

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

SPECIAL SESSION

MINUTES

October 13 & 14, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: President Pena called the meeting to order at 4:58 p.m.

INVOCATION: Henry Speelman

ROLL CALL:

	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Debra Charette	X		
Philip Beckman-TELECONFERENCE	X		
Eva Foote	X		
Diane Spotted Elk	X		
Henry Speelman	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Lane Spotted Elk	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		Arr. 5:06 p.m.
Waylon Rogers-TELECONFERENCE	X		Arr. 5:32 p.m.
Dana Eaglefeathers- TELECONFERENCE	X		
Winfield Russell, Vice President		X	Medical
Rynalea Peña, President	X		

Quorum Established

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Peña-There will be an election office here in the chambers on the 14th, 21st, and 28th, from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Everyone needs to check their mail box for ballots.

PERMANENT FUND ALLOCATION FY21

RECESS @ 5:02 P.M. for Permanent Fund Board Meeting

ROLL CALL:

	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Debra Charette	X		
Philip Beckman-TELECONFERENCE	X		
Eva Foote	X		
Diane Spotted Elk	X		
Henry Speelman	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Lane Spotted Elk	X		

Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Waylon Rogers- TELECONFERENCE		X	
Dana Eaglefeathers- TELECONFERENCE	X		
Winfield Russell, Vice President		X	Medical
Rynalea Peña, President	X		

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE FIRST MODIFICATION OF PERMANENT FUND ALLOCATION FY (21). Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. 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				
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell				

9 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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ADJOURNMENT OF PERMANENT FUND BOARD MEETING. Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. 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				
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell				

9 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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BUDGETS

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION AND OR ADOPTION OF CERTAIN BUDGETS

FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF AVAILABLE FUNDS: 559-NEW. 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				
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell				

9 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: 805 HOMELESS SHELTER.

Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. 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				
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell				

9 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: 239-206. Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. Second by Debra Charette.

Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. 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				
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell				

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

REPASSAGE OF AUGUST 17, 2020 COUNCIL ACTIONS (8 Resolutions and 3 Ordinances). Motion made by Henry Speelman. 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				
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell				

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

*Resolutions were not submitted to the BIA by the deadline date due to Covid 19 infections within the tribal Administration Department.

RECESS @ 5:19 P.M. UNTIL WEDNESDAY, 10/14 2020 @ 1:00 P.M.

10/14/20 RECONVENE @ 4:32 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Debra Charette		X	
Philip Beckman-TELECONFERENCE	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		Arr. @ 5:50 p.m.
Dana Eaglefeathers- TELECONFERENCE	X		

Winfield Russell, Vice President		X	Medical
Rynalea Peña, President	X		

Quorum Established

President Peña-Satellite voting had 15 voters and 5 ballots were cast today.

CANNABIS TASK FORCE BOARD RECOGNITION-DIANE SPOTTEDELK

Dana Eaglefeathers-They wanted to change the name of their committee.

Lane Spottedelk-I agree with the intent, as a governing body we need to make sure that they keep the council apprised of negotiations.

Dana Eaglefeathers-The other question they had was the compensation for them if they are a fully functioning board.

President Peña-They have never invited me to a meeting.

RESOLUTION ADDRESSING THE REQUEST OF THE CANNABIS TASK FORCE TO BE RECOGNIZED AS THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE CANNABIS BOARD, WHICH WILL ACT ON BEHALF OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE IN TRIBAL-STATE MEDICAL MARIJUANA COMPACT NEGOTIATIONS AND WILL CONTINUE, AS A BOARD, TO DEVELOP BOARD FRAMEWORK AND TRIBAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MEDICAL MARIJUANA INDUSTRY ON THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE RESERVATION. Motion made by Diane Spottedelk. Second by Dana Eaglefeathers.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

7 votes Yes	1 vote No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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Debra Charette arrived @ 5:16 p.m.

CANNABIS TASK FORCE LLC ESTABLISHMENT-DIANE SPOTTEDELK

**MOTION MADE BY DANA EAGLEFEATHERS TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM.
SECOND BY DIANE 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				
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell				

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

BOARDS, COMMITTEES, & COMMISSIONS REPORTING-DEBRA CHARETTE

RESOLUTION REQUIRING ALL BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS TO SUBMIT MONTHLY WRITTEN REPORTS TO THE TRIBAL PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL. Motion made by Debra Charette. 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				
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell				

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

FORENSIC AUDIT SERVICES-HENRY SPEELMAN (PRESENTING FOR PHILIP)

Dana Eaglefeathers-If you add NCDC, Utilities, and Land & Grazing, I'll vote yes for this.

Debra Charette-Where are we getting the money to pay for this?

President Peña-There's \$20,000 in one line item.

Merlin Sioux-How many years are you going back?

Henry Speelman-Philip, how many years are you going back?

Philip Beckman-My understanding, is going back 12 months at a minimum. If there's nothing, then you can go back further.

President Peña-A forensic audit is internal.

APPROVAL AGREEMENT FOR FORENSIC AUDIT SERVICES NORTHERN CHEYENNE UTILITIES COMMISSION, NORTHERN CHEYENNE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, AND LAND & GRAZING. 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				
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell				

9 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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*Debra Charette & Merlin Sioux originally voted no, and changed their votes to yes, before the adjournment of the meeting.

*Resolution did not make the BIA deadline due to incomplete language included in the draft.

HEADSTART-ROBERTA HARRIS

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING AND ADOPTING MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS, FOR THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE HEAD START PROGRAM. 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				
Dana Eaglefeathers			X	
Vice President Russell				

8 votes Yes 0 votes No 1 Abstention Motion Carried

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING AND ADOPTING EDUCATION AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT SYSTEMS, FOR THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE HEAD START PROGRAM. 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				
Dana Eaglefeathers				X
Vice President Russell				

8 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING AND ADOPTING CHANGES TO THE ERSEA/ENROLLMENT PLAN, STANDARDS OF CONDUCT, FOR THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE HEAD START PROGRAM. 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				
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell				

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

BREAK @ 5:17 P.M.

RECONVENE @ 5:29 P.M.

AGENDA ADDITION-HEADSTART PROVISION. Motion made by Debra Charette.
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				
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell				

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

AGENDA ADDITION-WELLNESS CENTER. Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. 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				
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell				

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

HEADSTART PROVISION-ROBERTA HARRIS

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING AND ADOPTING TRIBAL COUNCIL PROVISION OF INFORMATION, FOR THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE HEAD START PROGRAM. Motion made by Debra Charette.
Second by Diane 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				
Dana Eaglefeathers	X			
Vice President Russell				

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

WELLNESS CENTER-LANE SPOTTEDELK

Lane Spottedelk-The Tribal Council authorizes this project for a 2nd floor and transformer to be included in the Wellness Center.

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT AND ALLOCATE FUNDING TO THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE WELLNESS CENTER SECOND FLOOR MODIFICATION TO BE CONSTRUCTED BY BEARSTAR INC. Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. 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				

10 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

LIHEAP GRANT-LANE SPOTTEDELK

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING THE LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020. Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. 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				

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

AGENDA ADDITION-RMTLC EPIDEMIOLOGY. 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				

9 votes Yes 1 vote No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

RECESS FOR PERMANENT FUND BOARD MEETING @ 5:48 P.M.

PERMANENT FUND BOARD MEETING

RESOLUTION APPROVING NEW TARGET ALLOCATIONS FOR NORTHERN CHEYENNE PERMANENT FUND INVESTMENTS RECOMENDED BY FIRST INTERSTATE BANK. Motion made by Lane Spottedelk. Second by Eva Foote.

	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				

10 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT OF PERMANENT FUND BOARD MEETING. Motion made by Eva Foote. 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				

10 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

PF BOARD MEETING ADJOURNED @ 5:55 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING. Motion made by Henry Speelman. Second by Merlin Sioux.

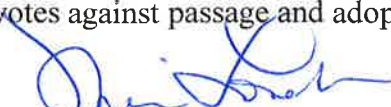
ROLL CALL VOTE:

	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				

10 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

ADJOURNED @ 5:55 P.M.

PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED by the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council with 10 votes for passage and adoption, 0 votes against passage and adoption, and 0 abstentions this 18th day of November 2020.


Melissa Lonebear, Secretary
Northern Cheyenne Tribe