RESOLUTION OF THE WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council Secretary, Cyndy Harvey-Burnette, has prepared briefs for the Tribal Council meetings for August 1-3, August 9, August 15, September 11, September 20, and September 21, 2000 and has presented them to the Tribal Council this date for approval; and
- WHEREAS, after reading the briefs to the Tribal Council, the Tribal Council concludes that the briefs should be approved as presented with one noted change.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the Tribal Council meeting briefs for August 1-3, August 9, August 15, September 11, September 20, and September 21, 2000, as presented with one noted change.

The foregoing resolution was on October 11, 2000, duly adopted by a vote of SEVEN for and ZERO against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (s), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

ACTING Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Pribal Council

White Mountain Apache Tribe Fort Apache Indian Reservation Tribal Council budget meeting Executive Conference Room Tuesday, August 1, 2000

COUNCIL MEETING BRIEFS

The continuation of the budget meeting was called at 2:50 p.m. by Chairman Massey with a quorum present. Council Member Dehose was excused. The invocation was offered by Council Member Cody. Budget Committee members were present.

- 1. The proposed recommendations for FATCO was presented. Discussion followed on hazardous pay. It was advised that policies are needed to address this important concern.
- 2. Discussion followed on Council meeting compensation, 6% salary increases and emergency assistance. A request was made for a Council Liaison for Dist. IV along with a clerical staff position at Cibecue Complex. Proper guidelines for emergency assistance was also recommended.
- 3. Apache Scout status of Sky Nez as either editor/consultant will be followed up in meeting with Sky and the Human Resources Director. Placement of Nancy Mahaney as Director of Apache Museum was advised.
- 4. Low salaries and lack of benefits/workman's comp for livestock personnel was discussed. Council Member Craig and Human Resources Director to look into benefit package for these employees and to report findings to Tribal Council.
- 5. Council Member Craig listed District IV needs-restrooms/water for baseball field, street lights for old fairground and the footbridge areas, street lights for McNary, new bus sheds, playground facilities for river road and beautification project throughout the area.
- 6. Tourism and Enterprise Division to be split at a later date so that Ray Endfield can concentrate on the Enterprises.
- 7. Hondah replacement of machines annually and Tribal member employment was recommended.
- 8. FATCO Ray Endfield to explore Tuff Shed opportunities. FATCO's financial losses, the General Manager and the Board were discussed. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-222</u> adopted for the removal of Omar Villa, FATCO General Manager and Martin DeVere, FATCO Board Member. Motion: Council Member Clay, second: Council Member Lupe. Vote: 8-1.
- 9. WO&RD per Ray Endfield, consolidate all marketing for enterprises.
- 10. Apache Enterprise Discussion on salary increase rate for Gerald Alsenay.
- 11. Sunrise per Chairman Massey, EDA representative will be here on Sept. 3, 2000 regarding the \$7.0 million dollar grant for Sunrise.
- 12. Whiteriver Commercial Center concerns were expressed on the restaurant manager and Basha's. Replacement of hotel/restaurant sign was advised. Ray Endfield to look into high room rates at the hotel.

- 13. Cibecue Commerical Center the Controller provided information on proposed coupon system.
- 14. Agriculture & ID Herd proper departments to be charged and documented with recommendation to phase out the store eventually.
- 15. Chairman Massey expressed thanks to the Budget Committee for their work on the budget and recommended continued review on a quarterly basis to the Tribal Council. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-223</u> adopted for approval of the 2000-2001 WMAT budget. Motion: Vice Chairman Endfield, second: Council Member Nez. Vote: 6-0-1 abstention.

16. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

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Cyndy Harvey-Burnette
Tribal Council Secretary

White Mountain Apache Tribe Fort Apache Indian Reservation Tribal Council meeting Tribal Council Chambers Wednesday, August 2, 2000

COUNCIL MEETING BRIEFS

Chairman Massey called the regularly scheduled Council meeting to order at 9:33 a.m. with all members of the Tribal Council present. Council Member Baha-Walker offered the invocation.

- Resolution No. <u>08-2000-224</u> adopted for approval of Pathways manuscript titled Patterns of Physical Activity among American Indian children: An Assessment of Barriers and Support. Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Council Member Baha-Walker. Vote: 10-0.
- 2. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-225</u> adopted for approval of Pathways manuscript titled Lifetime Health for Preschool American Indian Children. Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Council Member Baha-Walker. Vote: 10-0.
- 3. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-226</u> adopted for approval of Pathways manuscript titled Body Composition and Obesity Prevalence in American Indian School Children enrolled in Pathways Study. Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Council Member Baha-Walker. Vote: 10-0.
- 4. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-227</u> adopted for approval of Pathways manuscript titled Store-Based Environment Intervention Program to Reduce Risk of Chronic disease in the White Mountain Apache Reservation. Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Council Member Baha-Walker. Vote: 10-0.

TRIBAL MEMBER BUSINESS

- Resolution No. <u>08-2000-228</u> adopted for approval of Lot A-47 in Hondah for Vernadale Nozie. Motion: Council Member Clay, second: Council Member Craig. Vote: 6-0.
- Rupert and Gertie Lupe informed Council of schedule of events for upcoming Junior Rodeos and requested financial assistance to purchase prizes. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-229</u> adopted to direct the Controller and the Budget Committee to appropriate Tribal funds in the amount of \$1,500.00 for the Junior Rodeos. Motion: Council Member Baha-Walker, second: Council Member Nez. Vote: 7-0.
- 3. Glenda Massey shared information regarding Horseshoe Pizza, Mr. & Mrs. Watts and her concern that her name is not on the lease. The Assistant Tribal Attorney David Osterfield stated that to his knowledge the lease is not yet finalized but that he will check and update Ms. Massey and the Council.
- 4. Faye Smith introduced the Whiteriver All Stars team members and requested a van to transport the team to Salt River. She was advised that a van will be located for them.

- 5. Martha Cosay informed Council of status of mobile home (which was affected by the Rainbow Fire last year) and requested assistance to make sure her home is safe and able to receive water and electric power. Council Member Craig updated Council of her assistance to the Cosay family. Resolution No. 08-2000-230 adopted to direct proper resource personnel to review the Cosay's mobile home concerns with a follow up report within ten days. Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Council Member Burnette. Vote: 10-0.
- 6. The meeting went into Executive Session from 11:00 to 11:35 a.m. regarding Renita Tate.
- 7. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-231</u> adopted to reinstate Renita Tate to her former position at the Hondah Gaming Office with retro pay back to May 15, 2000. Motion: Council Member Dehose, second: Council Member Craig. Vote: 10-0.
- 8. Marvene James requested monetary donations to purchase I.D., yearbook and to pay for registration fees for her child who attends the Arizona Blind and Deaf School. Ms. James also requested assistance with transportation for six children to and from Globe, Arizona. Assistance from Tribal Education and the school district was advised.
- 9. Executive Session was held from 12:07 to 12:20 p.m. regarding Mabelene Riley.
- 10. Higher Education Coordinator, Garrick DeClay, Peterson Zah and Michael Begay (both of ASU), provided information on the proposed IGA between the tribe and ASU. Return on tribal investment and importance of retention program was commented on. Resolution No. 08-2000-232 adopted for approval of IGA between the WMAT and ASU. Motion: Council Member Cody, second: Council Member Baha-Walker. Vote: 8-0.
- 11. The Assistant Attorney, David Osterfield, provided an update on status of Mabelene Riley. Further follow up will be provided on behalf of Ms. Riley.
- 12. Information on the Child Find program was given by the Tribal Education Director Linda DeClay and Ermon Colelay of Child Find. Ms. DeClay also covered other assistance provided from Tribal Education. She is to look into funds through the schools for special needs students.
- 13. Irene Endfield, Watershed Manager, presented information on the Canyon Day Restoration Area and on the fencing project. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-233</u> adopted for approval of fencing project for the Canyon Day Restoration Area. Motion: Council Member Nez, second: Council Member Clay. Vote: 9-0.
- 14. Whiteriver Service Unit Director, Carla Alchesay-Nachu, provided budget, construction and health information.
- 15. Jennifer Manuel of Hondah Gaming Office requested to comment on Renita Tate. She was advised that discussion will be held tomorrow morning in Executive Session.
- 16. Robert Lacapa, BIA Forest Manager, presented a forest health and current fire update. Concerns on the Cibecue fires were shared along with concerns for impacts on wildlife and hunting areas.
- Richard DiValentino, Scholarship Coordinator for the Permanent Land Restoration Board, provided information on scholarships and recipients. Resolution No. 08-2000-234 adopted for approval of the Tribal Permanent Land

Restoration Board scholarship recipients for the Fall 2000 semester. Motion: Vice Chairman Endfield, second: Council Member Baha-Walker. Vote: 10-0.

18. Social Service Director Carlene Narcho introduced Elaine Bender, TANF Coordinator. Ms. Bender provided information on Welfare to Work (a component of TANF) policies and procedures. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-235</u> adopted for approval of the Welfare to Work Program Policies and Procedures. Motion: Vice Chairman Endfield, second: Council Member Clay. Vote: 7-1.
19. The meeting recessed at 5:50 p.m.

Sincerely,

Eyndy Harvey-Burnette

Tribal Council Secretary

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White Mountain Apache Tribe Fort Apache Indian Reservation Tribal Council meeting Executive Conference Room Thursday, August 3, 2000

COUNCIL MEETING BRIEFS

The continuation of the Council meeting was called to order at 9:28 a.m. by Chairman Massey with a quorum present. Council Members Denose and Nez were excused. Raymus Albert of the Land Office offered the invocation.

- Manuel Hernandez, candidate for Navajo County Treasurer, requested endorsement and permission to post political signs. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-236</u> adopted for both requests. Motion: Council Member Cody, second: Council Member Clay. Vote: 7-0.
- 2. David Widmaier, candidate for Navajo County Justice of the Peace, requested permission to post political signs. His request was approved.
- 3. Transportation Coordinator, Richard Palmer, provided updates on current road/bridge construction projects. Discussion followed on Canyon Day Mouse Drive and exits for Cradleboard School and Over the Rainbow subdivision for safety purposes. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-237</u> adopted to delete Mouse Drive from Consolidated 25 listing and insert Over The Rainbow Subdivision Road as a safety measure to provide ingress and egress. Motion: Council Member Baha-Walker, second: Council Member Craig. Vote: 7-0.
- 4. Richard Palmer stressed that more coordination is needed with Housing Authority regarding ingress/egress. Council Member Craig clarified the Housing Board's limited role with the Canyon Day Apache Dawn project. Mr. Palmer was commended on his work from Chairman Massey.
- 5. Gary Butler, candidate for Navajo County Sheriff, requested endorsement and permission to post signs. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-238</u> adopted for both requests. Motion: Vice Chairman Endfield, second: Council Member Nez. Vote: 9-0.
- 6. Chief of Police Ray Burnette provided information on the Indian Highway Safety grant. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-239</u> adopted to authorize Chief Ray Burnette to proceed with the grant application to the office of Highway Safety of the BIA. Motion: Vice Chairman Endfield, second: Council Member Baha-Walker. Vote: 8-0.
- 7. Chief Burnette updated Council on search for missing tribal member. Ben Nuvamsa, BIA Superintendent, informed Council of availability of funds to partially renovate the jail facilities.
- 8. Discussion was held on the return of tribal vehicle.

- 9. Jon Cooley, WO&RD Director and Cynthia Westfall, Sensitive Species Coordinator provided information on the wolf management plan. Ms. Westfall also provided information on the proposed documentary on the Mexican Wolf by Turner Television and on the MOA with USFWS for training of biologist. Chairman Massey commended Cynthia on her work. Mr. Cooley briefed Council on the Trophy Elk hunt.
- 10. Raymus Albert, Land Office Director, presented Land Board meeting minutes for June 29 and July 29, 2000. The Board was advised to resolve land disputes promptly. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-240</u> adopted to approve Land Board meeting minutes for June 29 and July 29, 2000. Motion: Council Member Burnette, second: Council Member Cody. Vote: 8-0.
- 11. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-241</u> adopted for approval of thirty-six (36) tribal member enrollment. Motion: Council Member Nez, second: Council Member Clay. Vote: 9-0. It was advised that Glorianna Dayaye, BIA Tribal Services, to meet with the Enrollment Committee to discuss 22-H requirements/concerns.
- 12. The seven (7) relinquishment requests and three (3) ineligible applicants to be notified via letter from Chairman Massey's office.
- 13. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-242</u> adopted for approval of Tribal Council meeting briefs for the month of July 2000 with noted changes. Motion: Vice Chairman Endfield, second: Council Member Burnette. Vote: 9-0.
- 14. Council Member Craig's report included: update of Native Vision camp, invitation to National Gala in New York City and information on luncheon with President Clinton in Phoenix. Information on the Task Force as related to the Nursing Home closure and outcome of emergency meeting was shared with Council.
- 15. CBO's request to become independent of Health Authority to be reviewed by the Health Board, then presented to the Tribal Council. Council Member Craig complimented Vonda Clarkson and the Elderly Services Program for national recognition.
- 16. Travel to Baltimore-Washington, D.C. was for purpose of reviewing potential grant opportunity with Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health Center. The WMAT to submit proposal to strengthen health programs and create opportunities for recruiting Apache health professionals. Information on the upcoming National Indian Health Board Conference was shared.
- 17. Council Member Craig shared needs of District IV.
- 18. Chairman Massey advised Council to submit their plans/goals (in writing) to him. He stressed a teamwork effort for the tribe's progress.
- 19. Council Member Nez reported on Sherman Indian School Board meeting and presented resolution. Resolution No. 08-2000-243 adopted regarding support for Apache parents to send their children to schools that best fit their student(s) needs and the BIA Line Officer to sign all appropriate documents allowing this right for parents for their children. Motion: Vice Chairman Endfield, second: Council Member Clay. Vote: 9-0.

- 20. The Assistant Attorney David Osterfield updated Council on Martha Cosay's trailer situation. Information provided on McNary and Whiteriver Post Office leases. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-244</u> adopted to renew the McNary Post Office Lease from 7/1/00 through 6/30/05, at an annual rental of \$6,400.00. Motion: Council Member Nez, second: Council Member Clay. Vote: 9-0.
- 21. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-245</u> adopted to renew the Whiteriver Post Office Lease from 2/1/02 through 1/31/07, at an annual rental of \$23,278.00. Motion: Vice Chairman Endfield, second: Council Member Burnette. Vote: 8-0.
- 22. Vice Chairman Endfield shared his concerns on the Cibecue Post Office and on the need for a larger post office.
- 23. David Osterfield, Assistant Tribal Attorney, provided resolution on the addendum to Cellular One lease in the Cibecue vicinity. The resolution was tabled until further verification with Tribal Realty and until exact location of towers is revealed.
- 24. Council Member Clay reported on recent action by school board regarding Tribal member applicant. He stressed Council input to assist Tribal members with positions they are qualified for.
- 25. The meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

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Cyndy Harvey-Burnette Tribal Council Secretary

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White Mountain Apache Tribe Fort Apache Indian Reservation Tribal Council Water Rights briefing Executive Conference Room Wednesday, August 9, 2000

COUNCIL MEETING BRIEFS

The Water Rights briefing was called to order at 9:25 a.m. by Chairman Massey with a quorum present. Council Members Cody and Clay were on travel and Council Member Dehose was absent. Vice Chairman Endfield offered the invocation. The Water Rights team, Mike Watson, and the Assistant Tribal Attorney, David Osterfield were also present.

- 1. The Water Rights briefing was held in Executive Session from 9:25 a.m. until 11:50 a.m.
- 2. Vice Chairman Endfield commented on the Threat to Native Languages Conference and presented resolution which was drafted at the outcome of the conference. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-246</u> adopted for opposition to proposition 203 "English Language Education for Children in Public Schools". Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Council Member Burnette. Vote: 6-0.
- 3. Upcoming meetings/events scheduled was reviewed followed by adjournment at 12:20 p.m.

Sincerely,

Cyndy Harvey-Burnette

Tribal Council Secretary

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White Mountain Apache Tribe Fort Apache Indian Reservation Tribal Council meeting BIA Annex Conference Room Tuesday, August 15, 2000

COUNCIL MEETING BRIEFS

Chairman Massey called the Council meeting to order at 11:45 a.m. with a quorum of the Tribal Council present. Council Member Baha-Walker was excused.

- 1. Chairman Massey explained that the purpose of today's brief meeting is for the Tribal Council to be informed of grant opportunity titled, the Native American Research Center for Health grant.
- 2. Council Member Craig, Health Board Chairperson and Donna Vigil, Health Authority Director provided information on above stated grant.
- 3. It was advised to include and reference Johns Hopkins work with the WMAT in the proposed resolution.
- 4. Resolution No. <u>08-2000-247</u> adopted approving the WMAT Health Authority to apply for the Native American Research Centers for Health Grant and to pursue any and all opportunities to obtain such funding, further, the Tribe to identify Johns Hopkins as its academic and research partner for purposes of the Grant. Motion: Council Member Cody, second: Vice Chairman Endfield. Vote: 9-0.
- 5. Council Member Craig informed Council of her nomination to serve on the National Indian Women's Steering Committee to Dr. Trujillo, Assistant Surgeon General and Director of Indian Health Service. Chairman Massey offered congratulations to her on her appointment.
- 6. Adjournment was at 12:07 p.m.

Sincerely,

Cyndy Harvey-Burrette Tribal Council Secretary

White Mountain Apache Tribe Fort Apache Indian Reservation Tribal Council meeting Executive Conference Room Monday, September 11, 2000

COUNCIL MEETING BRIEFS

The special Council meeting regarding the N'dee Health Web was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman Endfield with a quorum present. Chairman Massey and Council Member Dehose were on travel. Council Member Craig offered the invocation.

- 1. Vice Chairman Endfield informed Council that Chairman Massey is attending meetings regarding the gaming compact in Phoenix.
- 2. Donna Vigil, Health Authority Director, introduced staff and stated that they are here to share the progress of the N'dee Health Web.
- 3. Dr. Barry Bialek provided a review of N'dee Health Web.
- 4. Prevention (with focus on youth) was stressed along with a request for statistics from the past indicating Health Authority program's success/failure rates. A concern was shared on the fact that mental health and other problems which are not addressed. Confidentiality as related to HIV was another concern.
- 5. Dr. Bialek and Lenora Ethelbah presented information on the N'Dee NARCH Survey. Ms. Ethelbah also provided traditional medicine/healing information. She stressed honoring patient request for traditional prayers and healing. The involvement of the Apache Cultural Advisory Council was advised.
- 6. The Tribal Council identified some health priorities as follows:
 - 1. Substance abuse (drugs/alcohol) 5. Cancer
 - 2. Diabetes

- 6. Traditional aspects of healing
- 3. Prevention/education
- 4. Heart disease
- 7. Communication between departments/governing body
- 7. Through a directory of services, major problems will be identified along with program progress. These progress reports to be presented to the Council on a quarterly basis.
- 8. The data gathered from the community to be reported to the Tribal Council on October 5, 2000.
- 9. Resolution No. <u>09-2000-248</u> adopted to assist Apache Colelay with \$2,500 to enter the Miss Teen World Pageant. \$1,250 to be divided from the Executive Offices of the Chairman and Vice Chairman, \$1,250 from Hondah Casino. Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Council Member Cody. Vote: 7-0.
- 10. It was advised by Council Member Cruz that some type of fund should be available for families who accompany family members to hospitals. Funds would cover lodging, meals and gas.
- 11. Adjournment was at 5:17 p.m.

Sincerely,

Cyndy Harvey-Burnette
Tribal Council Secretary

White Mountain Apache Tribe Fort Apache Indian Reservation Tribal Council meeting/Council Chambers Wednesday, September 20, 2000

COUNCIL MEETING BRIEFS

Called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Chairman Massey. Invocation offered by Pastor Reno Johnson, Sr. of the Lighthouse Family Church. Roll call indicated all members of the Council present with the exception of Council Members Dehose and Craig who were on travel status.

Chairman Massey announced that the general public concerns will be heard tomorrow due to recent critical issues facing TRS and FATCO, along with gaming concerns. The reading of meeting briefs also suspended until later.

New Business

- 1. Mike Malone of Arizona Department of Environmental Quality gave an update on the TRS mercury contamination. Margaret Baha-Walker, TRS Board Member, stated that emergency Board meeting was held and a full report will be forthcoming from the Board President. This information will be shared with Council.
- 2. Council Member Clay made a motion to enter executive session at 10:00 a.m. regarding FATCO. Council Member Cruz seconded that motion. The motion carried. Vote: 8 for, 0 against, 0 abstained.
- 3. Exit Executive Session at 2:40 p.m.
- 4. Resolution No. <u>09-2000-249</u> adopted for the appointment of Maria Classay as the FATCO General Manager. Motion: Council Member Baha-Walker, second: Council Member Clay. Vote: 5-1
- 5. Resolution No. <u>09-2000-250</u> adopted for the appointment of Patrick Cruz, Dist. III Council Member to the FATCO Board. Motion: Council Member Clay, second: Council Member Baha-Walker. Vote: 5-0-2 abstentions.
- 6. Fred Hubbard, LTC Facility Initiative consultant provided an update on proper reimbursement rate proposal. He stated that a higher rate will be requested with supporting justification.
- 7. Ken White of Native Health Solutions, Inc. presented a summation of the Tribe's LTC Initiative document that will be presented to HCFA. Council expressed concerns about tribal members who have passed on since closure of the Springerville facility. Possible negligence concerns to be examined. LTC consultants to check facility credentials. It was suggested to involve Tribal Social and Elderly Services. Another concern was the amount of matching funds from the tribe. Council were advised to review proposal carefully.
- 8. Jerry Brownlow, candidate for Navajo County Supervisor Dist. 5, provided introduction and requested Council endorsement. Resolution No. 09-2000-251 adopted for Mr. Brownlow's endorsement. Motion: Council Member Nez, second: Vice Chairman Endfield. Vote: 7-0.

- 9. Robert Chiago, Education Line Officer, provided introduction and update on schools and board. Council shared comments on the need for a full-time, permanent Superintendent of Education. Resolution No. 09-2000-252 adopted granting this position solely for the F.A.I.R. Motion: Vice Chairman Endfield, second: Council Member Clay. Vote: 7-0.
- 10. Edith Monroe, Director of the Native American Crisis Pregnancy Center, provided information on services provided through this center and requested a business license. She was advised to seek approval through the Health Board first.
- AHS Teacher Scott Moore presented information on Arizona National Guard's category 4 restrictions which penalizes those who do not speak English as their primary language. The National Guard places no restrictions on category 4 recruits on Puerto Rican, Guam and Alaskan natives that have a large population of English as a second language speakers. Resolution No. 09-2000-253 adopted for the WMAT to receive same considerations and to not be penalized from opportunities simply because they want to maintain their traditions and cultures by focusing on and speaking their language. Motion: Council Member Clay, second: Vice Chairman Endfield. Vote: 7-0.
- 12. The meeting went into executive session from 5:20 to 6:10 p.m. regarding gaming.
- Public Information Officer Chadeen Palmer provided an update on the mercury contamination at TRS.
- 14. The meeting recessed at 6:30 p.m.

Sincerely,

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Cyndy Harvey-Burnette
Tribal Council Secretary

White Mountain Apache Tribe Fort Apache Indian Reservation Tribal Council meeting/Council Chambers Thursday, September 21, 2000

COUNCIL MEETING BRIEFS

Called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Massey. Invocation offered by Council Member Nez. A quorum of the Council was present. Council Member Dehose was on travel status.

- Joe and Myrtle Bragg requested a fifteen (15) year lease for their towing business. They were advised of fees involved. Resolution No. <u>09-2000-254</u> adopted for a 15-year lease for their towing business. Motion: Council Member Baha-Walker, second: Council Member Cruz. Vote: 7-0.
- 2. Bernadette Adley urged oppostion to and education on proposition #203 to tribal members. She also requested Lots A-67 and A-68 at Hondah. It was advised that problems arise after granting lots and that Raymus Albert of the Land Office should be involved and informed. Resolution No. 09-2000-255 adopted granting Lots A-67 and A-68 to Bernadette Adley. Motion: Council Member Baha-Walker, second: Vice Chairman Endfield. Vote: 7-0.
- Juanita Weeks requested to move her property fence onto what is believed to be CDC property in McNary. District IV Council representatives to assist her.
- 4. Lucy Benally expressed her appreciation of assistance during the loss of her mother. Her request is to add her brother Erick Benally's name to Lot 105 and 106 lease in McNary, also, her father to be included on lease as required by the Navajo Relocation Program. Resolution No. 09-2000-256 adopted for above request. Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Vice Chairman Endfield. Vote: 7-0.
- 5. Lucy Benally informed Council of her late mother being denied life insurance as she was laid off when she died. She would like this matter looked into as there are others who experience lay offs in the summer. This issue was placed on hold until the Human Resources Director clarifies this properly.
- Darrell Gordon informed Council of his termination from the Weatherization Program, requested retro-active pay from 8/14/00 to 9/21/00 and to transfer to Hon Dah Home Center. Darrell also requested to delete any information from his personnel file any indication that he was released for poor work performance. Chris Chisel of Revolving Credit explained reasons for Darrell's termination. Council offered supporting comments on Darrell's behalf. Resolution No. 09-2000-257 adopted directing Hon Dah Home Center to determine position availability, retro-active pay from 8/14 9/21/00 and the removal of any information from his personnel file, any indication that he was released for poor work performance. Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Vice Chairman Endfield. Vote: 8-0.
- 7. Gwendena Real Bird, Human Resources Director (HRD), shared information on coverage for seasonal employees and options. Resolution No. 09-2000-258 adopted directing the HRD to look into the Tribe's affiliated health maintenance and insurance organizations to look deeper into their policies and procedures to determine Mrs. Mary Lou Benally's health and/or life insurance status at the time of her death. Further, the HRD to inform all Tribal employees of the need to ensure they retain medical and life insurance coverage during lay-offs. Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Council Member Nez. Vote: 7-0.

- Brian Declay requested to hold daughter's Sunrise Dance next to his lot in Hon Dah next year. Council Member Burnette to follow up on this request.
- 9. Lot A-50 in Hon Dah was requested by Loretta Broeck. A map from Land Office was advised for better coordination. Resolution No. 09-2000-259 adopted to assign Lot A-50 to Loretta Broeck. Motion: Vice Chairman Endfield, second: Council Member Burnette. Vote: 7-0.
- John Ethelbah requested a home on his lot. He was advised to verify through the Land Office that the lot is in his name. Council Member Clay to assist him in this effort.
- 11. Ken Poocha of Arizona Association of Community Health Centers, provided information on the Healthy Arizona II Initiative, or Prop. 204, which would raise the AHCCCS eligibility level from 33% to 100% of the Federal poverty level. He requested endorsement of this proposition. Resolution No. 09-2000-260 adopted for the WMAT to endorse Proposition 204. Motion: Council Member Nez, second: Council Member Baha-Walker. Vote: 8-0.
- 12. Jim Monroe and Brian Blow of Comet Communications requested approval to apply for cable TV license. Resolution No. 09-2000-261 adopted granting approval for Comet Communications to apply for cable TV license. Motion: Council Member Nez, second: Council Member Burnette. Vote: 6-2.
- 13. KNNB Board Chair Loren Henry provided names of proposed board members, advisory members and alternates, along with a request to compensate board members mileage and per diem. Resolution No. 09-2000-262 adopted to appoint Vangie Manuel, Herman Ivins and Nelson Ethelbah to the KNNB Board and Charlie Kitcheyan, Jacob Henry, Hersha Gregg and David Osterfield to the Advisory Panel. Compensation for Board members included as well. Motion: Council Member Baha-Walker, second: Vice Chairman Endfield. Vote: 8-0.
- 14. Ben Nuvamsa, BIA Superintendent provided a brief update on the mercury contamination at TRS. Copies of MOU between Bureau, Office of Indian Programs and the Bureau, Office of Indian Education Programs were handed out to Council.
- 15. Environmental Planner Paige Erickson reported on the Energy Planning Grant received from Administration for Native Americans and the need for two Council Members to attend working group meeting. Council Member Dehose was recommended with Council Member Burnette as the alternate.
- Tribal Forest Manager Paul Declay introduced Molly Pitts, Woodland Forester, who then provided the Smoke Management Plan. Public awareness was stressed. Prior notification of burning and cultural aspects of air was recommended for inclusion in the plan. Resolution No. 09-2000-262 adopted for approval of the Smoke Management Plan. Motion: Vice Chairman Endfield, second: Council Member Cody. Vote: 7-1.
- 17. Paul Declay and Ben Nuvamsa provided a brief update on TRS regarding school closure.
- 18. Reno Johnson, Sr., FATCO Board Chair, presented resolution authorizing additional expenditures from the Forward Purchase account to allow FATCO to pay the loggers. The Controller and Treasurer explained this account. Realistic figures were requested. Include Central Tribe in reduction and consideration of age 60+ employees for layoffs was suggested. Other suggestions were to borrow funds from Housing Authority or from other Indian casinos. FATCO to report within one week with a recovery plan. Resolution No. 09-2000-264 adopted for approval of this loan (not to exceed \$500,000) from the Forward Purchase account to pay amounts due to logging contractors. FATCO Board and Management to provide to Council a revised.

- realistic annual budget with update on these expenditures and Council to review FATCO's financial status and projections to determine an appropriate plan of corrective action to be implemented for the remainder of the fiscal year. Motion: Council Member Cody, second: Council Member Baha-Walker. Vote: 9-0.
- 19. Ben Nuvamsa, BIA Supt. stated that fire suppression funds can be used to offset the above funding. Preference to be given to employees targeted for layoffs. Ben further advised a report from FATCO indicating what the 10% Forest Management Deduction Trust Funds were spent on. Resolution No. 09-2000-265 adopted authorizing use of the Tribe's Forest Management Trust Funds to purchase items essential for FATCO and that these expenditures are related to the FATCO role of implementing the Tribe's Forest Management Plan and provided that the total amount not exceed \$2 million dollars. Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Council Member Clay. Vote: 8-0-1 abstention.
- Joe Harvey of I.D. Herd and Bruce Gordon of NRCS informed Council of NRCS Emergency Watershed Protection program 2000 funding criteria. NRCS would like Indian Nations to sponsor this program to install emergency watershed protection measures to relieve hazards and damages due to the drought conditions in Arizona. Resolution No. 09-2000-266 adopted that before signing any cooperative agreement with the NRCS and assuming any responsibility under this program, legal review and approval is required. Also the Tribal Chairman to sign letter stating the Triba's intent to sponsor the Emergency Watershed Protection program, contingent on legal review and approval of the cooperative agreement documents. Motion: Council Member Nez, second: Council Member Craig. Vote: 8-0.
- 21. Keith Jones, Tribal Engineer, introduced Don Grund, the new Community Development Specialist, along with information on his credentials.
- 22. Resolution No. <u>09-2000-267</u> adopted extending Faith Beatty-Johnson's IPA agreement between the Tribe and BIA through September 2002. Motion: Council Member Clay, second: Council Member Nez. Vote: 9-0.
- 23. Resolution No. 09-2000-268 adopted for MOA with the Tribe for I H S Project PH-00-B55 (Cedar Creek). Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Council Member Nez. Vote: 9-0.
- 24. Resolution No. <u>09-2000-269</u> adopted for MOA with the Tribe for I H S Project PH-00-B56 (Cedar Creek). Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Council Member Nez. Vote: 9-0.
- 25. Resolution No. 09-2000-270 adopted for MOA with the Tribe for I H S Project PH-00-R85 (reservation-wide). Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Council Member Nez. Vote: 9-0.
- 26. Resolution No. <u>09-2000-271</u> adopted for MOA with the Tribe for I H S Project PH-00-R97 (McNary). Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Council Member Nez. Vote: 9-0.
- 27. John Welch, Preservation Officer, shared information on grave robbers and informed Council of the State Parks Board removal of the tribe's project for funding. He presented the four following resolutions: Resolution No. 09-2000-272 adopted approving amendments to the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Fort Apache Heritage Foundation. Motion: Council Member Nez, second: Council Member Cody. Vote: 9-0.
- 28. Resolution No. <u>09-2000-273</u> adopted for BIA representatives to give the lease negotiation the highest priority and to cooperate fully in the rehabilitation of the Fort Apache Post Office and in other projects authorized by the Council Motion: Council Member Nez. second: Council Member Craig. Vote: 9-0.

- 29. Resolution No. <u>09-2000-274</u> adopted authorizing Dr. John R. Welch, THPO, to work in collaboration with I H S, BIA and Tribal Attorney to produce a finalized Programmatic Agreement to increase the efficiency of I H S compliance with NHPA (National Historic Preservation Act). Motion: Council Member Craig, second: Council Member Nez. Vote: 9-0.
- 30. Resolution No. <u>09-2000-275</u> adopted for BIA Western Region Office-Roads to make immediate arrangements to transfer the duties and accompanying funds associated with historic property identification efforts to the Fort Apache Agency for all future projects. Motion: Council Member Baha-Walker, second: Vice Chairman Endfield. Vote: 9-0.
- 31. Resolution No. <u>09-2000-276</u> adopted for the formation of the WMAT Department of Social Services Oversight Committee. Members to include: Patrick Cruz, Noreen Aday, Irene Billy, Curtis Suttle, Gillespie Childs, Jr. and Millie Riley. Motion: Council Member Cody, second: Council Member Nez. Vote: 7-0.
- 32. David Osterfield, Assistant Tribal Attorney, read proposed resolution regarding rescinding Resolution No. 09-2000-251 endorsement of Jerry Brownlow, Democratic candidate for Navajo County Supervisor and reaffirming its endorsement of Larry Vicario, Republican candidate for stated position. Council decided against passing this resolution and to leave Resolution No. 09-2000-251 as is.
- Chairman Massey reminded Council of financial request from Jackie Altaha on behalf of her daughter. It was advised to check the deadline date before making a decision.
- 34. David Osterfield presented the following three resolutions: Resolution No. 09-2000-277 adopted granting permission to Romeo and Louisa Massey to encumber their leasehold premises to secure financing through Revolving Credit for renovation purposes. Motion: Council Member Clay, second: Vice Chairman Endfield. Vote: 7-0.
- 35. Resolution No. <u>09-2000-278</u> adopted for approval of a 25-year lease to Bernita (Massey) Hinton to encumber premises for loan through Revolving Credit. Motion: Council Member Clay, second: Vice Chairman Endfield. Vote: 7-0.
- 36. Resolution No. <u>09-2000-279</u> adopted for approval of a 25-year lease to Bernadine (Massey) Mitchell to encumber premises for loan through Revolving Credit. Motion: Council Member Clay, second: Vice Chairman Endfield. Vote: 7-0.
- 37. David Osterfield also presented information on home delinquent accounts with USDA which need to be paid by first week in October.

38. The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Sincerely,

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