## TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE NORTHERN CHEYENNE RESERVATION LAME DEER, MONTANA

#### SPECIAL SESSION

### MINUTES July 10, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: President Killsback called the meeting to order at 11:40 a.m.

**INVOCATION:** 

Wayne Headswift

#### **ROLL CALL:**

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Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
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Waylon Rogers	X	10	
Willie Rowland	X	fig.	
Vernon Small	X	F	
Dana Eaglefeathers	X	- IAV	
Conrad Fisher, Vice President	X	1/2	
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Quorum Established

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Sheldon King-We wrapped up our baseball season this year. It was a good year, good season, except one had to go through surgery. They played exceptional this year. I'm proud of them. On Tuesday, I attended the meeting with you in Rapid City. There was a lot of Tribal leaders there.

Ernest Littlemouth-Went to Bear Butte Campgrounds this weekend with the Board of Health crew, we got the water running, showers working. It's going to be open to the people that want to use it. The bathrooms work too. Two on each side.

President Killsback-The grizzly bear delisting, I did sign the treaties for the opposition. We have a separate lawsuit, our lawsuit is a little stronger. We did support the opposition of the Keystone XL. Fire Update-That staging area is now the pow-wow grounds. There was some issues with the trash. They are in full mode. It has been given to the US Forest Service. I reiterated to use local business and use local people. They scheduled the Sundance from the 6<sup>th</sup>. The next few

weeks look open, I'm still waiting to hear when the Shakopee meeting is going to take place. Good job on the pow-wow.

Dana Eaglefeathers-We went down to visit with Wind River Casino, we had a really good meeting. I believe your office set that up. There was a lot of information, a lot of ideas. The little big horn battlefield, I noticed there wasn't an Arapaho Flag, I asked their Council if they could get one. They gave me one, I'd like to have it presented up there. I went to the Sundance in Ok. It was a really good trip. The most inspiring thing was that there was a 9 year old boy that went through.

Waylon Rogers-When we were down in Wind River, we found a possible food truck down there. They have about \$80,000 invested in it. It's something to look at.

#### Fire Update

Kim Vivian-The Whitten Fire has combined with the Lee Creek. Total Acres are at 11,279. We are having a meeting at Charging Horse Casino at 7:00. Tomorrow will be at Birney. Wed. we'll have another one at Charging Horse at 7:00. I'll visit with Curtis about getting that to social media.

#### 638 RECONTRACTING-PRESIDENT KILLSBACK

President Killsback- This reaffirms that we want to contract these. All we do every year is to pass this to recontract these programs.

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE RE-CONTRACTING OF CERTAIN PROGRAMS FROM THE DOI-BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS. Motion made by Vice President Fisher. Second by Sheldon King.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	YES	NO	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Merlin Sioux			
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

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#### PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE-PRESIDENT KILLSBACK

President Killsback-All of them have a vested interest in this public safety committee. They've all worked for law enforcement, we have a wealth of experience here. To be able to talk to the public, make recommendations, all those things we are in need of doing. We've talked about a police commission for a period of time. This resolution stipulates that they have a number of responsibilities that they will take on. At this point, I leave it open to the Council for discussion.

Dana Eaglefeathers-I think this is something we needed for a long time. I know when every one of them was in law enforcement, our community was safe.

President Killsback-We'll get with you guys to schedule this first meeting.

### **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE.** Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. Second by Vernon Small. **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	YES	NO	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Benji Headswift			X
Merlin Sioux			
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

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#### DISTRICT UPDATE-LENNY ELKSHOULDER

Lenny Elkshoulder-How do I get the inmates to go clean up the pow-wow area? I didn't think we were going to have one, but we did. What disturbs me is there's trash inside where the announcers sit and all over.

President Killsback-Contact Chief Wind.

Lenny Elkshoulder-I had an incident with this woman I tasked with the community garden. I asked her, why didn't you call me? She said I called Sheldon King. The issue here is her attitude. I tasked her to do that job, and all of a sudden she has a problem with that. She's a master gardner and she complained about those boys not being paid. You don't come beating on my door, asking for money. I told her I would pay 4 individuals, two took it upon themselves. Don't bring trouble to my door, I'm not afraid of incarceration. I'm going to make it good. My question to you, is are you the liaison for NADC?

Sheldon King-No. I paid those individuals out of my pocket. I was Vice President of the powwow. I tried to alleviate the situation and get it unloaded as quick as possible. I didn't have that

much money. I know their hurting for money. I have them \$28. I don't know what is going on with you and April, I don't want to get involved with that.

Lenny Elkshoulder-I told them, I'll get you paid.

President Killsback-We need to move on with your update. I need to have order in this. We need to get on with our Council meeting with. Update on Community Business.

Lenny Elkshoulder-I have 15 minutes here. I have to finish that building by myself. We're going to have a central air conditioning and propane heat building. I don't play with Council's time. I wanted the full Council and Merlin here but that issue is resolved. I didn't come here to bicker with someone. I wanted to make sure the trash got cleaned for the pow-wow grounds. I want to thank Shawn Fredericks for cutting the grass.

Sheldon King-We pushed the water issue for the building.

President Killsback-We all work together. Everyone gets credit here. When's the next meeting?

Lenny Elkshoulder-Wednesday

#### Introduction of Dahlia Tang-Intern

#### GRIZZLY BEAR DELISTING OPPOSITION-VICE PRESIDENT FISHER

President Killsback-There's some cultural language we put in the letter regarding the grizzly bear. We are the first environmentalist, it's not only the air, water land. It's also the animals.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LITIGATION TO CHALLENGE DELISTING OF GREATER YELLOWSTONE ECOSYSTEM GRIZZLY BEAR POPULATION. Motion made by Ernest Littlemout. Second by Waylon Rogers.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Merlin Sioux			
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

10 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	<b>Motion Carried</b>

#### LAW & ORDER CODE/TRAFFIC LAWS AMENDMENT-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS

Dana Eaglefeathers-We did sit down with Judge Brady and her staff. The reason why I'm presenting this is to rescind traffic offenses. I asked if she feels that law enforcement is bullying our people. We're going to start working with the courts, prosecution and law enforcement. We're in a poverty stricken reservation. A lot of people can't afford to fix the defects on vehicles. I've been hearing a lot of complaints about law enforcement bullying our people. Upon rescinding this traffic portion, judge Brady agreed to set up meetings so we can implement laws that are more fit for the structure of our reservation. We're supposed to be a sovereign nation, we're held to a higher standard than Broadus, Hardin, and Colstrip.

Vice President Fisher-Dana, we had an opportunity to discuss this particular ordinance. This Ordinance and the revisions to it were done about a year ago. There's a number of Council that were involved in it. To a certain extent, I like the traffic codes. On one hand, it gauges what we should be doing in terms of safety issues. Really, it was up to the Tribal Council, Courts, and Law Enforcement, gave their input. At the time there were other situations that precluded the creation of the traffic law. I have missed feelings to wholesale rescindance. I'm not sure that would be something that's in the best interest of the Northern Cheyenne Community. I need a little more information other than wholesaling the traffic ordinance at some point.

Benji Headswift-I came to an understanding, what we're hearing is the fines and fees are too high. We're hearing the other part of L. E. over exerting their authority. That's the understanding that I've come to. The whole hesitant part when we were moving with this from the get go. We were considering if the fines and fees were too high. I think a lot of this verbage for the traffic code, is for safety reasons.

Sheldon King-Did you visit with Roni Rae and go over which fines and fees would be lowered?

Dana Eaglefeathers-There's a lot of things that are in the law & order code that were unfair. Brian found that and was supposed to draft a memo from the President's office. Instead of just shooting this down, can we go through that?

President Killsback-The driving with unsafe conditions is the rez law. We can rescind that. Patricia's program, they do seat belt checks and car seats. There's an increase of injury. The way we enforce it is wrong. The other thing, speeding. Speeding is key? I got pulled over and got a \$200 ticket. The purpose is supposed to be a deterrent. Seatbelt and speeding, those are two laws that I would not encourage rescinding at all.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Most of it was the unsafe conditions. The speeding

Vice President Fisher-I don't like to wear a seat belt but we all know that it has saved countless lives. We start teaching our young kids that it's okay not to wear seat belts. It's really hard for me to support a law that doesn't require seatbelts.

President Killsback-We're the only tribe and city in MT that has that law. When we wrote the grant for public safety, they saw our law and said "whoa", this law is awesome. If you're driving on the street, they cannot pull you over for having a seat belt on. For the rez, it's a little extreme.

Vice President Fisher-I guess I still don't see the logic. I think you also need to see it from my point, if law enforcement sees that they're not wearing their seatbelt, they can at least give them a warning. I would much rather look at this in August.

Dana Eaglefeathers-It's going to force us to do our jobs.

Vice President Fisher-You're saying we're penalizing our own people on the fines.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Our Law Enforcement is being bullies to our own people.

Vice President Fisher-We have to look at this comprehensively.

Sheldon King-There's a new Chief of Police coming.

President Killsback-There will be a time and place that we'll have to look at for having safe vehicles on our streets.

### AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CERTAIN CHANGES TO THE TRAFFIC RULES IN THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE LAW & ORDER CODE. Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. Second by Vernon Small.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Merlin Sioux			
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

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#### BIA FUNDING BHP WELLNESS PROJECTS-ERNEST LITTLEMOUTH

Ernest Littlemouth-This is for funding for two meth prevention projects.

Sheldon King-Does this take away from the Boys & Girls Club?

President Killsback-BIA has their own meth money. It's separate money.

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL ACCEPTING FUNDING FROM THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS TRIBAL METH INITIATIVE FOR THE PURPOSES OF TWO METH PREVENTION EVENTS UNDER THE BOARD

OF HEALTH'S RECOVERY CENTER: A FAMILY SOBRIETY CAMPOUT AND METH SYMPOSIUM. Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. Second by Vernon Small. ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Merlin Sioux			
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

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#### **BUDGETS-DEBRA CHARETTE**

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CASH TRANSFER FROM THE OFFICE OF SPECIAL TRUST ACCOUNT PL7320-70-5 FOR THE FY17 GRAZING OPERATIONS. Motion made by Debra Charette. Second by Benji Headswift.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Merlin Sioux			
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

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A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CASH TRANSFER FROM THE OFFICE OF SPECIAL TRUST ACCOUNT PL7324-70-7 FOR THE FY17 GRAZING OPERATIONS. Motion made by Debra Charette. Second by Benji Headswift.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 

YES NO ABSTAIN

Debra Charette	X	
Sheldon King	X	
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X	
Joe Fox, Jr.	X	
Benji Headswift	X	
Merlin Sioux		
Waylon Rogers	X	
Willie Rowland	X	
Vernon Small	X	
Dana Eaglefeathers	X	
Vice President Fisher	X	

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#### WATER LEASE-SPRING CREEK COAL, LLC-SHANNY SPANG-GION

Shanny Spang-Gion-Short term water lease. The Tribe was looking at establishing water market rates. We found a consultant that was able to do that. This would be off reservation use for an off reservation entity. The Bureau's standpoint is that BIA doesn't approve short term leases. For long term, for 10 year lease or more the Bureau does have that approval authority. We don't have documentation, but we're expecting that. Jeannie Whiteing is looking at it. It's our first time getting a water lease, it's for a minimum of 60 feet of water. We came in at \$50 per acre foot. We wanted to come in competitive. We have the invoicing set up. We have it up ideally 30 acre feet. For now, it's a minimum of 60 acre feet. This resolution is in accordance with our code. Going forward I would like to develop different ways of doing that. We can eventually develop regulations to make it a better process.

Vice President Fisher-You're still the lead right?

Shanny Spang-Gion-Yes, them, going through their lease streamlined it for us. The intake requirement was done with the State, I does require NEPA requirements. If you would like to see rate schedules, we do have industrial rates now. Industrial use calls for a higher premium than Ag use.

President Killsback-We can go in and offer a dollar less than what they're paying for a water lease. They're about making money. This is historic in itself, it will definitely bring some revenue in. It's historic. Good job Shanny.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Weren't these guys supposed to feed the community and give a PowerPoint?

ShannySpang-Gion-Yes, the guy we were working with has retired.

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING A LEASE OF TRIBAL WATER RIGHT IN TONGUE RIVER RESERVOIR TO SPRING CREEK COAL, LLC, A SUBSIDIARY OF CLOUD PEAK ENERGY, LLC FOR INDUSTRIAL USE. Motion made by Vice President Fisher. Second by Waylon Rogers. ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Benji Headswift			ABSENT
Merlin Sioux			
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

9 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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#### PERSONNEL MANUAL REVIEW COMMITTEE-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS

Dana Eaglefeathers-The whole personnel manual has been amended once. I think it was in the tribe's best interest to go through it and work with all the directors and programs. After talking with Brian, under the constitution, the President makes the appointment with the concurrence of the Council. He made his recommended selection. I am unsure how this process would work but the Council came up with recommendations as well.

President Killsback-I appoint, I put the names on there.

Dana Eaglefeatthers-We don't agree with the names you put in there.

President Killsback-I got an email from Brian saying Dana wanted to do this. I had no issue with that, I did veto the one that rescinded. If we are going to work together, and want a committee to work on that. Board of Health has an employment service director. I did agree with Jay Littlewolf. I didn't feel the Treasurer should be involved because all the personnel goes through Jordan Knowshisgun. I did also added language, the second one, I added and may rely on Tribe's legal for advice. This is something I can agree with because I haven't seen anything specific that needs amending.

Dana Eaglefeathers-The Committee that the Council selected was unbiased and would work close with all the Directors. According to the Constitution, you do have the right to appoint, but the Council concurs with all the appointments.

President Killsback-I gave my recommendations, these are all unbiased.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Tami Ontiveros, William Walksalong, Reasco Killsnight,

President Killsback-I don't know why you wouldn't want the HR Director on there. Two of them deal with HR every day.

Vice President Fisher-I think we need to go back and see why we have to have a personnel manual review committee. If there is a problem with the directors, we should have a directors meeting and see if there really is some issues. I haven't seen anything in writing. We haven't taken the first step in identifying if there are problems. Personally, I don't see a need for a review committee. If we're going to take that step, we need to look at the list that's in front of us.

Sheldon King-Our people feel that if they speak up, there's going to be backlash. We're working together, we need to come to a compromise. We need to work something out with our recommendations and you're recommendations.

President Killsback-If you can't get Lori, Eugene will be fine. But you really need to get HR in there. I may not have liked the former, but she was included in every piece.

Joe Fox, Jr.-Dana, will you compromise?

Dana Eaglefeathers-I have a recommendation for Council. I do agree with the President, for Denise Swank.

President Killsback-That's a tribal official, and we're talking personnel. She essentially handed that over to Jordan. It wouldn't be my appointment, it would be another tribal official. They have to be concurred by you guys, but I will not appoint the Tribal Treasurer to this committee.

Dana Eaglefeathers-A lot of our tribal employees are really intimidated and they're not going to speak up because of retaliation and back lash. This is the easiest way, the other is over riding the veto and doing away with the personnel in its entirety. We do agree that there's good sections but no protection for our employees. There's some sections that need to be added, whistle blower and that sort of stuff. All and all, following the constitution, I'd like to present a committee. I don't agree with the President's appointments.

Break @ 1:25 p.m. Reconvene @ 1:35 p.m.

### RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PERSONNEL MANUAL REVIEW COMMITTEE. Motion made by Ernest Littlemouth. Second by Vice President Fisher. ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Merlin Sioux			
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		

Vice President Fisher		X	
10 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried

#### NCTHA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS

Dana Eaglefeathers-The Housing Board, we've had some discussions down there and we brought it to the Council's attention. We sat in a couple of meetings there, the code of conduct was out of line. I've always been It kick started it off, Constitution reads that Council can review any action. We're moving to remove, the Chair, Vice Chair, and Jackie Tang.

President Killsback-The reason was they're following their own policy regarding evictions?

Dana Eaglefeathers-No. It's regarding the code of conduct. There was discussion that got way out of hand.

President Killsback-The language you recited. You don't need a reason to remove them. I think these ladies deserve an explanation. Not only that, you are making the motion to keep two on. I want to hear from our commissioners.

Lorna Soldierwolf-I want to apologize, this was last minute. I don't know if this is the appropriate time to lay out some of the issues we've encountered down there. We have been experiencing a lot of communication difficulties. With this unethical behavior, do we want to lay it out on the council floor? We can do that. Since we've been on the board, we've been threatened numerous times. We've been trying to work through that. One thing after another, keeps coming up. We were doing an eviction and when we working, Councilman Eaglefeathers told us that we were being hypocritical. Being that we have past due accounts, we weren't able to sit on the board. It really blindsided us with that. There was discussion that pursued from that. There was questions on our liaisons, we've had a big conflict with communication. When our rent was brought up, Councilman Eaglefeathers had a copy of our ledgers. I asked why we weren't made aware of it beforehand. He had copies of our ledgers. Joe Rodriguez was not at our board meeting. We asked for a special meeting with the Council. We asked Joe to look into that and clarify. At our next board meeting, all it was to sit down and discuss. It was all misconstrued. I talked to Joe and he resubmitted an email to everyone. Joe actually brought resolutions into us. The information that Mr. Eaglefeathers was given, was incorrect. Two of them were houses that were conveyed. All of this being brought up, it has put a damper on things. We needed a lot of clarification on some things. We have not put a hold, or not stopped anything. These are some of the conflicts we've incurred with our director. We had a hard time getting his contract, it took us several months to get that. At one of our board meetings, he told us that there's anywhere from 6-7 Councilman in his office on a daily basis. That's a reason why we wanted to have a working session with the Council. When we had our first board meeting one of the things that were stressed was out budget. Because of Trump, they had some concern with Trump and all the different cuts. Some of the information we have requested, we haven't been able to go through it. Do you have any questions for us? We have a lot of lack of communication and miscommunication. As a tenant being down there and having it brought up, it threw us off. With our confidentiality.

Benji Headswift-As a board, from my perspective, you are trying to get used to your position and trying to figure out what you're doing as a board, you haven't set any goals.

Lorna Soldierwolf-We were told we have a budget within our board ourselves. We did request for that information.

Benji Headswift-For me, as a tribal leader, what steps have Housing itself taken to make sure that we still have that NAHASDA funding coming down?

Lorna Soldierwolf-With all of the things going on, none of that is being conveyed to us. To what Housing is going in with. With all of this conflict and miscommunication, we haven't been able to move forward. With the threats of constantly being removed.

Benji Headswift-When you have board members, that are fresh, when they have a vision. What I don't like is for people that push a certain agenda. What I appreciated is having an agenda to look for more that will better our people. It's a tough decision. At the end of the day, who's getting hurt? The Tribal people are being hurt. We need our boards to stay cognitive. Especially for our housing.

Sheldon King-In the beginning, there was vindictiveness when my name was mentioned. I told you at that meeting. I wanted to put names together. Repeatedly, I tried to talk to Elrena at the ball game. Those rumors kill the relationships. We're not bullies, our doors are open and majority we're in there. Rumors take off and they run with it, without actually talking to us. There has to be more communication. It was my idea to give it back to the people. Give interest back to our people instead of hand picking who we want.

President Killsback-To remove them, I gave them one strong directive, to fill our houses up. Do the accountability piece. A lot of it started with the policy. There was a lot of anger when they stopped the travel. I know there was some of them stopping their travel. My concern with this resolution, there was a conflict that came up that wasn't able to be resolved. The law says without cause, we don't need cause. We want to put Council on there now. I don't think this is an appropriate way, dispute resolution. They've given more of their professional time. We're looking at dealing with policy, looking at housing. This board we appointed, are professional people. We should give them the opportunity. We do have vacant houses that need to be filled.

Cheyenne Foote-To clarify, we have only been on here for 6 months. We did evict some, not all of them. The meeting before the delinquency was brought up was how were told, we're on a need to know basis. We were put in our place, and shushed, because men were talking. We're an all-woman board, we're in training. We haven't been given a chance to do anything but evict. There's been stuff going on, but we all want to move forward. They gave us a binder, this thick, and we have to get through this in 6 months.

Dolly Rockroads-The federal dollars that you manage, there's a law called whistle blower. There's an office of waste, fraud and abuse, they can call that in. What is owed down there, that can be turned in to that office. It would be simple, whoever owes money. As long as you know that, I'm going to notify those offices, if I get ahold of your list.

Waylon Rogers-The last meeting we had, that cloud over your head about being taken off the board. I told you guys that I talk to these guys every day. I've never heard them discuss it even in private. Who did you hear that from? That you're being removed? I asked you that, and didn't get an answer.

President Killsback-It's on the agenda.

Dana Eaglefeathers-I believe they did answer you. If the President is implying that I was saying it. They heard it from Conrad, that heard it from Jace, that heard it from Ben.

Waylon Rogers-I even went to Elrena's house, I was looking for Lafe's contract. It was a violation of NAHASDA. I was trying to help you guys along. I expressed that I didn't want to the board to get in trouble. That contract wasn't supposed to leave housing, and there wasn't supposed to be made copies of it.

President Killsback-We're only removing three and the Council wants to be Commissioners now?

Vice President Fisher-Why should they be removed? That's the pressing question right now. Why should they be removed? What have they done to warrant removal? Is it Brian Chestnut?

Dana Eaglefeathers-Lorna's statement, you said the liaison called you hypocrites. I was requesting that you hold off on evictions. I understand, it was brought to me by a community member that you guys were delinquent. At that meeting, I did say if we allow this to happen, we're hypocrites. At that meeting, after that was all brought up, it got way out of hand. Some things that were said, I was called down. I tried to explain to you then, elders asked me to look into. When we had the meeting with Rodriguez, he was playing sections of the meeting that was recorded. He didn't think there was any arguments. I wasn't sure if there was a resolution to that nature. We agreed that there may have been a resolution, but it never was enforced. Other Council were there, they heard the discussion and that's what we feel we need to do. Conrad, the motion was removal of the board except, Cheyenne Foote, and September Littlemouth. The board being out of line and disrespectful to the Council.

President Killsback-Making the motion because they were disrespectful to the Council?

Dana Eaglefeathers-Again, we don't need a reason.

Lorna Soldierwolf-Where were we out of line, as a board?

Dana Eaglefeathers-I would suggest you go back and listen to the recording.

Lorna Soldierwolf-The other Council that was at the meeting, feel the same way, that we were out of line at the meeting?

Willie Rowland-Pretty much. Every meeting you go into Executive Session and Your board travel, you used all the travel up in three months. You went to D.C., and didn't allow Council to go. My question is, what did you bring back to the Tribe?

Lorna Soldierwolf-We didn't all go to D.C. That was one of the things being brought up was excessive expenditures. What we were trying to accomplish. We had Bob Gauthier to do a board training. He came down here and he didn't finish it. When we went up there to finish the board training, we didn't finish. Our initial purpose for going up there, didn't happen. The other expenditures, we're a new board. A couple of the board members, trying to do board training, and trying to go through policies. The only other trip I had taken was to UNAHA. My purpose for going was for information. As far as blowing our budget, we had no idea. They had all of what we spent as board members.

President Killsback-Only three of you were out of line and disrespectful, two of you are good. I think this is arbitrary. We delegate authority so we don't have to. This feels like a very emotional response to a recorded conversation where there was some arguments going on. There should be opportunity to resolve this. I stand on the fact that this board hasn't had a chance to be a board. I haven't heard any merits of that. I think it deserves some courtesy there. It does warrant professional courtesy.

Elrena Whitedirt-Whatever you decide on, it's all up to you. I want to express my side. I know I talk my mind. I want to make a difference of that housing authority. We hear it every day. We're trying to make a difference. In your hearts, think about all those boarded houses over there. I wish you understood Cheyenne, I would talk to you in Cheyenne. I really appreciate, you allowing me to where I'm sitting today as a board member. Whatever is happening, is happening. I wish I could go on and on. We have a big stumbling block down there. This is where it has come, the stumbling block. This is now where we're having a conflict among each other. Just because of something he didn't like. Who's going to be sitting here? It's a never ending thing, nobody is every happy. Whatever is going to be decided, do it, whatever is in the best interest of the people.

President Killsback-Jackie, September, do you have anything to say.

September Littlemouth-Thank you for allowing me to be on this board. Whatever you decide, put it in God's hands.

Jackie Tang-It's been great working with you. A lot of things at Housing are kept from us. We don't know what goes on with Lafe. Willie was able to say something today, but he hardly talked. He was able to let out a grunt. At the last Council meeting, Joe Fox came and heard what Rodriguez said. We know a lot about what's going on over there now. We could say a lot of things. We're here now. If you want to do your thing, do you thing.

Mildred Eaglefeathers-I want to talk on behalf of my son. I want to thank you board members for shouting at him and disrespecting him. That shouldn't even been allowed. You guys were elected to work with our people, that should be all the boards, work with them, monitor them. If you guys are going to work together, work together. They do talk about professionalism, I don't think there's professionalism down there. To yell around, and disrespect their ceremonials. That's not right. You guys have a lot of work to do, go to work. I can't even get a house, because the look down on me. When someone lashes out at my son, I'm going to talk for him.

Dolly Rockroads-I want to ask the board if you are doing forgiveness of debt. If you are, I'm going to ask the board to give my money back.

Sheldon King-If we were going to redo the board-there's conflict. It should have been all five. It's only fair, leave only two on there. There's really no conflict. Needs to be another motion, not Council on there, your recommendations and our recommendations together.

Willie Rowland-I agree with Sheldon, to keep the Council off the board. When we first appointed the board. I think we need men on there to understand the construction part of it.

Waylon Rogers-I was there from the very first meeting you guys had. I seen the miscommunication that's been happening. I've been really trying to direct and guide the board the best I can. Also, learning at the same time. I wish there was an alternative to consider a meeting where we can all get together and resolve this.

Conrad Fisher-I know this is very controversial, the Council that's supposed to be working with them, and they turn around and want to remove them. I might be critical of those three council right now. Your job is to work with these board members and now you want to remove them.

President Killsback-I will veto this and look at the legislation, obviously you aren't happy with my appointments. I have some time to veto and have you guys as Council look at it. Until I sign it, it's going to take some time. I'd advise this group here, you should meet to look at your next steps. That this Council is looking towards removal. There's still that human element, they removed you essentially and election time is coming. That is the only time to hold them accountable. Don't be discouraged, and don't feel threatened because you're women. We'll pray about it, we have a good ceremony coming up here, we'll pray for the people.

# A RESOLUTION REPLACING SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL HOUSING AUTHORITY'S BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS. Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. Second by Willie Rowland. ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.		X	
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Benji Headswift		X	
Merlin Sioux			
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher		X	

7 votes Yes	3 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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<sup>\*\*</sup>Disapproved by President Killsback

#### NCDC RESOLUTION AMENDMENT-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS

Dana Eaglefeathers-This essentially gave the cell tower revenues, it was explained that the 2017 revenues would be negotiated. The Corporate Charter, nowhere does it say revenues should be negotiated. The Economic Development Corporation is supposed to be giving money to the Tribe. The way it was explained by the CEO was that part would be negotiated, that I don't think NCDC should get it, it should be used for helping our people.

#### Sheldon King exits @ 2:55 p.m.

President Killsback-One thing from my understanding, the Comnet project essentially started, it is NCDC money, revenue. All revenue generating businesses are under that charter. He was correct in saying we should turn that over. It should be set up similar to the casino where a percentage of the revenue comes back to the tribe. I have no issue, other than, ensuring that the business is enhancing arm. Even before Bo was there, Ben did manage that Comnet piece.

Dana Eaglefeathers-I believe Bo, just managed it. Unless the Council wants to put it under NCDC.

President Killsback-This resolution says we gave 2016, we'll negotiate 2017 at a later date.

Ernest Littlemouth-I thought this is what we planned for getting some Economic Development on this reservation.

Joe Fox, Jr.-When he did his presentation the last time, we talked about we have to spend money to make money. There's a clear indication that revenue would be coming back into the tribe. I thought this was for business ventures. Now, we'll take this out and negotiate.

Dana Eaglefeathers-The 2017 revenues, was explained that would be negotiated.

Benji Headswift-From the get go, the process, NCDC funding, I was under the assumption that would be put into the original resolution.

Vice President Fisher-We need clarification on what kind of negotiation there needs to be on that. As President Killsback

A RESOLUTION SUPERSEDING RESOLUTION NO. DOI-135 (2017) AUTHORIZING NORTHERN CHEYENNE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO UTILIZE THE 2016 CELL TOWER PROFITS EARNED UNDER THE REVENUE SHARING AGREEMENT WITH COMMNET. Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. Second by Benji Headswift. ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King			ABSENT
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Merlin Sioux			
Waylon Rogers	X		

Willie Rowland	X	
Vernon Small	X	
Dana Eaglefeathers	X	
Vice President Fisher	X	

9 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried

#### RUETER HESS PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT-TEANNA LIMPY

Teanna Limpy-The initial consultation started in 2006.

Vice President Fisher-Do we have monitors on this right now?

Teanna Limpy-Not right now, Northern Arapaho is there and we'll start July 17th.

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT AMONG THE U.S. ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS, THE PARKER WATER AND SANITATION DISCTRICT, THE NORTHERN ARAPAHO TRIBE, THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE, THE DOUGLAS COUNTRY HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD AND THE COLORADO STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER REGARDING REUTER-HESS RESERVOIR WATER INFRASTRUCTURE AND SUPPLY EFFICIENCY PROJECTS. Motion made by Vice President Fisher. Second by Dana Eaglefeathers.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King			ABSENT
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Merlin Sioux			
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

10 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried

#### **BIA FUNDING-THPO-TEANNA LIMPY**

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING AND SUPPORTING APPROPRIATION OF FUNDING TO THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE FROM THE DOIBUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS TO CONDUCT TRIBAL HOMESITE SURVEYING PROJECTS ON TRUST LANDS LOCATED WITHIN THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES

**OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE RESERVATION.** Motion made by Vice President Fisher. Second by Dana Eaglefeathers.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King			ABSENT
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Merlin Sioux			
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

10 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried

#### STED COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS-JOE FOX, JR.

Joe Fox, Jr.-This is just to reappoint myself and Sheldon King to the STED Committee.

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPOINTING TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS: JOE FOX, JR. (PRIMARY), AND SHELDON KING (ALTERNATE), TO SERVE AS THE TRIBE'S REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE MONTANA STATE TRIBAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. Motion made by Joe Fox, Jr. Second by Benji Headswift.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King			ABSENT
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Merlin Sioux			
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

9 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING.** Motion made by Merlin Sioux. Second by Vernon Small. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** 

YES NO ABSTAIN

Debra Charette	X	
Sheldon King		ABSENT
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X	
Joe Fox, Jr.	X	
Benji Headswift	X	
Merlin Sioux		
Waylon Rogers	X	
Willie Rowland	X	
Vernon Small	X	
Dana Eaglefeathers	X	
Vice President Fisher		ABSENT

8 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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Adjourned @ 3:13 p.m.

**PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED** by the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council by-- votes for passage and adoption, -- votes against passage and adoption, and --abstentions this --day of August 2017.

Melissa Lonebear, Tribal Secretary

Northern Cheyenne Tribe