January 6th, 2015 Regular Tribal Council, submitted by Nicky Kay Michael, PhD, Tribal Council Secretary

Called to Order:  5:37
Prayer: Nathan Young

Attendance:
Chief Chet Brook, Assistant Chief Bonnie Jo Griffith, Secretary Nicky Kay Michael, Treasurer Benita Shea, Member Annette Ketchum, Member Nate Young, Member Michelle Holley.

Approve Agenda:
Councilman Young motions to approve agenda.
Councilwoman Shea second.
All in favor.

Approve Minutes:

Minutes from Oct. 23rd Regular Tribal Council Meeting
Councilwoman Griffith motions to approve Oct 23rd minutes as written.
Councilwoman Michael seconds.
All in favor.

Minutes from Dec. 1, Special Tribal Council Meeting
Councilman Young motions to approve Dec. 1 Special Meeting minutes.
Councilwoman Griffith provides an edit for the adjourn time, from 5:46 to 6:46 and motions to approve minutes as corrected.
Councilman Young seconds.
All in favor.

Unfinished Business
Tim Houseberg, *Economic Development*.

Tim states we have taken steps to prepare ourselves for our first opportunity:

1. GAP, DCAA Accounting system with Jean Lewis
2. Along with Michael Taylor, Personnel and HR for the Tahko e2
3. Payroll, benefits, etc

Nancy Sumpter asked for confirmation that even though this is a separate business, the LLC is still under the Tribe.

    Mr. Houseberg states, Yes.

Councilwoman Ketchum asks about the sub-leasing in Guam.

    Mr. Houseberg says yes, we have found a landlord to work with us on a monthly basis. Attorney David McCullough is reviewing a lease agreement for $350/month.

Joe Brooks asks if the check signers will be in OK and who will be the signatories. Also asks if we will be receiving monthly reports.

    Mr. Houseberg responds that we will be receiving bi-monthly reports.

**Hydroponics:** Thank you letter was sent and there is potential for a visit. He did a background check on the people and business proposal. He also checked with US foods for potential of product use in our area. Next opening for a facility will be in March and we would like to send a delegation to South Carolina to visit.

**Domicile:** In December, the Tribe authorized 26 Corporations and LLCs for a net profit $12,500 for the month. The year total net was $39,878. Between Jan 1 and March 31 all those companies will either renew or go elsewhere.

Chief Brooks: asks about a projection of renewals.

    Mr. Houseberg says we can expect a net profit of $27,500 in renewals of the existing businesses.

**New Business**

**Disability Parking:**

Nancy Sumpter asks if we can repaint the lines on the parking lot outside the offices and Community Center because people are parking in handicapped spots. Tribal Administrations Manager Zunigha states that as soon as we can (ideally when it’s warmed up) and reminded people to only use handicapped spots if they have a sticker. This is a problem for our Elders and disabled, so he asks people be respectful.
Resolution 2015-01—Approve Tahkox e2 Operating Agreement

Councilwoman Griffith motions to approve.
Councilman Young seconds.

All in favor.

Resolution 2015-02—To Suspend the Charter of the Delaware Enterprises Authority (DEA)

Councilwoman Griffith.
Councilwoman Holley seconds

Discussion revolved around whether this would interfere with our River Trails Contract.
4 in favor
1 abstention (Shea)
1 opposed (Ketchum)

Councilwoman Griffith motions for a 5 minute break.
Councilwoman Michael seconds.
All in favor.

Break begins 6:35

Meeting resumes 6:45

Resolution 2015-03—Approving the Authorization to Submit the 2015 Indian Housing Plan to Housing and Urban Development.

Councilwoman Michael moves to approve.
Councilwoman Holley seconds.

Curtis explains he and Ron Scott are available with a budget for any questions because the due date is January 15th.
All in favor.

**Resolution 2015-04—To Assign Signatures to the DEA Financial Accounts**

Councilman Young moves to approve.

Councilwoman Shea seconds.

6 in favor

1 abstention (Ketchum)

Titus Frenchman: Asks for an audit of the land purchase in Lawrence, Kansas.

**Resolution 2015-05—To terminate the existence of the Lenape Tribe of Indians (LTI) Enterprises, LLC.**

Councilman Young moves to approve.

Councilwoman Griffith seconds.

Councilwoman Ketchum asks for clarification. She thought it had already been terminated. Jean confirms that there is no paperwork confirming this. Further she states there was not just lack of paperwork, LTI has not been terminated.

All in favor.

**Resolution 2015-06—To adopt a Personnel Policy for Tahkox e2.**

Councilwoman Griffith moves to approve.

Councilwoman Shea seconds.

All in favor.

Nancy Sumpter requests a meeting with the Personnel Committee.

Councilwoman Holley invites her to the Personnel meeting held on Wednesdays at 5:30.
Resolution 2015-07—To appoint Chief, Assistant Chief and Treasurer as the only signature authority on all of the Tahkox e2 accounts.

Councilman Youth moves to approve.

Councilwoman Shea seconds.

All in favor.

To appoint Tim Houseberg the Liaison for River Trails.

Councilwoman Griffith moves to approve effective immediately.

Councilman Young seconds.

Nancy Sumpter asks if he is getting paid one for the current position and additionally from River Trails.

Councilman Young clarifies he is not getting paid currently and now this will be payment from River Trails.

Joe Brooks, from the Personnel Committee objects to the Tribal Council from passing the motion—that River Trails advances the money to the Tribe and therefore it is tribal monies. That would make it a tribal personnel decision.

Titus Frenchman is recognized and asks (for the third or fourth time) for detailed information on the land purchase in Lawrence.

6 in favor

1 abstention (Michael)

Grand Gateway Appointment Economic Development Association:

Rick Barnes attends every one of their meetings. Is it appropriate as a Judge? Majority of Tribal Council deems appropriate.

Councilman Young nominates Rick Barnes to have one of our members sit on their Board.

Councilwoman Michael seconds.

All in favor.

Other New Business:
Joe Brooks: Tribal members would like to fish in our pond. Winter time is the ideal time to stock the pond. We’ve been requested to inquire of Fish and Wildlife to stock the pond.

Councilwoman Griffith motions to find out the answer.

Councilman Young seconds.

All in favor.

**Former DFMS Director allegedly traded in the tribal vehicle (Lincoln) for a personal vehicle (Ford Edge).**

The missing vehicle under DFMS was retrieved by tracking it down to the Auto Dealers in Kansas, who provided the documentation that the tribal titled Lincoln was traded in for another vehicle (titled under his personal name) and this trade in vehicle was in the possession of the former DFMS Director, Jim Creed. One of the two keys is still missing. A lawn mower was also bought with DFMS funds but is not in our inventory.

Joe Brooks is recognized. Speaking as one tribal member, this has been going on for years and years. All the previous Tribal Councils ignored it. You all (the Tribal Council) should hold anyone accountable who commits fraud by trading in a tribal vehicle for a personal vehicle; he “demands” it.

Councilwoman Griffith responds that she is also going to go through all the Lowes receipts and reconcile the purchases with our inventory.

Judge Randall also believes the Tribal Council needs to take action.

The Tribal Council asked those present in the room to raise their hand if they wanted the Tribal Council to pursue legal action.

Councilwoman Griffith motions to proceed with legal action against Jim Creed.

Councilwoman Michael seconds.

Chief Brooks comments that the U.S. attorney has already been notified.

All in favor.

**Essay Contest for youth.**

Councilwoman Griffith proposed an essay contest for youth. Each month youth can submit an essay regarding a specific aspect of Delaware history. Winners will have their essay in the Delaware Indian News.
Councilman Young motions to approve.

Councilwoman Michael seconds.

All in favor.

Joe Brooks announces that the Elders and Culture Preservation Committee are hosting a Stomp Dance on February 14th, starting at 4 pm. Councilwoman Griffith adds to this that the War Mothers are also having a Garage Sale and bake sale followed by a Bean lunch.

Councilwoman Griffith motions to adjourn.

Councilwoman Michael seconds.

All in favor.

Motion to adjourn 7:45