

Quapaw Tribe Business Committee

Community Building

Regular Meeting

August 23, 2017

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

**INVOCATION:** Betty Gaedtke

**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS:** Quapaw Tribal Election Committee Secretary, Janna McCormick, conducted the installation of officers as follows: Thomas Mathews (Vice-Chairman); TC Bear (Member); Marilyn Rogers (Member); Zackary Turley (Member).

<b><u>ROLL CALL:</u></b>	John Berrey, Chairman	Present
	Thomas Mathews, Vice-Chairman	Present
	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 Chairman, John Berrey

**READING, CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND PHONE POLLS:** The minutes of the July 15, 2017 QTBC meeting and phone polls were presented for approval. **Motion by QTBC Member, TC Bear. Seconded by QTBC Member, Marilyn Rogers. Vote: JB, yes; TM, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; RM, yes; ZT, yes; (7 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent). Motion passes.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The Treasurer's Report for the period ending July 31, 2017 was submitted to the QTBC in accordance with standard accounting procedures. **Motion by QTBC Member, Marilyn Rogers. Seconded by QTBC Member, Ranny McWatters. Vote: JB, yes; TM, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; RM, yes; ZT, yes; (7 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent). 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 Vice-Chairman, Thomas Mathews. Vote: JB, yes; TM, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; RM, yes; ZT, yes; (7 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent). Motion passes.**

**PROGRAM DIRECTORS:**

**Sherrie Nida (JB Fitness Center)** – The fitness center was very busy over the summer. Last month alone they saw 20 new members. The OLC used the basketball court during the summer. The annual health fair was well received on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Sherrie has lots of help from summer help intern, Josie Kerley.

She also hired a new full time employee, Ronnie Boyd. September 4<sup>th</sup> will be the Tech Fair and November 16<sup>th</sup> will be the STEM fair hosted by Krista in the Higher Education Dept. at the JB Fitness Center. Sherrie also spoke to the BC about a possible business venture. A Rob Topper recently emailed Sherrie about using the JB Fitness Center gym once a month to host a wrestling show (Tristate Champion Wrestling). Sherrie checked with Steve Ward about whether this could be a liability issue for us and Steve didn't think so. Sherrie also mentioned raising the rent to about \$200 for this event. We would also get a percentage from the concession stand and \$2 off every ticket sold at \$10. **Tamara asked that Sherrie send the BC an email with all the information so they can review it.**

**Tina Woods (Counseling Services)** – About 4 months ago Counseling Services integrated with the Substance Abuse Program. So now they are one entity and now in one building. The census for SAP is up to 25 and the methadone clinic is up to 100. Tina also spoke to the BC about the AATOD (American Association for the Treatment of Opioid Dependency) Conf. This year it will be held in New York. Tina usually takes 5 people, but with the location she didn't know if that were feasible. John mentioned she would need to speak with Eric and Donna.

**Patti Rice (Social Services)** – From January 1<sup>st</sup> to yesterday the Social Service Dept. has processed 9250 applications. It has been a busy month and Patti is working on some guideline adjustments. Coming in 2018 tribal members will need to live at a residence for at least 30 days before the social service department will pay a bill.

**Melissa Morris (Tags)** – Melissa has sent out all the renewal notices for September. In July she processed 43 new vehicles and 123 renewals. She is also wrapping up the car seat grant she applied for last September. That grant was able to provide us with 60 car seats. So far she has given out 150 car seats this year. Soon the Melissa and the Dare officer John will have 2 car seat checkpoints somewhere around the Quapaw area and anyone will be able to stop by to make sure their car seats are safely and accurately installed.

**Jeff Reeves (Fire/EMS)** – July was a busy month, but Jeff was thankful the Pow-wow was uneventful. The Hazard Mitigation Plan was recently finished and it will be sent to FEMA in 30 days. Once FEMA approves it it will come before the BC to be set in stone. Jeff also mentioned the Fire/EMS dept. will be participating in the Mother Road Marathon on October 7<sup>th</sup> and that usually averages about 1500 runners.

**Chris Roper (QSA)** – Currently QSA has 45 employees, the Cattle Company has 5 employees, QFS has 5 employees, and Maintenance has 20 employees. The Processing Plant will open on September 7<sup>th</sup>. It will be the first federally inspected USDA approved processing plant on trust land. We recently had 11 local tribes come and tour our agricultural facilities. The past year we have had over 800 people come

and take a look at our agricultural facilities. QSA will also be starting an expansion of the restrooms at the Q-Store.

**Hanan Matthews (Enrollment)** – The Enrollment Dept. has continued with the audit of the hard files in the vault for all tribal members. The next scheduled meeting is August 22<sup>nd</sup>. As of right now we currently have 5190 enrolled tribal members.

**Barbara Collier (TGA)** – Barbara recently spoke with Steve Ward and he didn't get to finish the Resolution for TICS, but when he gets back in town he will send that out for a phone poll. Barbara also mentioned an issue that Downstream is now facing with scalpers. Those are individuals that will buy concert tickets from Downstream Casino and sell them for a larger profit. Barbara mentioned we don't currently have anything stating what to do when something like this occurs, but she mentioned we could place an anti-scalping ordinance into effect. **Chairman Berrey mentioned working with Jani Cummings and Thomas Mathews and they can figure out a way to solve the issue and shut it down.**

**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:** John asked that a letter be sent to all sub-committee members asking if they still want to be part on their designated sub-committee before anyone is re-appointed. He mentioned the BC also needs to determine if some sub-committees are still necessary.

**GUEST:**

**CASA** – CASA are court appointed special advocates whose primary focus revolves around abused, neglected, and deprived children. Judge Douthitt has approved a potential MOU for the tribe and that would allow a branch for the Quapaw Tribal CASA under the CASA of Ottawa and Delaware County. John asked the MOU be sent to the BC to allow them an opportunity to review and discuss.

Grace Goodeagle – Grace Goodeagle requested a donation of \$1200 towards the backpack program for Roosevelt Elementary School through the First Presbyterian Church of Miami. **Motion by QTBC Vice-Chairman, Thomas Mathews, to approve a donation of \$1200. Seconded by QTBC Member, TC Bear. Vote: JB, yes; TM, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; RM, yes; ZT, yes; (7 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent). Motion passes.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

DVPI Resolution 082317-A – Motion by QTBC Member, Ranny McWatters to approve Resolution 082317-A as submitted. Seconded by QTBC Member, Marilyn Rogers. Vote: JB, yes; TM, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; RM, yes; ZT, yes; (7 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent). Motion passes.

TWG – 082317-B – Motion by QTBC Member Zack Turley to approve Resolution 082317-B as submitted. Seconded by QTBC Member, TC Bear. Vote: JB, yes; TM, yes; TSR, yes; MR, yes; TB, yes; RM, yes; ZT, yes; (7 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent). Motion passes.

John Berrey would like to add open forum to the agenda after new business every month.

**DONATIONS:** None

**CLOSED SESSION:** 10:30 am

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:** 12:55 pm

**TOPIC(S):**

1. Spoke with CFO, Eric Bohn about tribal insurance claims.
2. Discussed a land purchase
3. HR personnel issue

**BENEDICTION:** Zack Turley

**ADJOURNMENT:** 12:57 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 September 16, 2017 with a vote reflecting

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