

The Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation

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CHIPPEWA CREE TRIBE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING

Tribal Chambers

Thursday, November 5, 2009

@ 9:00 a.m.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Chippewa Cree Tribal Business Committee meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. on Thursday, November 2, 2009 in the Chippewa Cree tribal chambers by Raymond "Jake" Parker, Jr., Chairman, Chippewa Cree Business Committee.

INVOCATION: Invocation by Jonathan "Jay" Eagleman

PRESENT: Raymond "Jake" Parker, Chairman, Richard "Ricky" Morsette, Committee Member, John "Chance" Houle, Committee Member, Bruce Sunchild, Committee Member, Harlan Baker, Committee Member, and Russell "Rusty" Gopher, Committee Member

ABSENT: Jonathan Windy Boy, Vice-Chairman – Washington, DC, Brian "Kelly" Eagleman, Business Committee Member, and Joseph Lafromboise, Jr., Business Committee Member

OTHERS PRESENT: Leanne Montes, Esq., Janice Myers, Secretary/Treasurer, Richard Sangrey, Chief of Staff, Elinor Nault, Tribal Court, Wilma Tyner, Social Services, Brenda Gardipee, Child Support, Neal Rosette, Executive Administrative Officer, Tony Woods, NTDA, Ronnie J. Henry & Melvin Morsette, Jr. for Tony Belcourt, CCCC, Luanne Belcourt, Planning Department, Tim Rosette, Roads Department, Robert "Sonny" Belcourt, Natural Resources, Voyd St. Pierre, Superintendent, Jay Viall, Rocky Boy Head Start, Jason Belcourt, Bear Paw Enterprises, Jonathan "Jay" Eagleman, Water Resources, Larry Morsette, Jr., Risk Management, Gerald Small for Elaine Topsky, TANF, Sue Hay, Housing, Kim Traversie, Planning Department, Curtis Monteau, Emergency Preparedness, Janet Runnion, Emergency Preparedness, Billianne Morsette, Planning Department, and Ona Denny, Recorder.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:

Additions to agenda:

OTHER:

- 7-f) WAPA Distributions – Bruce Sunchild
- 7-g) Headstart Update – Rusty Gopher
- 7-h) Solid Waste – Tim Rosette
- 7-i) Land Assignment – Robert Belcourt
- 7-J) Turkey Baskets – Neal Rosette

Motion by John "Chance" Houle to approve the Thursday, November 5, 2009 Chippewa Cree Business Committee meeting agenda as presented. Seconded by Harlan Baker. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.

49 **OPENING STATEMENT – CHAIRMAN PARKER:**

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51 Chairman Parker states, this is the first time the Business Committee had the opportunity to sit down with
52 directors and thanks the directors for being present. He states, the tribe has gone a long way as far as
53 money coming into the tribe. We received our fair share of AARA dollars and under stand's that there is
54 still money out there and hopes we can go after. With the money coming in, he would hope that the tribe
55 and departments can figure out how to best use and provide a better service to the community. Billianne
56 will update further down the agenda. He would like to thank the writers and directors for being a little
57 more aggressive.

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59 **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2009:**

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61 **Motion by Bruce Sunchild to approve the Thursday, October 1, 2009 Chippewa Cree Business**
62 **Committee meeting minutes. Seconded by John “Chance” Houle with a comment. Chance**
63 **comments on 2% administrative fee for Events Committee, along with contractor’s fee. It has been**
64 **in law for several years, but he didn’t think it was being implemented. Richard Sangrey states,**
65 **copies of both Resolutions were given to directors. Richard will follow-up. Call for question. All in**
66 **favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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68 **BUSINESS:**

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70 **BIA/DOJ CHIPPEWA CREE TRIBAL COURT ASSESSMENT – ELINOR NAULT:**

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72 Chairman Parker requesting to move Elinor Nault item down the agenda.

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74 **H1N1 PRESENTATION – JANET RUNNION AND CURTIS MONTEAU, JR.:**

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76 Chairman Parker comments. He states, H1N1 flu virus is a concern to the Business Committee and
77 community. He questions if vaccine has been received. Janet states, as of today, the clinic received 220
78 doses of H1N1 and we have about 1800 doses ordered.

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80 Curtis Monteau, Jr., presents H1N1 presentation.

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82 Chairman Parker questions turnaround. Curtis states, it is about a week and states, an individual can be
83 over the flu or deceased. Melvin Morsette, Jr. questions number of cases in Rocky Boy. Janet states, half a
84 dozen reported, but aware that there may be more due to the fact that there is a number of individuals ill
85 with flu like symptoms. Chairman Parker questions if there will be a public notice. Janet states, it has been
86 posted that the there are cases reported in our area. Chairman Parker questions number of types of
87 influenza experienced in a year in our community. Janet states there are several types of influenza virus.

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89 Chairman Parker questions if the Public Health Nursing (PHN) is onsite in the schools. She states, PHN is
90 doing as they can which there is not enough even to go around in a kindergarten class, they would have to
91 come into the clinic. Chairman Parker questions amount from State distribution. Janet states, next week we
92 will be receiving a shipment, which an undetermined amount Rocky Boy will receive. Chairman Parker
93 states, our workforce is a concern due to the fact that some people do not have the sick leave and questions
94 if there is a Bill out there for congress to provide dollars for people who don’t have the sick leave. He
95 believes it would be the discretion of the directors to monitor staff. Janet encourages seasonal flu
96 vaccinations for all staff. Chairman Parker questions onsite vaccinations. Janet states for the seasonal flu,

97 yes and there is plenty of vaccination for the seasonal flu shot. She states, the clinic is providing a
98 thermometer and Tylenol for individuals.
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100 **BIA/DOJ – CHIPPEWA CREE TRIBAL COURT ASSESSMENT – ELINOR NAULT:**

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102 Elinor provides a tribal court assessment summary for the Business Committee. Bert Corcoran, Chairman
103 of Judicial Commission states, we attended a meeting in Albuquerque with Thelma Stiffarm. Thelma
104 stated, under the new Act from Congress, half of the money went to Justice and half went to the Bureau of
105 Indian Affairs. The Justice Department really isn't able to take care of the tribes on a direct appropriations
106 type procedure. They would have to go through special projects. The BIA came down with direct
107 appropriations. Thelma stated that was the purpose of the review so that they can justify spending their
108 money. Thelma suggested that Rocky Boy come back with projects that will take care of the review of our
109 court, and that is the summary the Business Committee was presented. There is a lot of money available
110 for southwest tribes that didn't want the review, so he is unaware of how they will justify the money. He
111 states, the money will come down to the compact in the court section. Chairman Parker questions if it will
112 be a permanent addition. Bert states, it will be a one time and could be 3-5 years funding. Chairman
113 Parker questions when the court will know. He states, what is being done with the compact dollars
114 received, the tribe is hesitant to increase any program budget. He spoke with the tribal planning department
115 and questioned what this would do to the overall court budget. Currently, we are supplementing
116 \$300,000 to \$400,000 to the court. If the court receives this money, he questions if this will free up the
117 supplement the tribe provides above what the court is actually awarded. Bert states, it could be funding
118 another clerk, an additional judge and possibly supplementing judges' salaries. Elinor states, the whole
119 purpose is there is money available for tribal courts, it was made available based upon all tribes that did the
120 tribal court assessment. The assessment was to review improvements needed to be made and justify giving
121 our tribe more money to address those concerns. Chairman Parker states he actually met with Thelma
122 Stiffarm a year ago July and she did inform Chairman Parker she would be working with a couple of tribes
123 in Montana, Rocky Boy being one. Bert states, construction of new court house was talked about. Elinor
124 states, we have to act fast, other tribes will absorb the budget before we get our request in. We have to
125 assure that the request contains a Resolution indicating the funds will come through the courts.
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127 **Resolution:**

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129 **A Resolution Authorizing Request for Funding to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for Needs Identified in**
130 **our 2009 Tribal Court Assessment:**

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132 **Motion by Russell "Rusty" Gopher. Seconded by Richard "Ricky" Morsette. Question and**
133 **comment called for. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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135 Chairman Parker questions amount. Elinor states, \$2.6 for the building. \$821,000 for the needs assessment
136 review and \$2.6 for the facility. Sandra Murie comments. She states, just for the Chairman's information,
137 Thelma Stiffarm was going to make contact to come up and talk about funneling training money through
138 different departments here so that we can more or less sponsor required training that there is a need for, not
139 just in this community but across the State nationally. Chairman Parker questions just specifically dealing
140 with judicial. Sandra states, she has some training money she wants to funnel through Rocky Boy for
141 MT/WYO Tribal Judges Association. Bert states, we did include 22% for indirect costs. Chairman Parker
142 states, we had a discussion with Joel in regard to Code development. He questions if there are any dollars
143 that could be part of the Code development. Elinor states, this is part of Code development.
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145 Rusty requesting to add Arthur “Ozzie” Windy Boy to agenda under courts.

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147 Ozzie states, Stacey informed him this should be ratified in the council meeting for the prosecutor position.
148 He states, according to Leanne, she stated before he took the job there were some amendments that proceed
149 the American Indian Civil Rights Act and one of them whereas today, the defendants at their own expense
150 is going to be changed where the tribe will have to appoint and he was questioning if the tribe will be
151 making this official. Elinor states, Ozzie was listed as a court employee, so it is actually approved by the
152 Judicial Commission and considered as a Public Defender. He may be asking if he is placed under the
153 Legal Department, should the Business Committee ratify that decision. Chairman Parker questions if the
154 Judicial Commission is covering his salary. Elinor states, yes. Leanne states, we moved him from the
155 Legal Department because the Tribal Prosecutor is under her, so it wouldn’t make sense if we had the
156 Tribal Prosecutor under her and the Public Defender. What was done, Ozzie was moved under Earl
157 Arkinson so he is still with the tribe. What Ozzie may want is have the Business Committee ratify to
158 secure his spot as the Public Defender.

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160 **Motion by John “Chance” Houle to ratify the Public Defender position under the Chippewa Cree**
161 **Tribe as a full-time position. Seconded by Bruce Sunchild. Call for comment or question. All in**
162 **favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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164 **WATER RESOURCES – JAY EAGLEMAN:**

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166 Jay states, our program is short. We have the future water supply account. We have identified project #10
167 in 2008. It is a 100,000 gallon storage facility to be located at upper buttercup and will serve more than
168 444 connections and we are in dire need of storage. We have taken receipt of a set of plans and specs and
169 we have cleared all the NEFA hurdles. The Business Committee is to authorize the Water Resources to
170 plan and construct that facility is one of the Resolutions to be rpresented.

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172 **Resolution:**

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174 **A Resolution the Chippewa Cree Tribe is Requesting Funding for Planning, Designing, Construction,**
175 **Operation and Maintenance of the Tribal Water System, Revised Project #10 “Sangrey Storage**
176 **Upgrade” From the Future Water Supply – Supply Facilities Account #WR4012698:**

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178 Chairman Parker comments. He states, for clarification the on Reservation water account, and questions if
179 this is the account at First Interstate. Jay states, we will be going to First Interstate. We have three (3)
180 accounts. The accounts that we are drawing from after the Resolutions are two (2) separate accounts within
181 the on Reservation water development, Section 105 a portion of our investment. The future water supply
182 which holds \$3.9, we are going to be drawing \$986,523. The other one is the compact account, which we
183 are allowed annually or at our discretion to draw the interest from the \$2.7, therefore this is what is being
184 requested.

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186 **Motion by Bruce Sunchild to approve A Resolution the Chippewa Cree Tribe is Requesting Funding**
187 **for Planning, Designing, Construction, Operation and Maintenance of the Tribal Water System,**
188 **Revised Project #10 “Sangrey Storage Upgrade” From the Future Water Supply – Supply Facilities**
189 **Account #WR4012698. Seconded by Richard “Ricky” Morsette. Call for comment or question. All**
190 **in favor, motion carried.**

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192 **Resolution:**

193 ***A Resolution Approval for the Administration of the Rocky Boy Rural Water Deliver System. The***
194 ***Chippewa Cree Tribe is Requesting Funding in the Amount of \$184,664.93 From the Chippewa Cree***
195 ***Tribal Compact Admin Account, Numbered as #WR4002211 to Administer the Chippewa Cree Tribe***
196 ***Compact, Manager the Rural Water Deliver System (Drinking Water) and Conduct Watershed Planning***
197 ***Activities for Drainages that Tranverse the Reservation:***
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199 **Motion by Bruce Sunchild to approve A Resolution Approval for the Administration of the Rocky**
200 **Boy Rural Water Deliver System. The Chippewa Cree Tribe is Requesting Funding in the Amount**
201 **of \$184,664.93 From the Chippewa Cree Tribal Compact Admin Account, Numbered as**
202 **#WR4002211 to Administer the Chippewa Cree Tribe Compact, Manager the Rural Water Deliver**
203 **System (Drinking Water) and Conduct Watershed Planning Activities for Drainages that Tranverse**
204 **the Reservation. Seconded by John “Chance” Houle. Call for comment or question. All in favor,**
205 **motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**
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207 ***Water User Collections:***
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209 ***Resolution:***
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211 ***A Resolution to Provide for Mandatory Payroll Deductions for all Rural Water System Users who are***
212 ***Tribal Employees who are Delinquent for Monthly Water Payments:***
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214 Chairman Parker requests update on Water User Collections. Jay states, for the record, historically in the
215 past nine (9) months, we stated please pay your bill. We will work with users. We are currently down to
216 38% collection rate and we have a whole host of outstanding customers. Chairman Parker questions
217 departments include or just individuals. Jay states, departments, tribe, organizations overall. He states, we
218 are requesting from the Business Committee, those individuals who are system users and who are
219 employees of the tribe, the policy that was provided through the sub-committee, via administrative
220 committee be ratified at this level and need the assistance at the council level. From what was understood,
221 there was a historic Resolution in place that actually states that those system users that were employees and
222 as a condition of their employment recognize that. If you don't pay your water bill, it will automatically be
223 taken out of your check. We couldn't find one and modeled the one after housing that utilizes for their
224 collections. This is the Resolution language that is before the committee. Bruce questions if this was
225 discussed and Leanne was to review the document. Chairman Parker states, that was a different document.
226 Neal states, that was the policy. Jay states, the policy technically is the policy for system user agreement,
227 but what the Resolution does is ratify the policy. The section in the policy renders the portion, if you don't
228 pay we are going to take out automatically is what is being resolved today. The policy is already in place.
229 The policy revision is what was discussed at the sub-committee level was to be ratified at this level. In
230 essence, the Business Committee is ratifying this section of the policy, technically never took place from
231 the day Water Resource agreed to take the system on. Chairman Parker questions if the user rate schedule
232 has been changed or is it staying the same rate schedule based upon the original policy. Jay states, that is
233 correct, however there is an announcement and it was foretold there was an increase coming to the system
234 users. In order for us to keep the water flowing we are going to need help from the system user and anyone
235 else that would help keep the electricity flowing so people could have water. Our total service connections
236 are 440, which is a lot of water flowing throughout the Reservation. In addition to that, through the
237 Northcentral Regional dollar we have added a whole new series of lines, so that is another 17 miles of line
238 we have estimated ground water that currently services the system will also serve. We have a lot of issues
239 regarding how we are going to manage and how we devised a rate structure. There is a lot to it. In the
240 larger respect that the community becomes fully aware, the water, yes it is free, but what costs is the

241 transmission distribution. And most importantly it is safe cup of water. Chairman Parker states, no
242 different if you lived in Havre or Great Falls, you are paying for the service. Jay states, the aggregate is
243 \$43 and that is from Shelby all the way to Plentywood. Harlan questions what the proposed increase. Jay
244 states, \$5.

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246 Leanne states, she reviewed the Resolution and the other option is garnishment from the courts. The
247 Resolution is sound.

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249 **Motion by Bruce Sunchild to approve A Resolution to Provide for Mandatory Payroll Deductions for**
250 **all Rural Water System Users who are Tribal Employees who are Delinquent for Monthly Water**
251 **Payments. Seconded by Richard “Ricky” Morsette. Call for comment or question. All in favor,**
252 **motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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254 Chance comments. He states, we have administrative sub-committee meetings scheduled prior to the
255 Business Committee meeting every month. We have a lot of executive’s underneath Chairman and one
256 needs to commit to being responsible for follow-up after administrative meetings. The last 20 minutes we
257 have been going around and around with the agenda items and there are five (5) executive underneath. He
258 would like to assure all the material is in place for the meeting. Richard Sangrey will follow-up.

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260 **LEGAL DEPARTMENT - 2ND READING: AMENDMENTS TO THE CHIPPEWA CRE TRIBAL LAW AND ORDER**
261 **CODE, DOMESTIC RELATIONS, TITLE 5, CHAPTER 5 & 6 – LEANNE MONTES, ESQ.:**

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263 Leanne states, the documents she handed out will be the 2nd Reading of the amendment to the Domestic
264 Relations, Title V, to the Child Support section. It was presented as the 1st Reading, which it was passed
265 and there was nothing else done or anything different, just following the process. Requesting to pass as 2nd
266 Reading.

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268 **Motion by Russell “Rusty” Gopher to approve 2nd Reading – Amendments to the Chippewa Cree**
269 **Tribal Law and Order Code, Domestic Relations, Title 5, Chapter 5 & 6. Seconded by Harlan**
270 **Baker. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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272 **CHILD SUPPORT – BRENDA GARDIPEE:**

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274 **Executive Order Designating the Chippewa Cree Child Support Program as an Investigative Program as**
275 **it Pertains to Child Support Matters for Locate, Paternity, Child Support Obligation, Enforcement:**

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277 Brenda states, a letter was submitted to the Business Committee with an attached Executive Order. She
278 states, what is being requested under the Child Support program for purposes of child support services on
279 the Reservation. She states, under the Child Support program, we are doing this similar to the State of
280 Montana. The Governors office issued an Executive Order in the State of Montana where they declared the
281 Child Support program as an executive investigative program as it pertains to locating people in child
282 support cases. She states, what is being requested is the child support program gain the full cooperation
283 from tribal entities and organizations that operate within the boundaries of the Reservation. It involves
284 locating people or requesting wage information so that the program could accurately come up with
285 calculations on child support obligations to take into court. At times, the program finds some departments
286 are reluctant to share information on persons the program is searching for. She states, the program is
287 requesting that they be considered an investigative unit so that information can be received from
288 departments to cooperate with the program.

289 **Motion by John “Chance” Houle to approve Executive Order Designating the Chippewa Cree Child**
290 **Support Program as an Investigative Program as it Pertains to Child Support Matters for Locate,**
291 **Paternity, Child Support Obligation, and Enforcement as 1st Reading. Seconded by Richard “Ricky”**
292 **Morsette with a comment by Chairman Parker. He states, isn’t an Executive Order the same as a**
293 **Resolution. Brenda states, it basically is and on this Executive Order the Governor signed off and**
294 **the program wanted to approach the Business Committee with what is presented. Neal Rosette**
295 **states, the difference between an Executive Order and a Resolution is the chairman has the ability**
296 **and is the individual who took it upon his executive duties to sign, and a Resolution requires the**
297 **Business Committee’s approval. Rusty questions an outside entity coming in. Brenda states, this**
298 **would only pertain to the Child Support program that we have. Leanne states, for the 2nd Reading,**
299 **Executive Order will be taken off and will be presented as a Resolution. Comment and question**
300 **called for. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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302 **TRIBAL SELF-GOVERNANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE (IHS) – NEAL**
303 **ROSETTE:**
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305 Neal states, he received a request from Jonathan Windy Boy. Jonathan is requesting the tribe officially
306 request that he be appointed to the Self-Governance Advisory Committee for I.H.S. due to the fact that Leo
307 Langford hasn’t represented and attended meetings. Jonathan did speak with Chairman Steele about the
308 appointment and what Chairman Steele requested from the tribe is to officially appoint him to the
309 committee.

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311 **Motion by John “Chance” Houle to approve appointing Jonathan Windy Boy to the Tribal Self-**
312 **Governance Advisory Committee for Indian Health Service through letter from the Chippewa Cree**
313 **Business Committee. Seconded by Bruce Sunchild. Call for comment or question. All in favor,**
314 **motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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316 **NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT – TONY WOODS:**
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318 Chairman Parker comments. He states, we had our first publication of the newspaper November 1, 2009.
319 Tony and Billianne are heading the newspaper, and states, we are looking for ways to support the costs of
320 the paper. He questions the costs. Billianne states, \$2550.00. Tony Woods requesting to sell
321 advertisements to help defray the costs. Chairman Parker states, it would be good for the advertising. He
322 is requesting from each department to help cover the costs. The majority of departments have publication
323 in their budgets. We will have to figure out a way to assign each department on a monthly basis, rotating
324 each department.

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326 Tony requesting the opportunity to sell advertisements. Chairman Parker states, that would be up to the
327 staff. Tony is requesting to add as an addendum to his contract for advertising.

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329 **Motion by John “Chance” Houle to approve Tony Woods request to add as an addendum to his**
330 **contract for advertising. Seconded by Bruce Sunchild. Call for comment or question. All in favor,**
331 **motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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333 Chairman Parker requesting newspaper staff profile each department within the Chippewa Cree Tribe.
334 Mainly on delivery of services and what services are available. Richard Sangrey to present information to
335 directors and figure out how much money each department can come up with.

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337 NEW DETENTION FACILITY CONSTRUCTION A&E – RONNIE JOE HENRY/MELVIN MORSETTE, JR.:

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339 Ronnie Joe states, the construction company has requested qualifications from firms throughout the country
340 for the new detention facility and provides a list. He states, top seven (7) came in on time and the bottom
341 four (4) were received late. We have the proposals out and Tim Martin had his since Tuesday morning.
342 Because Harlan has been busy the past few days and hadn't had an opportunity to review. Ronnie Joe
343 requesting comments. Harlan states, he doesn't feel comfortable giving a recommendation since he just
344 received the list. Tim Martin had a family emergency and he hasn't had the opportunity to review. A
345 meeting was scheduled to be held on Wednesday to go over and due to Tim's emergency it hadn't got
346 done. Ronnie Joe states, Tony, Jr. and he came up with a recommendation. One of things they will be
347 looking at is a tight schedule on construction, getting things done. You have to have a working relationship
348 with A&E firm; you cannot get started before the actual design. Chairman Parker questions if a site has
349 been designated and if environmental assessment has been done. Tim Rosette, states, he hasn't attended
350 any meetings and is aware the environmental has to be done. The site needs to have geo technical
351 assessment needs to be done. Chairman Parker states, he personally doesn't have a problem in selecting an
352 A&E firm, but suggests, Jay Eagleman, Tim Rosette, and those involved in construction be involved in the
353 planning.

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355 Rusty requesting a motion to table until all players regarding construction is ready.

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357 **Motion by Russell "Rusty" Gopher to table the selection of an A&E firm for the construction of the**
358 **new detention facility until all team players on the construction and planning are ready. Seconded**
359 **by Harlan Baker with a comment by Bruce Sunchild. He states, with all due respect to colleagues, we**
360 **are pressed for time. Why we procrastinate is one man hasn't been here and the tribe will not be**
361 **held up by one man if he chooses to work elsewhere and be here one day a week, which is ridiculous.**
362 **Call for question. Motion carried. (3) Yes – (2) No.**

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364 **Motion by John "Chance" Houle to select number four (4) ICON Architect Group from Grand**
365 **Forks, North Dakota for the planning and designing of the new detention facility. Seconded by**
366 **Bruce Sunchild. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (3) Yes – (2) No.**

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368 Chairman Parker comments. He states, his concern is we have a construction manual he would hope we
369 will follow so we don't end up in a situation such as the casino. He would like people to be involved
370 however that may be. Bruce states, he would be involved as well as others if they were invited. Chairman
371 Parker states, he is unaware how the PONI team plays a role in the whole process, which this all needs to
372 be clarified. Chance comments. He states, there were other people quoted in an Administrative Sub-
373 Committee meeting on the construction management team on the PONI team. His thought was the reason
374 creating the construction management team; we would be able to direct all players to be there. Hopefully
375 next week we could get the team players and construction team together and we hit the ground running
376 with all the appropriate people. Tim Rosette comments. He states, we have to go through this process, you
377 need an A&E firm, environmental and geo technical assessment to get this off the ground. Chairman
378 Parker states, his other concern is from his understanding at this point is it is cost reimbursable. He
379 questions, if this is the case how we back this financially. Kim Traversie states, we didn't get the straight
380 answers from the department of justice. She states, normally in any construction type of grant, they don't
381 expect the agencies to carry huge amounts, and normally, you get to draw down large amounts, such as the
382 A&E, 15% of the grant and during construction, 65%. She states, Leanne and she are working with the
383 department of justice to get a better idea. Chairman Parker questions who is running this project. Ronnie
384 Joe presents a flow chart that Tony Belcourt and he put together with PONI team being at the top of the

385 flow chart. Bruce comments. He states, he wants to clarify and states, this is not in any way a hostile take
386 over on a grant given to the tribe. This is a tribal grant, Chippewa Cree Construction is a tribal entity that
387 hires tribal members and keeps people working, which he would like to expedite. He doesn't want to sit on
388 this through the winter months waiting for one guy to show up, and who only comes in the office once a
389 week and to give us the okay to do this.

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391 Bruce is requesting the next council meeting he would like to present what Chippewa Cree Construction
392 can do and what they have done. Rusty states, there is some issues with bids and timelines. Larry Morsette
393 states, he is interested in sitting on the PONI team for insurance liability purposes. Chairman Parker
394 comments. We need to get the planning department, police department and judicial department be
395 involved. His concern is staffing and we need to start working on staffing. Bruce Sunchild will follow-up
396 in the next day or so on the planning on the new detention facility department.

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398 **PLANNING DEPARTMENT FINANCE UPDATE – BILLIANNE MORSETTE & KIM TRAVERSIE:**

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400 Billianne comments. She states, council is aware of planning and compliance. The planning and
401 compliance are combined under one department. Under Chairman Parker restructure, Kim is no longer
402 with RJS and is serving as planning director. Joan moved on to a couple of projects which she wanted to
403 pursue but will still be involved in planning. She states, a lot of things have been happening with the five
404 (5) year department plan and are also working with the council to get their vision as far as the plan of the
405 whole tribe. We are currently working on the five (5) year plan and will also be doing some training,
406 which Luanne will update. We will be doing internal evaluations of all the grants and contracts that each
407 department has under their entity. We are in the process of prioritizing each department based upon the
408 need. Chance comments. He states, the Chairman and council have put together a planning department
409 that is really strong. His thought all the directors need to grasp the direction of the planning department.
410 They are available to enhance programs and some directors are aware of this. He commends the Chairman
411 of the direction he is going and the planning department that was put together. Billianne states, we are here
412 to enhance program and assure planning department is doing what is stated they are doing. Kim states, as
413 Billianne noted, we are tasked with the job of restructuring the planning department to include compliance,
414 management and development, which currently they are working and will come up with a proposed
415 structure for council approval.

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417 Kim states, per directive of Chairman Parker, what he was hoping to accomplish is to open the lines of
418 communication between each department as far as fiscal management and tribal finance. He had requested
419 the planning department put together a process so those lines of communication are open, so there is no
420 miscommunication or misunderstanding as far as finance is concerned. He is requesting each director
421 designate a financial point of contact in your department. Whomever that individual may be, should meet
422 with their designated tribal finance person who works under Janice come in get a PIN number, get training
423 on MIP so that individual can get into the system, run reports and look at their finances. Basically an open
424 and productive conversation in each departments finance situations so that there are no misunderstandings.
425 Billianne states, the memo went out a couple of weeks ago through Ona Gopher. Since the memo went out
426 there has been contact made with only two (2) departments to the finance department. What the planning
427 department is trying to eliminate is finger pointing between finance and departments. The designation of
428 department designated finance person will need to visit with Ona Gopher right away. Kim states, she also
429 believes, the more you know about your financial system and your grants and contracts, and you are better
430 able to manage. What she is requesting is support from the council. A deadline was set for November 13,
431 2009 for every director to designate a financial point of contact in their department to get a PIN number and
432 MIP training from Ona Gopher. A memo will be sent out to that affect.

433 Elinor states, she believes this a good idea, but what the council needs to understand is all the other
434 departments with the exception of the courts has their own finance person, and she is that person because
435 she oversees seven (7) grants. She states, she was placed as the director and coordinator and tries hard to
436 assure she works with finance and works with compliance of the grants. When we report to funding
437 agencies, we shouldn't have to duplicate another report. We should be able to take the report and submit it
438 to planning and show the progress report and show what was done so that we don't have to create another
439 report and she would like to be able to do that.

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441 Chairman Parker states, what ever is submitted online, and you should be able to cc to planners so they
442 have that information. He states, if he gets a call from the department of justice informing him the tribe is
443 three (3) months late on the report, we can actually see if this is true and has the report actually been
444 submitted. This is more on the compliance side. At the end of the day, he hopes the planning department
445 is able to help each department grow. We are not there to help micromanage or oversight on a particular
446 program. We want better communication. We are dealing with around 100 grants and contracts within the
447 departments. For the tribe to stay on top of this, we don't have proposals of a good portion of grants and
448 contracts. We are getting a good amount of money in and he would like to see the coordination of services.
449 Because a department has several grants or contracts, are there other services out there that a department
450 can use. He questions how are all these service coming together. We are asking at least abstracts of
451 proposals, grants and contracts. Our main goal is to assure that what we receive on these grants and
452 contacts we are going to implement and how does this affect the community. Chairman Parker states, his
453 main goal is to provide services that we say we are going to provide, and how can we interact and cross
454 each department. The financial part is a big asset. The strategic plan that each department will be doing
455 will all come together as one footprint for all of us to follow. We get new administration every two years
456 and this will give them a direction. There are times he looks back in the past and we never had a clear
457 direction where we want to go as a tribe. He hopes everyone will be players. There are a lot of issues out
458 there, we as a government, a community and a tribe that needs to be addressed as a group. We have major
459 issues with our youth and how are we all going to work together to better the next generation. He states,
460 strategic plans are as good as you use them. We have been to a number of planning sessions that we create
461 a document, through it on the shelf and all it becomes is paper. In the next couple of months, the planning
462 department will have a better idea of where we are going.

463
464 Jay Eagleman comments. He states our request is to gain access to MEPS through a workstation at Water
465 Resources and questions if this has been considered. Chairman Parker states, in talking with Dallas there
466 may be a technology issue. Billianne states, the server is hosted at the tribal office and there is no way that
467 Water Resource office can connect that the server. There are a few programs that can be purchased, but
468 they are costly. Jay states, the reason asking is on October 29th and 30th we bounced \$50,000 in checks.
469 Had we had immediate access and if someone posted all the cash as assumed we wouldn't have this
470 situation. Chairman states, at least on a temporary basis, we designated an office in the tribal building to go
471 into MIP. Jay states, we have been at the tribal office and didn't have no luck getting a PIN number.
472 Billianne states, access is given from Ona Gopher. Dallas will be contact person for the program to access
473 from the Water Resources office. Richard Sangrey states, Ona and Dallas are scheduled to meet at the
474 directors meeting. Linda Gopher is the direct person to oversee Water Resources and Natural Resources.
475 Richard, Janice, and Ona will inform directors of new accounting managers to each department, who are
476 the contact persons are and how the process flows.

477
478 Elinor states, we are more defiant as to roles, what their roles are and the directors roles. She states, there is
479 some confusion as far as financial manager and directors roles. For her, she doesn't have time to do both.
480 Chairman Parker states use the planning and finance department as much as possible. At the end of the

481 day, you are responsible for management from financial to whatever it may entail. It falls on the director's
482 shoulder. If the budget is overrun by \$20 or \$5,000 that is the responsible of the director. He states, we are
483 trying to open doors for better management. Elinor states, she doesn't have any authorization to the finance
484 manager. Jay questions if a MIP's training can be held and out of the training per directors request to
485 administer FY10 PTG dollars. The PTG has indirect, in-kind, and we have to last years and now we are
486 getting prepared for the next writing cycle. The next writing cycle we have so many ceiling amounts we
487 want to pursue but one of the things that is a competitive feature to the grant is, you get your reports done
488 by October 30th and if you have your financial closeout right after a week or so, you are going too
489 considered before anybody because nobody does it. Although you have 90 days to do it and if you do a
490 week later or two you will be the first in line. This is how competitive the interior dollar becomes through
491 EPA. Chairman Parker states, one of the issues in closing out, he was concerned about FY09 in closing
492 out. There is a timeline period for any outstanding obligations. We have an issue of reconciling that we
493 are trying to correct. Currently we are looking at picking up two individuals to help with reconciling. A lot
494 of this will be resolved in the next year. Luanne wrote a grant that is going to pertain to a lot of training.
495 He states, he is working at strengthening the centralized accounting system and hopes that departments
496 don't try to break away. We need to stay with the schedule and we want a change to provide a better
497 service to the departments and community.

498
499 Luanne Belcourt comments. She states every month a calendar will be available for some type of training.
500 The training will involve the council, directors, staff and at some point community members. The grant is
501 for training services. Chairman Parker states, he would hope that the target would be for staff, whether it is
502 a secretary or director on useful information we all need. As directors, we need additional training and
503 need participation.

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505 Chairman Parker states, grant writing season is coming about and requesting directors to get with the
506 planning department to access additional dollars. Luanne states, the planning department meets monthly
507 and suggests submitting needs to Kim, Billianne, Neal, or herself.

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509 **NATURAL RESOURCES - ROBERT BELCOURT:**

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511 **Land Assignment Resolutions:**

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513 **A Resolution to Approve the Application of Standard Assignment Number S-001: Clayton Morsette**
514 **completed the necessary paperwork for relinquishment of assignment to Rosemary Burns.**

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516 **Motion by Bruce Sunchild to approve A Resolution to Approve the Application of Standard**
517 **Assignment Number S-001: Clayton Morsette completed the necessary paperwork for**
518 **relinquishment of assignment to Rosemary Burns. Seconded by Richard "Ricky" Morsette. Call for**
519 **comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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521 **A Resolution to Approve the Application of Standard Assignment Number S-242 – Newly created Bruce**
522 **Sunchild, Jr.**

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524 **Motion by John "Chance" Houle to approve the newly created land assignment for Bruce Sunchild,**
525 **Jr. Seconded by Harlan Baker. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes**
526 **– (0) No.**
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528 **A Resolution to Approve the Application of Standard Assignment Number s-244: Newly created Patsy**
529 **Gopher.**

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531 **Motion by John “Chance” Houle to approve the newly created land assignment for Kenny Gopher.**
532 **Seconded by Bruce Sunchild. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes –**
533 **(0) No.**

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535 **A Resolution to Approve the Application of Standard Assignment Number S-243: Newly created land**
536 **assignment for Tim Rosette, Jr.:**

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538 **Motion by Harlan Baker to approve the newly created land assignment for Tim Rosette, Jr.**
539 **Seconded by Richard “Ricky” Morsette. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried.**
540 **(5) Yes – (0) No.**

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542 **Land Exchange:**

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544 Robert states, the tribe had purchased two (2) tracks of land back in the late 1970’s, which consists of 340
545 acres. What was proposed to the State of Montana is to exchange those 2 parcels of land for 14,040 acres
546 of range land within the boundaries of the Reservation. We sat down with the State of Montana; it is not an
547 equal or greater than. The State of Montana sent back a proposal to the tribe informing the tribe if we
548 could come up with \$136,000, it may be possible. Their recommendation to the tribe is they will exchange
549 for less land, they will take the 320 acres for 800 acres. The tribe can buy additional land to meet the equal
550 or greater value. The tribe develops the consolidation land to seek the congressional appropriations to
551 exchange for all the state land, which is about 1,700 acres within the exterior boundaries. At this point, he
552 questions where we go from here. Chairman Parker recommends take a shot at the appropriation process.
553 He states, if you look back when the Reservation was created, it was always the intent of the federal
554 government to get the tribe additional lands within the exterior boundaries of the Reservation, which is not
555 actually the Reservation itself, and states, lets hold them to this, but would also do the exchange for the 320
556 acres for the 800 acres, whatever the balance, which is \$136,000. Jay questions if this is sub surface acres.
557 Robert states, all surface acres. They would like to keep their mineral rights. Jay questions if there is water
558 rights. Robert states, he is sure there is, water rights wasn’t brought up when they sat down with the state.
559 Chairman Parker suggests another proposal to be submitted. If it is acre for acre, he would think the
560 mineral and water rights would have to be an equal exchange. Robert states, the State completed rough
561 appraisal estimates on range and farm land. They stated farm land is \$700 an acre verses range land at
562 \$230 an acre, which the difference would be the \$136,000.

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564 **By consensus of the Chippewa Cree Business Committee, Robert Belcourt, Director Natural**
565 **Resources, and Richard “Ricky” Morsette, Sub-Committee Chairman of Natural Resource follow-up**
566 **with a counter land exchange proposal to the State of Montana for Chairman Parker’s signature.**

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568 **TSR’s:**

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570 Chance recommends Chairman Parker write a letter to the area office requesting technical assistance or
571 whatever it takes to get the 148 TSR’s completed so the loans could be closed out. Robert Belcourt states,
572 he spoke to Jackie Kelly, Supervisor for (LTRO) Land & Titles Records Office, and informed her of the
573 letter he was putting together. Jackie stated, forget it, it is not going to happen. Chairman Parker states, we
574 have been wrestling with this for sometime and he puts us as a tribe when we compact something, we state
575 we will provide a function and we can’t do it. He suggests if we can’t handle this, he suggests retroceding

576 Reality. There are individuals out there trying to borrow money to build their homes and they can not do it
577 until they have a TSR and all the things that go along with what we are doing. He states, what is Reality
578 worth, and in his mind it is a self-determination issue. If we can't handle Reality, give it back rather than
579 wrestle with it. Ricky states, they don't want it back. Chairman Parker states, they would have to take it
580 back and we notify them within so many days. Richard states, we would have to pass a Resolution
581 requesting retroceding and there is more than just one line item. Chairman Parker states, the compact runs
582 within Reality may be \$50,000 - \$60,000. Robert states, it is more like \$300,000. Chairman Parker states,
583 not every function, just the function dealing with TSR's. Richard states, you cannot go back in and
584 negotiate just one. Chairman Parker states, this function was a mole hill and become a mountain, it is a
585 political issue and states, he is tired of dealing with this same issue time and time again, which is
586 frustrating. Robert states, Rocky Boy's Reservation is made of 115,000 acres, and every section of land
587 has a track number. With the new program called TAAMS, when you enter into TAAMS, you have to list
588 everything in that track such as the right of ways, home site, telephone lines, power lines, gas lines, or
589 whatever may be going through that track. He states, staff members and he have attending the training, and
590 when you do one track of land, you have to go to seven (7) different screens before you get to where you
591 want to go. If you don't have a right of way, you cannot enter into TAAMS. It is frustrating, and his
592 recommendation way back when TAAMS was first brought up was to compact this. We had enough
593 people on the Reservation to do the same thing they are doing at the area office. That was his
594 recommendation. Now we are caught up in this and playing catch up. Chairman Parker states, this is an
595 ongoing issue and it appears every time we meet this issue is brought to the table. He will attempt to tackle
596 one more time and will follow-up with the letter requesting technical assistance.

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598 **Motion by Bruce Sunchild to approve a letter requesting technical assistance from the Billings Area**
599 **Office (BIA) to complete the 148 TSR's. Seconded by John "Chance" Houle. Call for comment or**
600 **question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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602 **UTILITIES – TIM ROSETTE:**

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604 **Solid Waste:**

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606 Tim states, Havre is building a new landfill, which will increase costs. What he would like to propose is
607 the Chippewa Cree Tribe joins forces with Havre. We will write grants, we put together community, tribe,
608 and county effort, at least Rocky Boy and Fort Belknap pool. We prepay for space through the grant
609 process or construction effort that Havre has to go through anyway. If we could do that, the monthly bill
610 will be reduced. First of all, we have two (2) trucks funded; one to haul and we have a new garbage truck
611 funded, which should be arriving soon. Chance questions FYI. Tim states, he would like to have a council
612 member with him present at the solid waste meetings that will be hosted in Havre to construct the new
613 project.

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615 **By consensus of the Chippewa Cree Tribe, Richard "Ricky" Morsette will accompany Tim Rosette to**
616 **the Solid Waste meetings to be held in Havre.**

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618 **SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE – 2ND READING:**

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620 Leanne Montes, Esq. states, she was part of the Solid Waste Ordinance, which is being presented as the 2nd
621 Reading on behalf of Tribal Water Resources. Solid Waste Ordinance was presented previously as 1st
622 Reading.

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624 **Motion by John “Chance” Houle to adopt the Chippewa Cree Tribal Solid Waste Ordinance as 2nd**
625 **Reading. Seconded by Richard “Ricky” Morsette. Call for comment or question. All in favor,**
626 **motion carried.**

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628 Chairman Parker comments. He states, talking about solid waste and working with Jay Eagleman, which a
629 number of meetings have been held, we really need to put some attention into dealing with waste water.
630 This is an issue all over. We have been trying to correct some of the situation and it is overwhelming for
631 one individual to take this issue on and hopes five years down the road we could have a treatment plant.
632 How we get there is unknown, and states, we need to start applying for dollars.

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634 Tim Rosette will begin the process in working on the plan soon.

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636 **ENROLLMENT:**

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638 **A Resolution to Enroll Qualified Applicants into the Chippewa Cree Tribe Under Article II, Sub-Section**
639 **1 (B) of the Chippewa Cree Constitution and By-Laws & Chippewa Cree Tribal Resolution 13-91**
640 **(residency) No Minimum Blood Degree Required - ten (10) applicants:**

641

642 **Motion by John “Chance” Houle to approve A Resolution to Enroll Qualified Applicants into the**
643 **Chippewa Cree Tribe Under Article II, Sub-Section 1 (B) of the Chippewa Cree Constitution and By-**
644 **Laws & Chippewa Cree Tribal Resolution 13-91 (residency) No Minimum Blood Degree Required –**
645 **ten (10) applicants. Seconded by Bruce Sunchild. Call for comment or question. All in favor,**
646 **motion carried.**

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648 **A Resolution to Enroll Qualified Applicants into the Chippewa Cree Tribe Under Article II, Sub-Section**
649 **1-b, of the Chippewa Cree Constitution & By-Laws – eighteen (18) applicants:**

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651 **Motion by Harlan Baker to approve A Resolution to Enroll Qualified Applicants into the Chippewa**
652 **Cree Tribe Under Article II, Sub-Section 1-b, of the Chippewa Cree Constitution & By-Laws –**
653 **eighteen (18) applicants. Seconded by John “Chance” Houle. Call for comment or question. All in**
654 **favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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656 **A Resolution to Relinquish the Enrollment of Kehugh David Swan form the Chippewa Cree Tribal Rolls**
657 **of the Rocky Boy’s Reservation:**

658

659 **Motion by John “Chance” Houle to approve A Resolution to Relinquish the Enrollment of Kehugh**
660 **David Swan form the Chippewa Cree Tribal Rolls of the Rocky Boy’s Reservation. Seconded by**
661 **Richard “Ricky” Morsette. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0)**
662 **No.**

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664 **A Resolution to Relinquish the Enrollment of Jason Big Knife from the Chippewa Cree Tribal Rolls of**
665 **the Rocky Boy’s Reservation:**

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667 **Motion by Harlan Baker to approve A Resolution to Relinquish the Enrollment of Jason Big Knife**
668 **from the Chippewa Cree Tribal Rolls of the Rocky Boy’s Reservation. Seconded by Russell “Rusty”**
669 **Gopher. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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671 **A Resolution to Relinquish the Enrollment of Jeren Alan Herron from the Chippewa Cree Tribal Rolls**
672 **of the Rocky Boy's Reservation:**

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674 Motion by Richard "Ricky" Morsette to approve A Resolution to Relinquish the Enrollment of Jeren
675 Alan Herron from the Chippewa Cree Tribal Rolls of the Rocky Boy's Reservation. Seconded by
676 Harlan Baker. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.

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678 **A Resolution to Relinquish the Enrollment of Jered William Herron from the Chippewa Cree Tribal**
679 **Rolls of the Rocky Boy's Reservation:**

680
681 A Motion by Russell "Rusty" Gopher to approve A Resolution to Relinquish the Enrollment of Jered
682 William Herron from the Chippewa Cree Tribal Rolls of the Rocky Boy's Reservation. Seconded
683 Harlan Baker. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.

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685 **A Resolution to Relinquish the Enrollment of Jeremy Alfonso Herron from the Chippewa Cree Tribal**
686 **Rolls of the Rocky Boy's Reservation:**

687
688 Motion by Bruce Sunchild to approve A Resolution to Relinquish the Enrollment of Jeremy Alfonso
689 Herron from the Chippewa Cree Tribal Rolls of the Rocky Boy's Reservation. Seconded by Richard
690 "Ricky" Morsette. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.

691
692 **A Resolution to Relinquish the Enrollment of Nayo George Swan from the Chippewa Cree Tribal Rolls**
693 **of the Rocky Boy's Reservation:**

694
695 Motion by Bruce Sunchild to approve A Resolution to Relinquish the Enrollment of Nayo George
696 Swan from the Chippewa Cree Tribal Rolls of the Rocky Boy's Reservation. Seconded by John
697 "Chance" Houle. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.

698
699 **A Resolution to Approve the Submission of the Chippewa Cree Housing Authority's Indian Housing**
700 **Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development:**

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702 Motion Bruce Sunchild to approve A Resolution to Approve the Submission of the Chippewa Cree
703 Housing Authority's Indian Housing Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban
704 Development. Seconded by John "Chance" Houle. Call for comment or question. All in favor,
705 motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.

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707 **RESOLUTIONS:**

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709 **A Resolution for a Line of Credit for the Chippewa Cree Housing in the amount of \$400,000:**

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711 Motion by Bruce Sunchild to approve A Resolution for a Line of Credit for the Chippewa Cree
712 Housing in the amount of \$400,000. Seconded by John "Chance" Houle. Call for comment or
713 question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.

714
715 Chairman Parker questions if will be structured under the Tribe or Housing. He states, he was thinking to
716 structure under Housing. He questions how many lines of credit do we have out. Janice states, we have
717 two (2), one at First Interstate Bank and cleared at Independence Bank. We submitted a request for Roads
718 at Wells Fargo and it was denied based upon our loans at First Interstate Bank. Chairman Parker suggests

719 sitting down with First Interstate Bank. He states, all the departments was asked to move to Wells Fargo
720 Bank, and realize there were some issues with Wells Fargo in some of the departments. If we move as a
721 group, there is a lot of leverage in this case Housing is requesting a line of credit. Chance states, this is
722 why Housing was working through the tribe and believes Roads is the same. Chairman Parker questions
723 Ronnie Joe where he is with the Insurance with the Health Board. Ronnie Joe states, we got it started
724 working with Dan Belcourt. It can be done. One of the things, he talked to Independence Bank, Lyle and
725 he would have accepted the same collateral on a bondage for the loan. We still have to get a certified bond
726 issuer to write your bond titles for you. Need to take it around to the banks and shop around for the interest
727 rate. It is a doable project and suggests adding the entire 2 year list and tries to do as one issuance, not 2 or
728 3 bond issuances'.

729
730 Chairman Parker requesting Neal Rosette work with John Swan and Ronnie Joe Henry.
731 Chairman Parker states, the departments that have large debt out may want to sit with the group. Sue Hay
732 states, her loans are contingent on title status reports from the Bureau of Indian Affairs. In order to get
733 those loans bought out from First Interstate into Wells Fargo, she would need title status reports for 128
734 properties. Chance states, if we had the title status we could close out \$2.3 million. Sue states, what is
735 costing is \$26,000 in interest. Robert Belcourt states, the last report all was need was 23 more encoded into
736 TAAMS. Chairman Parker questions why Sue is stating 128 properties. Robert states, he is unaware the
737 reason stated. Sue states, she hasn't received a title status report, and they only accept within the last six
738 (6) months. Robert states, he is aware 65 were requested and there were 33 remaining. Chairman Parker
739 suggesting committee sitting down with Natural Resources and Housing to take serious look at this. This
740 has been an ongoing issue and had addressed a number of times. Chance states, \$26,000 in interest is a lot
741 of money, and it is holding up \$2.4 million to plan for 30 more houses. Bruce states, our best bet would go
742 with First Interstate Bank.

743
744 **A Resolution to Request an Amendment of Projects on the Use of American Recovery and Reinvestment**
745 **Act Funds on the Rocky Boy Indian Reservation:**
746

747 **Motion by John "Chance" Houle to approve A Resolution to Request an Amendment of Projects on**
748 **the Use of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Funds on the Rocky Boy Indian Reservation.**
749 **Seconded by Richard "Ricky" Morsette. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried.**
750 **(5) Yes – (0) No.**

751
752 Tim Rosette will work with Janice Myers on the 3-mile Hill Project.

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754 **RESOLUTIONS TO BE RATIFIED:**
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756 **160-09: A Resolution Approving an Amount, or Range of Amounts, of the Dollar Valuation of**
757 **Plaintiffs' Claims in Chippewa Cree Tribe, ET AL., to be Presented by Plaintiffs to the Defendant United**
758 **States in Furtherance of a Negotiated Settlement of Plaintiffs' Claims in the Case:**
759

760 **Motion by Bruce Sunchild to ratify Resolution 160-09: A Resolution Approving an Amount, or**
761 **Range of Amounts, of the Dollar Valuation of Plaintiffs' Claims in Chippewa Cree Tribe, ET AL., to**
762 **be Presented by Plaintiffs to the Defendant United States in Furtherance of a Negotiated Settlement**
763 **of Plaintiffs' Claims in the Case. Seconded by John "Chance" Houle. Call for comment or question.**
764 **All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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766 **OTHER:**

767 **PEOPLE TO PEOPLE LEADERSHIP REQUEST – KETURAH ROSETTE:**

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769 **Motion by Bruce Sunchild to refer request to Joseph Lafromboise, Jr., Budget Chairman for follow-**
770 **up. Seconded by John “Chance” Houle. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried.**
771 **(5) Yes – (0) No.**

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773 **TRADITIONAL NE-IYAHW WARRIOR SOCIETY – SAM VERNON WINDY BOY:**

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775 Sam Vernon Windy Boy not present.

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777 **FINANCIAL REQUEST –VELISA MORSETTE – WEED:**

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779 Chance states, he received a request which is not included in the packets for assistance an electric power
780 pole, \$1150.00. There was a 2nd request submitted by Roasting Stick for a power pole, which was
781 submitted on Wednesday. They did go out and got all the leg work completed to get themselves a home.

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783 **Motion by John “Chance” Houle to approve both individual requests, Velisa Morsette – Weed and**
784 **Roasting Stick to get a power pole set up at their home sites. Seconded by Bruce Sunchild. Call for**
785 **comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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787 **NATIVE AMERICAN CHURCH REQUEST – KELLY EAGLEMAN:**

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789 Native American Church Request referred to Rocky Boy Health Board meeting.

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791 **NATALIE DEMONTINEY PROPOSAL:**

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793 Fawn Tadios, CEO states, Natalie has a meeting with her at 2:00 p.m. to go over her proposal.

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795 **RODEO DATES:**

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797 Chance states, the committee would like to get posters out on upcoming yearly Rodeo. He questions
798 Richard Sangrey if he made contact with Fort Hall, Idaho. Chance states, he would like to have posters out
799 by next week, but the problem is, August 1st is on a Sunday this year, Rusty suggested August 6-8, 2009
800 rather than July 28-August 1, 2010. Richard Sangrey will follow-up with Fort Belknap and Fort Hall,
801 Idaho on dates.

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803 **HOUSING REQUEST – RANDI DEMONTINEY:**

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805 **Motion by Bruce Sunchild to refer request to Joseph Lafromboise, Jr., Budget Chairman. Seconded**
806 **by Harlan Baker. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**

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808 **JC BIG KNIFE I.N.F.R. REQUEST:**

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810 Chance states, Chairman Parker is working on helping members who had made the I.N.F.R.

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812 **WESTERN AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION (WAPA) – BRUCE SUNCHILD:**

813

814 Bruce states, there was a request for WAPPA information and Merle Belcourt delivered it last week.

815 **Motion by Bruce Sunchild to approve to split half of Western Area Power Administration credits**
816 **between the Northern Winz Casino and the Chippewa Cree Senior Citizens Center. Seconded by**
817 **Harlan Baker. Call for comment or question. All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**
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819 **COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS TURKEY BASKETS – NEAL ROSETTE:**
820

821 Neal states, rather than providing turkey baskets, a suggestion was made to provide a \$50 food card to
822 households.
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824 **Motion by Bruce Sunchild to approve \$50 food card to all community households for the**
825 **Thanksgiving and Christmas turkey baskets; Neal Rosette, Janice Myers, and Billianne Raining**
826 **Bird-Morsette to handle arrangements. Seconded by Harlan Baker. Call for comment or question.**
827 **All in favor, motion carried. (5) Yes – (0) No.**
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829 Information will be forwarded to directors for monetary contributions.
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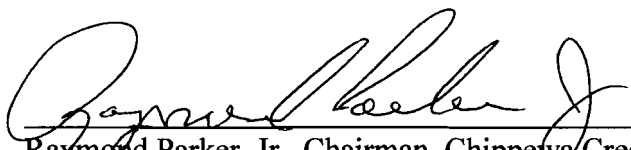
831 **HEAD START UPDATE – JAY VIAL:**
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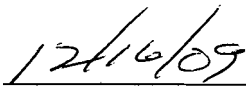
833 Jay states, the Headstart program shut down for two (2) days due to lack of attendance in the Early
834 Headstart (EHS) group. We are down to 40% enrollment. The entire crew have been cleaning top to
835 bottom of the Headstart buildings, sanitizing the building to prevent any more contamination. Chairman
836 Parker questions if this is due to the flu. A lot of children are held back by parents from preventing their
837 children from getting sick. Chairman Parker states, he would think shutting down a facility or department
838 down because of the flu, the flu is here and we have to deal with it. Jay states, it was for preventative
839 measures to shut down and sanitize, it is not a permanent thing.
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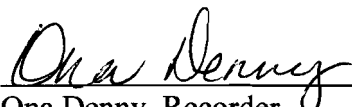
841 On October 13, 2009, the policy council met and a decision was made to hire for a disability aide. October
842 20, 2009 the school board met to hire for the same position, both sides didn't agree. He states, president
843 invoked impasse and for that we need a council member appointed to meet. Chance questions why the
844 families concern and input were not taken into granted. Right now, the services that was there that was
845 getting there to the child is no longer there. Jay states, it is still going. Stacey Small states, it was a
846 recommended job description due to possibly losing funds. Chairman Parker states, he received a letter
847 from Voyd St. Pierre, Superintendent of Schools requesting, due to the fact there was an impasse and the
848 tribe as a granting agency is requesting a person from the tribe to serve on this committee. He spoke with
849 Leanne and requested that she sit in as a representative of the tribe and she agreed. Chairman Parker states,
850 after reviewing, he does not want to go through the process, and have the policy council come back and
851 state Leanne is not an actual representative. He questions if it has to be a council member. Jay states, that
852 is the agreement that was signed by the three (3) entities. Chairman Parker states, it seems every other
853 month the policy council, and when he states this he doesn't want to offend anybody, but the policy council
854 are constantly bumping heads with the school board. You have to define authorities, what is our intention
855 at Headstart and what is in the best interest to go politics in every decision that is made or look for the best
856 interest of that child. He states, he is frustrated and understands why things are in place, but it like a boxing
857 match every time there is a school board meeting with this Headstart issue and it is not a very good
858 reflection on the tribe to the funding agency. Every time a decision is made that somebody doesn't like we
859 buck that position and we are losing focus of what Headstart is about. He personally doesn't want to get
860 involved and believes the Headstart project is within the Rocky Boy School system where it belongs. At
861 some point, he hopes the school board and policy council can come to terms as one. He states, he talked to
862 people, if he has to sit in he will, but states, he feels the parent and grandparent in this situation wasn't

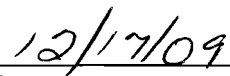
863 consulted, and the policy council is set up to protect the child, parent, grandparent or whomever it may be.
864 But to go around without at least receiving comments from the grandparent he feels that the policy council
865 is not performing the function that they are there for. We are in the process of drafting a letter to all entities
866 involved addressing issue and hoping to get this situation resolved. Rusty states, the impasse policy does
867 specify council person, which states, one from the tribe. The policy states, one representative selected by
868 the tribe and questions if Leanne Montes could serve. Kim states, she would hope that she could, but the
869 intent of that the past policy and the way it is set up by committees is a decision maker on that body. The
870 policy had to be a member of the policy council, a voting member of each of the bodies, school board and
871 the tribe. Rusty states, a council member. Kim states, it is the best way and whatever decision air tight.
872 Jay states, we were fortunate enough is every Headstart has to have this in place. The school board has
873 50% governance of the Headstart program and a delegate from the council and the policy council has 50%
874 governance. Nationally there is going to points. By fortunate, we have the 3rd entity, resource to help settle
875 situations. Chairman Parker states, these are discussions that are going to happen when the meeting is held
876 on Monday. He has done research and the actual person talking about is not an employee of the Headstart
877 program this individual is an employee of the Rocky Boy Schools were the funding comes from. Jay
878 states, the funding comes from Bear Paw Cooperative. Chairman Parker states, there are issues here that he
879 would hope that the 2 bodies can work together. Chance comments. He states, he is not sure if Ricky or
880 Kelly have any knowledge of the situation and maybe helpful if either one of 2 can sit in on the meeting
881 from the council. Chairman Parker states, he will be the representative.
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883 **Motion by John "Chance" Houle to adjourn the Thursday, November 5, 2009 Business Committee**
884 **Meeting at 12:03 p.m. Seconded by Bruce Sunchild. Call for comment or question. All in favor,**
885 **motion carried. (7) Yes – (0) No.**
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890 Raymond Parker, Jr., Chairman, Chippewa Cree Tribe


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