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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council Secretary has prepared briefs for Tribal Council meeting minutes for November 4-5, November 10, November 12-13, and November 24, 1998, and has presented them to the Council this date for approval; and
- WHEREAS, after reading the briefs to the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves Council meeting briefs for November 4-5, November 10, November 12-13, and November 24, 1998 as presented.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves Council meeting briefs for the month of November, 1998 as presented.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>December 2, 1998</u>, duly adopted by a vote of <u>SEVEN</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 (a), (i), (s), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on 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).

TRIBAL SERVICES

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE Fort Apache Indian Reservation Whiteriver, Arizona Regular Tribal Council meeting Tribal Council Chambers Wednesday, November 4, 1998

BRIEFS

- 1. The regular scheduled council meeting was called to order at 9:27 a.m. by Chairman Massey with all members of the Tribal Council present. Roll call was taken by the Tribal Council Secretary. The invocation was offered by Council Member Tate.
- 2. Tribal Member, April Dickens, expressed her concern regarding the recreational facility which was to be built in the Another World housing area. She wanted to know if this project will be completed. She was referred to the Housing Authority.
- 3. Tribal Member, June Stephens, once again approached Council regarding the West Ranch at Dry Valley. Mrs. Stephens was advised to meet with her Council representatives (Phoebe Nez & Lynn Cody) at the next scheduled Land Board meeting.
- 4. Tribal Member, Mabel Kasey, addressed Council regarding the lot near the Canyon Day Community Building. She would like Council to know that she has given said lot to her granddaughter. She was assured that the Tribe has no plans for her lot.
- 5. Tribal Member, Louella Massey, expressed her concern over the termination of her brother, Hanson Nastivar and asked that Council reconsider rehiring him as he is approaching retirement. Chairman advised that her request will be considered and to have Mr. Nastivar meet with him.
- 6. Tribal Member West Anderson, Sr., explained the situation with the lot in Canyon Day. He was advised that this will be resolved with the Land Board.
- 7. Council Member Craig presented list of Committees of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to Council which totaled twenty-five (25) in number. She stated that Ethics and Pension Committees should also be considered. She was thanked and Chairman Massey stressed to concentrate on Natural Resources, Finance, TERO/TAP, Economic Development, Election & Fair Commission, IEC, Health Authority & Day Care.
- 8. Rick Thompson, Non-Tribal member, asked that Council clear his personnel record due to being wrongfully terminated at the theater. He was advised, per the Tribal Attorney, to document everything and forward to the Human Resources Director.
- 9. Colleen Brown low presented a comparison of the various telecommunication companies charges verses Big Planet, which showed significant savings for the tribe. Vice Chairman Endfield stated that other Indian tribes run their own communications business and the WMAT should consider same. Mrs. Brown low was advised that other companies are interested in presenting their proposals as well and that she will be contacted by January.

- 10. Raymus Albert presented Land Board meeting minutes of October 30, 1998. Council Member Declay shared complaints on relinquishments and the issue of owning more than one lot. Discussion on Dry Valley followed with Chairman Massey stating that Council visit this area. Vice Chairman Endfield suggested to view the trailer area as well to identify districts (II and IV). Glorianna Dayaye, Tribal Relations Specialist, recommended a review of the land ordinance and stated that originally land was assigned for farmland purposes, not for homesites. She also advised to check into survivorship issue. Council Member Baha-Walker stated that a land use policy is needed.
- 11. Resolution No. <u>11-98-256</u> adopted for approval of the Land Board meeting minutes of October 30, 1998. Council Member Tate made the motion and seconded by Council Member Declay. Passed with a vote of 7-1-2 abstensions.
- 12. The meeting recessed at noon for lunch and reconvened at 1:45 p.m.
- 13. Carla Alchesay-Nachu, Service Unit Director of Whiteriver IHS, introduced her staff who will be making presentations to the Council. She then gave a brief overview of cancer presentation in Apache. She expressed her concerns for the teenagers who are high users of smoke and chewing tobacco products.
- 14. Dr. Hamstra then presented information on the Review of Cancer in the White Mountain Apache Tribe. The review included history of cancer in the White Mountain Apache Tribe, statistics on cancer, the various types of cancer and prevention.
- Dr. Galloway gave a slide presentation on heart disease. He stated that cardiac disease is the leading cause of death in Native American patients, increasing hospitalization frequency and increasing health care expenditures. Dr. Galloway informed Council that there is a decline nationally but not for Native Americans. The increase is due to the diabetes epidemic and stressed aggressive risk factor reduction and public education.
- 16. Carla remarked that IHS is providing education for diabetics and students. She then presented the IHS Budget Authority and a brief update on FY'99 budget. Carla stressed that the tribe needs to lobby to congress for new services and expansion and that IHS can provide data for Council. Regarding the Elderly Services project, she suggested joint presentation with Health Authority in January and she would like to know what Health Education's prevention strategies are and priorities for prevention activities. She explained that the expiration of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act could result in repercussions for tribes. She encouraged Council to attend sessions sponsored by the Inter-Tribal Council to lobby with other tribes for more resources for IHS and BIA. Mrs. Alchesay-Nachu also shared with Council that the Whiteriver Service Unit was awarded the Service Unit Excellence Award and that Dr. Yost, Clinical Director, was selected as the Employee of the Year. Council congratulated her and her staff for awards and thanked her for today's presentation.
- 17. Ruby Altaha, Revolving Credit Officer, gave an update on the Weatherization Program and presented resolution. Chairman Massey shared with Council plans to terminate this program as no profits realized yet large salary expenses continue. Council Member Baha-Walker suggested to continue this program but under new direction as they provide service for people.

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- 18. Resolution No. 11-98-257 adopted to assign the lease payments of \$1,500 per month currently paid by Tree Top Auto Body to the Revolving Credit Program to help restore the Revolving Loan Fund so that additional loans may be made to Tribal Members. Council Member Craig made the motion and seconded by Council Member Cody. Passed with a vote of 6-0.
- 19. Neal Whittle, Jimmy Brownfeather and Beverly Fisher of Utility Authority presented budget review for Utility. Neal went over the pending expenses listing and stated that Utility cannot function like a regular enterprise. Jimmy stated that Utility covers reservation-wide with lack of appropriate staff and advised Council to consider promotions for Tribal Members. Council requested total budget amount, stressed safety issues and informing public. Other concerns included: improving public relations, utilizing payroll deductions and tribal court for delinquent accounts and lifting the parked vehicles order.
- 20. Dr. John Welch, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer and Archaeologist, reminded Council of the World Monument Fund/American Express Media Event at the Heard Museum and the Arizona State Museum on November 12 and 13, 1998.
- 21. Dr. Welch then referred to the Articles of Incorporation of the Fort Apache Heritage Foundation, Inc. and informed Council that a Board of Directors needs to be appointed. Council voted for the following: Theodore Declay, Paul Ethelbah, Marilyn Lovato, Mary Patterson, Richard Yardley-alternate, and Milford Cosen-alternate. Council Secretary to inform the new Board of their appointments. Dr. Welch then gave an update on HPO projects.
- 22. Resolution No. <u>11-98-258</u> adopted for approval of the proposed Articles of Incorporation of Fort Apache Heritage Foundation, Inc. Council Member Tate made the motion and seconded by Council Member Clay. Passed with a vote of 9-0.
- 23. The Tribal Council Secretary presented twenty-six (26) new enrollees into the White Mountain Apache Tribe as approved and recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Resolution No. 11-98-259 adopted approving enrollment for the twenty-six (26) individuals into the White Mountain Apache Tribe. Council Member Tate made the motion and seconded by Council Member Cody. Passed with a vote of 7-0.
- 24. Chairman Massey informed Council of Associate Judge Faye Cody's resignation letter. He advised to accept her resignation today and advertise position.
- 25. Resolution No. <u>11-98-260</u> adopted to accept Faye Cody's resignation and request for payment of back pay from September 11, 1998 to November 4, 1998. Council Member Tate made the motion and seconded by Council Member Nez. Passed with a vote of 6-1-2 abstensions.
- 26. The meeting recessed at 5:00 p.m. and to reconvene tomorrow at 9 a.m.

Sincerely,

Cyndy Harvey-Burnette

Tribal Council Secretary

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE Fort Apache Indian Reservation Whiteriver, Arizona Regular Tribal Council meeting Tribal Council Chambers Thursday, November 5, 1998

BRIEFS

- 1. The continuation of the regular Tribal Council meeting reconvened at 9:45 a.m. with a quorum present. Council Member Cody offered the invocation.
- 2. George Hesse, Tribal Attorney, introduced representatives from Bashas Edward Basha, Don Adams and Dave DePompa.
- 3. Council Member Baha-Walker addressed part-time and salary increases issues. She was assured by Edward that Bashas will continue training and that their goal is 100% Tribal Member employment. Council Member Cody stressed improvements to existing building.
- 4. Council Member Declay shared complaints received regarding employees insufficient hours, lack of raises and advised on expansion of store. Council Member Declay also inquired about transferring of employees to the Phoenix area stores. Mr. Adams stated that Bashas schedules staff according to store sales.
- 5. Chairman Massey commented on the lack of cashiers, stressed that store entrance should be a priority and advised that Bashas meet with the Tribal Council every six months. Council Member Clay referred to Bashas ads that claim the unavailability of certain products in reservation stores.
- 6. Council Member Tate stressed that Bashas needs to assist with community events and noted that Bashas has slacked off in the employee and customer service areas. Mr. Basha stated that they will address these issues. Council to ember Craig commented that quality and cleanliness has declined. She stated that Bashas should employ high school youths, train and pay them. She also questioned Bashas future planning with competitive prices from the future super Wal-Mart. Mr. Basha stated that they are working on this but that Bashas cannot match every price.
- 7. Vice Chairman Endfield spoke in agreement with Council Member Craig's comment that Bashas should employ high school youths and focus on Juniors and Seniors. He also addressed the facilities and would like Bashas to support local education programs. Mr. Basha stated that they would discuss these issues and that Bashas supports education through their register receipts collection program for schools.

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- 8. Council Member Nez stated that Bashas should advertise on KNNB and play KNNB in the store. Mr. DePompa stated that advertisements could be done in Apache. Council Member Janeway suggested an express lane to help decrease the long waiting time.
- 9. Omar Villa, FATCO General Manager, along with FATCO Board Members, Reno Johnson, Sr., Ken Vance and Martin Devere presented FATCO's Plan of Operation.
- 10. There was a discussion on Section C Management 1 g) Suspension and Removal of a Board member for any reason. Vice Chairman Endfield and Council Member Tate advised that legitimate cause should be included in this section. Council Member Janeway questioned his removal from the FATCO board and stated that he was not given prior notice on removal. Council Member Craig advised to incorporate the appeal process in this section. Chairman Massey stated that the board are recommended and removed by Tribal Council, the majority votes for removal and advised leaving Section C as is.
- 11. Martin Devere also presented information on Sales Representative and discussion followed on the J.R. Holl contract and complaints, as well as discussion on Holyan Lee's contract. Chairman Massey advised the Board to review all contracts and to include "all other contracts" under Section C #6 Contracts. Mr. Devere also stated that since the Tribe is in a hiring freeze, FATCO is under by seventeen (17) employees. Under Distribution of Profits, Mr. Devere stated that a fund needs to be established for monthly contributions from FATCO's earnings to replace equipment. He also stated that a fail safe system is needed for transfer of funds.
- 12. FATCO Board will re-present Plan of Operations next month. The meeting recessed at 12:25 p.m. for lunch and will reconvene at 1:30 p.m.
- 13. The meeting reconvened at 2:05 p.m. and Douglas Miles, San Carlos Tribal Member and Save the Children Field Manager, presented information on Save the Children Program. He stated that the \$58K allocated to Whiteriver was not all expended so funds were sent back. Currently SCF has one time activities but he would like on-going, year-round activities but that lack of funding makes this impossible. He also shared that the sponsorship level is down. Council Member Craig questioned funding, requested more information on SCF and stressed more educational/enrichment programs and field trips for unserved needs of children. She also invited Mr. Miles to meet with community officers. Chairman Massey requested budget breakdown on the \$58,000 which was allocated to Whiteriver.
- 14. The Tribal Council Secretary read the Tribal Council meeting briefs for the month of August 1998. Resolution No. 11-98-261 was adopted to approve the Tribal Council meeting briefs for the month of August 1998. Council Member Tate made the motion and seconded by Vice Chairman Endfield. Passed with a vote of 6-0.

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- The Tribal Attorney read the Council meeting briefs for the month of September, 1998 and 15. they were approved with several minor changes as clarified by Council Members Tate and Craig. Resolution No. 11-98-262 adopted to approve Tribal Council meeting briefs for the month of September, 1998. Council Member Declay made the motion and seconded by Council Member Cody. Passed with a vote of 7-0.
- Council Members Baha-Walker and Declay commended the Tribal Council Secretary's work 16. which is appreciated.
- Mr. Marias approached Council on behalf of Raquel Tortice. Ms. Tortice, who is in jail, is 17. the mother of their children. He stated that Ms. Tortice did not receive full payroll check and also requested that Council lower her bond amount. He also stated that he needs financial assistance for their children and himself. Mr. Marias was referred to Tribal Social Services.
- Council Member Craig advised to call a special meeting to discuss committees and boards 18. and to invite people to submit resumes. Council can select individuals based on credentials. There is a need for go-getters on the various committees to get things done. Chairman Massey shared brief information on the organizational chart.
- 19. The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Sincerely,

Cyndy Harvey-Burnette

Tribal Council Secretary

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE Fort Apache Indian Reservation Whiteriver, Arizona Dry Valley Field Trip Tuesday, November 10, 1998

BRIEFS

- 1. Members of the Tribal Council who participated in the field trip were: Vice Chairman Endfield, Harley Janeway, Lynn Cody, Phoebe Nez, Alvin Declay, Margaret Baha-Walker and Herbert Tate. Others present included the Land Board members and staff, FATCO and BIA representatives and members of the livestock association.
- 2. The first stop was at the Big Springs area where Raymus Albert shared information on Jim and Tom Amos, and discussed the squatter problem.
- 3. Next stop was at Amos Ranch where Council Member Nez read letters regarding the land in the Big Springs area. Raymus then gave a brief past history on the land allocation procedures.
- 4. The third stop was at Dry Valley. Council Member Nez read some minutes of Tribal Council meeting minutes of 1950 through 1964. The Tribal Council Secretary was directed to provide family trees on the West and Amos families.
- 5. Lunch was at the Hondah Restaurant.
- 6. After lunch, the group traveled east to Kinney Mountain where Council were advised that there is a two year inventory of cinders left in this area.
- 7. The next stop was at Brushy Mountain which is a reserve area for the tribe regarding cinders.
- 8. The last stop was south of the Cooley Mountain area and the field trip ended at 2:45 p.m.

Sincerely,

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Cyndy Harvey-Burnette
Tribal Council Secretary

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE Fort Apache Indian Reservation Whiteriver, Arizona Meeting with Jamieson and Gutierrez Phoenix, Arizona Thursday, November 12, 1998

BRIEFS

- 1. Members of the Tribal Council present included: Chairman Massey, Vice Chairman Endfield, Lynn Cody, Phoebe Nez, Margaret Baha-Walker, Alvin Declay, Noland Clay, Mariddie J. Craig and Herbert Tate. Also present were: Tribal Attorney, George Hesse, Tribal Controller, Jaki Ulmer and partners of Jamieson and Gutierrez.
- 2. The meeting was already in progress when I arrived. There was a discussion on the effects of the state and federal elections regarding gaming compacts. Mr. Gutierrez shared information on proposition 200 and stated that more attempts will be made to tax on reservations.
- 3. Gary Husk stated that he is supportive of gaming and that the WMAT has an excellent track record regarding gaming.
- 4. Discussion followed on the media exposure on the reservation due to Kareem Abdul-Jabbar. Mr. Gutierrez advised the Council to consider a press person as national attention will be focused on the tribe.
- 5. Kathy Hancock, Vice President and Partner, advised Council to operate through a single spokesperson. She then shared media tips with Council.
- 6. Council shared concerns on the media exposure. The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.
- 7. Following the meeting, Council attended a reception recognizing the placement of Fort Apache Historic Park on the World Monument Watch 1998-99 list of 100 most endangered sites at the Heard Museum.
- 8. A video presentation was given on Fort Apache which was followed by welcoming remarks from VIPs. Tribal Chairman Massey was presented with a check in the amount of \$80,000 to further efforts to restore Fort Apache and to expand its use as a cultural and visitors center. Chairman Massey remarked on the reservation and all the resources available. He invited all present to visit the reservation, he recognized the Fort Apache Heritage Foundation Board members and thanked the Arizona Tourism Office.
- 9. The reception ended at 6:45 p.m

Sincerely,

Cyndy Harvey-Burnerte

Tribal Council Secretary

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE Fort Apache Indian Reservation Whiteriver, Arizona Arizona State Museum UA, Tucson, Arizona Friday, November 13, 1998

BRIEFS

- 1. Members of the Tribal Council present included: Chairman Massey, Vice Chairman Endfield, Lynn Cody, Phoebe Nez, Margaret Baha-Walker, Alvin Declay, Noland Clay, Mariddie J. Craig and Herbert Tate.
- 2. George Gumerman, Arizona State Museum Director, welcomed Council then the group reviewed the Arizona State Museum (ASM) archaeological materials collected from the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.
- Dr. Welch, Historic Preservation Officer, stated that these archaeological materials are the 3. property of the tribe and that they are now in the process of identifying remains and the items that are buried with the remains.
- 4. Lynn Teague, Repatriation Coordinator, shared history of ASM and WMAT's collections. She explained the ways these items are brought in and that if items are considered of religious importance, they check with the tribe first. She also stated that ASM is the largest holder of collection for the WMAT.
- 5. A review of ASM Collections of Western Apache Materials was followed by a discussion on ASM Policies and Plans for the protection and repatriation of some collections (Hopi and Zuni).
- 6. Ramon Riley, Cultural Resources Director, shared information on the Hopi and Zuni issue, repatriation and funding.
- 7. Council addressed issues of handling items respectfully, the benefits for the tribe on the ongoing uses of collection, reasons for excavations, education for children regarding these issues and stressed the importance of re-burying remains.
- 8. The Collections Review and Planning visit ended at 4:00 p.m.

Sincerely,

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Cyndy Harvey-Burnette
Tribal Council Secretary

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE Fort Apache Indian Reservation Whiteriver, Arizona Hop Cot 2 Timber Unit Field Trip Tuesday, November 24, 1998

BRIEFS

- Members of the Tribal Council who participated in the field trip were: Chairman Massey, Vice Chairman Endfield, Harley Janeway, Lynn Cody, Phoebe Nez, Alvin Declay, Mariddie J. Craig and Herbert Tate. Tribal and BIA Forestry Personnel were also in attendance.
- 2. At stop 1 a brief summary of timber sale information and issues water quality, operating costs and pro-active management was presented by Tom Johnson and Michael Lacapa..
- 3. Stop 2 Compartment 47 Stand 1 Discussion on variations in site, site productivity and volume per acre. Harvest history and management implications also shared.
- 4. Stop 3 Material Borrow Pits (Past and Present) Discussion on "Gravel Required" and sale opportunity. Discussion on ordinary high water mark, adverse effects and rehabilitation.
- 5. Stop 4 Road Realignments (Multiple stops in Hop and Hog Spring Canyon) Discussion on repairing bad roads, reducing effects on water quality, long range repair of an old situation and MSO cores and territories.
- 6. Lunch was served at Limestone Camp.
- 7. After lunch, we visited Borrow pit "rehabs" in the Middle Canyon area.
- 8. Stop 7 site visit to Hop Cot 1 Timber Sale where Council viewed stands after harvest and discussion on erosion control measures, native grass seed, road closures and burning.
- 9. The field trip ended at 4:15 p.m.

Sincerely,

Cyndy Harvey-Burnette Tribal Council Secretary