

Quapaw Tribe Business Committee  
Community Building  
Regular Meeting  
February 17, 2018

**CALL TO ORDER:** 9:00 a.m.

**INVOCATION:** Ranny McWatters

<b><u>ROLL CALL:</u></b>	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 January 31, 2018 was submitted to the QTBC in accordance with standard accounting procedures. **Motion by QTBC Member, TC Bear. Seconded by QTBC Member, Zack Turley. 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, Marilyn Rogers, 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:**

**Jani Cummings** (DCR) – The first quarter of 2018 was a soft quarter due to the holidays and weather. Legends Bar recently unveiled the new Downstream house made brewery, DCBC. In February Downstream completed the remodeling of the employee cafeteria. Downstream also recently hired a new HR director.

**Anna McKibben** (PR) – Anna extended the deadline date for the newsletter to include the candidate letters. She also administrates the Quapaw website and official Facebook page. She announced that the Quapaw Tribe won industry of the year from the City of Miami.

**Jami Rodgers** (CHR) – Jami and Kim worked together and received a \$15,000 Good Health and Wellness Grant. On Thursday she attended the NEO Health Fair. Jami also mentioned that a new fitness challenge has begun and will run until May.

**Krista Pierce** (Education) – Spring funding ends on February 28<sup>th</sup>. She has been busy helping students apply for FASFA. In January she attended the NEO Scholarship Fair. They gave out some good advice on what to get started on before you graduate high school. She also spoke to the BC about an offer from Bryan University from Springfield, MO. **The Business Committee was a little skeptical of what they would like in return and asked to review the offer.**

**Kim Messer** (Grant Writer) – Kim has submitted 4 grants and has received a grant for \$750,000 to build 22 new elder housing units, but we are now waiting for the 5-15 loan from USDA. There was open discussion about what will be different and why it took so long.

**Chairman explained that there was a mistake made on a survey done next door, to where the additional elder housing units will go, and therefore it put all our applications to put that land in trust on hold.**

**Chairman Berry mentioned that Kim speak with tribal member, Stacia Forbis and Anna McKibben about forming a language program for our youth.**

**JoOuita Smith** (CCDF) – JoOuita thanked the BC for getting her family a room at Downstream after her house fire. **Chairman suggested she speak with Tom Stelle in housing to see what he can do.** She mentioned that the CCDF program has been putting on trainings for local providers, so they can get their mandatory hours. She thanked the Fire/EMS for the cleaning spray that they are using at the daycare to help stop kids and staff from getting sick. The daycare is at full capacity and there are a lot of babies on the waiting list.

#### **SUBCOMMITTEES:**

Elder's Committee – **John asked that if the elders would get with Tena Smith she can help them plan a trip.** Grace Goodeagle said that the elder's committee will be meeting soon and will present at the next BC meeting.

#### **GUEST:**

Linda Davis – **Motion by QTBC Secretary/Treasurer, Tamara Smiley-Reeves to make a donation of \$1,000 to Linda Davis and her daughter, \$500 each. 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.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Steve Ward and John Berrey spoke briefly on tribal litigations.

DDA – John spoke briefly on what the purpose of the Downstream Development Authority is. It is to protect the tribe’s sovereign immunity. So, people can’t sue the tribe through tort claims. It is made up of BC members. It is the same thing that Quapaw Casino Authority (QCA) does for Quapaw. It was decided that Tamara Smiley-Reeves, John Berrey, Kent Jones, and Eric Bohn would help Quapaw Casino. This is just a temporary solution to get them up to code and up to date.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Resolution 021718-A CTAS – Motion by QTBC Sec./Treas., Tamara Smiley-Reeves, to approve Resolution 021718-A as presented. Seconded by QTBC Member, Zack Turley. 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:**

Linda Davis shook the hands of the BC and thanked them for their donation to the Bluejacket Youth Group.

**DONATIONS:**

Thomasina Goodeagle – Motion by QTBC Sec./Treas., Tamara Smiley-Reeves, to donate \$500, 5 Pendletons, and 20 goody bags. 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.

QHS After Prom – Motion by QTBC Member, Ranny McWatters, to donate \$1,000. 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.

**CLOSED SESSION:** 10:40 am

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:** 12:23 pm

**TOPIC(S):**

1. Spoke with an employee about an appeal and the BC spoke with the tribal administrator about HR handling disciplinary actions more professionally.
2. Spoke with Eric Bohn about tribal member claims and social services and education benefits.
3. Spoke with RWI and the BC concurs with some of their recommendations, regarding tribal member insurance appeals.

**BENEDICTION:** TC Bear

**ADJOURNMENT:** 12:25 pm

/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 March 17, 2018 with a vote reflecting

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

**DOCUMENTATION OF AN ELECTRONIC - PHONE POLL**

**DATE:** February 5, 2018

**REQUEST FOR PHONE POLL:** QTBC Chairman, John Berrey

**CONDUCTED BY:** Hanan Matthews, Business Committee Clerk

**SUBJECT MATTER:** To approve Resolution 020518-A authorizing settlement negotiations with the United States to resolve pending litigation in the U.S. Court of Federal Claims

<b>NAME/POSITION</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
John Berrey, Chairman	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/05/18 10:57 am</b>
Vice-Chairman					<b>VACANT</b>
Tamara Smiley-Reeves Sec./Treas.	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/05/18 10:55 am</b>
Ranny McWatters, Member				<b>X</b>	<b>NO RESPONSE</b>
Zack Turley, Member	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/05/18 11:05 am</b>
Marilyn Rogers, Member	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/05/18 11:11 am</b>
T.C. Bear, Member	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/05/18 12:07 pm</b>

**RESULTS: 5 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT; 1 VACANT. MOTION PASSES.**

**CERTIFICATION**

Approved by the Quapaw Tribal Business Committee  
On February 5, 2018 with a vote reflecting  
**5 yes; 0 no; 0 abstaining; 1 absent; 1 vacant.**

**DOCUMENTATION OF AN ELECTRONIC - PHONE POLL**

**DATE:** February 12, 2018

**REQUEST FOR PHONE POLL:** QTBC Chairman, John Berrey

**CONDUCTED BY:** Hanan Matthews, Business Committee Clerk

**SUBJECT MATTER:** To Approve Resolution 021218-A the BIA Roads Priority List FY 2018-2022

<b>NAME/POSITION</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
John Berrey, Chairman	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/12/18 8:13 am</b>
Vice-Chairman					<b>VACANT</b>
Tamara Smiley-Reeves Sec./Treas.	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/12/18 8:26 am</b>
Ranny McWatters, Member	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/12/18 10:04 am</b>
Zack Turley, Member	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/12/18 9:12 am</b>
Marilyn Rogers, Member	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/12/18 8:54 am</b>
T.C. Bear, Member	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/12/18 9:44 am</b>

**RESULTS: 6 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSTAIN; 0 ABSENT; 1 VACANT. MOTION PASSES.**

**CERTIFICATION**

Approved by the Quapaw Tribal Business Committee  
On February 12, 2018 with a vote reflecting  
**6 yes; 0 no; 0 abstaining; 0 absent; 1 vacant.**

**DOCUMENTATION OF AN ELECTRONIC - PHONE POLL**

**DATE:** February 21, 2018

**REQUEST FOR PHONE POLL:** QTBC Chairman, John Berrey

**CONDUCTED BY:** Hanan Matthews, Business Committee Clerk

**SUBJECT MATTER:** To approve Resolution 022018-A that supports the purchase of an undivided 5/36 restricted interest outright from [REDACTED] by the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma. [REDACTED] agreed to the price of [REDACTED] for [REDACTED] undivided 5/36 restricted interest outright in the surface only.

Said land is described as: **Metes and Bounds: SSWSE Less a 3-acre tract lying West of the NEO Railroad in Section 19, Township 29 North, Range 23 East, Ottawa County, OK, containing 17 acres m/l, Surface Only. John Beaver 920 S 150-C**

NAME/POSITION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	REMARKS
John Berrey, Chairman	<b>X</b>				Via Email 02/21/18 2:53 pm
Vice-Chairman					<b>VACANT</b>
Tamara Smiley-Reeves Sec./Treas.	<b>X</b>				Via Email 02/21/18 2:13 pm
Ranny McWatters, Member	<b>X</b>				Via Email 02/21/18 4:05 pm
Zack Turley, Member	<b>X</b>				Via Email 02/21/18 2:22 pm
Marilyn Rogers, Member	<b>X</b>				Via Email 02/21/18 2:45 pm
T.C. Bear, Member	<b>X</b>				Via Email 02/21/18 2:52 pm

**RESULTS: 6 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSTAIN; 0 ABSENT; 1 VACANT. MOTION PASSES.**

**CERTIFICATION**

Approved by the Quapaw Tribal Business Committee  
On February 21, 2018 with a vote reflecting  
6 yes; 0 no; 0 abstaining; 0 absent; 1 vacant.

**DOCUMENTATION OF AN ELECTRONIC - PHONE POLL**

**DATE:** February 15, 2018

**REQUEST FOR PHONE POLL:** QTBC Chairman, John Berrey

**CONDUCTED BY:** Hanan Matthews, Business Committee Clerk

**SUBJECT MATTER:** To approve salary range increases for 3 positions for the Environmental Department and one for Quapaw Counseling Services

<b>NAME/POSITION</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
John Berrey, Chairman	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/15/18 10:11 am</b>
Vice-Chairman					<b>VACANT</b>
Tamara Smiley-Reeves Sec./Treas.	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/15/18 10:39 am</b>
Ranny McWatters, Member	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/15/18 11:25 am</b>
Zack Turley, Member	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/15/18 10:54 am</b>
Marilyn Rogers, Member	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/15/18 1:04 pm</b>
T.C. Bear, Member	<b>X</b>				<b>Via Email 02/15/18 10:45 am</b>

**RESULTS: 6 YES; 0 NO; 0 ABSTAIN; 0 ABSENT; 1 VACANT. MOTION PASSES.**

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On February 15, 2018 with a vote reflecting  
**6 yes; 0 no; 0 abstaining; 0 absent; 1 vacant.**