



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 meeting held on October 4, 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 meeting held on October 4, 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 October 4, 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 Chairwoman, or in her 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 **NOVEMBER 19, 2018** duly adopted by a vote of **EIGHT** 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).

	<u>12.14.18</u>		<u>12-14-18</u>
Wendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman	Date	Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary	Date



White Mountain Apache Tribe

Regular Meeting Minutes October 4, 2018 – 9:00 A.M. Executive Conference Room

I. Call to Order:

- A. The meeting was called to order at 9:10 A.M. by Chairwoman Gwendena Lee-Gatewood
- B. Prayer: Jerold Altaha
- C. Roll Call: Chairwoman Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Vice-Chairman Jerome Kasey, Arnold Beach, Travis Tessay, Jerold Altaha, Renaldo Dazen, Alvin Declay, Ralph Thomas, Gary Alchesay, Alvena Bush, Everett Massey
Attorneys: Kealoha Douma, Kim Cromwell
- C. Approval of Minutes:
 - Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Vice Chairman Jerome Kasey to approve minutes of *August 7, 2018*, as written. Vote: 11-0-0 Motion passed.
 - Motioned by Vice Chairman Jerome Kasey, seconded by Jerold Altaha to approve minutes of *August 10, 2018* as written. Vote: 11-0-0. Motion passed.
 - Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Vice Chairman Jerome Kasey to approve minutes of *September 12, 2018* as written. Vote: 11-0-0. Motion passed.

II. REPORTS

- A. Attorney's Reports: Attorney General Kealoha Douma
 - 1. Ordinance 289 – Rule of Criminal Procedure Amendment
Attorney Douma presented Ordinance 289 and requested it be posted for ten days for public review and comments. Attorney Cromwell explained the changes to the Ordinance. Motioned by Jerome Kasey, seconded by Jerold Altaha to approve posting of Ordinance 289 for ten days for public comments. Vote: 10-0-1 Motion passed.
 - 2. Ordinance 290: Criminal Code Amendment
Motioned by Jerome Kasey, seconded by Jerold Altaha to approve to approve posting of Ordinance 290 for ten days for public comments. Vote: 11-0-0 Motion passed.
 - 3. MOU Between the WMAT and the FBI's Eastern AZ Safe Trails Task Force
Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Jerome Kasey to approve MOU with WMAT & FBI's Eastern AZ Safe Trails Task Force to conduct and complete investigative services. Vote: 11-0-0. Motion passed.
 - 4. NCAI Membership Dues – A.G. Kealoha Douma
Resolution: Membership Renewal with National Congress of American Indians
Motioned by Vice Chairman Jerome Kasey, seconded by Alvin Declay to continue its membership with NCAI and authorize payment of \$6,500 in membership dues. Designated members are Chairwoman Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Vice Chairman Jerome Kasey, and a Council Member delegate to be named at a later time. Vote: 11-0-0. Motion passed.

(Note: Arnold Beach, Alvin Declay, Travis Tessay expressed interest as Council delegate.)

the meeting set for Monday, October 8, at 1:30 P.M. in the Executive Conference Room. No action was taken for approving resolutions.

- C. Approval of Right-of-Way Conversion from BIA to WMAT– DOT Dir. - Tara Chief
After much in-depth discussions amongst the Tribal Council, DOT Director and BIA Superintendent regarding current BIA employees that would be affected by the transfer, current conditions of roads not being maintained, facilities and equipment and funding for the roads, etc., the Tribal Council took the following action:
- Motioned by Jerold Altaha, seconded by Travis Tessay to approve resolution Approval of Road Right of Way Conversion from BIA to WMAT as presented. Vote: 9-0-2. Motion passed.
- D. Approval of Land Applications – Elva Lomayaktewa, Land Bd. Member
Resolution: Approval of Land Board’s Recommendation for 27 Applicants
The applicants consist of 8 relinquishments, 17 home sites, and 2 farmlands.
- Jerold Altaha moved, seconded by Jerome Kasey to approve 27 land applicants as recommended. Vote: 11-0-0. Motion passed. (List attached to Resolution)
There were tribal members at the meeting that expressed concern over land assignments:
 - Land not being used or fenced after it is assigned;
 - Transfer of land to family members;
 - Land Board not abiding by or enforcing the Land Code;
 - Communication problems with the Land Board regarding Land Board meetings.
- E. Research Project for Master’s Degree – Sharon Gloshey
Ms. Gloshey earned her Bachelor’s Degree in 2015 and is pursuing a Master’s Degree at New Mexico State University. This project will meet her Master’s Degree requirement.
- Motion by Jerold, seconded by Jerome Kasey to approve Resolution: Approval for the Research Proposal of the Silas John and Holy Ground Movement. Vote: 11-0-0. Motion passed.
 - It was the consensus of the Tribal Council to include in the resolution that any publication of the research project must be approved by the Council.
- F. Enterprise Director – Gwendena Lee-Gatewood-Chairwoman
The Chairwoman stated this position will be advertised as policy and procedures were discussed.
- F. Game and Fish Director – Gwendena Lee-Gatewood-Chairwoman
The Chairwoman updated the Tribal Council on the Game and Fish Director position. She didn’t receive any objection to the advertisement of the position. Stuart C. Leon, PhD, applied for position and was interviewed by an interview committee and was offered the position.
The Council had questions about the September 12, Council Meeting, when a motion was made for a recommendation to fill the Game and Fish Director, but there was not a second to the motion. Attorney Douma explained when there is a motion and no one seconds it, the motion dies. A copy of Councilman Gary Alchesay’s letter to the