Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting
AGENDA
August 14, 2019, 6:00 p.m., Pawnee Nation Resource Complex
Pawnee Tribal Reserve

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James Whiteshirt - President
Darrell J. Wildcat - Vice-President
Patricia McCray - Secretary
M. Angela Thompson - Treasurer
Sammye Kemble - First Council Seat
Dawna Hare - Second Council Seat
Charles Lone Chief - Third Council Seat
Charles Knife Chief - Fourth Council Seat
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I. Call to Order & Invocation
II. Roll Call – Declaration of Quorum
III. Approval of Agenda
IV. Approval of Minutes
   1. PBC Special Meeting Minutes July 17, 2019
   2. PBC Quarterly Meeting August 3, 2019
V. Pawnee Business Council President Report
VI. Pawnee Business Council Committee Reports
VII. Approval of Pawnee Business Council Travel Requests
VIII. Pawnee Nation Executive Director Report
IX. Pawnee Nation Attorney General Report
X. Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation Report
XI. Old Business
   1. Approval of PN Housing Authority 2020 Indian Housing Plan
XII. New Business
   1. Approval of Request for President Credit Card
   2. Discussion and/or Action on Request to Amend Resolution #17-23, Housing
      Authority Commission Appointment
   3. Approval of Resolution #19-49, Title VI Survey
   4. Approval of Resolution #19-57, Tax Commission
   5. Approval of Resolution #19-58, Tax Commission
   6. Approval of Resolution #19-59, Tax Commission
   7. Budget Committee Recommendations:
      a. Approval of 2019 DNRS Tribal Budget Modification #2
      b. Discussion and/or Action on NCAI Membership Dues
   8. Approval of Resolution #19-60, 2020 Comprehensive Budget
XIII. Executive Session
    1. Discussion and/or Action on Oil and Gas Litigation, Settlement Offer
XIV. Open Forum
XV. Adjournment

**Disclaimer: Agenda is subject to change until approved in Council Meeting**
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I. Call to Order & Invocation

President James Whiteshirt called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm and Mr. Wildcat gave the invocation.

II. Roll Call – Declaration of Quorum


III. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Angela Thompson to withdraw item 9 revision of committee, commission handbook and leave all other budget items on agenda for August 14, 2019, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.


IV. Approval of Minutes
1. PBC Special Meeting Minutes July 17, 2019

Motion made by Patsy McCray to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special meeting minutes for July 17, 2019, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.


2. PBC Quarterly Meeting August 3, 2019
Motion made by Patsy McCray to approve the Pawnee Business Council Quarterly meeting minutes for August 3, 2019, seconded by Dawna Hare.


V. **Pawnee Business Council President Report**

President Whiteshirt reported on the following:
1. Reported on gaming meeting in OKC
2. Reported on OIGA Conference

VI. **Pawnee Business Council Committee Reports**

Charles Lone Chief reported going to the Land Use Committee

Sammye Kemble reported on the Land-Use Committee Meeting

Patricia McCray attended TDC/TERO meeting, attended the Constitutional Training and participated by phone in the Budget Committee Meeting

Darrell Wildcat reported that he called in on the Land-Use Meeting

Angela Thompson reported on Budget Committee Meeting

Dawna Hare attended the Constitutional Training

VII. **Approval of Pawnee Business Council Travel Requests**

There were no Requests.

VIII. **Pawnee Nation Executive Director Report**

Pawnee Nation Interim Executive Director, William Perry reported on the following:
1. Reported on HR activities from the last quarter.
2. Reported on FCC court case win, and the Court of Appeals upheld Indian Child Welfare Act on all accounts.
3. Pawnee Nation Language Program will be starting back up in September
4. Reported the construction has begun on the Arbor will be completed in September
5. Greenhouse project will be soliciting bids in 2020 with a finish date in late 2020
6. Budget call has been completed.
IX. Pawnee Nation Attorney General Report

Pawnee Nation Attorney General, Don Mason reported on the following:
1. Reported the FCC lawsuit was successful, could be a windfall for the Nation
2. Reported ICWA was reaffirmed by the court of appeals
3. Reported on the Gaming Compacts with the Governor. Discussion continued about Compact between the governor and the many Tribes.

X. Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation Report

No Report given, no one present.

XI. Old Business
1. Approval of PN Housing Authority 2020 Indian Housing Plan

Motion made by Patsy McCray to approve the Pawnee Nation Housing Authority 2020 Indian Housing Plan, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.


XII. New Business
1. Approval of Request for President Credit Card

Motion made by Charles Knife Chief to deny the Pawnee Business Council President to have a travel credit card and revisit later, seconded by Darrell Wildcat.


2. Discussion and/or Action on Request to Amend Resolution #17-23, Housing Authority Commission Appointment

Motion made by Dawna Hare to approve the amendment to Resolution #17-23 Housing Authority Commission Appointment, seconded by Sammye Adson.


3. Approval of Resolution #19-49, Title VI Survey
Motion made by Sammye Kemble to approve the Resolution #19-49, Title VI Survey, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.


4. Approval of Resolution #19-57, Tax Commission

VOTE: Lael Echo-Hawk - 4; Liana Teter - 5; Ann Collins - 6; and Martha Only A Chief - 6

Motion made by Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #19-57 to appoint Martha Only A Chief to serve on the Pawnee Nation Tax Commission, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.


5. Approval of Resolution #19-58, Tax Commission

Motion made by Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #19-58 to appoint Liana Teter to serve on the Pawnee Nation Tax Commission, seconded by Dawna Hare.


6. Approval of Resolution #19-59, Tax Commission

Motion made by Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #19-59 to appoint Ann Collins to serve on the Pawnee Nation Tax Commission, seconded by Dawna Hare.


7. Budget Committee Recommendations:
   a. Approval of 2019 DNRS Tribal Budget Modification #2

Motion made by Angela Thompson to approve the 2019 Division of Natural Resources and Safety Tribal Budget Modification #2, seconded by Dawna Hare.
b. Discussion and/or Action on NCAI Membership Dues

Motion made by Sammye Kemble to approve the National Congress of American Indians Organization Membership Dues, seconded by Darrell Wildcat.


Motion made by Angela Thompson to amend the agenda to approve Resolution #19-61, NCAI membership and dues, seconded by Patsy McCray.


c. Approval of 2019 Standing Bear Powwow Booklet Ad

Motion made by Angela Thompson to approve the 2019 Standing Bear Powwow Booklet ad, seconded by Charles Lone Chief.


d. Approval of 2019 Property Management Modification #4

Motion made by Angela Thompson to approve the 2019 Property Management Modification #4, seconded by Charles Lone Chief.


e. 2019 4th Quarter 3% COLA effective August 11, 2019 Funding Source Section 106

Motion made by Angela Thompson to approve the 2019 4th Quarter 3% COLA effective August 11th, 2019 funding Source 106, seconded by Charles Lone Chief.

f. 2020 3% COLA effective January 1st, 2020 Funding Source Section 106

Motion made by Angela Thompson to approve the 2020 3% COLA effective January 1st, 2020 Funding Source 106 seconded by Sammye Kemble.


8. Approval of Resolution #19-60, 2020 Comprehensive Budget

Motion made by Angela Thompson to approve Resolution #19-60 for the Fiscal Year 2020 Pawnee Nation Comprehensive Budget, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.


XIII. Open Forum

Ann Collins reported she is selling cookies and chances for Title VI.

Yvonne Fletcher spoke of her grass being cut and spoke of her complaint of TERO and not being able to mow her grass. Discussed TERO with Harrison Perry. Sammye Kemble joined in discussion on TERO. President Whiteshirt discussed having Ms. Fletcher’s grass cut.

Jake Adams spoke of TERO and his disappointment with the program and his experience. Sonny Fields spoke of his term as the TERO Director and dealing with employees who had barriers and spoke of saving the EEOC funding. Mr. Fields spoke of the hiring barriers and other barriers of employees using TERO.

President Whiteshirt asked about Elder’s who need to get their grass cut. Jeana spoke of a process for elders. Sammye Kemble, Jake Adams and Mr. Perry continue with discussion on elder’s assistance.

Mr. John Only A Chief spoke of his concern of sovereignty and services for elder’s and voiced his opinions.
Mrs. Jasha Lyons Echo-Hawk reported being selected as a 40 under 40 for the 2019 NCAI.

Mrs. Echo-Hawk stated that she will be traveling to the awards ceremony. She is asking for monetary help of $500. President Whiteshirt stated he would donate as well as Councilwoman Hare and Councilwoman Kemble.

Ann Collins spoke about lawn mowing.

Jaime Nelson discussed mowing lawns and volunteering and using TERO.

Discussion continued with President Whiteshirt, Harrison Perry, Sammye Kemble, Don Mason, Angela Thompson, Yvonne Fletcher, Linda Jestes and Lillie Brant.

Angela Thompson apologized for being late due to moving and shared that she is on the TDC Board.

Discussion about TDC Board and stipends continue with Rick Nordwall, Carol Nuttle, President Whiteshirt, Angela Thompson. Discussion continues with Charles Lone Chief, Sammye Kemble, Patricia McCray, Darrell Wildcat, Dawna Hare, Charles Knife Chief and Angela Thompson.

Mr. Dennis Knife Chief spoke of allowing responses, President Whiteshirt responds and continues with TDC stipends discussion. Angela continues with more discussion on stipends for committees and boards and her opinion of receiving stipends while on boards and committees.

Debra Echo-Hawk, Charles Knife Chief and Dawna Hare continue discussion and moving on.

President Whiteshirt continues with discussion and talks of meeting with IRS, Dawna, Charles Knife Chief, and Charles Lone Chief join discussion. John Only A Chief joins discussion and makes statements regarding his tenure on council and the TDC Board and placements on the TDC Board.

Jamie Nelson asks how the investigation with the IRS will affect sovereignty. Discussion joined by Charles Knife Chief and President Whiteshirt. Discussion continues with Jamie Nelson, President Whiteshirt, Shawn Nordwall, Dennis Knife Chief and Charles Lone Chief.

Jamie Nelson asked about gaming commission investigation, findings and actions took by council. Angela Thompson, Sammye Kemble and Jamie Nelson discussed responses along with Don Mason and President Whiteshirt.

President Whiteshirt stated it is a confidential agreement. Rick Nordwall and Angela Thompson join discussion.
Jamie Nelson asks about thoughts of doing away with TDC Board and budgets. President Whiteshirt states his intention is to restructure TDC. Discussion continues with Jaime Nelson and President Whiteshirt about TDC. Sammye joins discussion TDC.

Lillie Cummings-Brant spoke of leaving things to the lord.

Charles Lone Chief spoke of Ephesians.

President Whiteshirt apologized to gentleman for being disrespectful.

Carol Nuttle spoke of IRS being put on Agenda. Patricia McCray responded the council are waiting on opinions from the Attorney General, discussion joined by Don Mason and Sammey Kemble.

XIV. Executive Session
1. Discussion and/or Action on Oil and Gas Litigation, Settlement Offer

Motion made by Sammey Kemble to go into Executive Session, seconded by Patsy McCray.


Motion made by Dawna Hare to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Charles Lone Chief.


PBC ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. Discussion and/or Action on Oil and Gas Litigation, Settlement Offer:
Action: Approve Resolution #19-62 Accepting the Offer from the Steadfast-Cummings Oil Company litigation subject to the changing the word of Oklahoma to Pawnee Nation.

Motion made by Angela Thompson to Approve Resolution #19-62 Accepting the Offer from the Steadfast-Coming Oil Company litigation subject to the changing the word of Oklahoma to Pawnee Nation, seconded by Charles Knife Chief.

XV. **Adjournment**

Motion made by Darrell Wildcat to adjourn, seconded by Dawna Hare.

VOTE: All in favor, none against, none abstaining. Motion carries to adjourn at 10:07 PM.

Approved: September 23, 2019  
Date

James E. Whiteshirt, President  
Pawnee Business Council

Patricia McCray, Secretary  
Pawnee Business Council