

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approval of Tribal Council Meeting Minutes)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, the Secretary of the Tribal Council is responsible for keeping and maintaining minutes of all Council meetings; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XIII, Section 5 of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, the order of business requires a reading of the minutes; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council Secretary requested approval of the attached meeting minutes prepared from the Tribal Council meetings held on May 17, 2016, and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to approve the meeting minutes from the Tribal Council meetings held on May 17, 2016, as prepared and presented by the Tribal Council Secretary.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the briefs with supporting meeting minutes from the Tribal Council meetings held on May 17, 2016, as prepared and presented by the Tribal Council Secretary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall supersede and govern over the conflicting subject matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, this Resolution shall be deemed null and void and have no legal effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the inEIGHTt of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on May 18, 2016 duly adopted by a vote of EIGHT for, ZERO against, and TWO absEIGHTtions by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it under the enumerated powers listed in Article IV, Section 1 of the WMAT Constitution, so ratified on September 30, 1993, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman

Date

Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

Date



White Mountain Apache Tribe

May 17, 2016 - Special Meeting Executive Conference Room

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 9:15 A.M. by Chairman Lupe

B. Prayer: A Prayer was offered by Councilman Arnold Beach

C. <u>Roll Call</u>: Present were: Chairman Ronnie Lupe, Vice Chairman Kasey Velasquez, Tony Alsenay, Arnold Beach, Colleen Faden, Jerold Altaha, Ralph Thomas, Floyd Walker, Alvena Bush, Everette Massey, Jerome Kasey (arrived at 10:30 A.M.)

Attorneys: Jim Palmer, Fred Soto, Kimberly Cromwell, Kealoha Douma

II. REPORTS

A. Land Restoration Projects – Watershed Manager, Ida Rose Kasey, Cheryl Pailzote
Cheryl Pailzote presented the Land Restoration Budget for 2016-2017 for approval and was
discussed at length. She reported that not much has been done with funding since 2013.
Changes were made in the funding process which may help move the projects a little quicker.
There is money coming into the account and increasing because it hasn't been used in the last
three years. She also reported that 13 projects were submitted and reviewed. It was also
requested that the Council recommend new Land Restoration Board members. The following
recommendations were made according to Section 3.1 Land Restoration Board Code:

Current:	Replaced with:
Nathaniel Harvey Chair - District IV	Robert Zahgotah, Jr.
Michael Henry, Vice Chairman- Ecological Management	Michael Henry - Remain
Wilson Gregg - District I	Judy Dehose
Trudy Zospah, District II	Gilbert Childs
Curtis Suttle District III	Ramon Riley
Emily Hernancdez Young Adult	Christopher Beatty
Riley Nash - Elder	Raymus Albert

- Motioned by Arnold Beach, seconded by Tony Alsenay to approve resolution: <u>Approval of Land</u> Restoration FY 2016-2017 Budget and Board Members. Vote: 9-0-1. Motion passed.
- Motioned by Arnold Beach, seconded by Vice Chairman Velasquez to approve resolution with amendment if 2017 that any remaining funding in the Fall will be used for project proposals.
 Approval of Land Restoration Projects for FY 2016-2017. Vote: 9-0-1. Motion passed.
- <u>Gaming Commission:</u> Motioned by Everett Massey, seconded by Vice Chairman Velasquez to replace Herbert Tate with Shirley Dickens on the Gaming Commission. Alvena Bush commented this should wait until it is on the agenda. Vice Chairman responded it was Mr. Massey's

prerogative to make this recommendation. Chairman Lupe called for a vote: 6-3-1. Motion passed.

A. Budget Discussions - De Ron Peaches / Lorene Billy

Vice Chairman Velasquez called for executive session at 10:14 A.M.

Recessed for Lunch at 11:55 and reconvened at 2:18 to continue the meeting.

Associate Judge - Tribal Courts

 Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Vice Chairman Velasquez to hire Georgina Hastings as associate judge. Vote: 10-0-1

The Chairman called for Executive Session at – 2:37 p.m. to continue discussions on the Budget.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Recorder:

Doreen T. Numkena
Tribal Council Secretary