

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

**RESCHEDULED SESSION**

**MINUTES  
July 20, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Donna Fisher called the meeting to order at 10:23 a.m.

**INVOCATION:** Phillip Beckman

**ROLL CALL:**

	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>EXCUSED</b>
<b>Lane Spotted Elk</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Debra Charette</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Norma Gourneau *Absent today</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>Eva Foote</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Phillip Beckman</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Serena Wetherelt, Vice President *Absent today</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>Donna Fisher, President</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Melissa Fisher</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Diane Spotted Elk</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Gwen Talawyma</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Silver Little Eagle</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Henry Speelman</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Total:</b>	<b>10</b>		<b>2</b>

Quorum Established

Melissa Fisher: Do we have any announcements? Okay, if no announcements, we'll move to budgets. Lane Spotted Elk?

**BUDGETS**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL  
AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION AND OR ADOPTION OF CERTAIN  
BUDGETS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF AVAILABLE FUNDS**

Motion made by Lane Spotted Elk. Second by Melissa Fisher.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
<b>Lane Spotted Elk</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Debra Charette</b>	<b>X</b>			

<b>Norma Gourneau</b>				<b>X</b>
<b>Eva Foote</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Phillip Beckman</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Serena Wetherelt, Vice President</b>				<b>X</b>
<b>Melissa Fisher</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Diane Spotted Elk</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Gwen Talawyma</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Silver Little Eagle</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Henry Speelman</b>	<b>X</b>			

<b>9 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**MINUTES**

**MOTION TO PASS MINUTES FROM JULY 8, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING**

Motion made by Phillip Beckman. Second by Henry Speelman.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
<b>Lane Spotted Elk</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Debra Charette</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Norma Gourneau</b>				<b>X</b>
<b>Eva Foote</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Phillip Beckman</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Serena Wetherelt, Vice President</b>				<b>X</b>
<b>Melissa Fisher</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Diane Spotted Elk</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Gwen Talawyma</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Silver Little Eagle</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Henry Speelman</b>	<b>X</b>			

<b>9 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING NEGOTIATION OF CONTRACT WITH FOREST CARBON DEVELOPER**

Melissa Fisher: Lane, are you going to present for Norma? Or Henry?

Henry Speelman: I'm against it, so I will not. Table it until she gets here. That's my biggest concern is that Tribal Timber's up for 40 years (40-year lease). And if we get a wildfire through there, we would end up paying them.

Lane Spotted Elk: The Tribe never reaches that threshold anyway.

Phillip Beckman: So, there would be a 40-year commitment to limit timber relative to what would be possible on regional and industrial timberlands. To allow harvest.

Debra Charette: Is there a deadline?

Lane Spotted Elk: Let's move this one to the next meeting. Table to the next meeting.

Motion made by Phillip Beckman. Second by Lane Spotted Elk.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
<b>Lane Spotted Elk</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Debra Charette</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Norma Gourneau</b>				<b>X</b>
<b>Eva Foote</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Phillip Beckman</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Serena Wetherelt, Vice President</b>				<b>X</b>
<b>Melissa Fisher</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Diane Spotted Elk</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Gwen Talawyma</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Silver Little Eagle</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Henry Speelman</b>	<b>X</b>			

<b>9 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING USE OF FUNDS EARNED UNDER THE REVENUE SHARING AGREEMENT WITH COMMNET FOR MORNING STAR SANITATION**

Donna Fisher: For Morning Star Sanitation, it's not "Enterprise."

Lane Spotted Elk: Oh yeah, for Sanitation. Just for clarification that, kind of mirroring what we did with the startup for Morning Star Propane, this fund would provide a startup loan, so eventually it would be paid back to the Commnet Revenue Account. As their profits come in and things like that. So, just so there's the understanding that this is a loan.

Debra Charette: It will keep our funds there that we generate for tribal business. And since Morning Star paid theirs back for the propane company, that way when we have another endeavor to start again, once we get this paid back, then we'll have startup costs for another business.

Motion made by Lane Spotted Elk. Second by Melissa Fisher.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
<b>Lane Spotted Elk</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Debra Charette</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Norma Gourneau</b>				<b>X</b>

<b>Eva Foote</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Phillip Beckman</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Serena Wetherelt, Vice President</b>				<b>X</b>
<b>Melissa Fisher</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Diane Spotted Elk</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Gwen Talawyma</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Silver Little Eagle</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Henry Speelman</b>	<b>X</b>			

<b>9 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING**

Motion made by Melissa Fisher. Second by Henry Speelman.


**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
<b>Lane Spotted Elk</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Debra Charette</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Norma Gourneau</b>				<b>X</b>
<b>Eva Foote</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Phillip Beckman</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Serena Wetherelt, Vice President</b>				<b>X</b>
<b>Melissa Fisher</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Diane Spotted Elk</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Gwen Talawyma</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Silver Little Eagle</b>	<b>X</b>			
<b>Henry Speelman</b>	<b>X</b>			

<b>9 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**Meeting Adjourned @ 10:38 a.m.**

**PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED** by the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council with 9 votes for passage and adoption, 0 votes against passage and adoption, and 0 abstentions this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July 2021.

  
 Nizhoni Friesz, Secretary  
 Northern Cheyenne Tribe