, reported on the following:

- 1. Been working on a timeline for projects and facilities for office space
- 2. Mrs. Kemble invited the ED to the Land Management meetings for discussion on all the land allocations

X. Pawnee Nation Attorney General Report

The Attorney General was not present at the meeting and no report was submitted.

XI. Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation Report

The Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation reported on the following:

- 1. Update on financials
- 2. Update on construction work at the Trading Post
- 3. Fee to Trust application was approved for the 20 acres north of StoneWolf
- 4. Mrs. Kemble requested a breakdown of employees in the monthly reports

XII. Pawnee Nation College Report

The Pawnee Nation College reported on the following:

- 1. Board of Trustees will be seeking applications for a new member
- 2. Negotiating with Bacone on revenue share and programs

- 3. December 14th is the next Trustee meeting
- 4. Was refunded by the Department of Education
- **5.** Pawnee Nation Childcare interested in the Childcare classes and hope to provide that for the staff
- 6. Update on student count

XIII. New Business

- 1. PN Budget Committee Recommendations:
 - a. Approval of Elders Wal-Mart Gift Cards for Thanksgiving

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the elders Wal-Mart gift cards for Thanksgiving and increasing the amount to \$20.00, seconded by Charles Lone Chief.

VOTE: Darrell Wildcat – yes, Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Kemble – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and President Whiteshirt – not voting. Motion carries.

b. Approval of Employee Turkeys for Thanksgiving

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Employee turkeys for thanksgiving, seconded by Charles Lone Chief.

VOTE: Darrell Wildcat – yes, Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Kemble – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and President Whiteshirt – not voting. Motion carries.

c. Approval of 2019-20 Southern Plains Tribal Health Board Dues

Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to approve the 2019-2020 Southern Plains Tribal Health Board dues, seconded by Sammye Kemble.

VOTE: Darrell Wildcat – yes, Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Kemble – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and President Whiteshirt – not voting. Motion carries.

d. Approval of 2019 Communications Budget Modification #2

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the 2019 Communication budget modification #2, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.

VOTE: Darrell Wildcat – yes, Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Kemble – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and President Whiteshirt – not voting. Motion carries.

e. Approval of 2019 Pawnee Business Council Budget Modification #6

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the 2019 Pawnee Business Council budget modification #6, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.

VOTE: Darrell Wildcat – yes, Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Kemble – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and President Whiteshirt – not voting. Motion carries.

2. Discussion and/or Action of Directive for Attorney General to Develop Articles of Incorporation for the Pawnee Nation Seed Preservation as a PN LLC

Suggested deadline, end of the year.

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to direct the AG to develop the Articles of Inc and working with the Seed Preservation, seconded by Darrell Wildcat.

VOTE: Darrell Wildcat – yes, Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Kemble – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and President Whiteshirt – not voting. Motion carries.

XIV. Set the Next Meeting Date

The next Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting has been set for October 21st, 2019 at 6 pm.

XV. Executive Session

1. Discussion and Approval of Resolution #19-79, Attorney Fees and Retainer for All Litigation

Motion made by Charles Lone Chief to go into Executive Session, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.

VOTE: Darrell Wildcat – yes, Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Kemble – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and President Whiteshirt – not voting. Motion carries.

Motion made by Dawna Hare to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.

VOTE: Darrell Wildcat – yes, Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Kemble – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and President Whiteshirt – not voting. Motion carries.

PBC ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. Approval of Resolution #19-79, Attorney Fees and Retainer for All Litigation

Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to approve Resolution #19-79 to retain Jason Aamodt of the Indian and Environmental Law Group as representation for the Attorney General and the Pawnee Business Council, seconded by M. Angela Thompson.

VOTE: Darrell Wildcat – yes, Patricia McCray – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Kemble – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Charles Lone Chief – yes, Charles Knife Chief – yes and President Whiteshirt – not voting. Motion carries.

Motion made by Charles Lone Chief to approve Resolution #19-80 to retain StidhamLaw, P.C. as representation for the Business Council Treasurer in the lawsuit, seconded by Darrell Wildcat.

VOTE: Darrell Wildcat - yes, Patricia McCray - yes, M. Angela Thompson - abstain, Sammye Kemble no, Dawna Hare - yes, Charles Lone Chief - yes, Charles Knife Chief - yes and President Whiteshirt not voting. Motion carries.

II. Adjournment

Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to adjourn, seconded by Dawna Hare.

VOTE: All in favor, none against, none abstaining. Motion carries to adjourn at 8:48 PM.

Approved: November 13, 2019 Date

James E. Whiteshirt, President Pawnee Business Council

Patricia McCray, Secretary

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