

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

**MINUTES**  
May 21, 2007

Call to Order: President Little Coyote called the meeting to order at 9:20 a.m.

Invocation: Alberta Fisher

Roll Call: Sharlene Evans, Secretary

1.	Charles Yellow Fox, Jr.	Present
2.	Matthew Two Moons, Sr.	Present
3.	Alfred Strange Owl, Jr.	Present
4.	Joe Fox, Jr.	Present
5.	Allen Fisher	Present
6.	Alberta Fisher	Present
7.	L. Jace Killsback	Absent
8.	Dan Carlson	Present
9.	Jennie Lou LaFranier	Present
10.	Judith Spang	Absent/Excused (granddaughter in hospital)
11.	Rick Wolfname, Vice Pres.	Present
12.	Eugene Little Coyote, Pres.	Present

Quorum: Yes, 9 present, 2 absent.

**PERMANENT FUND BOARD MEETING**

Call to Order: President Little Coyote called the meeting of the Permanent Fund Board to order at 9:27 a.m.

Roll Call: Sharlene Evans, Secretary

1.	Charles Yellow Fox, Jr.	Present
2.	Matthew Two Moons, Sr.	Present
3.	Alfred Strange Owl, Jr.	Present
4.	Joe Fox, Jr.	Present
5.	Allen Fisher	Present
6.	Alberta Fisher	Present
7.	L. Jace Killsback	Absent
8.	Dan Carlson	Present
9.	Jennie Lou LaFranier	Present
10.	Judith Spang	Absent/Excused (granddaughter in hospital)
11.	Rick Wolfname, Vice Pres.	Present
12.	Eugene Little Coyote, Pres.	Present

Quorum: Yes, 8 present, 2 absent.

#1. Permanent Fund Report - Rick McCann:

Permanent Fund Investment Manager Rick McCann gave the Tribal Council a brief report of the Northern Cheyenne Permanent Fund Investment Balances as of April 30, 2007. The balance is \$20,719,405.66. Mr. McCann informed the Tribal Council that it is time to rebalance and to reallocate funds to the investors.

Adjourn @: 9:32 a.m.

Resume Tribal Council meeting @ 9:32 a.m.

#2. Elderly - Elderly Commission:

Dan Carlson reported that there is a herd of sheep at the TP Ranch (40 +), with four (4) sheep herders. Alberta Fisher stated that there is no plan in place for the sheep operation and that the Land Authority has requested for a plan within 2 weeks. Charles Yellow Fox, Jr. requested that the Elderly Commission come before the Tribal Council with a report. President Little Coyote stated that the Elderly Commission operates under an Ordinance and functions as an advisory capacity.

#3. District Reports - District Chairs:

Busby District Tribal Council representative Matthew Two Moons, Sr. reported that the Busby District hasn't had a meeting this summer. No other reports were given.

#4. A. Minutes – May 7, 2007 - Sharlene Evans:

Tribal Council Secretary, Sharlene Evans, presented the Tribal Council meeting minutes of May 7, 2007. Tribal Council reviewed the minutes and made corrections.

A motion made by Matthew Two Moons, Sr. to approve the minutes of May 7, 2007. Seconded by Charles Yellow Fox, Jr. VOTE: 9-0-0. Motion carried.

B. Agenda Policies and Procedures: Tabled

#5. A. Budgets – Wilma LaRance/Ben Lonebear:

Acting Tribal Treasurer Ben Lonebear presented budgets for Tribal Council approval. The Budget Finance Committee has reviewed and approved the following budgets, revisions and modifications:

Nutrition Services Incentive Program/Administration On Aging budget revision in the amount of \$21,918.00, an increase of \$6,445.00 of amount awarded; 2.) Fund 330A. Tribal Health AFA, budget revision in the amount of \$5,844,341.00. The increase of \$125,643.00 was due to additional amount awarded. There were budget line item adjustment to supplies, equipment,

travel and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome expenses; 3.) Fund 220 638/H.I.P., budget revision in the amount of \$233,936.41, an increase of \$35,531.00 in additional award amount. The budget line item adjustment increased the contractual construction costs; 4.) Fund 906 H.I.P. Generated Income budget revision in the amount of \$5,463.56. An increase of \$1,200.00. Line item adjustments to travel, supplies and direct services-participants; 5.) Fund 216 Water Monitoring/BIA (Natural Resources). A budget revision in the amount of \$126,491.00. Adjustments made to professional services per the grant agreement; 6.) Fund 734. MT Noxious Weed Trust Fund. Approve a budget revision in the amount of \$21,722.00. There is no increase or decrease in the overall budget amount. There were adjustments in professional services, temporary salaries and indirect costs.

A motion made by Alberta Fisher to approve the budget revisions as presented. Seconded by Charles Yellow Fox, Jr. VOTE: 9-0-0. Motion carried.

**B. Fund No. 358D Modification and MOU with  
Natural Resources-Tribal Health: Tabled**

Additional budgets presented by the Acting Tribal Treasurer:

A resolution to rescind Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council Resolution No. NCT-040 (07). Resolution No. NCT-040 (07), combined the Land Acquisition budget into the Tribe's General Fund. The Tribal Treasury now wants the accounts to be in separate accounts to serve the best interest of the Tribe.

A motion made by Alberta Fisher to rescind Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council Resolution No. NCT-040 (07). Seconded by Allen Fisher. VOTE: 9-0-0. Motion carried.

A resolution to change the title of "Fort Robinson Breakout Committee" to "Fort Robinson Participants" in the budget line item in the Fiscal Year 2007 General Fund Budget.

A motion made by Alberta Fisher to change the line item title from "Fort Robinson Breakout Committee" to "Fort Robinson Participants" in the 2007 General Fund Budget. Seconded by Jennie Lou LaFranier. VOTE: 9-0-0. Motion carried.

**#6. Pro Tem Judges appointments-President Little Coyote:**

President Little Coyote requested Tribal Council concurrence of Pro Tem Judge appointments of Eldena Bear Don't Walk, David Gordon, Dan Belcourt and Stephen Doherty, to the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Court to assist in processing Tribal Court proceedings.

A motion made by Allen Fisher to concur with the Judge Pro Tem appointments: Eldena Bear Don't Walk, David Gordon, Dan Belcourt and Stephen Doherty. Seconded by Alberta Fisher. VOTE: 1 no (Charles Yellow Fox, Jr.). 8 Yes. 0 abstentions. Motion carried.

#7. Appellate Judge conflict of Interest - Dion Killsback:

Tribal Attorney Dion Killsback presented a resolution to the Tribal Council for their approval. The resolution authorizes the removal of Jeff Simkovic from serving as a judge for the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Court System. He provided documentation with information that Mr. Simkovic has advocated against Tribal Sovereignty in Marceau v. Blackfeet Housing Authority. Other tribes' along with the U.S. Attorney have filed briefs against Jim Simkovic.

A motion made by Aljo Strange Owl to remove Jeffrey Simkovic as a Northern Cheyenne Tribal Court Appellate Judge. Seconded by Allen Fisher. VOTE: 9-0-0. Motion carried.

#8. N. C. Utility Commission Billing & Collection Policy - Ethelyn Shoulderblade:

The Northern Cheyenne Utility Commission presented a revised Billings and Collection Policy to the Tribal Council for their support and approval. They informed the council that they have met with each of the five districts and informed their community members of the revised policies. The Council recommended that the revised billing policies be taken door to door.

A motion made by Allen Fisher to approve the Northern Cheyenne Utility Billing and Collection Policy. Seconded by Alberta Fisher. VOTE: 9-0-0. Motion carried.

#9. ICDBG Grant application-Shoulderblade Complex - Lafe Haugen:

Northern Cheyenne Housing Authority Director Lafe Haugen informed the Tribal Council that the application to the Indian Community Development Block Grant was initially targeted for improvements of the Shoulderblade Complex, but that has changed to make improvements to the old Mutual Help Homes of tribal members.

A motion made by Allen Fisher to adopt a resolution supporting and granting the Northern Cheyenne Housing Authority the authority to submit an application to the Indian Community Development Block Grant. Seconded by Matthew Two Moons, Sr. VOTE: 9-0-0. Motion carried.

Lunch break @ 12:00 p.m.

Resume @ 1:10 p.m.

Roll Call: Sharlene Evans, Secretary

1.	Charles Yellow Fox, Jr.	Present
2.	Matthew Two Moons, Sr.	Present
3.	Alfred Strangeowl, Jr.	Present
4.	Joe Fox, Jr.	Present
5.	Allen Fisher	Present
6.	Alberta Fisher	Present
7.	L. Jace Killsback	1:34 Present
8.	Dan Carlson	Present

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| 9.  | Jennie Lou LaFranier        | Present                                    |
| 10. | Judith Spang                | Absent/Excused (granddaughter in hospital) |
| 11. | Rick Wolfname, V. Pres.     | Absent                                     |
| 12. | Eugene Little Coyote, Pres. | Presiding                                  |

Quorum: 9 present, 2 absent.

#10. Tribal Youth Program Transfer - Glenn Littlebird/Brandi Bends:

Tribal Council want the Girls & Boys Club Director to in involved in this discussions of transfer the Tribal Youth Program to the Office of the Prosecution. This item tabled.

Recess @ 1:58 p.m. p.m., meeting to continue on Tuesday, May 22, 2007 at 1:00 p.m.

#12. Native Aspirations Project (Community Plan for Youth Violence, Bullying and Suicide Prevention) – Judy Flett.

President Little Coyote invited to listen to the presentation by Judy Flett and her associate on the Native Aspirations Project, a Community Plan for Youth Violence, Bullying and Suicide Prevention, and be prepared present a supportive resolution at the next meeting.

Tuesday, May 22, 2007 – Continuation of regular meeting of Monday, May 21, 2007.

Call to Order: President Little Coyote called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

Roll Call: Sharlene Evans, Secretary

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| 1.  | Charles Yellow Fox, Jr.     | Present                                    |
| 2.  | Matthew Two Moons, Sr.      | Present                                    |
| 3.  | Alfred Strange Owl, Jr.     | Present                                    |
| 4.  | Joe Fox, Jr.                | Present                                    |
| 5.  | Allen Fisher, Ser. At Arms  | Absent                                     |
| 6.  | Alberta Fisher              | Present                                    |
| 7.  | L. Jace Killsback           | Absent                                     |
| 8.  | Dan Carlson                 | Absent                                     |
| 9.  | Jennie Lou LaFranier        | Absent                                     |
| 10. | Judith Spang                | Absent/Excused (granddaughter in hospital) |
| 11. | Rick Wolfname, V. Pres.     | Absent                                     |
| 12. | Eugene Little Coyote, Pres. | Presiding                                  |

Quorum: No. 5 present, 6 absent.

President Little Coyote stated that Item #11 would be moved forward to the next regular meeting.

**Passed, approved and adopted** by the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council by 11 votes for passage and adoption and 0 votes against passage and adoption and no abstentions this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 2007.

*Shaulene Evans*