



## Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting

July 21, 2015, **9:00 a.m.**, Pawnee Nation Multi-Purpose Building  
Pawnee Tribal Reserve

Misty M. Nuttle - President  
W. Bruce Pratt - Vice President  
Phammie Littlesun - Secretary  
M. Angela Thompson - Treasurer

Sammye Adson - First Council seat  
Dawna Hare - Second Council seat  
Adrian Spottedhorsechief - Third Council seat  
Liana Chapman Teter - Fourth Council seat

- I. Call to Order & Invocation
- II. Roll Call - Declaration of Quorum
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes - PBC Minutes May 13, 2015 and PBC Quarterly Meeting Minutes June 6, 2015
- V. Pawnee Business Council President Report
- VI. Pawnee Business Council Committee Reports
- VII. Nasharo Council Meeting Update
- VIII. Pawnee Business Council Travel Reports
- IX. Pawnee Nation College Report
- X. Executive Director Report
- XI. Old Business
  1. Approval of Interlocal Cooperative Agreement for County Services, Pawnee Nation and Pawnee County
  2. Approval of Resolution #15-50, Revision to Fiscal Policy, Budget Committee
  3. Discussion on Cultural Use of Tribal Buildings, Fee Waiver
- XII. New Business
  1. Diabetes Program Update
  2. Budget Committee Recommendations
    - a. Approval of Tribal Member Request for funds for Pawnee Code Talkers Induction to Oklahoma Military Hall of Fame
    - b. Approval of Donation Request for Tribal Member to attend Native Youth in Ag Leadership Summit
    - c. Approval of Donation Request for Tribal Member for Sponsorship of Boxing Match
    - d. Approval of Donation Request for Tribal Member due to Financial/Medical Hardship
    - e. Approval of Wireless Technologies Inc. as the contractor for the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma EMS Communications Project
  3. Approval of ODOT Survey for SH-18 Bridge over Black Bear Creek
  4. Discussion on August 1<sup>st</sup> Quarterly Meeting
  5. Discussion and/or Approval of PNE Wind Lease and Resolution #15-54
- XIII. Open Forum
- XIV. Executive Session
- XV. Adjournment

**\* Tabled Items:**

1. Resolution 12-48, Revisions Liquor Control Act
2. Museum By-Laws
3. PBC Meeting Minutes March 25, 2015
4. Approval of Resolution #14-73, Bonus Policy
5. Violence in the Workplace Policy

\*\*Disclaimer: Agenda is subject to change until approved in Council Meeting

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M. Angela Thompson – Treasurer	Liana Chapman Teter – Fourth Council seat

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## I. Call to Order & Invocation

**President Misty M. Nuttle** called the meeting to order at 9:18 A.M. Mrs. Liana Chapman Teter gave the invocation.

## II. Roll Call – Declaration of Quorum

**Secretary Phammie Littlesun called the roll.** President Nuttle – here, Bruce Pratt– excused (Arrived at 9:49 am), Phammie N. Littlesun – here, M. Angela Thompson – present, Sammy Adson – here, Dawna Hare – here, Adrian Spottedhorsechief - here, and Liana Chapman Teter – here. **Quorum established.**

## III. Approval of Agenda

ADD: New Business, Item #6 Approval of Amendments to the IHP FY 2016, Housing Authority

**Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve the agenda for July 21, 2015 with changes, seconded by M. Angela Thompson.**

**Vote:** Phammie Littlesun – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Dawna Hare – no, Adrian Spottedhorsechief – yes and Liana Chapman Teter - no, President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.

## IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes – PBC Minutes May 13, 2015 and PBC Quarterly Meeting Minutes June 6, 2015

**Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to approve the Pawnee Business Council meeting minutes for May 13, 2015, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief.**

**Vote:** Phammie Littlesun – yes, M. Angela Thompson – abstain, Sammye Adson – abstain, Dawna Hare – abstain, Adrian Spottedhorsechief – yes and Liana Chapman Teter - abstain, President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.

**Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to table the Pawnee Business Council meeting minutes for June 6, 2016, seconded by Dawna Hare.**

**Vote:** Phammie Littlesun – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Adrian Spottedhorsechief – yes and Liana Chapman Teter - yes, President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.



## **V. Pawnee Business Council President Report**

President Nuttle reported she has been working on the following:

1. Mail – emails and mail correspondence will be posted on Sharepoint
2. Finalization of the engagement letters for the auditor to vendors and attorneys
3. Met with Sullivan Insurance on Property Insurance - in particular the property in Dannebrog, NE
4. Attended meetings on the Diabetes Program – IHS sent a letter on funding distribution, will now be a competitive grant, program will have carryover funds to cover through the end of the year
5. Received an informal invitation to attend the meeting in Durant for President Obama's speech on the broadband and internet access, which is a collaboration with the Chickasaw Nation
6. Attended the Division Directors meeting and spoke to the directors on check request findings, travel issues, purchase orders and audit letters
7. Announced that Education Division program visit has been moved to August 25-27<sup>th</sup>
8. Education also met with Treasurer Thompson on the budget and requesting money for scholarships
9. Received a letter from Debra Lowallon to Kevin Washington that referenced papers lost on fee patents to Pawnee Indians between 1906 and 1919. This was referred to Repatriation for further review
10. Fall under graduate applications are due on July 31<sup>st</sup>
11. Administrative Leave was granted for the Pawnee/Wichita Visitation
12. Requesting monthly reports from Enrollment on breakdown of membership on age, blood quantum and from HR the number of employees employed with the Nation
13. Employees were reminded about the Smoking Policy and breaks
14. Received from Don Mason, Public Defender, information on Drug Court and will forward to Council
15. Announced upcoming meetings
16. There is a TERO Convention next week in Wisconsin, President Nuttle would like a Council representative to attend
17. Direct Service Tribe annual meeting will be on August 26-27

## **VI. Pawnee Business Council Committee Reports**

Ms. Thompson reported on the Budget Committee meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> and most of the items are on the agenda for approval. Discussion on devising a team for internal audits for all programs.

Mrs. Hare reported on the HR Committee meeting on July 10<sup>th</sup>. Discussion at the meeting was on the scope of responsibility, review and monitor PayCom, revise policy and interview process for the Business Council. The committee will meet every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month.

## **VII. Nasharo Council Meeting Update**

Ms. Littlesun reported that she was not contacted about the meeting and is unsure if the Nasharo Council has met.

## **VIII. Pawnee Business Council Travel Reports**

Mr. Pratt reported that he attended the Oklahoma Area Epidemiology and the Oklahoma City Area Indian Health Board meetings. Mr. Pratt also attended the meeting in Durant to listen to the speech from President Obama.

**IX. Pawnee Nation College Report**

*There was no representative present to give the Pawnee Nation College Report.*

**X. Executive Director Report**

Lisa Gover, Executive Director reported on the following:

1. Mentioned the letter of the Oklahoma Military Hall of Fame nomination
2. Update on Program activities
3. Reported on positions that are being advertised and new hires
4. Indirect Cost rate Proposal is under review
5. Working on Fiscal Policy issues
6. InterTribal Fun Day is going to be October
7. There will be a BIA Monitoring on Law Enforcement
8. The Nation will be back on the water system within the next couple of days

**XI. Old Business**

1. Approval of Interlocal Cooperative Agreement for County Services, Pawnee Nation and Pawnee County

**Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to table this item and bring it back to the next Council meeting with revisions, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief.**

**Vote: Bruce Pratt – no, Phammie Littlesun – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Adrian Spottedhorsechief – yes and Liana Chapman Teter - no, President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.**

2. Approval of Resolution #15-50, Revision to Fiscal Policy, Budget Committee

**Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #15-50 for revisions to the Fiscal Policy, Budget Committee with modifications, seconded by Sammye Adson.**

**Vote: Bruce Pratt – yes, Phammie Littlesun – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Adrian Spottedhorsechief – yes and Liana Chapman Teter - yes, President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.**

3. Discussion on Cultural Use of Tribal Buildings, Fee Waiver

*This item was referred to the Property Committee for suggested revisions of the Building Rental Agreement.*

**XII. New Business**

1. Diabetes Program Update

President Nuttle received a letter on the Special Diabetes Program for Indians. Working on missed calculations with the agency and the announcement was made that the program was now going to be a competitive grant. There were questions on the funds and where the funds were going to be in IHS' budget if



the tribe was not funded. They are asking for the tribes to submit narratives, program overviews and financial status reports on the programs to be considered for the competitive funding.

2. Budget Committee Recommendations

- a. Approval of Tribal Member Request for funds for Pawnee Code Talkers Induction to Oklahoma Military Hall of Fame

**Motion made by Bruce Pratt to approve Resolution #15-55 for \$8,900 to be used for the Pawnee Code Talker Induction into the Oklahoma Military Hall of Fame, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter.**

**Vote: Bruce Pratt – yes, Phammie Littlesun – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Dawna Hare – yes, Adrian Spottedhorsechief – yes and Liana Chapman Teter - yes, President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.**

*President Nuttle called for a break for lunch at 12:31 pm and to return at 1:45 pm.*

*President Nuttle called the meeting back to order.*

*Bruce Pratt and Dawna Hare were excused from the Meeting.*

- b. Approval of Donation Request for Tribal Member to attend Native Youth in Agriculture Leadership Summit

**Motion made by Sammye Adson to approve the donation request from Osheana Aguilera to attend the Native Youth in Agriculture Leadership Summit, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter.**

**Vote: Bruce Pratt – excused, Phammie Littlesun – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Dawna Hare – excused, Adrian Spottedhorsechief – yes and Liana Chapman Teter - yes, President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.**

- c. Approval of Donation Request for Tribal Member for Sponsorship of Boxing Match

**Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve the donation request from tribal member Dennis Knife Chief for Sponsorship of Boxing Match, seconded by Sammye Adson.**

**Vote: Phammie Littlesun – yes, M. Angela Thompson – abstain, Sammye Adson – yes, Adrian Spottedhorsechief – yes and Liana Chapman Teter - yes, President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.**

- d. Approval of Donation Request for Tribal Member due to Financial/Medical Hardship

**Motion made by Phammie Littlesun to approve the donation request from tribal member Jennifer Schulze, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief.**

**Vote: Phammie Littlesun – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Adrian Spottedhorsechief – yes and Liana Chapman Teter - yes, President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.**

- e. Approval of Wireless Technologies Inc. as the contractor for the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma EMS Communications Project

**Motion made by Adrian Spottedhorsechief to approve the contract with Wireless Technologies Inc. at \$132,110.01 for the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma EMC Communications Project, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter.**

**Vote: Phammie Littlesun – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Adrian Spottedhorsechief – yes and Liana Chapman Teter - yes, President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.**

*Bruce Pratt arrived at 2:09 pm for the meeting.*

3. Approval of ODOT Survey for SH-18 Bridge over Black Bear Creek

**Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to approve the Oklahoma Department of Transportation survey to be done for SH-18 Bridge over the Black Bear, seconded by Adrian Spottedhorsechief.**

**Vote: Bruce Pratt – abstain, Phammie Littlesun – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Adrian Spottedhorsechief – yes and Liana Chapman Teter - yes, President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.**

4. Discussion on August 1<sup>st</sup> Quarterly Meeting

*After discussion, the Quarterly meeting will proceed as scheduled.*

5. Discussion and/or Approval of PNE Wind Lease and Resolution #15-54

**Motion made by M. Angela Thompson to table Resolution #15-54 PNE Wind Lease, for legal review and will bring back to Council on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015, seconded by Phammie Littlesun.**

**Vote: Bruce Pratt – yes, Phammie Littlesun – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Adrian Spottedhorsechief – yes and Liana Chapman Teter - yes, President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.**

6. Approval of Amendments to the Indian Housing Plan (IHP) for FY 2016, Housing Authority

**Motion made by Bruce Pratt to approve the amendments to the Indian Housing Plan for FY 2016, seconded by Liana Chapman Teter.**



**Vote: Bruce Pratt – yes, Phammie Littlesun – yes, M. Angela Thompson – yes, Sammye Adson – yes, Adrian Spottedhorsechief – yes and Liana Chapman Teter - yes, President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.**

### **XIII. Open Forum**

Ms. Thompson asked for someone to look into the land that is around the lake that the City of Pawnee is claiming and wanting to do some housing and build a building. That land use to be the Pawnee Nation's and was taken to be used at public domain. Ms. Thompson wants to know if there are any provisions that if that land is not being used as public domain, does that land go back to the tribe. Do we have any legal standing to assume that land back?

Ms. Gover said that she will look in to getting a meeting with Mr. Sewell on the situation.

Mr. Duane Pratt mentioned that it is going to be used as an annexation to bring revenue through taxes for the City of Pawnee.

Ms. Littlesun asked if the broken window in the hall way will be fixed.

Mrs. Teter asked about the trademark of the Pawnee Nation Seal and Flag. She mentioned the issue with the Oklahoma Gun Run on copyright.

Ms. Gover said that there is not a plan yet but will put that on her list of things to look into.

President Nuttle would like the symbols in the flag and seal to be trademarked or copyrighted as well and to be looked into.

Mrs. Teter mentioned her thought on the possibility of the TERO fees be made available for those elders who are over income to help with needs.

Mr. Duane Pratt said that the Commission is looking into developing contingency budgets for that sort of possibility and services.

Ms. Littlesun mentioned that there are a lot of people who are looking for ways to report their time for community service and asked if TERO and maybe some of the other programs would consider helping those individuals to do that. The Pawnee Nation use to have an agreement with the County to help provide community service opportunities.

Ms. Elizabeth Blackowl reported on Title VI and mentioned that someone wrote a letter of complaint to HHS and opened up a can of worms. The complaint was about delivering to IHS, not getting seconds and not being able to get meals at home when not homebound. Deb Echo Hawk was told that giving seconds was not allowed. This came from the Assistant Director of IHS, mentioning that it would be ok to add some activities for the elders. If lunch is not ate at the elder's center they are not allowed to take the food home. The complaint was not signed by the individual but Ms. Blackowl wanted to report the phone conversation that was had.

*There was discussion on having an evening meeting once a month and streaming the meetings for Tribal Members who are not able to attend.*

**XIV. Executive Session**


*No Executive Session*

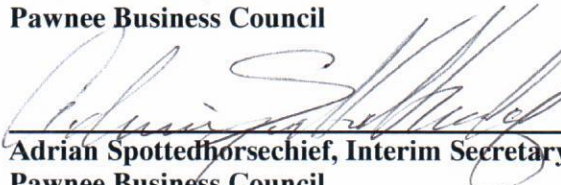
**XV. Adjournment**

**Motion made by Bruce Pratt to adjourn, seconded by Sammye Adson.**

**Vote: All in favor, none against. Motion carries to adjourn at 3:31 pm.**

Approved: February 10, 2016  
Date

  
W. Bruce Pratt, President  
Pawnee Business Council

  
Adrian Spottedhorsechief, Interim Secretary  
Pawnee Business Council