

Quapaw Tribe Business Committee
Museum Classroom
Regular Meeting
January 26, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: 9:00 a.m.

INVOCATION: Ranny McWatters

<u>ROLL CALL:</u>	John Berrey, Chairman	Present
	Vice-Chairman	Vacant
	Tamara Smiley-Reeves, Sec. /Treas.	Present
	Marilyn Rogers, Member	Present
	T.C. Bear, Member	Present
	Ranny McWatters, Member	Present
	Zack Turley, Member	Present

DECLARATION OF QUORUM: Announced by QTBC Secretary Treasurer, Tamara Smiley-Reeves.

READING, CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND PHONE POLLS: The minutes of the December 16, 2017 QTBC meeting and phone polls were presented for approval. **Motion by QTBC Member, Marilyn Rogers. Seconded by QTBC Member, Ranny McWatters. Vote: JB, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; RM, yes; ZT, yes; (6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant). Motion passes.**

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's Report for the period ending December 21, 2017 was submitted to the QTBC in accordance with standard accounting procedures. **Motion by QTBC Member, TC Bear. Seconded by QTBC Member, Marilyn Rogers. Vote: JB, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; RM, yes; ZT, yes; (6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant). Motion passes.**

PROGRAM REPORTS: Written Program Reports were submitted in the QTBC packets for approval. **Motion by QTBC Member, Ranny McWatters, to accept the program reports as presented. Seconded by QTBC Member, TC Bear. Vote: JB, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; RM, yes; ZT, yes; (6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant). Motion passes.**

PROGRAM DIRECTORS:

Chris Roper (QSA) – Mr. Roper talked about the 4 year clean up project that started in December. Distal 12 and just west of Picher High School is still going on. Late last year they finished up on Distal 13 North of Commerce. The processing plant is done, and the new smokers are in and are being utilized. They are currently working on getting pre-cooked meats at the convenience stores.

Chris Roper introduced Jason Reeves, the new USDA Meat Grader. He also introduced Mitch Albright who is working on more crop land for the tribe. They will start planting in February and March and will hopefully be able to triple our crop growth.

QTBC Secretary Treasurer, Tamara Smiley-Reeves asked about OPAA. Chris explained that OPAA provides for the food service programs for schools. He said OPAA being willing to buy our products and serve them at local schools and they are currently working on that.

SUBCOMMITTEES: None

GUEST: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Chairman Berrey announced that Michelle Newton is the new member of the election committee.

Chairman Berrey spoke about the refinancing of Downstream Casino (DCR). The 7 year note came up to renew. Our goal is in 2 to 3 years being able to go back to refinancing through a bank. That way we can pay off the principal and interest and pay off this debt more rapidly. We never could have built DCR without investors and a bank never would have given us the amount of money we needed to build what DCR is today.

Chris Roper – QSA was awarded the Harvard Economic Development award of the year from the City of Miami.

NEW BUSINESS:

MHS After Prom – Motion by QTBC Sec./Treas., Tamara Smiley-Reeves, to donate \$1,000 to the MHS After Prom. Seconded by QTBC Member, TC Bear. Vote: JB, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; RM, yes; ZT, yes; (6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant). Motion passes.

OPEN FORUM:

Mr. Berrey briefly talked about Quapaw Casino. TGA asked that the BC help the Quapaw Casino Authority. He explained that the auditors made some finding and suggested that they stop using Quick Books. Quick Books stops the process of closing out the year financially. Barb Collier locked out accounting and all we are trying to do is help get things to a 2018 form of business. There hasn't been any findings of theft and we are still working to get it up to code.

DONATIONS: None

CLOSED SESSION: 9:40 am

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION: 11:07 am

TOPIC(S):

1. Met with Eric Bohn and discussed insurance claims and Bolt Fiber Optics
2. Met with Michelle Newton and BC concurs with the recommendations of RWI

BENEDICTION: Zack Turley

ADJOURNMENT: 11:08 am

/s/ Tamara Smiley-Reeves

Tamara Smiley-Reeves, Sec./Treas.

Minutes Prepared In Accordance with

Robert's Rules of Order

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By: /s/ Hanan Matthews

Quapaw Tribal Business Committee Clerk

CERTIFICATION

Approved by the Quapaw Tribal Business Committee

On February 17, 2018 with a vote reflecting

6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.