

**TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE
NORTHERN CHEYENNE RESERVATION
LAME DEER, MONTANA**

SPECIAL SESSION COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

March 31, 2009

CALL TO ORDER: President Spang called the meeting to order at 11:17 a.m.

INVOCATION: Alec Sandcrane

ROLL CALL:

	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Jule Spang, Sr.	X		
R.D. Bailey		X	Arr.11:17 a.m.
George Scalpcane	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Allen Fisher	X		
Alec Sandcrane	X		
L. Jace Killsback	X		
Dan Carlson	X		
Jennie LaFranier			Personal Lv.
Judith Spang			Called In
Vice President Fox	X		
President Spang	X		

Quorum Established

AGENDA ADDITION - LIHEAP/CITGO. Motion made by Alec Sandcrane. Second by George Scalpcane.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Jule Spang, Sr.	X		
R.D. Bailey			
George Scalpcane	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Allen Fisher	X		
Alec Sandcrane	X		
L. Jace Killsback	X		
Dan Carlson	X		
Jennie LaFranier			
Judith Spang			
Vice President Fox	X		

8 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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Benji Bahr-Once this resolution is approved, it will be postmarked today to make the deadline. I am certain we'll get these funds. I have prepared another USDA grant, it doesn't require a resolution. Our wireless project will be complete by February of next year.

Allen Fisher-Does it require a match?

Benji Bahr-Yes.

Joe Fox, Jr.-Is there a monetary match required?

Benji Bahr-No.

MOTION MADE BY L. JACE KILLSBACK TO AUTHORIZE PRESIDENT SPANG TO SIGN OFF ON THE RBOG USDA GRANT FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00. SECOND BY TRACY ROBINSON.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Jule Spang, Sr.	X		
R.D. Bailey	X		
George Scalpcane	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Allen Fisher	X		
Alec Sandcrane	X		
L. Jace Killsback	X		
Dan Carlson	X		
Jennie LaFranier			
Judith Spang			
Vice President Fox	X		

RESOLUTION REQUESTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO CONDUCT FINANCIAL SERVICES FOR A WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION PROJECT FROM THE STATE OF MONTANA. Motion made by Tracy Robinson. Second by Allen Fisher.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Jule Spang, Sr.	X		
R.D. Bailey			
George Scalpcane	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Allen Fisher	X		
Alec Sandcrane	X		
L. Jace Killsback	X		
Dan Carlson	X		
Jennie LaFranier			
Judith Spang			
Vice President Fox	X		

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BUDGETS

Ben Lonebear-This is the CITGO budget for LIHEAP. It is the initial budget and will allow LIHEAP to spend the money.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION AND OR ADOPTION OF BUDGETS: Fund 910-“2009 CITGO” a budget in the amount of \$92,400.00.
 Motion made by Tracy Robinson. Second by Allen Fisher.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Jule Spang, Sr.	X		
R.D. Bailey	X		
George Scalpcane	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Allen Fisher	X		
Alec Sandcrane	X		
L. Jace Killsback	X		
Dan Carlson	X		
Jennie LaFranier			
Judith Spang			
Vice President Fox	X		

9 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried
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R.D. Bailey-For the record, I was not aware that we were having a special meeting today.

L. Jace Killsback-We talked about this in a working session. I have drafted resolutions that will place Council members on Boards and Committees as Ex-Officio’s.

George Scalpcane-Chief Dull Knife College accreditation requires that the college stay “at arm’s length” from politics. How will this affect them?

L. Jace Killsback-It won’t affect them because an ex-officio has no voting power. Their Ordinance actually states that there will be one ex-officio appointment.

Alec Sandcrane-Chief Dull Knife College sent a letter to President Spang recommending myself and R.D. Bailey.

George Scalpcane-Regarding TERO, when it was first established it was supposed to be looking out for Tribal members. To me, it’s damaging our Indian contractors.

L. Jace Killsback-Tracy and George have been appointed to TERO, it is fitting for them as previous contractors and employees and I agree that they should serve as ex-officios on the TERO board.

Tracy Robinson-I was appointed to the Credit Committee. I made a statement once that I would sit on the board until the position was filled.

Vice President Fox-This action will automatically supersede the previous resolutions.

Allen Fisher-Isn't it the Presidents job to appoint?

L. Jace Killsback-These resolutions do not go forward unless the President agrees with them.

R.D. Bailey-What is the reasoning behind these recommendations?

L. Jace Killsback-In a sense, these are the Council's recommendations? We discussed this in a working session and I thought we were all in agreement.

R.D. Bailey-The reason I declined appointment to the Chief Dull Knife College Board is that I'm bogged down with a lot of other responsibilities as it is.

L. Jace Killsback-Danny Carlson is officially the Northern Cheyenne Housing Authority liaison. Northern Cheyenne Utilities is always an issue, and the Culture Commission always wants Tribal leadership involved. Leroy, what is your take on all this?

President Spang-I say take it to a working session. We'll schedule it for Friday morning at 10:00.

L. Jace Killsback-We need Council members on the Tribal Health Board. It's one of our biggest programs. When leaders are involved, we see good policy being developed. This would be one way to deal with the issues that come to our offices and there will be continuity and justification for that.

Allen Fisher-It was recommended by the President to put this on the working session agenda for Friday.

Vice President Fox-Our Plan of Operations, 5 (97) indicates to all of us that we can attend all meetings. We just cannot vote or make a quorum. When the Council sits on these committees, sometimes we come in there with authority and they move away from making decisions. We need to look at ways to combat that.

L. Jace Killsback-Legally 5 (97) does not say Council can sit on committees. Legally, ex-officio status is only applied to the President and Vice President.

Steve Brady, Sr.- I am presenting this resolution regarding the Eagle Sting Operation that is underway by the Fish & Wildlife Department. There are Tribal members that have been raided and are being affected by this. Once passed, this resolution will be

forwarded to the MT WYO Tribal Leaders Council and Native American Rights Fund in Denver, CO.

RESOLUTION IN RESPONSE TO THE EAGLE STING OPERATION CONDUCTED BY THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE AND OTHER FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO ENACT LEGISLATION IN U.S. CONGRESS PROVIDING ENHANCED PROTECTION TO TRADITIONAL INDIAN CULTURAL AND RELIGIOUS ACQUISITION, POSSESSION AND USE OF EAGLES AND EAGLE PARTS. Motion made by George Scalpcane. Second by Tracy Robinson.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Jule Spang, Sr.	X		
R.D. Bailey	X		
George Scalpcane	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Allen Fisher	X		
Alec Sandcrane	X		
L. Jace Killsback	X		
Dan Carlson	X		
Jennie LaFranier			
Judith Spang			
Vice President Fox	X		

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF TWO MEMBERS TO THE TRIBAL APPEALS BOARD. Motion made by R.D. Bailey. Second by Dan Carlson.

*August "Tiger" Scalpcane, Lucy Gardner

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Jule Spang, Sr.	X		
R.D. Bailey	X		
George Scalpcane	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Allen Fisher	X		
Alec Sandcrane			
L. Jace Killsback			
Dan Carlson	X		
Jennie LaFranier	X		
Judith Spang	X		
Vice President Fox	X		

9 votes Yes 0 votes No 0 Abstentions Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING. Motion made by Allen Fisher. Second by Alec Sandcrane.

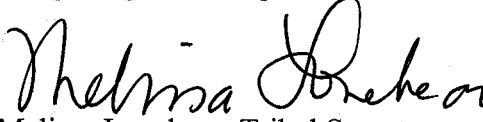
ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Jule Spang, Sr.	X		
R.D. Bailey	X		
George Scalpcane	X		
Tracy Robinson	X		
Allen Fisher	X		
Alec Sandcrane	X		
L. Jace Killsback	X		
Dan Carlson	X		
Jennie LaFranier			
Judith Spang			
Vice President Fox	X		

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Meeting Adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED by the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council by 9 votes for passage and adoption, 0 votes against passage and adoption, and 0 abstentions this 8th day of September 2009.


Melissa Lonebear, Tribal Secretary