# RESOLUTION OF THE WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

WHEREAS,

Land Office Director, Raymus Albert has come before the Tribal Council requesting approval of land board meeting minutes of April 19; May 3; June 14; and June 26, 1996; and

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the Tribal Council has reviewed the land board meeting minutes and is in agreement that the minutes should be approved without change.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the land board meeting minutes of April 19; May 3; June 14; and June 26, 1995 as presented.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>July 11, 1996</u>, duly adopted by a vote of <u>nine</u> for and <u>zero</u> against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (h), (I), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

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# April 19, 1996 Land Board Meeting.

A monthly land board meeting was held on April 19, 1996 in the Tribal Council Chambers. Members present were Lula Ann Ivins, Esther T. Lupe and Rimson Ethelbah. Slim Quay was absent.

- 1. Lavinia Ross Request for a homesite in the Rainbow Sub. Div. She was told the land she is requesting belongs to Housing Authority. Lavinia's application was put on hold.
- 2. Ronnie Altaha Request a farm land in Cedar Creek, 1/2 mile N. of R-14 Crossing Ranch which is 2 or 3 acres.

Farmland application was approved for Ronnie Altaha.

3. Eva Moody - came to the meeting regarding her late brother's house Roy Alchesay, which is located next to Dan Butter field in North Fork. Eva said she wanted Dan to move his fence line back because he was fencing in a bigger peace of land.

McDaniel advised Eva that her brother said he didn't mind that the land his house was on a small peace of land, also Roy was placed there due to emergency housing and that was the only spot available in that area. The land board will go out and look at the land site and see what can be done to extend the lot.

- 4. Oscar Selestwa request for a business site out in the North Fork area across from the IHS Hospital. Oscar was advised that the land he is requesting for are already assigned. Raymus advised Oscar that he could apply for the space to the north of the fence line. Oscar said he was going to look at the area mentioned. Business site was not approved.
- 5. David Malone Renewed his homesite application. Application was approved.
- 6. Alchesay High School Youth Center The Falcon Pride Club requested a land site for the Youth Center. The School received the land in-between the Fire Station and the old Apache Flame building. Also Raymus advised the members of the Club to be present at the next Council Meeting when the application is being presented to the Council to request for the sewer pond area, but as of this time the Land Office does not know what plans the Tribe has for the sewer area, and if no plans are made the Tribe could turn that land over to them, since the School requested for 3 to 4 acres of land to have the Youth Center built.

#### Youth Center Application was approved.

7. Dennis Massey - request to have land assignment approved for the Canyon Day Miracle Church in Canyon Day, relinquished to them by Cherita Burnette.

Dennis also advised the board the Church is going to relinquish the lot where the Church is now at over to Breezy Johnson.

Both relinquishment and Church application were approved.

- 8. Evangeline Gushoney request for Farmland in the Forestdale area for herself and her son Tyron Gushoney. She was advised the the land she is requesting is still under Land Dispute. The Land Board advised her that they will have a Special Land Board Meeting regarding this farmland and a letter will be sent out to her and family members. Farmland Application were put on hold.
- 9. Susan Higgins JFK School Principal request for any written documents protaining to the ownership of the land where the old Community Building use to be. Susan advised the Land Board that the School has funding to build a basketball court and play ground. She had approached the Community about this and they approved, but one family said the land she wants belongs to them, she checked with Realty at BIA and they did not have documents stating who owns the land she is requesting for the School.

  Raymus told her he will check into this matter for her and sent her a letter.
- 10. Colleen Skidmore requested for a homesite in Over The Rainbow. Her homesite application was approved.
- 11. Emilee White came to the meeting asking the land board not to pass the relinquishment to Ronald George form Lynden George. The land board advised her that since the land belongs to Lynden he can turn it over to anyone.
- 12. Charollette Shanchez request to have land surveyed and checked out in the East Fork area, by Nelson Lupe Sr. McDaniel said the homesite on file do not show any addition, and Charollette said they were approved through Tribal Council.
- 13. Hazard Walker Applied for a home in the 7-Mile, and relinquished his present homesite in East Fork back to W.M.A.T. Both application and Relinquishment were approved.
- 14. Myron Ethelbah request for a homesite in Turkey Creek by the Rodeo Grounds, his

application was approved, next to Lana Cosen.

- 15. Arnold Danford request for a farmland in Cibecue, the farmland was relinquished to him by his mother Esther Danford. The farm land is 1 mile South of Z-5 Spring which contains 5 acres. Farmland application was approved.
- 16. Velma Baha Advised the land board members that she had a land dispute with Issac Kasey regarding her farm land in North Fork. Velma advised the board that Issac had said the land did to belong to Velma anymore and there had been a Court Order regarding the farm land stating no one could farm there.

The Farm Land Issac Kasey is talking about belongs to Velma Baha, the Land Board did approve the application for her in which her late husband Sidney Baha had turned the Farmland over to her for Mother's Day.

- 17. Ruben Declay request for a homesite in Hondah lot # 89, his application was approved.
- 18. Joe Boni Request for a homesite in Facto area. Application was approved, Skill Center will build him a house with funding he received. Will pick up copy of application Monday.
- 19. Gina Webster Request for a homesite in the Hondah area, she was told the area she is requesting is not yet open for homesite. Gina also asked why did Brian Declay receive land in the area she is requesting? the land board advised her that Brian received a small portion of land not 200 X 200 and also he will be getting a house built in the area in which he will be developing soon.
- 20. Lavinia Ross request for a homesite N of Rainbow City Sub division. She was told the land she is requesting belongs to housing. Lavinia advised the board that she had already bought a trailer and she needs to place to put her trailer. Lavinia left to check with Housing Authority, and they approved the area for her since it isn't one acre, her application was approved.
- 21. Ronald George received relinquishment from Lynden George, the land board discuss this issue with Emilee, she said she was not aware of this relinquishment and she stated that she did not approve of this relinquishment even though she had relinquished the land over to her son Lynden George in 1985. The land board then decided that they will pass the relinquishment since the land belong to Lynden and he has every right to relinquish the land. Also the land will be surveyed requested by land board.
- 22. Grace Ethelbah request for a homesite in Rainbow, her homesite application was

approved, Land Board request that she turn in her relinquishment ASAP.

23. Verna Kahn - Request for land in Canyon Day next to Verna's mother's house. Verna & Billy also relinquished the land back to W.M.A.T. Both relinquishment and homesite application were approved.

Land Board Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m. Due to not getting to all Homesite and Farmland Applications there will be a continuing meeting at a later date.

#### Land Board Meeting June 14, 1996

A regular Land Board Meeting was held on June 14, 1996 in the Tribal Council Chambers. Members present were: Slim Quay, Lula Ivins, Esther T. Lupe and Rimson Ethelbah. Meeting opened at 9:30 A.M.

- 1. Westly Alchesay requested for a farmland in which his mother had turned over to him. He advised the board members that there had been several people talking about this farmland. Land Board approved his relinquishment.
- 2. Nanie Case came to request for a farmland in Forestdale for Rickey Skidmore. Nanie was advised the farmland she is requesting is still under dispute and until this dispute is settled then they will take action upon Rickey's farmland application.
- 3. Janet Craig request for a homesite in the Hondah area. She had received a homesite in the area in 1995 which was lot #12 and this same lot was assigned out to a Darleen Hudson in January 1995 and so Jent request for the lot next to Jackie Lee. Homesite application was approved.
- 4. Roice Payne requested for a homesite in Hondah next to Chris Thompson. Homesite application was approved.
- 5. Rosie Gorden Request for an addition next to the new Activity Center in Whiteriver. She was advised by the board members that the land she is requesting, the school may want to expand there present parking area onto the land she wants.

McDaniel will check with the School Dist. to find out if they have any future plans regarding the area Rosie is requesting. Application was put on hold.

- 6. Henry request for a farmland inxt to Maxcine Ball. Raymus will check this area out. Application was put on hold.
- 7. Emerson Tate request for a homesite in Lakeside off of homestaed Road. His application was approved.
- 8. Sherrilyn Kayson request for a homesite in Lakeside, homesite application was approved.
- 9. Juanita Skidmore request for a homeiste in Lakeside, homesite application was approved.
- 10. Joyce Bahe Request for a homesite in Lakeside area, her homesite application was approved.
- 11. Revalyn Nash Request for a homesite in 7-Mile next to Ronnie Gorage's res. Homesite application was approved.

12. Sally Gass and Lupita Williams came before the board to present there relinquishment from. Sally Gass received land from her mother, land was relinquish to her in the 7-Mile area. Relinquishment was approved.

Lupita Williams was advised to have her grandmother sign the relinquishment form for her and return it to the Land Office.

### THE FOLLOWING HOMESITE APPLICATIONS WERE THEN APPROVED:

5. Declay, Andrew East Fork 6. Edwards, Manual Sr. 7-Mile by. 7. Gloshay, Larold Post Ofc. Canyon. by. 8. Hill, Carol Kimberly Hondah #74 9. Kasey, Leo Canyon Day by. 10. Kayson, Sherrilynn Lakeside by. 11. Mason, Stanley/Isabelle Whiteriver by. 12. Nash, Revalyn 7-Mile by.	Nancy Nash Mary Quay  Roaslie Kasey Joyce Bahe Ronald Armstrong Jr. Ronnie George Chris Thompson
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### THE FOLLOWING RELINQUISHMENT WERE THEN APPROVED:

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## THE FOLLOWING HOMESITE APPLICATIONS WERE THEN DENIED OR TABLED:

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13. TATE LENA M. BURRETTE

14. PLATT VIRGINIA ROSE

15. PINAL FLORIA

16. NEWHALL JOSETTE N, WAY

17. MINJAREZ MARIO

18. JULIAM ANETHONY

19. ETHELBAH, CHARLES

20. HENRY, MELVIS

21. HUME, MARILYN 22. JAMES, LULA

23. REIDHEAD, VIRGINIA

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### THE FOLLOWING RELINQUISHMENT WERE THEN DENIED OR TABLED:

Yardley, Mary Verify who she is relinquishing land to.

No farmland applications were presented.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Next Land Board Meeting scheduled for July 12, 1996.

### Special Land Board Meeting

#### <u>June 26, 1996</u>

A special meeting was held on June 26, 1996 in the Tribal Council Chambers, involving the land dispute between Hilda Tessler's family and Eva Lupe's family.

The meeting opened at 9:30 a.m. members present were: Slim Quay, Lula Ivins and Esther T. Lupe. Rimson Ethelbah was absent. Other members present were: McDaniel Declay and Kelly Hasting's.

The meeting opened with Lula explaining to the two families why there was a special meeting today and advised the two families that the Land Board will agree with whatever decision the family makes regarding the land involved.

Lula also stated that the land which Annette Truax had applied for was approved on December 08, 1995 and approved by the Tribal Chairman on February 06, 1996 and Arlene's application was approved by the Land Board on June 02, 1995 and both homesite application's were passed by the Tribal Council on August 03, 1995.

Charlotte Sanchez told the Land Board that her mother Hilda Tessler farmed on the land and she was the one who cleared off the land. Eva stated that Hila asked Nelson if she could farm on the land and Nelson let her. Eva said before Hilda request for farm on the land, they had a horse in the corral and so when Nelson let her farm there he move the fence to keep the horse out of the farmland. Lula Ann asked Eva how many times did her sister Hilda plant corn in the area, Eva said Hilda planted there twice.

Eva said the house and land had been surveyed for her in the 1970's, Eva said they moved into the area in 1972.

Arlene said she had asked at the Land Office regarding this land and she was told by Donaldson Bourke (former Land Office Surveyor Aid) the land belong to Nelson Lupe Sr. that was the reason why Eva relinquished the land over to her and then she turned the land over to her sister Annette Truax.

The Land Board Members went out to East Fork to the land site to look at the area the two families were disputing over.

Lula suggested to Hilda's family to request for the back portion towards the mountain and let the Annette have the land on which her house will be built on soon.

Charolette and her sister's agreed to this and filed a farmland application, the board approved it for them.

### Special Meeting June 26, 1996

A Special Meeting was held in regards to Maryetta Benally's homesite. She had advised Lula Ivins that she had Relinquished her present homesite and her application was suppose to be presented at the June 14 Land Board meeting - but wasn't.

She request to have application approved as soon as possible to start building homesite. Her application was approved for

NorthFork.