

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

**REGULAR SESSION**

**MINUTES  
May 1, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Killsback called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m.

**INVOCATION:** Joe Fox, Jr.

**ROLL CALL:**

	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
<b>Debra Charette</b>	X		
<b>Sheldon King</b>	X		
<b>Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.</b>	X		
<b>Joe Fox, Jr.</b>	X		
<b>Benji Headswift</b>	X		
<b>Merlin Sioux</b>	X		
<b>Waylon Rogers</b>	X		
<b>Willie Rowland</b>	X		
<b>Vernon Small</b>	X		
<b>Dana Eaglefeathers</b>	X		
<b>Conrad Fisher, Vice President</b>	X		
<b>L. Jace Killsback, President</b>	X		

Quorum Established

Benji Headswift-The agenda requests came in right before the Council Meeting. It's not fair to the Council or to the people too, it's not fair. For me to be Sgt-at Arms, I have to be willing to take as much business as possible. I feel that today was necessary. I'm tired of getting scrutinized, and being labeled as unorganized. We're here to conduct tribal business. It's not about pointing fingers, business needs to get done. The Council has come out and let me know that this process isn't working. We've made progress in creating a process for agenda items. Not seeing items until this morning creates misunderstanding. A few of these items, we weren't even aware of. And you're asking us to take a vote on some critical issues. A lot of them should have had a working session with the entire council. To sit here and wonder about the process, forgive me. Like I stated before, people need a resolve through the tribal council. I'll continue to go forward, based on the agenda of the Tribal Council.

President Killsback-All I was asking for was at time. If it's at the will of the Council, that's fine. We just need to coordinate our working schedule around that. Mondays, should we expect the agenda meeting on the day of the Council Meeting?

Benji Headswift-As soon as the item comes in, we can look at them. People have been holding out until Monday morning. I've stated this before,

President Killsback-If you do pick a deadline, stick to it. If you don't get it on time, set it on the next agenda. We haven't met in a month.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Sheldon King-I just got back from a transportation meeting. It was a good update in Rapid City. On Friday, I sit on the MT Indian Gaming Association. All seven tribes showed, up, even Ft. Peck. Last week we went to Sand Creek. It's an experience that we all need to take to learn about our history and ancestors. Then we had the Housing update meeting last weekend in Billings. Instead of going through the rumors. We had the Belle of the ball in here, we are trying to change the location each year. Thank you to everyone that donated. We had our Easter Egg hunt at Busby. We should work at one big Easter Egg hunt. Let's make sure we can do it all together. That's a goal we can push for next year.

Debbie Charette-I went to transportation, we went to Federal Highways, I also went to the closeout meeting in Billings.

Vice President Fisher-We have a lot to get through today. I was on travel last week. Tuesday, I was in a meeting in Golden, Colorado. That meeting was on a cultural site. Tuesday, I was in Colorado Springs for an Air Force transportation meeting.

## **ELDERLY UPDATE-NOT PRESENT**

### **DISTRICT UPDATE**

Lenny Elkshouder-My first question is, my concern is who's on the agenda committee?

Benji Headswift-Myself, Willie, Debbie, Dana, Ernest & Waylon.

Lenny Elkshouder-Thank you for putting me on the agenda. In terms of how these meetings were being run, starting a trend, if there's meeting that start from 10-2 o'clock. The legislative and executive branch, need to come together. What does it take to get on the agenda? Why have a Council meeting outside of a Council Meeting. I would just like feedback of why everything is taking so long. Enlighten us.

Benji Headswift-The reason that was conducted the way it was, the previous council would get their requests that Friday before. They would write it up and they would say no add-ons. I've been more accommodating than enough. Today, the agenda was set with a few items that were going to be added on, and then 14 more show up, then two more show up. What I need to explain, is that we're trying to accommodate everyone that brings in a request. Three or four meetings ago, we said "let's hash it out", what happened? A lot of arguing, a lot of disgruntled Council. If we all discuss why they're going on Council floor. I'm not caught sitting here, conducting ourselves unprofessionally.

Sheldon King-You have a more progressive Council, we're all pursuing things ourselves. As busy as our schedule gets, that's what we're facing today. All together, the majority of us, are gone.

Lenny Elkshouder-You have 24 meetings a year, two a month. An agenda shouldn't be 39 items.

Debbie Charette-Our agenda was set for the last meeting we were supposed to have.

Lenny Elkshouder-What have you brought back from these trips. Let's get back to the update.

President Killsback-This month, we'll get a handle on this agenda stuff. We tried to have a special, and didn't get a quorum. We have transferred administrative staff down there that will help coordinate. She is definitely a resource that will help the council.

Lenny Elkshouder-Today, all I wanted to say, you talk about being progressive. Let's move forward. My constituents ask me to come in here and say something. I'll just watch you another month, and I'll come in here and say it again. I congratulate you on bringing transparency.

Amanda Whiteshirt-I agree wholeheartedly that you should be more consistent. If there's a deadline, stick to the deadline. I take the day off without pay to come to these meetings. Nellie Whiteshirt is still trying to put up a meeting for the Lane Deer District. I work 8 hours a day, and I don't have the time. We can move on, district people are suffering, we need to put it to rest.

President Killsback-Nellie did come to our office and met with us. Just for the Lane Deer Council members, there's an effort by her to get four Council members to concur. This office won't be getting involved in District business.

Amanda Whiteshirt-Cowboy had no business getting involved in the first place.

## **IHS UPDATE**

### **ENROLLMENT**

Dana Eaglefeathers-Are you currently working on updating this enrollment ordinance?

Wallace Bearchum-Yes

President Killsback-Involve my office

Vice President Fisher-I know you're doing amendments, is there a timeline?

Wallace Bearchum-Pretty soon.

Dana Eaglefeathers-My question is, has anyone gone out and tried to find money to give this back to the people?

Vice President Fisher-This is something that should be part of the amendment. This is a recommendation that was made by the trainer. Wallace is well aware of this. This is something that we do in the interim.

Buford Curley-I think I talked to Wallace. It's important to set up a genealogy database.

Amanda Whiteshirt-I want to know why this tribe doesn't pay for cremation? Traditional to non-traditional doesn't make us less Cheyenne.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Maybe this should be given to the Culture Commission.

President Killsback-When we got the Permanent Fund, the Council put funeral expenses and burial in there. If you didn't get nothing from the Tribe your whole life, at least you get a good burial. We'll bring that back, I don't know if that's a Culture Commission issue.

Dorothy Jackman-I'm a non-traditional person. I should be given that right, if I want to be cremated. Traditional belief is here, and other beliefs here, it not written law.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING AND GRANTING THE REQUEST FOR NORTHERN CHEYENNE MEMBERSHIP THROUGH AUTOMATIC ENROLLMENT OF SIX (6) INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE APPROPRIATE SECTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE AMENDED CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS. Motion made by Joe Fox, Jr. Second by Willie Rowland. ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**11 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING AND GRANTING THE REQUEST FOR NORTHERN CHEYENNE MEMBERSHIP THROUGH ADOPTION OF FIFTY-SIX (56) INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE APPROPRIATE SECTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE AMENDED CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS. Motion made by Joe Fox, Jr. Second by Vernon Small. ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
<b>Debra Charette</b>	X		

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

**11 votes Yes      1 vote No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING AND GRANTING NAME CHANGES FOR FIFTEEN (15) MEMBERS ON THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE MEMBERSHIP ROLLS. Motion made by Joe Fox, Jr. Second by Merlin Sioux.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**11 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL RELATING TO THE RELINQUISHMENT OF SIX (6) INDIVIDUALS FROM THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE. Motion made by Sheldon King. Second by Merlin Sioux.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

**11 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPOINTING WILLIAM ROWLAND TO THE ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE.**

Motion made by Sheldon King. Second by Dana Eaglefeathers.

**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	X		
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland			X
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

**10 votes Yes      0 votes No      1 Abstention      Motion Carried**

**BUDGETS-DEBRA CHARETTE**

**RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING ALL CURRENT AND FUTURE REVENUE FROM LANDS ACQUIRED BY THE TRIBE UNDER THE COBELL LAND BUY-BACK PROGRAM FROM UNITED STATES OFFICE OF SPECIAL TRUSTEE ACCOUNT TO THE TRIBAL OPERATING ACCOUNT.** Motion made by Debra Charette. Second by Sheldon King.

**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	X		
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

<b>11 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CASH TRANSFER FROM THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE PL7320-70-5 FOR THE FY17 LAND BUY BACK.** Motion made by Debra Charette. Second by Vernon Small.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

<b>11 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**MINUTES-MELISSA LONEBEAR**

**APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: APRIL 3, 2017.** Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. Second by Merlin Sioux.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

<b>11 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: APRIL 17, 2017.** Motion made by Sheldon King. Second by Debra Charette.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**YES NO ABSTAIN**

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

<b>11 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**JUDGE QUALIFICATIONS-JOHN J. ROBINSON**

Judge Robinson-I've been informed that there's some questions about my eligibility to hold my office. Obviously, I meet the age requirement, There's a question in residency, I'll tell you exactly where I live, down by Ernie Robinson's, down by the chicken house. The President asked for verification, but I don't have verification, I don't pay rent there, I don't pay bills. I want this Council to be able to act on my qualifications judicially. I personally haven't heard complaints about my actions as a judge. I'm here out of respect for the Council to find out what the issue is with my residency.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Vice President Fisher had already tried that, poor me, poor me. We all seen right through that one. I was one that questioned that. There was e-mails that came in. You requested for propane, the propane man said it was off the reservation. I had those emails and I forwarded them to the President's office. I didn't get a response otherwise.

John Robinson-I do own property off the reservation. My wife is not enrolled, and I wanted to make sure that she is taken care of should anything happen to me. Anytime you raise your hand up, you take an oath, part of the eligibility is you have to live on the reservation. It would be nice to live there, the thing is, I took that oath, and I can't violate that.

Dana Eaglefeathers-If it's your wife's property, why are the bills in your name?

John Robinson-I maintain it, I don't want the water lines to freeze up, just the cold alone, you need to keep heat on. If I was living there, then why would they need to ask to get plowed out? He would have been able to get in there, and I would have been able to get in there.

President Killsback-When the Voter's Committee reviews, they ask for residency, they want to provide a phone bill or utility bill. The fact that he's here, he is giving his word to us. We need to make sure he's in compliance.

Waylon Rogers-I remember this issue coming up a couple of months ago, I did notice you weren't there during the bitterly cold, you did inform us that you were preparing your house. As for me, I am satisfied.



John Robinson-I had already been through the Voter's Committee, this is after the fact. I'm going on 6 months in office now. This issue has come up, I'd like to lay it to rest.

Dana Eaglefeathers-I believe in following the law and policy. It was just black and white that came across the desk and something I have to ask. I hope you're not offended by it.

President Killsback-Just don't throw away our get out of jail free cards.

Dorothy Jackman-I would like to add to John's troubles, the Voter's Committee, I think they're outdated. I am from Birney District, I've been there now for 14 years. I voted in Birney, and ran for Council. When I came in I was booted out. It also says, due to the heritage. I sat 9 years on TERO board and voted. You need some new blood in there and someone that's going to take the initiative to read the policy.

Sheldon King-One thing we did, was to get new blood in there. It was up to your district reps. We agreed to give people a fair chance.

**NORTHERN CHEYENNE PROBATE CODE-ADDITION TO L & O CODE-PRESIDENT KILLSBACK**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL INSTRUCTING THAT THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE PROBATE CODE BE INCLUDED IN THE TRIBE'S LAW AND ORDER CODE.** Motion made by Benji Headswift. Second by Dana Eaglefeathers.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

<b>9 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**CLEAN AIR ACT-ADDITION TO L & O CODE-PRESIDENT KILLSBACK**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL INSTRUCTING THAT THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE CLEAN AIR ACT BE INCLUDED IN THE TRIBE'S LAW AND ORDER CODE.** Motion made by Benji Headswift. Second by Dana Eaglefeathers.

**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			ABSENT
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher			ABSENT

**9 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**ICWA COMMITTEE-ADDITION TO L & O CODE-PRESIDENT KILLSBACK**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING THE REORGANIZATION OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT (ICWA) COMMITTEE FOR THE PURPOSES OF ALIGNING THE MEMBERSHIP WITH 3-4-4 OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE LAW AND ORDER CODE. Motion made by Benji Headswift. Second by Sheldon King.**

**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	X		
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

**10 votes Yes      0 votes No      1 Abstention      Motion Carried**

**ELDERLY COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS-PRESIDENT KILLSBACK**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF CHARLOTTE ROCKROADS AND DEWANDA LITTLE COYOTE TO THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE ELDERLY COMMISSION. Motion made by Joe Fox, Jr. Second by Vernon Small.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Debra Charette	X		

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

**11 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**ITBC APPOINTMENTS-PRESIDENT KILLSBACK**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPOINTING A REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVES TO THE INTERTRIBAL BUFFALO COUNCIL. Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. Second by Waylon Rogers.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**11 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**RMTLC APPOINTMENTS-PRESIDENT KILLSBACK**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF THREE (3) DELEGATES TO THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN TRIBAL LEADERS COUNCIL. Motion made by Joe Fox, Jr. Second by Vernon Small.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
<b>Debra Charette</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Sheldon King</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Joe Fox, Jr.</b>	<b>X</b>		

<b>Benji Headswift</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Merlin Sioux</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Waylon Rogers</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Willie Rowland</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Vernon Small</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Dana Eaglefeathers</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Vice President Fisher</b>	<b>X</b>		

<b>11 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**NCAI APPOINTMENTS-PRESIDENT KILLSBACK**

Joe Fox, Jr.-I recommend someone from the governing body, I'd like to recommend Sheldon King.

President Killsback-There's a primary, secondary, and alternate. There's also something in the policy, that people can vote by proxy.

Benji Headswift-It's just a matter of voting capacity.

Debbie Charette-Do we have to pay our dues?

President Killsback-We don't have to pay our membership unless we're going to vote. They're not going to turn anyone down, for not paying dues. They're basing it on population. Our population now is like 11,000.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE TRIBE'S MEMBERSHIP TO THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS AND DESIGNATING NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL PRESIDENT, L. JACE KILLSBACK, AS THE OFFICIAL TRIBAL DELEGATE AND NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL VICE-PRESIDENT, CONRAD FISHER, AS THE ALTERNATE.** Motion made by Joe Fox, Jr. Second by Merlin Sioux.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

<b>11 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**ICED GRANT-PRESIDENT KILLSBACK**

President Killsback-Merlin brought this to my attention, to essentially triple our dollars. It's called the Indian Equity Fund.

Merlin Sioux-The last part of that is for the youth.

President Killsback-You and Joe are still on that committee for the state.

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A BUSINESS PLANNING GRANT APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF MONTANA FOR FY17 INDIAN COUNTRY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING.** Motion made by Joe Fox, Jr. Second by Conrad 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	X		
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

<b>11 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**TERO COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS-PRESIDENT KILLSBACK**

President Killsback-We need a board in place to go through the appeals process. To deal with grievances.

Sheldon King-TERO also sits with outdated policies. I got some budgets, revisions done. Some of these boards should be given back to our people. You're one for saying give it back to the people. Let's take those letters of interest. Give them an opportunity to apply for this board.

President Killsback-I'm following the TERO Ordinance.

Sheldon king-Everybody should get a fair chance.

Benji Headswift- Given the magnitude that TERO has. I'm interested in TERO doings.

President Killsback-We have the roundabout breaking ground May 16<sup>th</sup>. If you want to look at volunteering as a liaison that would be great.

Dorothy Jackman-Who's the Director now from TERO. The board is only an advisory group for the Council. I admire Carrie Braine, she's the one that really enforced TERO. We forced the Director to take initiative to enforce. You need to look at the qualifications of the people you are appointing. Get on your computers and find funding for the Tribe.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL CONCURRING WITH THE TRIBAL PRESIDENT'S APPOINTMENT OF DONNA FISHER-ASHLAND DISTRICT, LUCINDA "CINDY" BURNS-LAME DEER DISTRICT, ROYALLE CHAVEZ-BIRNEY DISTRICT, LORANZY "OLY" MCMAKIN-MUDDY DISTRICT, LEONARD ELSKHOULDER, JR-BUSBY DISTRICT, AND BENJI HEADSWIFT-TRIBAL COUNCIL LIAISON, TO THE TERO COMMISSION.** Motion made by Ernest Littlemouth. Second by Waylon Rogers.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

<b>10 votes Yes</b>	<b>1 vote No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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Sheldon King-Nothing against your appointments, but I think it should be opened up to the people. Not just family and supporters.

**Break @ 3:40 p.m.**

**Reconvene @ 4:00 p.m.**

**NCTS BOARD APPOINTMENTS-PRESIDENT KILLSBACK**

President Killsback-I want to reiterate the Constitution and Bylaws. This is on the website. This is what governs us, the bylaws piece. Section 1. Article 1. That's for me to clarify if there's any confusion on the process. I appoint and you guys concur. The discussion we had, it's in our minutes. Right now there is a policy in place that set in motion the process to file for candidacy. Essentially to appoint a new board. There were deadlines. This has been a hot topic for this Council. The appointment process, I looked at the previous Ad Hoc Committee, I identified steps that need to be followed after April. That included a letter of interest with a \$50 filing fee. We had that extension that occurred. We went from April 3<sup>rd</sup> and extended it to April 7<sup>th</sup>. What you have in your packet are the letters of interest that I received. The reason I read that Constitution and Bylaws, I feel the policy is unconstitutional because it gives that authority to the

Council and not to my office. What I've done, is I've taken the steps to amend to change the language from having the Council appoint, to I appoint. That list are my appointments. This Ordinance makes amendments to the existing policy, I included all the letters of interest and the Council selects. With a policy and a law that was passed by the previous Council. I'm not going to recognize any action until we've completely discussed this matter.

Sheldon King-When did you get the names from the list?

President Killsback-I got them.

Sheldon King-You're getting them from the weekend they were all submitted.

President Killsback-Don't get defensive on this. They're all in your list. I have made an attempt and drafted this ordinance to include. I turn that back over to you which states, you will select from this group. The board for the Northern Cheyenne Tribal School.

Ernest Littlemouth-Since these selections you made, they all paid there fees. Let the people vote, I think that would be fair.

President Killsback-There is no board, and that's falling on administration. I think May 11<sup>th</sup> would be a short amount of time. This is our issue to tackle.

Dana Eaglefeathers-For the past year, I wanted to take all the politics out of the school. I agree with that, have an election. We've been fighting for a whole year for it. Let the people vote who you want to sit on the board. The pool of candidates are this list right here, they've paid their dues, and met the background requirements. I think it's fair, for the ones that paid \$50.

Buford Curley-One of the things I see is a lot of power play here. The power lies in the children. Those are our future leaders here. We didn't elect you guys to do this. One of the things that I'm concerned about, there's people that are grass roots people. My daughter won a prestigious award at Busby, from Crayola. She was getting C's & D's at Lane Deer. We as parents want the best for our children. We have administration and the legislative body. When you go political, you are hurting the children. They didn't do an audit for so many years, they fixed it in three months. They told them to go back to the old school board. Busby people don't own the school, or the representatives. There's five districts, children all go to school there. It went to a reservation wide school board. Look at your kids, there's a lot of good ideas that come here. What have you guys done? Nothing. You select the next one that's going to help you. I am upset, you are playing with our children's lives. When there is a problem, there is a solution to the problem. This is a problem, power play. You have an administration and Council. Work together.

Dorothy Jackman-The school was primarily built for the Northern Cheyenne children to educate, to the best of our knowledge those kids that go to school at Busby. If you were to interview the staff, it's a terrible mess. It needs to be closed and completely redone. You need to look at the staff that bicker in front of the kids. We have the highest paid staff that are booting them out. Our kids are our future that will be dictating to us next. There's a lot of us that know what go on at Busby School even if we don't have kids there. Don't look at the school for your benefit. Some of these kids come home and don't have a meal at home.

Amanda Whiteshirt-If it is to coincide with the Constitution, he has the right to pick and you have the right to concur. Set up an election. When you picked Theresa, she started putting it into perspective for the benefit of the children. They cut twice the food for the kids, they told them "no seconds". Give them enough. I took my grandchildren out of that school and put them in Lane Deer. Most of my kids went to Busby at one time or another. What happened to our education? That should be our main focus. Instead of playing politics, do what you were originally going to do. What we should do, is carry on the way you are. The people that applied, they paid their \$50. Now in the middle of the stream, you're going to change it again. That's not right, stick to your guns. Let it go on in ease. The damage is already done.

Alberta Fisher-Thank you. I've been affiliated with Busby School. We went to school there. My grandchildren went to school there. It really angers me, how you guys are fiddling around with our children. I wasn't going to run for school board. I have grandkids that go to school there, and it hurts me when I hear Busby School and it's never anything good. In our Cheyenne traditional way, lying and murder are in the same category. This should be resolved. When the new Council came in, they took that ad hoc. That school is very filthy, if you didn't know it. We worked hard to get that gym, it stinks, it smells like stink feet. I love my kids, I want them to be treated right. I don't like anybody to holler at me, this lady made a liar out of me when she was hollering at me. What kind of people are those kind? I don't go over there anymore, I'm afraid of them. I have a granddaughter that works there. She asked them, let me get a chaperone to come with me because there's high school boys. Yesterday, she was abruptly told that a track meet was cancelled because there wasn't a chaperone. This will be the last year of my kids going to school there. You guys have the authority and knowledge to fix that school. When I came in here to file for the school board election. I told myself, why should I waste \$50. I voted for you guys, I had the confidence that you would work together. If I offended anybody in here, tell me now because I don't want to hear about it later. What have you done to bring something to this Tribe?

Sheldon King-I never said anything about your granddaughter.

Alberta Fisher-That's all I have to say. I support each and every one of you guys, when you run.

Penny Ewan-I think our education system is failing us. I had to move over from Wyola and put my grandchildren in school. I wanted them to know their roots. When I came over here on emergency because of Rock's condition. My grandson was having difficulty, they moved him up a grade. It took me three weeks to try to enroll him at Labre. At Labre, they said children are turned away. I tried to call the education specialist at BIA, when I was trying to tell her. All I got was laughter. My granddaughter, when I enrolled her in Busby School, she wasn't challenged. Our education is not a laughing matter. How come these schools are letting us down? We need a task force or something. Education is a serious matter, we need to put education first. It's no laughing matter.

Tom Rockroads-I went to Tongue River boarding school. I try to be brief about educating young ones. Even though those teachers were on the rigid side, they did discipline us. Every time we came home, I'd say something to that affect. They reinforced this foreign language we talk now. That someday it would be useful. I'm really glad that all of you are here. I talked to the Council in the hallway. I said, maybe someday you guys can talk to each other. Maybe someday, you



can iron out the stuff you are confronted with. That's what you can attest to that. I think it's more than appropriate to talk to each other in a respectful way, the Cheyenne way. I've been a school board member at Busby several times. If you're in that position, you have to be honest and stick to your guns. I tell my children and grandchildren. One of these days, we're going to come to the point where we leave the face of the earth. We really need to settle down. Maybe some of you heard me at the Inauguration. We need to get back to the basics. Maybe we need to have some meetings. It started to get to where there was a lot of fighting going on. When I heard that there was a lot of money spent and there was a lot of unaccounted funds, that's when I appointed the Ad Hoc board. Some of my relatives are fighting each other. When those buses get there and those kids hit those doors, they're laughing. They're hungry and it's degrading when someone says "you've already had your seconds". I've always to take up for some of those up there. They're supposed to conduct themselves in a professional manner. I want to say something that's vital to the little ones over there. All of you came from good families, and you need to apply that. Right now, all we have is grass. That grass is what we talk about in ceremony, it's sacred to the Cheyenne. I hope you come to some good decisions that will help with little ones. They need to have food in their tummies to study good. I worked at Western Energy and Westmoreland, now I'm retired. That's what I want for the little ones. Move on together.

President Killsback-I need some direction on the specifics if you want to have an election.

Vice President Fisher-I think it's important to be consistent. We're changing in midsection. The way we're going it, we're trying to follow policy and amend policy at the same time. That's something we need to consider when we take action. It's something that needs to be done, something that needs to take place but also make sure the candidates also have a fair shot at this.

President Killsback-I'm looking for guidance for language. Are we having a primary for Busby?

Benji Headswift-Those are things that came up. We talked about having an election, I took the stance to make sure we have the funding to have an election. Rescind that part of the Ordinance to go the reservation wide election. Committee members will run concurrent, with the President. We went through that who we thought would fit. Instead of two weeks, I would feel safe with three weeks.

**RESOLUTION SETTING AN ELECTION FOR THE 2017-20 NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL SCHOOL BOARD (MAY 25, 2017).** Motion made by Benji Headswift. Second by Sheldon King.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

**11 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**BIA FUNDING-BUSBY BASEBALL FIELD-SHELDON KING**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL ACCEPTING FUNDING FROM THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS TRIBAL METH INITIATIVE FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEVELOPING A BASEBALL FIELD IN THE BUSBY, MT COMMUNITY WITH AN OVERALL GOAL OF DECREASING THE PERCENTAGE OF METH RELATED CRIME AMONGST YOUTH AND ADULTS IN OUR TRIBAL COMMUNITIES THROUGH SPORTS ACTIVITIES INTEGRATED WITH OTHER COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGIES. Motion made by Sheldon King. Second by Conrad 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	X		
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

**11 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

Benji Headswift-Thank you for stepping up and making it happened for the Busby kids.

**RESCINDING PERSONNEL POLICY-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS**

Dana Eaglefeathers-I got a lot of feedback from tribal members and employees and directors asking to rescind the current personnel manual and have the directors take part if coming up with a manual that protects all our employees. Right now there's no recourse for our employees. We were elected to protect all our people and employees. I make a motion to suspend the Tribe's personnel policies until we get the Directors involved in doing policies that will benefit the Tribe as a whole.

Vernon Small-I'll second.

President Killsback-Do you have any documentation from Directors?

Dana Eaglefeathers-They're all afraid of retaliation.

President Killsback-The old policy was passed in 1992, it would have been an audit finding if we didn't pass what we worked on for a year and a half. I have directors meetings twice or at least once a month. We made sure this policy protects the employee. There are many strong pieces that we went through and you were part of the approval for the amendments. The other provisions that are important are combining the policy. We were able to develop one appeals process. I look to the older Council who were involved. I'm concerned when you say go back to the old policy, that was 20 years ago. There's disciplines and degrees given out for human resources itself. As the administrator, I have not once heard a complaint on the manual. I would hope the council would forward those for administration to review.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Legal has stated that this was passed knowing that there was a lot of kinks that need to be worked out. I don't know what happened at Board of Health, there was a lot of employees that lost their jobs over there. I don't want that to happen to our tribal employees. We need our employees to be able to go to work and feel comfortable going to work and not have to feel about not having a job tomorrow.

Vice President-Don't dismantle the whole policy. It would be detrimental to throw the whole policy away. We should be moving forward and bring forward what's not working and take a look at amending those sections.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Quite frankly, our government, we're running on ego driven power trips. We need to get rid of the ego and work with our people. I said suspend it and have our directors work on it so our directors feel comfortable. That's how I feel.

President Killsback-I will be vetoing this, there's no evidence, there's no draft. There was specific OMB standards that have to be met. I was involved in the year and half process. If it does pass, we will be reinventing the wheel. I will veto it. I'd like some feedback on that.

Waylon Rogers-I wanted to suggest, instead of rescinding the whole thing, can we just add verbage? I remember the work I did on that policy. It would be a shame to try to do it all over again. Could we just add verbage to the entire thing? I would feel comfortable with adding verbage.

President Killsback-There is a grievance and appeal process in the policy. 1996 was the last time this policy was touched. I went through two appeals with Llevando Fisher. I won those appeals, I doing so, we developed a protocol to follow. We created an actual appeals protocol on how to handle those appeal hearings.

Dana Eaglefeathers-It's not getting rid of it entirely, a temporary suspension, maybe 90 days. So the Directors can have input.

Benji Headswift-One of the things I didn't see was a whistleblower policy. I understand where Administration is coming from. It did take a long time and your office had an extraordinary amount of input on this. My recommendation is making amendments and making it more assertive with what people want as directors. People have concerns, it's raised a good level of

concern. I asked for complaints, and there's always that fear of retaliation. That's the fear of our people right now. During the day, your office oversees them as workers. At the end of the day, we all get to hear it. There is concern there. I think it would be harsh, taking the whole thing and rescinding it. I'd like to take their words, and they said work together. A lot of people don't feel safe.

Debbie Charette-We had a working session on it even this morning. Would it be to our benefit, on all of the parts with you and the directors involved?

President Killsback-I know a level of managing personnel. If a program is under corrective action. There has to be a recourse after it too. I also included the merit increases. We have commodities program making \$8.00 an hour. I would love to sit down with you guys. I would bring the directors in here and say how can we amend this?

Dana Eaglefeathers-There was a motion and a second.

President Killsback-I'll call for the vote when we're done with our discussion.

Joe Fox, Jr.-Taking policy out in its entirety was a concern that I had. There were items of concern. President you know as well as I do. We have every right to review any documents. I don't think it's going to hurt anybody to do a 6 month review. So the policy meets all for the best interest of everybody. This policy, in a lot of ways, it's a good document. There is some concerns. I've been approached a few times. Let's review it, it's been about 6 months. Maybe some of our issues can be cleared up with amending it. I'm in favor of going over it and reviewing it. I'm sure your hoping for some compromise on some issues. Maybe they can be cleared up by changing some wording on it.

Tom Rockroads-I've been to a couple of these places where they're protesting about employment. The old timers say this document you're talking about needs to be revised. Let's evaluate and critique what that man wrote in here. I listened to what they were talking about. All of this negativity that I heard was that the Chair, Vice, and Council should have did it. I think it's a good thing to brainstorm, how much of a negative impact will it have with the employees and director? The personnel policy, have to get up early, go to work, do your time. That includes the Council. Leroy Spang wanted to put a time clock in there. If you get your hand caught in the cookie jar, you can get yourself in trouble. Sometimes people can't get with the program and start making up things. Take your time and reevaluate it.

President Killsback-Tom, you're part of this veterans group. You are able to volunteer and you are able to use a tribal vehicle. Those are major components.

President Killsback-If you suspend, there will be no hires. You are taking away a system.

Willie Rowland-I think we should amend it as we go along. Instead of doing away with it. And get the directors involved as we go to their departments.

President Killsback-I will make it priority. We have hiring that needs to be done for the summer projects.

Dana Eaglefeathers-I'll withdraw my motion, but why does your office have to hire and fire everybody?

Vice President Fisher-The group is saying that those are some of the questions this group can look at. Without looking at the personnel policy. There's dialogue saying, let's work together. We don't need to see those complaints. Let's look at them and let's move forward.

President Killsback-Before we do vote, refer to this review the Constitution. This is your bible.

Ernest Littlemouth-Are we going to suspend?

Dana Eaglefeathers-We should come up with a hiring and firing committee, we need to be fair with all our tribal employees.

Waylon Rogers-With the work that I've done on it, I'm going to have to say no.

Vice President Fisher-I don't see anything that would suggest that we suspend our management system.

President Killsback-There will be a resolution that will come to my office that I will veto. Even our payroll is contingent on our personnel policies. If I call a meeting, I expect this Council to be there. This Council passed it in October and passed it again in January. There was ample opportunity for the Council to be involved. This action goes against everything that we talk about. Everything is all based on this manual.

Benji Headswift-I think we have a direction in which way we want to go now.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL TO SUSPEND PERSONNEL MANUAL.** Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. Second by Vernon Small.  
**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

<b>8 votes Yes</b>	<b>3 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**INVESTIGATION TERMINATION-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS**

Dana Eaglefeathers-Again, we need to protect our tribal employees. This has become very personal and has become a personal vendetta. There's 72 names and randomly 8 people were investigated. A lot of information was given to President Killsback before he was elected. It's been discussed two or three times, our Secretary and Treasurer were randomly selected all three times, I would be okay with it if all officers were randomly on this list. President Killsback said it, we are a nation.

President Killsback-The Comptroller said he was not licensed to make a determination. That's what I needed, to have confidence in the Secretary and Treasurer appointment. I think there is some issues in calling to work with the Finance Department and Secretary position. I know that payroll is an issue and I have no authority. We have to now force ourselves to work together. I was looking for clarity on this issue.

Vice President Fisher-I have a question Dana, if there's an existing investigation, will that be something that will be paid?

Dana Eaglefeathers-If the proper procedures were taken, it would be taken care of.

Vice President Fisher-There was an investigation that was authorized by this Council.

Sheldon King-Is there documentation? Once again, we're going with hearsay.

Vice President Fisher-My understanding that there is an investigative team

Sheldon-Who was the team? We didn't authorize a team.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Who authorized it?

President Killsback-The Treasurer agreed that she is stepping away from this because it's a conflict of interest.

Dana Eaglefeathers-You waited until the contract was expired and proceeded forward.

President Killsback-We had a meeting on this issue in my office. If we're claiming now that we didn't meet. There was Council in there. I moved forward under the current procurement micro purchases, \$3000 and under.

Tom Rockroads-If we took that oath that all of you took and understand that oath. But, if it should come to this point, it's going to have a devastating impact, it's going to go either way. Just like I said, if you're casting a vote, if there's legitimate reason of something that was done in there. It may surface sometime down the road. Some of the older ones. What we hear from the Council representatives, what if it's true. As it relates to the finance operation. If it snowballs, you and Ziontz will have to hash it out.

**RESOLUTION TERMINATING ACCOUNTING FIRM INVESTIGATION.**

Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. Second by Benji Headswift.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**YES NO ABSTAIN**

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

<b>10 votes Yes</b>	<b>1 vote No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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### **DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS**

Dana Eaglefeathers-I've been affected by this delegation of authority. When we were discussing it with legal, all three of you were out. We just want to create a line of authority for the absence of the President, Vice President, and Administrator. We don't think it's wise to have him making decisions as far as the Tribe.

President Killsback-Maybe we'll all apologize for not being here and being at Sand Creek. I would like to have discussion on these things. My concern is leaving the Secretary and Treasurer involved, is the accountability piece. I have no grasp or understanding of actual time management of the two appointed officials to help coordinate those schedules. I say that because I don't know those schedules. Maybe this does force us to maybe have biweekly/weekly meetings to understand those work schedules.

Melissa Lonebear-This is about accountability. If they have negative feelings toward us. I don't want to be included in this resolution. I'm asking that my name be left out.

Vice President Fisher-Doesn't it give the President authority to appoint anybody, to leave whoever they want in charge? This isn't about negativity.

President Killsback-The authority to delegate and appoint is still a constitutional authority to appoint. The Council can make rules. We all have to be constitutionalists.

Amanda Whiteshirt-There are two branches, you don't see them down there saying that you need to replace the Tribal Secretary because she's really messy. This Council bullied Cowboy into letting the Sgt.at Arms running meeting. He has a right to delegate whoever he wants to. If there's a personality conflict. He is doing his job, I'd like to see you do yours.

Benji Headswift-We are trying to define the officers that would be left in charge.

Ernest Littlemouth-Personally I think Brandon hasn't made any big decisions. Benji has enough on his agenda.

Benji Headswift-What if something did come up.

Tom Rockroads-This matter of delegating somebody. This stuff that you're dealing with. I've heard it several times, what are we going to do in the executive department? Who's going to be put in those positions to deal with these matters? There's a separation of powers with the court system. Nobody is watching the judicial system

**RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL IDENTIFYING OFFICIALS WHO MAY RECEIVE DELEGATED TRIBAL PRESIDENTIAL AUTHORITY.** Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. 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	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

**10 votes Yes      1 vote No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**MOTION TO MOVE ROBERTA CROSSGUNS UP ON THE AGENDA.** 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	X		
Waylon Rogers	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

**11 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**STATE OF MONTANA-VIOLATION OF TREATY RIGHTS-ROBERTA CROSSGUNS**



Patsy Fercho-You have an idea what happened to these kids.

Lacey Fercho-I haven't got contact from Eve and Landon for two years. I do believe that's part of Derek's power play. We were together for three years, I have drug and alcohol issues. I'm doing everything I can to stay on track.

Roberta Crossguns-We would like the tribe to go to Minnesota and bring those kids back here. Minnesota has violated her rights. She has an active parenting plan. The second thing, the State of Montana needs to be sued by failing in every way. There's a very strong race problem here. What he's done is so over the top with these children. They violated her due process rights, the fact that they want to just throw the kids away. Your local BIA officer violated the law in several ways.

Dana Eaglefeathers-The Tribal Court Order, was that issued first?

Roberta Crossguns-The CPS order was the first. They made the choice to send the kids to Minnesota.

Vice President Fisher-As a Tribal Council, how can we help?

Roberta Crossguns-These are both going to be federal court actions. Over the years I've been successful in working outside the box.

Vice President Fisher-We have another entity that did a dishonor to a tribal court order. Would this be something that should be pursued by having case law?

Roberta Crossguns-Yes.

President Killsback-You're saying that you would represent the Tribe in this litigation?

Roberta Crossguns-I didn't say that yet.

President Killsback-To be clear on the treaty rights notion, if we're talking ICWA, maybe we should note ICWA there.

Rennie Whiteman-You need to get these children some help. There's nobody to defend them.

Dana Eaglefeathers-ICWA office did come to us and asked to help find an attorney. All we're waiting for is justification.

Benji Headswift-Back to your resolutions, are we going to use our attorneys in this case? We do have ICWA court established in Billings now.

Roberta Crossguns-This isn't technically an ICWA case.

Vice President Fisher-One is to see how strong this case is, the other is to identify money. Our Sgt. at arms is right, BIA will want to see how this is going to occur. I don't know if tabling this is going to be a better option.

Roberta Crossguns-There is a complete misunderstanding of how Indian families work. There might be an auntie, or an uncle, or their grandpa.

Vice President Fisher-We understand that, we have to figure out how to best approach this.

**WAYLON ROGERS EXITS @ 8:25 p.m.**

Dana Eaglefeathers-These decisions are really hard. Why is it that our attorney doesn't protect our kids, why isn't our attorney protecting our people?

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING TRIBAL LITIGATION AGAINST THE STATE OF MONTANA FOR THE STATE'S VIOLATION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE'S TREATY RIGHTS AND STATUTORY RIGHTS TO CONTROL AND PROTECT NORTHERN CHEYENNE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.** Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. Second by Sheldon King.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**9 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**MANDATE FOR RETURN OF ENROLLED CHILDREN-ROBERTA CROSSGUNS**

**RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE IN THE MANDATE THAT SEVERAL TRIBALLY ENROLLED MINOR CHILDREN BE RETURNED BACK TO THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE RESERVATION TO BE MADE WARDS OF THE TRIBE.** Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. Second by Willie Rowland.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

<b>Willie Rowland</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Vernon Small</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Dana Eaglefeathers</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Vice President Fisher</b>	<b>X</b>		

**11 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

Roberta Crossguns-Elmore Limberhand helped with this resolution.

**MOTION MADE BY SHELDON KING TO MOVE NADC UP ON THE AGENDA.  
SECOND BY BENJI HEADSWIFT.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**10 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**NADC TRIBAL LEADERS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUMMIT-MARY WALKSOVERICE**

Mary Walksoverice-We want to talk about what's coming down the line with the Trump administration, we want to be proactive instead of reactive.

**CASINO FEASIBILITY STUDY RFP-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS**

Dana Eaglefeathers-I and Councilman Little mouth went to Winnebago to visit. They actually got on the phone and talked to their bank to help us. Our feasibility study was outdated. It's really important that we start trying to generate revenue for our tribe. We need to move forward to try to create something. The CEO from Ho Chunk recommended one, and our attorney recommended the other.

President Killsback-Make sure, EDC, and NCDC are included in these discussions. So we all have a part and have that information.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Ultimately, I agree with that. After that, it will be turned over to EDC and the Gaming Commission.

Sheldon King-It's not that we're trying to go against doing economic development at the Casino. We should have had some of the commissioners here. Coming from me, not totally against it, wish we would have taken the right steps.

Benji Headswift-Forgive us if we overlooked the gaming commission. The EDC, maybe we can fast track it and maybe the entire tribe will support this endeavor.

Sheldon King-We set these boards, if it's free, it's good. Out of any board, and respect for them.

President Killsback-I've got word from Eugene that we're already tabling that information.

Benji Headswift-There was no signatures of the board approval. Those things as well.

President Killsback-I ask the Council to be consistent as well.

Benji Headswift-You're asking the tribal council to deviate from the regular procurement process. We wanted to define the legality of that magnitude for that purpose. After that discussion with Eugene, there was a communication breakdown. We didn't see that RFP for that, until this morning.

Dana Eaglefeathers-I would understand getting everyone involved if there was monetary exchange. This is just a feasibility study, just go through with this and see what it's going to cost us. We're in crisis guys. Two years from now, I want to be able to look back and say we did something.

Sheldon King-I'm not against it, but I think we should have the Gaming Commission involved.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FROM CONSULTANTS TO PREPARE STUDY OF FEASIBILITY OF A CASINO AT THE TONGUE RIVER RESERVOIR.** Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. Second by Vernon Small.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

<b>8 votes Yes</b>	<b>1 vote No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**BUFFALO PROGRAM TRANSFER-GENE SMALL**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT OF THE BUFFALO HERD MANAGEMENT FROM THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE LAND AUTHORITY PROGRAM. Motion made by Benji Headswift. Second by Joe Fox, Jr.**

**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	X		
Waylon Rogers			ABSENT
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

**10 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**FERAL HORSE PROGRAM TRANSFER-GENE SMALL**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT OF THE FERAL HORSE MANAGEMENT AND REDUCTION PROJECT--A BIA INVASIVE SPECIES PROGRAM GRANT NO. A16AV00869--FROM THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE LAND AUTHORITY PROGRAM.**

Motion made by Benji Headswift. 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	X		
Waylon Rogers			ABSENT
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

<b>10 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**TRANSIT GRANT-JANIS SPEAR**

President Killsback-Did everything get resolved with Transit?

Janis King-This incident that has come up is with one person. Without going into personnel problems. There's been corrective action put in place. I'm sending all the drivers to pass training and it only happens once a year.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OFFICE TO FILE AND ADMINISTER A FEDERAL TRANSIT GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION.** Motion made by Joe Fox, Jr. Second by Sheldon King.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

<b>10 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**ICDBG 2017-LAFE HAUGEN**

Lafe Haugen-We had our quarterly meeting in Billings.

President Killsback-How much is this?

Lafe Haugen-It's one million dollars. We use it for rehabilitation because that's where we get the most points.

**Breakdown of rehabilitation included in packets.**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL DELEGATING TO THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL HOUSING AUTHORITY, THE AUTHORITY TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT ON BEHALF OF THE TRIBE AN APPLICATION FOR AN INDIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017 AND CERTIFYING THAT CITIZEN**

**PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN MET.** 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	X		
Waylon Rogers			ABSENT
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

<b>10 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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**ADOPTIONS-MARK ROUNDSTONE**

Mark Roundstone-I'm mandated by Ordinance to get approval of the adoptions. In the State of Oklahoma, there was some adoptions. State of New Mexico, there was one adoption, worked with mother and she couldn't comply. State of Idaho, we had one mother and the father rescinded. State of Montana we presently have six adoptions, two are final. One is an adoption of triplets. The Tribe couldn't find placement for these children, the family tried to intercede too late. From this administration I was accused of running a non-native adoption ring. In the state of Washington, one young girl has medical issues, parents will not comply, the daughter has medical issues. The total is 11 children. What we've started doing is started making these individuals enroll these children.

Lenny Elkshoulder-Were you given any facts to what was said against you, or was it just accusations?

Mark Roundstone-It was an accusation from someone from the administration here, your assistant.

President Killsback-It's not my office making those accusations.

Amanda Whiteshirt-Did you go through the courts to see if they could be place with any family members?

Mark Roundstone-Yes. We even tried a kinship report.

Amanda Whiteshirt-What about non related members of this tribe.

Mark Roundstone-Yes. We have 300 active cases.

President Killsback-there is a review and some compliance issues with ICWA. On the issue of parents losing their parental rights because of non-response. The prosecution not wanting to move forward. We are one of the few tribes establishing an ICWA court. I think this does warrant a follow up by the Council.

**PROCUREMENT POLICY DEVIATION-EUGENE LITTLECOYOTE**

President Killsback-I will talk about this resolution. The efforts the Tribal Council made was a matching grant to renovate the Thunderchild facility. Some of that cost does include the location and site. We're looking at a 3 million dollar loan with a 2 million dollar match from our lawsuit dollars.

Sheldon King-When we talked with Dion, we were all in agreement that we will wait until tomorrow. We know how important it is for our people.

Benji Headswift-Based on the groundbreaking there's about a 4 month difference. I'm hearing your side and hearing his. Based on what Eugene told us, he was going to negotiate everything. Questions like that can be defined inside that meeting.

President Killsback-This isn't my project. I give Eugene credit to try to get this on the agenda at the last minute.

**MOTION MADE BY BENJI HEADSWIFT TO TABLE THE DEVIATION OF POLICY UNTIL AFTER THE WORKING SESSION TOMORROW. SECOND BY DANA EAGLEFEATHERS.**

**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	X		
Waylon Rogers			ABSENT
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

**10 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**RESCIND STATE OF EMERGENCY-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS**

Dana Eaglefeathers-This was geared more toward drug dealers. I spoke with Dion this morning, if we rescind this, it will make BIA do their jobs. It just targets us poor people here. Every single one of our entities are targeting our poor people. Our local people ain't doing a bit of good.



President Killsback-The state of emergency was an executive order. Are we rescinding the law & order code amendments? Dion brought scenarios this morning. His comments were taken by the Council this morning.

Amanda Whiteshirt-I took a petition around, Busby, Muddy, and Birney made their quota. This is very helpful to the constituents at large. It's really harmful to youth and to poor people. Laws may be in place and laws may come and go. You're here to help, not hinder them.

Sheldon King-Dion did say it was good to rescind it, but he did say when the law & order code is passed it's going back to how it is now. Like driving under the influence.

President Killsback-I was at Board of Health, it addressed the drugs because of the meth epidemic that we have here. Those are some good laws. I really do have a concern because this was a response to public safety that was in jeopardy at the time. Maybe it's just looking at fines and maybe excessive fines, but we cannot be a lawless land for the safety of our community.

Esther Brady-I just got here. On that issue, it gives me goose bumps. I think you should go home and think about it. This state of emergency order that came out. I seen some improvements in our day to day lives. We have all been affected from alcohol, meth, heroin, and even prescription drugs. I couldn't even leave my door unlocked. If you're going to rescind it, leave some of it in there. Two times, I got sideswiped and I got ran into. That person that did that was drug related. That person did not have a license or insurance. I'm really against rescinding that law & order code. Each and every one of you, we expect you guys to make good sound, positive decisions for us. Keep us safe here please. There's kids that are out there starving because of drugs. For those that are coming across that are meth addicted. Leave the drug law in place so it can safeguard us as Cheyenne people. There was elderly, being broken into, walked into, robbed of their money. Blankets, shawls, whatever they had. You need to really think about this. It's scary. I think you should hold back on that a little bit.

Vice President Fisher-Thank you for that. We needed to hear to that side of the story. Sometimes we react too much. Even when this was a draft and had to take it out to the communities. The five districts, I went to all five of them. It was our constitutional duty to present it to the public. We agreed on this. Maybe we can lower the fines or something. The intent was to try to address the situation at that time. We can't replace a life. There's always room to work on this. I don't think we should eliminate the whole thing. The regret that we would have is that somebody dies.

President Killsback-The other piece you mentioned, DUI laws, we can't be a lawless land here anymore. That is what law is supposed to be about.

Amanda Whiteshirt-We do have laws, we just need to tighten them. Highway 212, you need to do something on that matter. There are other things that need to be improved. I'm still pushing that we need a Cheyenne Home for Cheyenne kids. All it's doing is targeting poor people. It's a national problem, that doesn't mean we have to suffer needlessly.

Lavonda Brady-Laws are good. A lot of the people don't want to travel 212 anymore because of the semis. That was something that I never wanted for my son, to drink and drive. There should

be no semis. It's so important. We talk about alcohol and drugs, we need to strengthen those departments. We can have all the laws, but what is it going to do? Nothing, people are still going to do it. They need to travel back and forth. Those are the things you have to be really conscious about. They have every right to travel on this reservation. If they have so much money, they can go around the reservation. Every day, someone has a story. That night, so many people were talking about it. And we don't even have a disaster plan on chemical spills. If something happened, we don't have a disaster plan. The people need to vote on it, not the tribal government. You have a corporation and it specifically states things in there. You have a process that you have to follow, that's why you have district chairs. Who gave away the highway here? People don't want to give it. Nobody really speaks for the people. It's always your decision. Nobody ever ensures their voice in this room. I want to sue because of that thing out there. Do we have a disaster plan? No, we don't have one. Nobody was concerned about the people. Nobody ever gets told. We don't have a disaster plan, we can't do anything when that happens. You're using the people as a resource, if there's no people, there's no money. We don't have jurisdiction over those semis. How can you be so negligent that's costing lives. I didn't come here for this reason. I hope you guys do something. I hope you get rid of the state.

Max Guavera- I talked to Councilman Eaglefeathers, I almost got hit at the four way. Followed him and got the license plate number and turned him in. I've driven trucks, buses. They have all these officers that come down the road. It's not just the law and order code, it's about enforcement and response time. I talked to an individual, he said there was 200 trucks that came through that day. Remember safety first. The PD is supposed to cover our response time. We never had those problems, why are we having them now?

Tom Rockroads-Referring to the semis coming through our rez. Trying to get information when my son got him by that drunk driver. There's absolutely no reports. That's why we questioned Donovan Wind.

President Killsback-Everything from the middle of the highway to the left and everything from the middle of the highway to the right, that's state. I don't know how far legal will get, it's not our agreement. The meeting will happen on May 16<sup>th</sup>. The ongoing issue is them forcing us into a law enforcement agreement. I'm looking to leadership and the community to say no more trucks on this highway.

Lavonda Brady-When they negotiated this reservation, they didn't negotiate the highway.

Rennie Whiteman-With our highways, I have a cousin that owns trucks. He said this isn't really a shortcut. It's the way they come through here illegally. We've had so many near misses. We have to have an emergency operating plan.

President Killsback-I'd like to thank Vice President Fisher for taking the lead. There was a total breakdown of communication that the chief took responsibility for. We need to create a record of this.

Sheldon King-It's for the safety of our people. I put the people first, always.

Ernest Littlemouth-The traffic laws, they're simple. They're shipping our people off and shipping Crows in.

Joe Fox, Jr.-We need to meet with Tribal Court, Law Enforcement, Tribal Prosecution, I think you did mention lifting the state of emergency.

President Killsback-This was a draft and it was drafted on April 12<sup>th</sup>.

Joe Fox, Jr.-I think there needs to be more dialogue with our law enforcement.

**MOTION MADE BY DANA EAGLEFEATHERS TO RESCIND THE STATE OF EMERGENCY AND GO BACK TO EXISTING LAWS. TO HAVE PROBABLE CAUSE AND REASONABLE SUSPICION. IT'S NOT FAIR TO PEOPLE OUT THERE WITH LIMITED INCOME. 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		X	
Waylon Rogers			ABSENT
Willie Rowland		X	
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher		X	

<b>3 votes Yes</b>	<b>7 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Failed</b>
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**CHIEF OF POLICE TRANSFER REQUEST-SHELDON KING**

Sheldon King-With all the numerous reports and all the violations that the Chief of Police has done on this reservation. Seems like he doesn't respect us as a Northern Cheyenne. I have sisters that work in the correctional facilities.

Rennie Whiteman-I back you on that. When Hanna Harris went missing and his comment, five days later she was murdered. From that point, he should have been let go. His heart is not for the people. He looks at it like it's just another assignment.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL REQUESTING THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS-OFFICE OF JUSTICE SERVICES TO IMMEDIATELY SUSPEND AND/OR TRANSFER CHIEF OF POLICE, DONOVAN WIND FROM THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE AGENCY. Motion made by Sheldon King.**

Second by Joe Fox, Jr.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Debra Charette	X		
Sheldon King	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		

<b>Joe Fox, Jr.</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Benji Headswift</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Merlin Sioux</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Waylon Rogers</b>			<b>ABSENT</b>
<b>Willie Rowland</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Vernon Small</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Dana Eaglefeathers</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Vice President Fisher</b>	<b>X</b>		

**10 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**BIA SUPERINTENDENT TRANSFER REQUEST-SHELDON KING**

Sheldon King-The Superintendent doesn't feel he has to work with us.

Lavonda Brady-I went down there and asked for information and he wouldn't give me information.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL REQUESTING THE SECRETARY OF INTERIOR TO TRANSFER THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE AGENCY SUPERINTENDENT MICHAEL ADDY.** Motion made by Sheldon King. Second by Benji Headswift.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

**10 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**BIA RANGE MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST TRANSFER REQUEST-SHELDON KING**

Sheldon King-The last few weeks working with Bob, basically he lies to our face. He needs to be more upfront.

President Killsback-Those are some really strong actions taken by this Council.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL REQUESTING THE SECRETARY OF INTERIOR TO TRANSFER THE NORTHERN**

**CHEYENNE AGENCY RANGE MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST, ROBERT DEMERY.**  
 Motion made by Sheldon King. 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	X		
Waylon Rogers			ABSENT
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

**10 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**REQUEST FOR BACKPAY-LEONARD ELKSHOULDER, JR.**

Lenny Elkhoulder-I have to get up in four hours, I did get on the agenda and there was a lack of communication. I have to get up in four hours. I'm just giving you an example of what might happen, I'm tired. I've been patient with the council and patient with the executive.

Vice President Fisher-We're all aware of Lenny's situation and it's all in black and white. He could have been told so he could go home.

**MOTION MADE BY BENJI HEADSWIFT TO TABLE THE AGENDA ITEM UNTIL THE SPECIAL SESSION AGENDA TOMORROW. SECOND BY MERLIN SIOUX.**

**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	X		
Waylon Rogers			ABSENT
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

**10 votes Yes      0 votes No      0 Abstentions      Motion Carried**

**AGENDA ADDITION-LETTER FROM STONEY ELKSHOULDER.** Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. 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	X		
Waylon Rogers			ABSENT
Willie Rowland	X		
Vernon Small	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Vice President Fisher	X		

<b>10 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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Letter from Stoney and Gilma Elkshouder-

Read into record by Dana Eaglefeathers-May 1<sup>st</sup> 2017. I am writing this letter because I have a life outside of the Council meetings and cannot stay. My concerns are Northern Cheyenne Tribal School. I also heard that Sheldon King.....

President Killsback-I don't think that's appropriate to do that right now. After a long meeting like this, there's really no place for this.

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING.** Motion made by Benji Headswift. Second by Merlin Sioux.

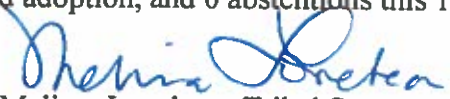
**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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

<b>10 votes Yes</b>	<b>0 votes No</b>	<b>0 Abstentions</b>	<b>Motion Carried</b>
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Adjourned at 11:24 p.m.

**PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED** by the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council by 8 votes for passage and adoption, 0 votes against passage and adoption, and 0 abstentions this 19th day of July 2017.



Melissa Lonebear, Tribal Secretary  
Northern Cheyenne Tribe