

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

**REGULAR SESSION COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
August 16, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER: President Fisher called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

INVOCATION: Don "Pork Chops" Shoulderblade

ROLL CALL:

	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		Arr 10:43 a.m.
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin		X	Sick
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		
President Fisher	X		

Quorum Established

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tracy Robinson-Are we still on for the meeting with Shakopee?

Sheldon King-Yes, we are scheduled to leave Thursday, and the meeting is scheduled for Friday.

Tracy Robinson-Is anyone from Administration going?

Sheldon King-She was supposed to talk to them.

President Fisher-She talked to me but didn't mention the meeting. It was about a personnel issue.

Sheldong King-All seven reservation want to start a coalition. The meeting is tomorrow at noon. We came back from Spokane, our Headstart is still delinquent for our enrollment plan and COLA. Lula Howard came back with a template, and never received it from our Headstart yet. Our language preservation, there's funding for that. We really need to get on our Headstart.

Tracy Robinson-Can you guys formulate a report to give to Administration? Start putting things in writing, showing that they're not following through.

Sheldon King-William saw firsthand, we're not prepared. He gave us the top three national issues. This is crucial, we need to stop stamping these presentations in here. Clyde needs to be present.

MOTION MADE BY TRACY ROBINSON TO RECESS OUT OF THE COUNCIL MEETING FOR THE PERMANENT FUND BOARD MEETING. SECOND BY JOE FOX, JR.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow			
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

RECESS @ 10:33 A.M.

PERMANENT FUND UPDATE-PAUL MCKEAN/LYNN CARAVEAU

ROLL CALL:

	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		Arr 10:43 a.m.
Joe Fox, Jr.	x		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin		X	Sick
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		
President Fisher	X		

Quorum Established

Paul McKean-The market has been doing well, which is good for our permanent fund. We're not expecting huge returns, but expecting positive returns. The key to stocks are the earnings. When earnings are up, stocks follow. We focus on what we see in the economy overall. On page 40 is the asset allocation plan, approved last fall. On page 41 & 42, we're recommending a few changes. I will show you are new recommended targets. These are from all the managers that were approved last fall. We recommend a zero allocation for two. I'm requesting the changes in the memo. The index fund is one that the managers track very closely.

Lynn Caraveau-Tami has been working on the annual report to the community. We were wondering if you set a date for that.

Tami Ontiveros-We haven't scheduled anything. I'll work with Al Fisher.

A RESOLUTION OF NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING NEW TARGET ALLOCATIONS FOR NORTHERN CHEYENNE PERMANENT FUND INVESTMENTS RECOMENDED BY FIRST INTERSTATE BANK. Motion made by Joe Fox, Jr. Second by Conrad Fisher.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow			
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT OF PERMANENT FUND MEETING. Motion made by Tracy Robinson. Second by Conrad Fisher.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow			
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			

Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

PF MEETING ADJOURNED @ 10:42 A.M.

RECONVENE COUNCIL MEETING @ 10:42 A.M.

BUDGETS-ELOISE SNOW

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION AND OR ADOPTION OF CERTAIN BUDGETS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF AVAILABLE FUNDS: 050-INDIRECT COST POOL-\$2,590,386.00, FUND 100-GENERAL FUND-\$2,464,989.00. Motion made by Tracy Robinson. Second by Conrad Fisher.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow			X
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 1 Abstention 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 050-INDIRECT COST POOL -\$2,590,386.00, FUND 100-GENERAL FUND-\$2,081,843.00. Motion made by Tracy Robinson. Second by Benji Headswift

King.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow			X
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.			X
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift	X		

Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		

7 votes Yes 0 votes No 2 Abstentions Motion Carried

MINUTES-TRIBAL SECRETARY

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: DECEMBER 7, 2015. Motion made by Joe Fox, Jr. Second by Tracy Robinson.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.			X
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift			ABSENT
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		

8 votes Yes 0 votes No 1 Abstention Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: DECEMBER 21, 2015. Motion made by Tracy Robinson. Second by Vice President Russell.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.			X
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift			ABSENT
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		

8 votes Yes 0 votes No 1 Abstention Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: JANUARY 4, 2016. Motion made by Tracy Robinson. Second by Joe Fox, Jr.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.			X
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		

8 votes Yes 0 votes No 1 Abstention Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: JANUARY 12, 2016. Motion made by Joe Fox, Jr. Second by Tracy Robinson.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.			ABSENT
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux			X
Benji Headswift	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		

8 votes Yes 0 votes No 1 Abstention Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: JANUARY 20, 2016 & FEBRUARY 1, 2016. Motion made by Tracy Robinson. Second by Eloise Snow.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.			ABSENT
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux			X

Benji Headswift	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		

8 votes Yes 0 votes No 1 Abstention Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: FEBRUARY 2, 2016. Motion made by Tracy Robinson. Second by Sheldon King.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.			
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux			X
Benji Headswift	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		

8 votes Yes 0 votes No 1 Abstention Motion Carried

CHEYENNE DISCOURSE-DOCUMENTATION AND ANALYSIS

Sarah Murphy-I've been here for the last 11 summers. We would like to get copies of all the Cheyenne stories, we would like to get all NSF funding to create a data base. The goal of the project is to collect, and digitize the stories. I've attached a project description. We will collect all the materials, and digitize.

Conrad Fisher-The 2 languages didn't come together until the 1840's. Even from 50 years ago, the language is a little different. It's extremely important to revitalize and archive. It's an excellent opportunity to gather the information.

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL PROVIDING CONSENT TO CONDUCT CDKC'S AND CORNELL'S PROPOSED RESEARCH TITLED "CHEYENNE DISCOURSE: DOCUMENTATION AND ANALYSIS" REGARDING DIGITIZING AND ARCHIVING EXISTING CHEYENNE STORIES. Motion made by Conrad Fisher. Second by Vice President Russell.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		

Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		

10 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

LIHEAP-LETHA WHITEWOLF

President Fisher-Is there a dollar amount?

Letha Whitewolf-We won't know until we get the award letter.

Eloise Snow-Has there been an increase or decrease?

Letha Whitewolf-Last year there was a decrease. I wanted to bring up the issue of WAPA. William and I met with the TRECO Director. He said we probably wouldn't receive WAPA for a couple of years. The money should still be coming down from the western area.

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVING THE LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017. Motion made by Tracy Robinson. Second by Joe Fox, Jr.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		

10 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

Joe Fox, Jr.-They anticipated the legal action that was taken, the consumer is paying the penalty. WAPA is actually a federal mandate by Congress, it's a subsidy. They shouldn't use that, the money should be coming back to LIHEAP. We need to have the legal ramifications mandated.

President Fisher-The Co-op membership was never notified. The WAPA is set aside for the Northern Cheyenne people.

Joe Fox, Jr.-To justify this information, the Vice President can bring it to the Tribal Leaders Council. I think other tribes are facing the same dilemma. Winfield, maybe you can put it on the next agenda.

MOTION MADE BY TRACY ROBINSON TO HAVE ADMINISTRATION CONTACT OUR ATTORNEY TO HAVE HIM LOOK INTO THE BACKGROUND OF WAPA. SECOND BY JOE FOX, JR.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift	X		
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		

10 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

Bilford Curley-I want to thank the Council. We've been out of WAPA. Thank you for stepping up and helping elders out.

Benji Headswift exits at 11:36 a.m. for a medical appointment

THPO-STANDING ROCK SIOUX SUPPORT

Teanna Limpy-This is in regards to the Dakota Access Pipeline. Cheyenne River and Standing Rock have filed an injunction. The Cheyenne haven't been involved, just a couple of individual tribal members. It's important for our tribe to support and participate.

Conrad Fisher-All of it is private land, if there are federal dollars, it becomes a federal undertaking. This is something we should take an interest in and support. I made some correction. I want to stress that we do have an interest in the whole region.

Joe Fox, Jr.-Can you get a copy of the lawsuit so we have it on record?

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF THE STANDING ROCK SIOUX TRIBE, THE CHEYENNE RIVER SIOUX TRIBE AND ALL MISSOURI RIVER TRIBES IN OPPOSITION TO THE

CONSTRUCTION OF THE DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE. Motion made by Tracy Robinson. Second by Conrad Fisher.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift			
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell	X		ABSENT

9 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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**CHILDCARE POLICIES & PROCEDURES-ANN KNOWSHISGUN
NOT PRESENT-WRITTEN REQUEST RECEIVED TO TABLE**

GRIZZY BEAR LEGAL ACTION-DAVID BEARSHIELD

David Bearshield-I am the Chairman of the GOAL Coalition. There was a letter of agreement faxed to the Tribal Council. The grizzly bear will be removed from the endangered species list and will be trophy hunted at the end of this month. No money will be given and the Northern Cheyenne Tribe will not be charged in this case. The proposal for delisting will take place at the end of the month.

Tracy Robinson-Have you been in contact with Brian Chestnut?

President Fisher-I support what you're doing.

Conrad Fisher-Have we talked to Brian about this particular resolution?

Tracy Robinson-I'm calling right now.

Conrad Fisher-There are cultural resource laws. This avenue has been going on for some time. We submitted a resolution opposing the delisting. We told them to come over and meet government to government. They were give that resolution opposing the delisting. I want to make sure we're all on the same track. We will talk to our attorney about this. We're really cautious about making sure we're all on the same page.

David Bearshield-If you would pass this today, an amendment could be in there. We want to make sure the Northern Cheyenne are on board with us.

Joe Fox, Jr.-I think it's great what you're doing. To be on the safe side, we need to look at the legal aspects. I think it would be good to wait for Brian's legal advice.

Recess @ 12:13 p.m.

Reconvene @ 2:44 p.m.

President Fisher-We met with our attorney and we don't know about the third party language.

Tracy Robinson-Our attorney is off site. He'll be here next week. He did not write the resolution but he did make comments.

David Bearshield-I talked to Mr. Chestnut. Mr. Fisher has the agenda item removed. Because of consultation in Bozeman, this resolution was released from your attorney to our attorney. I'm highly concerned that there's not remembrance on that. I want to make sure there's confirmation. We want to make see that clear communication is met. I do not want to leave the Northern Cheyenne out. My concern is, if we procrastinate, we'll be in the back. We've had an open forum for 4 months.

Tracy Robinson-The resolution we passed, we said we oppose the delisting of the grizzly. We still stand behind that. Just because we don't pass this resolution today, doesn't mean we don't support it.

David Bearshield-We could use this as a standing resolution. This supports strongly behind that.

Conrad Fisher-I hear what you're saying. Once again, there seems to be confusion and contradiction on the author of this resolution. Our attorney will be here next week. The extent of our support, whether or not this is the particular document. We need to get a handle on it. At this point, we don't know what's going on.

David Bearshield-There is a third party, the Reynolds group is paying for it.

Conrad Fisher-Our attorney is coming on the 23rd, we'll know exactly what we're going to do with this.

MOTION MADE BY SHELDON KING TO TABLE THE GRIZZLY BEAR LEGAL ACTION. SECOND BY CONRAD FISHER.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift			
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			

Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell			ABSENT

8 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

AGENDA ADDITION-ELECTION JUDGES & CLERKS. Motion made by Tracy Robinson.
Second by Sheldon King.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift			
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell			ABSENT

8 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

RESOLUTION APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES AND CLERKS FOR REGULAR PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTIONS OF 2016. Motion made by Tracy Robinson.

Second by Sheldon King.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift			
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell			ABSENT

8 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

Alberta Fisher-There's a lot going on with the drug & alcohol laws. I like these laws, there's alcohol and drugs all over. Our people are dying, are you in agreement with that? It needs to be enforced. You need to get on the ball. It's good, it's good for our people.

Tracy Robinson-We're working on them, the comments that everyone made are being inserted.

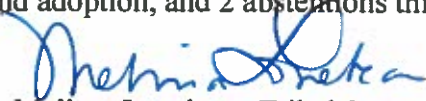
ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING. Motion made by Eloise Snow. Second by Conrad Fisher.
ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheldon King	X		
Eloise Snow	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Joe Fox, Jr.	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Benji Headswift			
Willie Rowland	X		
Oly McMakin			
Conrad Fisher	X		
Vice President Russell			ABSENT

9 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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Adjourned at 1:05 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 2 abstentions this 7th day of December 2016.


Melissa Lonebear, Tribal Secretary
Northern Cheyenne Tribe