



# 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 for approval of the attached meeting minutes prepared from the Tribal Council meetings held on August 7, 2018; 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 August 7, 2018, as prepared and presented by the Tribal Council Secretary.

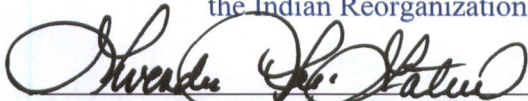
**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the meeting minutes from the Tribal Council meetings held on August 7, 2018, as prepared and presented by the Tribal Council Secretary

**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.

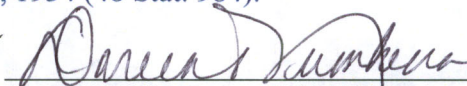
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances or Federal Laws, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be 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 OCTOBER 4, 2018 duly adopted by a vote of ELEVEN for and ZERO against with ZERO abstaining 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).

  
Gwendena Lee Gatewood, Chairwoman

10/9/18  
Date

  
Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

10/9/18  
Date





# White Mountain Apache Tribe

## Special Meeting Minutes

August 7, 2018 – 8:30 A.M.

Executive Conference Room

### I. CALL TO ORDER:

- A. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 9:12 A.M. by Chairwoman Gwendena Lee-Gatewood
- B. Prayer: Offered by Vice Chairman Jerome Kasey
- C. Roll Call: Chairwoman Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Vice Chairman Jerome Kasey, Arnold Beach, Travis Tessay, Jerold Altaha, Renaldo Dazen, Alvin Declay, Ralph Thomas, Gary Alchesay, (Excused: Alvena Bush, Everett Massey )  
Attorneys: Kealoha Douma

#### Introductions: Rear Adm. Ty Reidhead

He was here in Whiteriver for 12 years as primary care doctor. He saw the difficulties of practicing medicine. He reported Whiteriver provides the best primary care in the country. It is on par with Mayo-type facilities. There are 12 areas offices. Significant reasons of why we need new space. We serve large number in a small space currently. Hope to have a new hospital in five years. We don't have control over the money that's coming in for the new hospital. Have to do the best we can for the hospital now. The current hospital is being renovated and they have to find a way to provide care for the patients during the renovation period. In five years we may not have a hospital still. This is the best approach to address this.

The following are report topics that were presented by the I.H.S. Personnel:

Strategic Plan	Financial Program	Quality Management
Planned Projects	Purchased Referred Care	WR Service Unit Health Summary
Patient Advocate Prog.	Personnel Process	Complaint Process (see Binder)

#### Dr. James McAuley – Clinical Director

He has been here two years. 33 years as a physician with career in primary care. There should be no trouble getting in to see primary care service. They will have same-day appointments and walk-ins. Will have a surgeon in two weeks and an optometrist in a few weeks. Patients can select a new provider.

Four initiatives to come before the tribal council are:

- Dalbavancin – intravenous antibiotics
- Evaluate how much Group A Strep Disease is present in children
- Evaluate point of care test in Emergency Room
- Naltrexone, an injection once a month to help people who wish to decrease alcohol use.

The Chairwoman asked what percentage of employees is tribal members. The CEO responded of over 200 tribal employees, less than 50 are from other tribes. Total number of employees is over 600. The CEO said she will update the Policies and Procedures book and will bring to a council meeting for approval. End of presentations.

Meeting was recessed at 12:47 P.M. until 2:27 P.M.



2:27 P.M. Meeting resumed In Executive Conference Room –

Executive Session: 2:28

B. Breach of Trust Litigation Update – Attorney Brian Chestnut

All discussions were held in Executive Session.

No action items.

C. Approval of Resolution for Water Rights – AG KeAloha Douma

Resolution: Approving Modification of Consultant Contract with HDR Engineering

There were discussions on Gannet Fleming and its role in the design of the Miner Flat Dam Project. Water Rights Attorney Bob Brauchli was called and put on speaker phone to explain their role. He offered to come up to Whiteriver to explain this in further detail. Attorney Douma stated they were not asking for additional money but asking for an extension of their contract through September 30.

- Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Travis Tessay to approve Resolution: Modification of Consultant Contract with HDR Engineering. Vote: 8-0-0. Motion passed.

D. Change of Program Protocol – Chairwoman Gwendena Lee-Gatewood

Not addressed. Tabled by Chairwoman Lee-Gatewood

III. Adjournment: 3:42 p.m.

Recorder: Doreen T. Numkena  
Tribal Council Secretary



E. Authorizing a Site Use Agreement Between Sunrise Park Resort and the WMAT Game and Fish Dept for the 2018- Ek Hunt. – Evalene Tulene, Tara Chief

The agreement was discussed at length. The Council expressed concern that since the hunt was underway the agreement should be presented after the hunt. Attorney Cromwell stated they could not recommend that the Council approves the agreement and they had a responsibility to point out changes that are not appropriate, unreasonable and excessive. After much discussion about the Game and Fish Department Gary Alchesay motioned to appoint Kasey Velasquez as Director of Game and Fish. Jerold Altaha interjected saying he would like to talk about this more and motioned to table it. *There was no call for a second to Gary Alchesay's motion.* There were more discussions at length and Jerome Kasey seconded the motion to table it. Jerold Altaha recalled his motion to table and motioned as follows:

Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Travis Tessay to approve the resolution Authorizing a Site Use Agreement Between Sunrise Park Resort and the WMAT Game and Fish Dept for the 2018- Ek Hunt. Vote: 3-8-0. Motion Failed.

F. Approval of Proposed Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever Study – CDC, Namoi Rexler, Rayn Close Hailey Yardgroom-Douma:

Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Travis Tessay to approve Proposed Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever Study. Vote: 7—0- 4. Motion passed.

G. Approval of Proposed Naltrexone Study

The medication is administered once a month and makes it less desirable for a person to want to drink. The study would be over a six-month period to see if it has made any difference.

Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Alvin Declay to approve Proposed Naltrexone study. Vote: 11-0-0. Motion passed.

~~H. MOA to Provide First Responder Access to Naloxone~~

~~Not Presented. There was no letter of support from the Health Board.~~

I. Approving an IGA with the US Department of Labor, Employment & Training for WIOA Program

Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Renaldo Dazen to approve to approve the IGA with US Department of Labor. Vote: 11-0-0. Motion passed.

J. Approving an IGA with the Arizona Department of Economic Security for the WIOA Program

Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Vice Chairman Kasey to approve IGA with the Arizona Department of Economic Security. Vote: 11-0-0. Motion passed.

*Marjorie Quade requested for assistance of Bernadette Santa Maria in her department. She was advised by the Attorney General to see the Treasurer or Controller and she needed a PSA from the Legal Department.*

K. Approval for Professional Service Agreement for SCS Engineers to Conduct an Environmental Assessment at the Salt River Store Site - Brenda Begay, Environmental Manager

*Attorney Douma recommended the arbitration clause be changed.*

Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Reanldo Dazen to approve resolution. Vote: 9-0-2 Motioned passed.



L. Notice for Road Right of Way Conversion from BIA to WMAT

Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Travis Tessay to approve Resolution: Notice for Road Right of Way Conversion from BIA to WMAT. Vote: 4-6-1 Motion Failed.

Discussions included: (Nona Tuchawena, BIA Supt. was involved in the discussions.)

- TPA funding for BIA would cease and program would go away.
- Tribal Funding would not be affected if conversion is approved.
- Bad BIA Road Conditions and BIA's failure to repair the roads.
- BIA Technical Advisors to meet with Tribal Council to report on potential impacts.
- Todd M, Executive Director, confirmed funding will change for BIA but not for Tribe.
- Concern over fate of four tribal members that work at BIA if conversion occurs, can they be transferred to Tara's Department?
- A need for a Roads/Transportation Committee.
- This request can be brought back to the Council for reconsideration—it is not a dead issue.
- Ms. Chief advocated strongly for her department and her confidence in its capability to handle the conversion of BIA roads to her department.
- Chairwoman advised the six that voted against the resolution to meet with Tara Chief before the next meeting to share their concerns.

M. Approving Head Start 2018-2019 Budget, Self Assessment and Training Professional Dev.

Plans and Program Information Report – Leola Larzelere, Head Start Director

Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Travis Tessay to approve the Head Start 2018-2019 Budget as presented. Vote: 9-0-2. Motion passed.

N. Request to Provide Behavioral Health Treatment Services to WMAT

Winslow Guidance Association – Juan Sanchez-Not presented.

Executive Session – Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Travis Tessay to go into Executive Session. 2:25 P.M.

- Phoebe Nez – Tribal Enrollment and Relinquishments

Motioned to come out of executive session by Jerold, seconded by Jerome. 2:32 10-0-1

O. Approval to Grant Tribal Relinquishment Request of Angellyn Jennia Hoffman

Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Vice Chairman Kasey to approve Relinquishment of Angellyn Jennia Hoffman. Vote 8-2-1. Motion passed.

Approval to Grant Tribal Membership for 25 Enrollment Applicants

Motioned by Vice Chairman Kasey, seconded by Jerold Altaha to approve tribal enrollment of 25 applicants as presented. Vote: 10-0-1. Motion passed.

(Item II-A.5) Motioned by Vice Chairman Kasey, seconded by Arnold Beach to go into executive. 2:32 P.M. Attorney KeAloha Douma - Litigation Update Report

V. ADJOURNMENT

The Chairwoman called for adjournment at 2:44 P.M.

Recorder: Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Council Secretary