

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approval of Tribal Council Meeting Briefs with Supporting 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 briefs with supporting meeting minutes prepared from the Tribal Council meetings held on February 14, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to approve the briefs with supporting meeting minutes from the Tribal Council meetings held on February 14, 2018, 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 February 14, 2018, 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 intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on March 7, 2018, duly adopted by a vote of NINE for, ZERO against, and ZERO abstentions 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).

Rønnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman

Date

Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

Date



White Mountain Apache Tribe

Regular Meeting Minutes February 14, 2018 – 9:00 A.M. Executive Conference Room

I. CALL TO ORDER:

- A. Call to Order: 9:18 A.M. by Chairman Ronnie Lupe.
- B. Prayer: Offered by invitation by Everett Massey
- Roll Call: Chairman Ronnie Lupe, Vice Chairman Kasey Velasquez, Tony Alsenay, Arnold Beach,
 Colleen Faden, Ralph Thomas, Alvena Bush, Jerome Kasey, Everett Massey (Floyd Walker was absent)
- D. Approval of Minutes: Approval of minutes was deferred.

II. REPORTS:

Attorney's Report – Attorney General Jim Palmer

- Gaming Compact. There is a plenary meeting on Friday, the governor will be at that meeting. He reported there were discussions on regulations of Class 2 machines. Several tribes wanted to discuss the issues amongst themselves regarding Class 2 issues in a private setting.
- Senate Bill 140 on Tribal Water Rights Quantification. Mr. Palmer reported looking at taxation for the dam to be
 done in two years. He will draft letter with Chairman's signature that Bill 140 is time sensitive and to have it
 processed and expedited by end of April. The tribe needs to stay neutral and non-controversial and have it
 passed by the Senate. Jim Palmer will coordinate a date when Ryan Smith, Lobbyist, to come here to update the
 Council on some issues. The Council would also like an update report from Water Rights Attorney, Bob Brauchli.
- Grievance: When the HR Director sends notices out to serve on the grievance committee, the employees will
 not show up. There is no penalty for employees not showing up for grievance hearings and there needs to be a
 letter formulated from chairman's office stating, "to serve on grievance is not discretionary but mandated". The
 Council felt the HR Director has the authority and responsibility to write the letter of discipline to employees and
 that it is not the responsibility of the Council to deal with Grievance issues.

B. Headstart Report: Director, Leola Larzelere

Ms. Larzelere submitted a detailed written report and gave an oral report. She reported Head Start is doing okay. They do have lots of maintenance issues with the building. The Cibecue bus was vandalized with wires being cut underneath. The bus was towed to Flagstaff and repairs were very expensive. She reported there were personnel problems but was being firm with discipline. The Head Start is up for review for the Head Start Program Performance Standards Requirements on March 19-23, 2018. Her staff is preparing for that. There was further discussion on security issues at the Cibecue Head Start. It was suggested that she check with the Schools in Cibecue and perhaps park buses there as they have security, or even checking to see if it could rodents chewing through the wiring as that has been a problem here in Whiteriver.

C. <u>Police Department Update: Chief Tim Webster</u> Requested for Executive Session: 10:02 A.M.

Chief Webster discussed items of concern in Executive Session regarding the Police Department.

IV-B. <u>Approval of Grant Submission and Acceptance of Funds</u> – <u>Elmer Lamson</u> by Tim Webster

Resolution: Approving the Application and Accepting Grant Award for the SMART FY 2018 Support for Adam Walsh Act Implementation Program

 Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Ralph Thomas to approve resolution for grant submission. Vote: 9-0-1 Motion passed. Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Jerome Kasey moved to approve 950 hours of back-pay to Abilene Burnette per discussion in Executive Session. Vote: 8-0-1. Motion passed.

Executive session resumed: 3:45 P.M.

- G. Approval of Tribal Enrollment Applications and Relinquishment(s) Phoebe Nez
 - Motioned by Arnold Beach, seconded by Vice Chairman Velasquez to approve enrollment of 25 applicants for Tribal Enrollment. Vote: 8-0-1 Motion passed.

Approval to Grant Tribal Relinquishment Request of Denise Delilah Johnson

- Motioned by Arnold Beach, seconded by Vice Chairman Velasquez to approve Relinquishment of Enrollment of Denise Delilah Johnson. Vote: 8-0-1 Motion passed.
- V. Adjournment 4:20 P.M

Recorder: Doreen T. Numkena, TC Secretary