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

#### SPECIAL SESSION

### **MINUTES**

March 28, 2020

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Peña called the meeting to order at 11:44 a.m.

**INVOCATION:** Ernest Littlemouth

#### **ROLL CALL:**

	PRESENT	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>EXCUSED</b>
Debra Charette	X		
Philip Beckman		X	
Eva Foote	X		Arr. 11:55 a.m.
Diane Spotted Elk	X		
Henry Speelman	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Lane Spotted Elk	X		
Ernest Littlemouth, Sr.	X		
Waylon Rogers	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers	X		
Winfield Russell, Vice President	X		
Rynalea Peña, President	X		

Quorum Established

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

President Pena-I called this special to approve the Covid 19 Ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBAL COUNCIL AFFIRMING PRESIDENT PENA'S DELCARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY AND EMERGENCY MEASURES RELATED TO COVID-19 AND ADOPTION OF A STAY AT HOME AND CURFEW ORDER FOR ALL INDIVIDUALS WITHIN THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES OF THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE RESERVATION. Motion made by Diane Spottedelk. Second by Vice President Russell.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman				
Eva Foote	X			
Diane Spottedelk	X			
Henry Speelman	X			

Merlin Sioux	X	
Lane Spottedelk	X	
Ernest Littlemouth	X	
Waylon Rogers	X	
Dana Eaglefeathers	X	
Vice President Russell	X	

10 votes Yes	0 votes No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried

Debra Charette-What's the section 7-4-9?

Brian Chestnut-It refers to venereal disease, communicable disease. It is a Class C offense.

Lane Spottedelk-We have members that travel through our reservation to work, for the curfew.

Debra Charette-It does say that they are essential. They are deemed essential on the mine side and plant side. What does this mean for our employees on the tribal side?

President Peña-That will come out in a memo. We will stay on the "non-essential" or "essential". Finance is rotating their workers.

Debra Charette-I think we should set good examples ourselves by staying home, not traveling.

Lane Spottedelk-I think we should completely close the Tribe.

Dana Eaglefeathers-The Executive Order is effective immediately. The ordinance needs to go to BIA to be noted or approved.

Lane Spottedelk-We're trying to control nonmembers as well.

Debra Charette-Are they going to keep the people off the streets?

President Peña-Security and Law Enforcement will enforce the order. We will do a Director's Meeting conference call to determine what services and employees are essential.

Dana Eaglefeathers-We need to talk to the Chair of the Housing Board. There were a couple of actions they took that really disturbed me. There was a couple of evictions, one was a good tenant, just didn't pay his rent.

Lane Spottedelk-We can sit down with Rodney.

**ADJOURNMENT OF COUNCIL MEETING**. Motion made by Diane Spottedelk. Second by Ernest Littlemouth.

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# **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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Debra Charette	X			
Philip Beckman				

Eva Foote	X		
Diane Spottedelk	X		
Henry Speelman	X		
Merlin Sioux	X		
Lane Spottedelk	X		
Ernest Littlemouth	X		
Waylon Rogers	X		
Dana Eaglefeathers		X	
Vice President Russell	X		

9 votes Yes	1 vote No	0 Abstentions	Motion Carried

# MEETING ADJOURNED @ 12:24 P.M.

**PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED** by the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council with 9 votes for passage and adoption, 0 votes against passage and adoption, and 0 abstentions this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020.

Melissa Lonebear, Secretary Northern Cheyenne Tribe