

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

(Approval of Land Board meeting minutes for January 25, 2007)

WHEREAS, Raymus Albert, Land Office Director, has come before the Tribal Council this date requesting approval of the Land Board meeting minutes for January 25, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, after reviewing the Land Board meeting minutes, agrees that the Land Board meeting minutes for January 25, 2007 should be approved as presented.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the Land Board meeting minutes for January 25, 2007 as presented.

The foregoing resolution was on May 3, 2007, duly adopted by a vote of NINE for and ZERO against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (h), (i), (s), (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).

Chairman of the Tribal Council

secretary of the Tribal Council

## WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

Tribal Land Board Meeting January 25, 2007 Minutes

Members Present: Justin Williams, Pedro Johnson, Emily Martine, Bernice Caddo, Rachel Endfield, Elva Lomayaktewa, Secretary.

Land Board members discuss issues on the land office building and the grant that was applied for. Rachel informed Byron McNeil that she had applied for a grant for the land office to buy office equipment and for the surveyor. It has been 5 or 6 months since then and we haven't heard anything on the request. The board members are concern on the land office building, with it being old and unsafe for all the files. Rachel stated that was the reason why the grant was applied for so that we may have the equipment to secure the files, with new computer, scanner, fireproof filing cabinets. The secretary stated that they do have the fire-proof filing cabinets which was still stored at the purchasing department because there is no place to put them in the land office. Byron told the board that there will be some that will be moving out at the planning department, and they will have more room space, but the board members feel that the land office should have their own office due to the files and mapping that take up space. Mr. McNeil stated they are still looking for space or if not to look into getting an office built or finding a building, he also stated that the building that the land office is in is a condemned building. If a office is to be built it would have to be here in town (Whiteriver). He will speak to Victor Velasquez on this. Also, one of the concerns is how the members are selected whether they are selected or appointed and if it is done through resolution. Raymus informed him that they are appointed from the council and have never seen a resolution on it. Two of the present members were appointed 2 years ago but believe they didn't see a resolution on it. He also stated that the council requested that they have an alternate member for times when others cannot attend and that hasn't been done yet.

Another issue is the process of getting land to build home. The process now is that the people apply for land first then get the testing done and sometime find that the area is not capable to be built on, so they have to start all over again. Raymus, stated that it is done all backwards, and if the Planning Dept would plan out the different areas and get it tested through I.H.S Environmental, and proposed road, then finally issue out these sites, it would save more time and speed up process such as building and getting water and sewer. Presently the Board has been approving land sites in Dry Valley, but the problem is that they don't have access to water and sewer so people are not building on it yet. The board would like to meet with different ones in the departments to find out their proposal and plans on projects. This will be the future plan to get together with the other departments. Mr. McNeil will keep in contact with the Land Board.

- Sylvester Case Requesting for land in Cibecue, board approved request.
- Monica Baca Applying for land site in Hondah, #6 Block 3. Board approved the request.

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- Diana Moody Requesting for land in McNary near Caroline Moody's resident, board approved the request.
- Roy Lee Quintero Applying for late grandparents farmland in grazing district Turkey Creek. Relinquishment signed by grandparents children, Genevie Chinche and Eldon Declay Sr.,. Board approved the request for farmland and relinquishment form.
- Marianne Chinche Requesting for land in Turkey Creek, board disapprove this request due to her having land already in Turkey Creek, she will have to relinquish that over then she may apply for land.
- Rhodesia Harvey Applying for land in Round Top area, board would like for McDaniel to check this out. Ms. Harvey did get approval from the livestock association members. Board put a hold on this request till further notice.
- Benny Kinney Requesting for land on Victoria and West Anderson's land to get HIP home built and relinquishment paper signed by Victoria. The application not signed and need
- Guardianship papers from Victoria Anderson, board put on hold until the application is signed and papers turned in.
- Dorinda Bead Requesting for land in Canyon Day, getting a HIP home built. Board approved the request.
- Stevenson Bennett Applying for land in Sawmill that is being relinquish to him by Wayland Altaha Jr., Board approved both request.
- Jami Goode Tessay Requesting for land in Dry Valley, board approved the request.

Meeting adjourned 12:30 PM. Next month meeting set for February 22, 2007