

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

RESCHEDULED REGULAR SESSION

MINUTES

January 22, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: President Peña called the meeting to order at 10:13 a.m.

INVOCATION: Bilford Curley

ROLL CALL:

	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Debra Charette	X		
Philip Beckman	X		
Eva Foote	X		
Diane Spotted Elk	X		
Henry Speelman	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Lane Spotted Elk	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Waylon Rogers	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Winfield Russell, Vice President	X		
Rynalea Peña, President	X		

Quorum Established

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dana Eaglefeathers-There is a process that has to go to the agenda committee. There was a termination, there was a lot of things that happened. This should have been done first.

Diane Spottedelk-I guess it's a matter of opinion. For that very reason, I'm asking for a revision to the plan of operations. The second would have all the Council be part of the agenda committee.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Why are you separating yourself from the Council.

Diane Spottedelk-I'm asking the Council to put these two items on the agenda.

Merlin Sioux-I don't believe in add ons. I'm not in favor of these as add ons, they should have been turned in like everything else.

Diane Spottedelk-As you know, that doesn't always happen. You were gone for 6 months.

Henry Speelman-A lot of these things were put on yesterday as it is. There was only two of us here as an agenda committee.

Merlin Sioux-We come back in here and start pointing fingers, I'm sick of that shit.

President Pena-People need to be here at work. That's what we get paid for. We are held accountable to the people. When we're not here we don't know what's going on.

Merlin Sioux-Our employees have more rights than we do. They have more rights to their jobs.

**MOTION MADE BY LANE SPOTTEDELK TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM #21 (BECK GROUP TIMBER CONSULTANT CONTRACT). SECOND BY MERLIN SIOUX.
ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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**AGENDA ADDITION-TO RESCIND DOI-156 (2017). Motion made by Diane Spottedelk.
Second by Henry Speelman.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette		X		
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote		X		
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux		X		
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers		X		
Dana Eaglefeathers		X		
Vice President Russell	X			

6 votes Yes	5 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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**AGENDA ADDITION-AMEND SYSTEM OF OPERATIONS. Motion made by Diane Spottedelk. Second by Philip Beckman,
ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette		X		
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux		X		
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers		X		
Dana Eaglefeathers		X		
Vice President Russell	X			

7 votes Yes	4 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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ENROLLMENT-WALLACE BEARCHUM

Dana Eaglefeathers-Where are you with the new Enrollment Ordinance?

Wallace Bearchum-It's always been ready.

Debra Charette-They were looking at the DNA testing.

Dana Eaglefeathers-I thought you had an outfit.

Wallace Bearchum-It would be up to the enrollment committee. Most likely Labcorp.

Henry Speelman-We need to price it, and who should pay for it.

President Peña-What about the Real ID?

Wallace Bearchum-We're just waiting for funding.

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 Henry Speelman. Second by Philip Beckman.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			

Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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AN ORDINANCE OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING AND GRANTING THE REQUEST FOR NORTHERN CHEYENNE MEMBERSHIP THROUGH ADOPTION OF FORTY (40) INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE APPROPRIATE SECTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE AMENDED CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS. Motion made by Philip Beckman. Second by Ernest Littlemouth.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers		X		
Vice President Russell	X			

10 votes Yes	1 vote No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING AND GRANTING NAME CHANGES FOR TEN (10) MEMBERS ON THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE MEMBERSHIP ROLLS. Motion made by Philip Beckman. Second by Ernest Littlemouth.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			

Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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AN ORDINANCE OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL RELATING TO THE RELINQUISHMENT OF EIGHT (8) INDIVIDUALS FROM THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE. Motion made by Henry Speelman. Second by Philip Beckman.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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AN ORDINANCE OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING AND GRANTING BLOOD QUANTUM CHANGES FOR TWELVE (12) TRIBAL MEMBERS ON THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE MEMBERSHIP ROLL. Motion made by Philip Beckman. Second by Ernest Littlemouth.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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SAFE ON ALL ROADS GRANT-JANIS SPEAR

Amanda Whiteshirt-Is this an open resolution to make everyone get their driver's license.

Janis Spear-This is mainly for education on safety.

Debra Charette-They do campaigns for safety. This program funds one employee.

Janis Spear-One of the things, is they provide car seats for infants.

RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO CONTRACT WITH THE MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, TO ADMINISTER THE SAFE ON ALL ROADS GRANT ON THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE INDIAN RESERVATION. Motion made by Henry Speelman. Second by Debra Charette.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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BUDGETS-LANE SPOTTEDELK

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION AND OR ADOPTION OF CERTAIN BUDGETS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF AVAILABLE FUNDS: 100/050. Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. Second by Philip Beckman.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			

Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION AND OR ADOPTION OF CERTAIN BUDGETS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF AVAILABLE FUNDS: 330A-216. Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. Second by Dana Eaglefeathers.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION AND OR ADOPTION OF CERTAIN BUDGETS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF AVAILABLE FUNDS: 127-389. Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. Second by Philip Beckman.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

NCTHA-IHCDBG-RODNEY TRAHAN

Rodney Trahan-Due to certain status of the Housing authority, we haven't had an onsite visit. We are aware that our low rent units are in bad need of repair. We're looking at bringing them all back into compliance. Rather than focusing on mutual help, we're looking at all rent units. We would like to work on the previous Census.

Merlin Sioux-We're losing money, their data is wrong,

Rodney Trahan-Just at housing we're looking at \$200,000. We look at help in the other areas. We're looking at challenging that.

Merlin Sioux-You're looking at coming back into compliance, there are 14 living in some homes and they don't want to tell you. We're losing out on money.

Rodney Trahan-It's not only the census, it's also the monthly data.

Amanda Whiteshirt-A lot of people, get nervous, get scared because they think they're going to lose the only house that they can live in.

Henry Speelman-Jade Sooktis out of western native voice is working on the Census.

Lane Spottedelk-If you want a part time job, you can go help complete the Census. We're more comfortable telling someone that we know.

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 COMBINED FISCAL YEARS 2019 AND 2020 AND CERTIFYING THAT CITIZEN PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN MET. Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. Second by Dana Eaglefeathers.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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MINUTES-MELISSA LONEBEAR

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: September 6, 2019. Motion made by Philip Beckman. Second by Dana Eaglefeathers.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux		X		
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

10 votes Yes	1 vote No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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HEADSTART UPDATE-ROBERTA HARRIS

Roberta Harris-I have been working on areas of non-compliance. We have 120 days to address all these areas, we got an extension for another 120 days. We're looking to address some areas of need. We're looking at getting a full time consultant, we're looking at getting school based funding. We will look at funding to address topics like head lice, right in the office. There's a thing called coffee with the Council, I'd like to look at starting that soon. Our enrollment is at 125. I applied for a duration grant. We did receive approval for 255,000. It's a startup funding to address some increases, and deficiencies that we have.

Diane Spottedelk-Do you have culture and language?

Roberta-We do.

Merlin Sioux-On your background checks, are you getting those done?

Roberta Harris- Yes. They take about 4-6 weeks to get back.

Lane Spottedelk-I think there's potential to expand. If you can push to get that expanded to employees.

Roberta Harris-I would definitely be interested in that.

Debra Charette-You have one driver that I thought could take over the director of transportation.

Roberta Harris-With our enrollment, we have been discussing our structure.

Debra Charette-If your kids are in Headstart, send them to school. It's really important.

President Peña-We did meet with Bill Briggs, we talked about getting the classes and all the teachers certified.

Roberta Harris-We have one child that got chicken pox. We had issues with hand mouth disease too.

VETERANS CEMETARY-VICE PRESIDENT RUSSELL

Map presented.

Vice President Russell-If anyone has questions, they can come and see me.

MOTION MADE BY VICE PRESIDENT RUSSELL TO APPROVE THE SITE FOR THE VETERAN'S CEMETERY-3.75 ACRES-SUFFICIENT FOR 500 GRAVES. SECOND BY PHILIP BECKMAN.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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****Resolution was not submitted to Tribal Secretary's office by deadline date**

HIP WORKPLAN 2020

Micheline Bearcomesout-If the Tribe would like HIP to continue, it's up to you as a Council to advocate for me. HIP is for the lowest of the low income. It's hard to help everybody. Applications are decided based on points. If they need help doing applications, we help them. When you think of HIP, advocate for it. To me it's unfair because Alaska gets a big chunk of HIP funds. It's not fair because the person who decided is from Alaska. I need to send this to Rocky Mtg. Region. They will tell me who's house, based on points.

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE FY2020 WORKPLAN FOR THE HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. Second by Philip Beckman.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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COMPLAINT FOR REMOVAL/MARYANN WEASELBEAR-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS

Dana Eaglefeathers-This is just a vote to determine if there will be a hearing.

President Peña-I was on leave yesterday, and that's what came to me.

Maryann Weaselbear-I want to ask the Council. How many of you have read my complaint? I want to know before you guys vote. I didn't appreciate that either. You guys have all decided before you even held a hearing.

President Peña-If you guys aren't checking your certified mail, you didn't get my response.

Maryann Weaselbear-She responded. It should have came to a hearing before she responded.

Dana Eaglefeathers-How many of you have actually read the complaint?

MOTION MADE BY DANA EAGLEFEATHERS TO CONDUCT A HEARING ON THE COMPLAINT FOR THE REMOVAL OF PRESIDENT PENA, SUBMITTED BY MARYANN WEASELBEAR. SECOND BY MERLIN SIOUX.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette		X		
Philip Beckman		X		
Eva Foote		X		
Diane Spottedelk		X		
Henry Speelman		X		
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk		X		
Ernest Littlemouth		X		
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			

Vice President Russell		X		
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3 votes Yes	8 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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COMPLAINT FOR REMOVAL/GENE SMALL-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS

Gene Small-When I filed the complaint, my intention wasn't to remove Rennie. The number one reason for filing and why my complaint should be heard is that the land owner is not getting paid. The allottee is not getting paid. For personal reasons, personal interests, this has been ignored. I think those allottees should have been paid. You drug the allottee into the fight.

Tweety Littlebird-I want to come back to how the societies got involved. I can see it's personal right now. That land in Busby, the reason we got involved. In Busby, an elder was shot at. Our water got contaminated. Our land is important to us. We stepped in to support our cause. There is over \$100,000 that is owed to our people. Get some of us involved and help the situation. You had a revival in here in this very building to help each other. There is something going on out there and the societies. I can see this getting personal, this is not Crow, this is not Lodge Grass.

Henry Speelman-Your two minutes is up.

RD Bailey-Thank you for allowing me to say a couple words. It's a sad day, there is no integrity within this circle. From sitting on the outside, it's about friendships, favors and pat on the back. These complaints getting thrown out as they are, is ridiculous. It should be based off a legal basis. How your lawyer guides you. I just tried to get a personnel manual, I can't even get it. It doesn't make any sense. How are you going to alleviate this? It's embarrassing. Where's our leadership? I'm ashamed today, and it's not even being conducted in a professional way. Not just saying that 6 of us can kill a resolution. Settle something on a professional level. Adult to adult, reasoning.

President Peña-In the Constitution it's our job to decide on the land. That totally lies in the Councils hands.

Debra Charette-We overrode it and we asked that she advertise for a five member land committee.

Kenny Medicinebull-Talk about being professional. We need to respect our leaders. I'm supposed to have all respect to you. You're our leader, I apologized and shook her hand. I tried to sneak some popcorn, she turned away. This Land Authority, number one they said we can go onto any land and do our business. The code of federal regulations doesn't allow that. That's your land, they just can't come on there and do whatever they want. This Ordinance should have never been approved by BIA. You want any information from Land Authority, you have to talk to director. Whoever that Director was didn't do his job. Instead he wanted to extend the lease for another year. They have another director that works the same way.

Robert Simpson-You want to step up?

Kenny Medicinebull-I sat back there and listen to everybody. I'm an elder, I still have all my paints in the Sundance.

Stella Wallowing-Shouldn't Diane be listening instead of walking out.

Tweety Littlebird-I want to apologize for hollering. We just didn't just put this together. There was the majority of the societies, we came to support the Land Authority. I asked in a good way not to give it back to the Bureau. We decided we want to work with the Council that can do something better. That is wrong to do that. What about the money that is owed to the Land owners? The Council is the board. You guys got mixed up in how you processed it. We are ready to bring that to the table if we have to. I have a lot of respect for you. The people need to know something, we have grandchildren. You sat there and talked about hiring practices. What's the Headstart doing over there that's not even a member? I don't think myself, the legal opinions, releasing Gene wasn't right. Did you read how he was terminated? You released him because lack of duty. This is personal, that is not the way to conduct business. It's not to get rid of you, it's how you're conducting things. There's a lot of them. Then start putting a cultural stance. You guys, it was an override, you took it back to the Bureau. Isn't she just supposed to sign and give it back? We asked, what is the process? What about this lady, we're talking about kids. Since I've been home, I've been living a prayerful life. If it means I get whipped, so be it. I'm going to stand up for my people, stand up for my children. Since he got down there, there's stuff that people can use. What about this grazing? We're ahead of you guys. How can the water at Stebbins Creek be contaminated. You guys he deserves to have a chance. He is not just a half breed, he is a member of the Elks. That's our only hope over there for our societies to survive. You guys are acting like Trump. You're going to pick a board, when you were supposed to advertise.

Dana Eaglefeathers-We can save our arguments if it goes to a hearing.

Stella Wallowing-Why is the BIA here? This is for the tribal members.

Branden Mikkanen-We received a call that there was a disturbance here.

Florene Whiteman-There was a disturbance here.

Stella Wallowing-As a landowner, where is our money? Why are you trying to get Gene out when the land owner hasn't been paid?

Tom LaFranier-I'm a land owner, I didn't get paid. Rennie said, it's all hearsay. Use both ears, listen to both sides.

President Peña-We both have rights, Gene has rights, and I have rights.

Stella Wallowing-Why should we have respect for Council when they don't have respect for us? Why do you need to make a decision? We want to approve it.

President Peña-I'm a land owner too. None of this has nothing to do about me not getting paid. I didn't have a say so in any of this.

Dana Eaglefethers-This is per the Constitution. It was actually the Sgt. At Arms duty to get this where it's at today. It's a process that needs to be done.

MOTION MADE BY DANA EAGLEFEATHERS TO CONDUCT A HEARING ON THE COMPLAINT FOR THE REMOVAL OF PRESIDENT PENA, SUBMITTED BY GENE SMALL. SECOND BY WAYLON ROGERS.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman		X		
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk		X		
Henry Speelman		X		
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk		X		
Ernest Littlemouth		X		
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

6 votes Yes	5 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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Dana Eaglefeathers-To be included in the resolution for the hearing, the date for the hearing will be February 26, 2020 in the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council Chambers, at 10:00 a.m. Packets for the hearing will be due in the Tribal Secretary's office by February 14, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. The Hearing Officer will be determined by the next Tribal Council Meeting.

RODEO MANAGER APPOINTMENT-TY FISCHER-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPOINTING TY FISCHER AS THE RODEO MANAGER FOR YEARS 2020, 2021, 2022. Motion made by Dana Eaglefeathers. Second by Philip Beckman.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman			X	
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell			X	

9 votes Yes	0 votes No	2 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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THUNDERCHILD RENOVATION-VICTORY OUTREACH-DIANE SPOTTEDELK

Dana Eaglefeathers-We don't have a resolution.

Diane Spottedelk-There is a meeting on Monday, with Victory Outreach at 10:00 a.m. in Maxine's office.

President Peña-Winfield is setting up a time when Victory Outreach will be here.

Vice President Russell-They specialize in Meth. We talked to them before, I told them we'd set up a meeting, you Council might have questions.

Merlin Sioux-We met with people before, but they wanted the Tribe to pay for propane, and electricity.

Debbie Charette-There's lots of questions. What kind of treatment, are they going to charge?

President Peña-It's a free service.

**MOTION MADE BY DANA EAGLEFEATHERS TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM #13.
SECOND BY PHILIP BECKMAN.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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BREAK @ 1:10 P.M.

RECONVENE @ 1:45 P.M.

LAND/GRAZING BOARD AMENDMENT-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS

MOTION MADE BY DANA EAGLEFEATHERS TO AMEND THE LAND AUTHORITY TO REMOVE THE PRESIDENT AND REPLACE WITH VICE PRESIDENT UNTIL AFTER THE HEARING. THE NC LAND OWNERS COMMITTEE WILL BE

**RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SOLICITATION AND SELECTION OF THE LAND
AUTHORITY BOARD. SECOND BY WAYLON ROGERS.
ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman		X		
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk		X		
Henry Speelman		X		
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk		X		
Ernest Littlemouth		X		
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell		X		

5 votes Yes	6 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Failed
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Dana Eaglefeathers-This resolution the Land Authority Committee, removing the President from any part of that until the hearing can be established. It's from the information we received from the annual review from the BIA. It says that the Land Authority was doing everything right for the 638 contract. There's a couple of reasons for this amendment. It's the reason why the complaint came in. Because of all the hindrances and nothing coming forward. We should remove the President and put William in that position and solicit for that board. BIA just doesn't put anything in their reports unless their actualities. This is the FY19 review.

Amanda Whiteshirt-If I don't like the way it's running, I should invent my own committee.

Dana Eaglefeathers-The reason why I'm trying to do the amendment, is from the BIA letter.

Amanda Whiteshirt-We as community members don't get the information on what's going on. I said over and over, I said start doing a newsletter.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Do you care to comment?

Amanda-I made like 200 of them and put them all over town. I know on Facebook, there's a lot of people that can do it.

Stella Wallowing-There's billboards out there. Put them on the billboard.

Dana Eaglefeathers-You are going against the review that came from BIA. For the record.

Darlene Soldierwolf-Can you explain to all the people here what passed.

Dana Eaglefeathers-It didn't pass.

Florine- Why can't we do here what we do with the state of Montana. We should be helping our ranchers, there's young people that are into ranching, we should help them.

MINI HOUSE-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS

Some years ago, tribal members lost their home to a fire. The home was insured but no claim was filed. I did contact AMERIND, they have mini houses sitting down there. The board has established that they would sell them for \$40,000 a piece. We went to the Housing Board last night. They still have to establish the dollar amount of OPA revenues. It happened way before our time. The two attorneys will get together and establish what is owed to the Tribe. They will take that amount off the top.

Philip-I think we need to table it until we have an amount.

Dana-There's an unrestricted amount, we haven't been able to get anything. We will try to get amounts before the next Council meeting.

WITHDRAWN

COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT AMENDMENT-DANA EAGLEFEATHERS

MOTION MADE BY DANA EAGLEFEATHERS TO REVISE RESOLUTION NO. DOI-139 (2019), TO APPOINT NEW CHARITY COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND TO REMOVE THE CHAIRMAN POSITION, ALSO TO INCLUDE ALL TRIBAL COUNCIL AS AGENDA COMMITTEE MEMBERS. SECOND BY PHILIP BECKMAN.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette				X
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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BOYS & GIRLS CLUB NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH-EMMA HARRIS

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE TO SUPPORT AND DECLARES JANUARY 2020 AS NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE RESERVATION. Motion made by Philip Beckman. Second by Waylon Rogers.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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HOLIDAY SCHEDULE-HENRY SPEELMAN

President Peña-I think some of the tribal holidays should be commemorations.

Diane Spottedelk-So these are just all days, that we take off. That's a lot of days.

Stella Wallowing-Why do you have so many tribal holidays?

Darlene Soldierwolf-It's not fair for people that work for emergency services. Some of them don't get paid if they do work a holiday.

Diane Spottedelk-There's about 3 of them I don't agree with. No.

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING THE HOLIDAY LIST FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020. Motion made by Henry Speelman. Second by Merlin Sioux.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk		X		
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers				X
Vice President Russell	X			

9 votes Yes	1 vote No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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NOXIOUS WEED MANAGEMENT PLAN-RON BURNS

Ron Burns-We're going after federal funding for cost share. There is possibility for federal funding for planning.

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NOXIOUS WEED MANGEMENT PLAN. Motion made by Merlin Sioux. Second by Henry Speelman.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers				X
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

10 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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NCAI MEMBERSHIP/DUES-LANE SPOTTEDELK

APPROVAL OF NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS MEMBERSHIP AND ANNUAL DUES PAYMENT. Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. Second by Philip Beckman.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell				X

10 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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BIA FUNDING-NATURAL RESOURCE-JASON WHITEMAN

Jason Whiteman-The proposal went in under Shanny Spang-Gion. We've never been fully funded. There is pharmaceutical contamination. The chemicals we take, discharge into the sewer line. I don't know how high they are. Hopefully by 2021 we can get recommendations on what to do about it.

Lane Spottedelk-What's the amount of funding?

Jason Whiteman-Should be for \$99,000.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Is that \$99,000 for two years.

Darlene Soldierwolf-A lot of these septic tanks were just put in, some of them weren't deep enough.

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL ACCEPTS FUNDING FROM THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AUTHORIZING THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE TO ENTER A TWO-YEAR JOINT FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY TO CONTINUE THE HYDROLOGIC ASSESSMENT WITH AN EMPHASIS ON WATER QUALITY WITHIN THE LAME DEER CREEK BASIN WATERSHED (FY20-FY21), MEASURE AND WATER GROUNDWATER AND STREAMFLOW MONITORING AND SURFACE-WATER GAGING STATIONS ON THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE RESERVATION FOR THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT. Motion made by Philip Beckman. Second by Lane Spottedelk.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk				X
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers				X
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

9 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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LAND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS-PRESIDENT PENA

President Pena-Resolution read into record to appoint Keene Bends, Ryhal Rowland, Mary Ann Bearcomesout, Adeline Fox, Glen Talawyma.

MOTION MADE BY MERLIN SIOUX TO TABLE THE APPOINTMENTS, TO ADVERTISE FOR TEN WORKING DAYS (OPEN JANUARY 27-CLOSE FEBRUARY 7, 2020), WITH CONCURRENCE ON FEBRUARY 18, 2020. SECOND BY DANA EAGLEFEATHERS.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk		X		
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

10 votes Yes	1 vote No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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Amanda Whiteshirt-Was there an advertisement?

President Peña-There were advertisements put out in November.

Debra Charette-You have to post them.

Merlin Sioux-I didn't see anything where you solicited. Come down and share your ideas, we need to sit down and hash things out.

President Peña-You've been pressuring. What do you want me to do?

Dana Eaglefeathers-Let's sit down and look at the letters of interest.

Waylon Rogers-When I didn't have enough for my task force, I re-advertised.

Amanda Whiteshirt-All the committees, put it out. Same with jobs.

Ryhal Rowland-I go above and beyond to get it out.

Debra Charette-I know it goes on the website and Facebook, but a lot of people don't see it.

Clayton Small-You guys continue and not make decisions. You guys have policies and rules that you have to follow. If you do that, you can conduct business. If you advertised it, pass it and get it done.

Dorothy Jackman-Scrutinize the people that get on the Land Authority. Don't do it because it's your relative or friend. I'll be submitting one. To take care of the cattlemen, that are dead serious about our land.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Exits @ 3:10 p.m.

President Peña-Strike # 22

COAL BOARD GRANT-FONDA REDFOX

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE FY 2020 - SUBMISSION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION, MONTANA COAL IMPACT GRANT APPLICATION FOR AN ACTIVITY CENTER THAT WILL INCLUDE A CHILD CARE CENTER AND IMMERSION SCHOOL LOCATED IN LAME DEER, MONTANA. Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. Second by Henry Speelman.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers				X
Vice President Russell	X			

10 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE HISTORICAL GRANT-FONDA REDFOX

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE FY 2020 TOURISM GRANT PROGRAM PROPOSAL TO THE MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OFFICE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION, MONTANA HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT PROGRAM. Motion made by Philip Beckman. Second by Eva Foote.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			

Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers				X
Vice President Russell	X			

10 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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STATE TRUST FUND GRANT-FONDA REDFOX

MOA with Chief Dull Knife, they will administer the grant.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE FY 2020 BUSINESS PLANNING GRANT PROPOSAL TO THE MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE – OFFICE OF TOURISM AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DIVISION’S BIG SKY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND PROGRAM TO MATCH THE FUNDING FOR THE BUSINESS PLANNING, MARKET ANALYSIS AND FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A TRAVEL CENTER. Motion made by Philip Beckman. Second by Lane Spottedelk.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers				X
Vice President Russell	X			

10 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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INDIAN HIGHWAY GRANT-FONDA REDFOX

Pauline Highwolf-Something needs to be done with the truckers. The school bus drivers are having problems with them. One of my daughters had to pull kids back and the truck went flying by. Something needs to be done for the safety of our people

Dana Eaglefeathers returns at 3:36 p.m.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE FY 2021 GRANT YEAR FOR THE US DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, BIA INDIAN HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAM LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT. Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. Second by Philip Beckman.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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CCDF GRANT-FONDA REDFOX

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE FY 2021 GRANT YEAR FOR THE NATIONAL CENTER ON TRIBAL EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION AND MAJOR RENOVATION APPLICATION FOR AI/AN CCDF GRANT. Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. Second by Philip Beckman.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

11 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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CANNABIS TASK FORCE APPOINTMENTS-WAYLON ROGERS

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CANNABIS TASK FORCE (Ashland District-Jerry Thex, Birney District -Doris Medicine Bull, Busby District-Susan Littlewolf, Lane Deer District-Corey Spotted Elk, Muddy District-Brandyn Limberhand, At Large-Pamela Sooktis). Motion made by Waylon Rogers. Second by Philip Beckman.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			

Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote			X	
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman		X		
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell	X			

9 votes Yes	1 vote No	1 Abstention	Motion Carried
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RESCIND RESOLUTION NO. DOI-156 (2017)-DIANE SPOTTEDELK

Diane Spottedelk-I thought it was the 638 status for passing the resolution.

Dana Eaglefeathers-I would recommend, all the actions that were taken, his situation is in appeals right now. The termination is in appeals. They're going to hear it. I think we should table it until the next meeting.

Diane Spottedelk-Right now, we just have an acting. Through all of this, regardless of which way the hearing goes.

Dana Eaglefeathers-Before you dissolve it, he should be reinstated. With that resolution, the President doesn't have that authority to terminate anyway. I would refer it back to the board.

President Peña-This was presented by you because this secures his position.

Dana Eaglefeathers-I think it's premature to pass it now. The appeals chair said they are going to set a hearing. Because of all the legalities involved we should hold off on this. What Stella was talking about, it would be the ethical thing to do is just step back. It's all intertwined with everything that's going on right now.

President Peña-You threw it on the President and Vice President and said that we made this mess.

MOTION MADE BY DIANE SPOTTEDELK TO RESCIND RESOLUTION NO. DOI 156 (2017). SECOND BY PHILIP BECKMAN.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette		X		
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote		X		
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux		X		

Lane Spottedelk		X		
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers		X		
Dana Eaglefeathers		X		
Vice President Russell		X		

4 votes Yes	7 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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Dana Eaglefeathers-He is still in the appeals process.

REQUEST EXECUTIVE SESSION @ 3:48 p.m.

For the record, for clarification of the actions that were taken prior to exiting the Executive Session, I am providing the following written statement.

Normally, I do not attend Executive Sessions, nothing is to be recorded while in Executive Session. My presence was requested shortly before the Tribal Council exited the executive portion of the meeting. While in Executive Session, Vice President Russell explained that he did not understand the vote for the complaint submitted by Gene Small. He stated that he wanted to change his vote, Eva Foote also made a statement that she changed her vote. The following is the revised vote count.

MOTION MADE BY DANA EAGLEFEATHERS TO CONDUCT A HEARING ON THE COMPLAINT FOR THE REMOVAL OF PRESIDENT PENA, SUBMITTED BY GENE SMALL. SECOND BY WAYLON ROGERS.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman		X		
Eva Foote		X		
Diane Spottedelk		X		
Henry Speelman		X		
Merlin Sioux	X			
Lane Spottedelk		X		
Ernest Littlemouth		X		
Waylon Rogers	X			
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell		X		

4 votes Yes	7 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Failed
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EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION @ 4:31 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT OF COUNCIL MEETING. Motion made by Philip Beckman. Second by Debra Charette.

ROLL CALL VOTE:


	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman	X			
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			
Merlin Sioux				X
Lane Spottedelk	X			
Ernest Littlemouth	X			
Waylon Rogers				X
Dana Eaglefeathers				X
Vice President Russell	X			

8 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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ADJOURNED @ 4:31 P.M.

MINUTES WERE TABLED AT THE REQUEST OF PRESIDENT PENA. DUE TO THE AGENDA ITEM REGARDING THE COMPLAINT FOR REMOVAL OF THE PRESIDENT (PAGE 26).

PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED by the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council with 11 votes for passage and adoption, 0 votes against passage and adoption, and 0 abstentions this 25th day of March 2020.


 Melissa Lonebear, Secretary
 Northern Cheyenne Tribe