



# 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 10, 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 10, 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 10, 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*  
Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman

10/9/18  
Date

*Doreen T. Numkena*  
Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

10/9/18  
Date



**White Mountain Apache Tribe**  
**Special Meeting Minutes**  
**August 10, 2018 – 9:00 A.M.**  
**Executive Conference Room**

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. The meeting was called to order at 9:13 A.M. by Chairwoman Gwendena Lee-Gatewood.
- B. Prayer was offered by Ralph Thomas.
- C. Roll Call: Chairwoman Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Arnold Beach, Travis Tessay, Renaldo Dazen, Gary Alchesay, Ralph Thomas, Everett Massey (Vice-Chairman Jerome Kasey, Alvin Declay, Jerold Altaha, Alvena Bush were excused)  
Attorneys: Kealoha Douma

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Enact Ordinance No.288 – Natural Resources Code – A.G. KeAloha Douma

Resolution: Enactment of Ordinance 288, Amending the Natural Resource Code of the WMAT  
The Ordinance was posted in designated areas for ten days and no public comments were received.

- Motioned by Travis Tessay, seconded by Renaldo Dazen to approve Resolution Enacting Ordinance No. 288 as presented. Vote 6-0-0. Motion passed.

B. Temporary Permit for Commercial Photography – A.G. KeAloha Douma

Resolution: Approval for a Temporary Permit for Commercial Photogrphay for Necessary Productions to Photograph a Ford Print Advertisement

Still Photo shoot at Salt River Canyon for Ford Trucks - August 10 weekend. Fees have already been negotiated and they will pay fees for game ranger. The fees will be paid to the account not to the game rangers.

- Motioned by Renaldo Dazen, seconded by Ralph Thomas to approve the issuance of Temporary Permit for Commercial Photography for Necessary Productions to photograph a Ford print advertisement at Salt River Canyon. Vote: 6-0-0. Motion passed.

C. Appoint of Judges – A.G. KeAloha Douma

Appointment of Raymond Burnette as Associate Judge, a term of four years.

- Motioned by Arnold Beach, seconded by Renaldo Dazen to approve appointment of Raymond Burnette as Associate Judge. Vote: 6-0-0. Motion passed.

Appointment of Michael Ivins, Sr., as Juvenile Judge, a term of four years.

- Motioned by Travis Tessay, seconded by Arnold Beach to approve appointment of Michael Ivins, Sr., as Juvenile Judge: Vote: 6-0-0. Motion passed.

D. Swearing in of Judges – A.G. KeAloha Douma

- Raymond Burnette was sworn in as Associate Judge by Hon. Chief Judge Hastings.
- Michael Ivins was sworn in as Juvenile Judge by Hon. Chief Judge Hastings.

E. Procurement Policy - Deron Peaches, Treasurer

Resolution: Authorize Changes to WMAT Purchasing Policy

The changes now require a P.O. for purchases over \$3,000 and allows for a blanket P.O to make purchases. The policy will match the OMB threshold amounts. The treasurer will hold a training session for directors to explain the changes.

Motioned by Travis Beach, seconded by Arnold Beach to authorize changes in the Purchasing Policies. Vote: 6-0-0. Motion passed.

The treasurer recommended REDW to do a tribal-wide audit to catch up on audits. They will come next week Monday to begin work on 2017 audit. He will get a contract and will do a walk-through resolution on Monday.

F. Congressional Update/Water Rights Settlement – Congressman O’Halleran

Congressman Tom O’Halleran, Congressional update report. Areas of budget he spoke of included: BIA, BIE, Health Care, Medicaid, Impact Aid, Military Budget, Space Force and satellites. He stated Depending on who is in control of Congress, that it will determine direction of the budget. The needs here are the same as those issues in other Indian Nations. These issues have not been addressed by the Federal Government. The Councilmen of Cibecue spoke of the needs in their community such as schools and their struggles for funding to build schools.

The Chairwoman acknowledged the Congressman’s help and thanked him for his help with Tribe at the House level with quantification of Water Rights. She expressed concern of BIA guidelines requiring 55 officers but that the tribe only had 22 officers. The Chairwoman requested for a used vehicle for the Livestock Association. Other matters of concern were Burial Assistance for Tribal members and the need for more funding in that area. The Head Start Building is old and student population is rising, and the need for new facilities. Sanitation issues with solid waste and only one truck servicing eleven communities on the reservation was a concern. The wildlife Sport Fishing was discussed briefly. The Council would like to see language included in the Wildlife Conservation Act for the reservation.

The Congressman stated they will continue to do what they can and continue to help the tribe. “I can’t look at you and say I promise to get you this but I will work as hard as I can to help.”

III. ADJOURNMENT: Adjourned at 10:41 A.M.

Recorder: Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Council Secretary