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Lorelei DeCora and Brian Chamberlain newly appointed Tribal Council members



On Thursday, July 16th there was a special Tribal Council meeting and swearing-in ceremony for the newly appointed Tribal Council members Brian Chamberlain and Lorelei DeCora.

Winonah Leader Charge

WINNEBAGO, NE—On Thursday, July 16th at 1:00 p.m. Lorelei Hope DeCora and Brian Chamberlain took their oath of office one day after special elections. The ceremony took place at the Blackhawk Center Gymnasium in Winnebago.

Due to safety concerns of the COVID-19 pandemic the swearing in ceremony was closed to the public. The Winnebago Communications Department and Winnebago Indian News were able to film the Swearing in Ceremony for all tribal members to view. The Swearing in Ceremony can be viewed on the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska's YouTube

Channel.

DeCora received 226 votes, which was 26.46 percent of the vote, to Chamberlain's 221 votes, or 25.88 percent. "The people have spoken" said the newly elected council member Chamberlain.

During the swearing in ceremony, Chamberlain thanked everyone who voted and to all those who supported his candidacy. This is Chamberlain's 4th time taking his oath for office and a COVID-19 survivor. Chamberlain stated, "each time that I do it I take this responsibility very seriously." Chamberlain also extended his gratitude and appreciation for all the candidates. Chamberlain also stated, "politics is in the hand of our people and the voice

of the people needs to be heard at all times." Concluding, "You will receive my best efforts, you will receive my fullest level of what I believe to be correct and what I believe we ought to be doing and I pledge to you all that through the end of this term."

DeCora the newly elected council member thanked all the people who were apart of the elections process: the election committee, the college students, Garan Coons the Communication's officer, and the two previous council members. Decora stated, "I will do my best between now and until the general election." Decora expressed her gratitude and appreciation to the Winnebago people.

Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska awarded \$900,000 to support the construction for the new Halfway House



CHEE WOY NA ZEE (meaning House of Hope) is the Halfway House in Winnebago, NE. Pictured above is the old building in May 2015. On May 4, 2020, the old Halfway House was demolished to make way for a new building.

Winonah Leader Charge

WINNEBAGO, NE--The Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska (WTN) was awarded \$900,000 from U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) program to support the construction for the new Halfway House.

Joy Johnson the Director of Planning and Development stated, "as a key component of our tribal community's comprehensive response to the Covid-19 pandemic the Winnebago Tribe will construct a new residential facility to serve as a Halfway House and Counseling Center for ten adults (five men, five women) who are graduating from the Drug Dependency Unit (DDU). The facility is constructed with ten private rooms which will facilitate self-isolation and quarantine requirements for residents who may become

infected with Covid-19, or who might otherwise need to reside with family members in a high-risk location where this isolation would not be feasible."

Construction of the Halfway House Project began May 2020, during this phase of construction the 110-year-old wood framed house was demolished and disposed. In addition, an environmental company tested and removed asbestos. Now that the ICDBG is supporting the construction of Halfway House, the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska has to meet the specific environmental requirements before the tribe can contract and proceed with the project. The goal is to have the rough construction and enclose the building by December 2020.

The previous Halfway House will be replaced with a modular/prefabricated residential facility which will also include a counseling center.

The building will support providing residential services, peer support and group meetings. "The lower foundational area will provide office space for up to seven counseling staff, and meeting space for individual, small, and large group counseling sessions. Supervised physical activities will be made available to both residents of the halfway house and counseling clients on the lower foundational area." Upon the completion of the facility job placement and accessing GED and/or career education will be provided.

The new Halfway House is anticipated to be completed in 12 months and is being made possible with the funding support from HUD, the U.S. Department of Justice, Siletz Tribe, Tyson Foods, the Winnebago Community Development Corporation, and the Winnebago Tribe.

BAGO NEWS



The Graduation Class of 2020 of

*Little Priest Tribal
College*

*along with the Board of Trustees,
Faculty, and Staff*

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Ceremony*

Friday, July 31st, 2020

11:00 a.m.

Central Standard Time

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Winnebago Public School

by Adam James

Congrats to Jayla Price on signing her letter of intent to play basketball at Southeastern Community College in West Burlington, Iowa! #BagoPride



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Current Job Openings

Director of Grants

Senior Accountant

Library Coordinator

Faculty Adjunct Positions

Human Anatomy & Physiology I

Fall 2020 (4 credit hours)

Introduction to General Chemistry

Fall 2020 (4 credit hours)

Human Anatomy & Physiology II

Spring 2021 (4 credit hours)

Introduction to Organ & Biochemistry

Spring 2021 (4 credit hours)

Microbiology

Spring 2021 (4 credit hours)

HoChunk Language Instructor

Fall 2020 (3 credit hours)

Vice President of Teaching & Learning

HR Assistant

AP Specialist

Recruiter/Retention Specialist

Job Openings Coming Soon

Vice President of Finance & Operations (In Draft)

Community Education Coordinator (In Draft)

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COMMUNITY NEWS

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

July 22, 2020

Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska

P.O. Box 687, 205 N. Bluff Street.

Winnebago, NE 68071

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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the HoChunk Community Development Corporation.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about August 7, 2020 the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska will submit a request to the HUD/NPONAP for the release of \$900,000 in Indian Community Development Block Grant funds under 14.862 of the Indian Community Development Block Grant FY-2018 and Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended to undertake a project known as the Public Facility: Halfway House & Counseling Center Project for the purpose of constructing a new residential facility in Winnebago to serve as a halfway house and counseling center for ten adults (five men, five women) who are graduating our Drug Dependency Unit (DDU) but require additional structure, programming, oversight, and (if need be) space for social isolation or quarantine. The total project cost is \$2,000,000 with the balance of project funding coming from the US Department of Justice and private donors.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska, 100 Bluff Street, Winnebago, Nebraska and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 A.M to 4:30 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska. All comments received by August 7, 2020 will be considered by the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska certifies to HUD/NPONAP that Coly Brown in his capacity as Tribal Chairman consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD/NPONAP's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD/NPONAP will accept objections to its release of fund and the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska's certification for a period of fifteen days following the date of this notice only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska; (b) the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD/NPONAP; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted via email in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD/NPONAP Administrator at US Department of Housing & Urban Development, Northern Plains Office of Native American Programs, Region VIII Denver Office at Luisa.A.Bonilla@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact the HUD ONAP Denver office via email to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Coly Brown, Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska Tribal Chairman

WinnaVegas Casino Resort to Enter Phase Two

Sloan, Iowa – WinnaVegas Casino Resort announced today that effective July 17th they will expand hours of casino operation to 8am -2am Monday – Friday and 24 hours on the weekends. Table games operations will also reopen on Friday, July 17 at 10am. The hotel will now be open Wednesday – Saturday.

"We feel we've made the right decision to open with one of the strictest protocols of any local casino," said WinnaVegas General Manager Mayan Beltran, "we feel confident our cleaning and social distancing practices are ready for Phase Two...I'm excited for all of us to get back to doing what they do best; providing the best gaming and entertainment experience possible for our guests."

Table Games will open with masks mandatory as that is required throughout the property. Dealers will be required to wear masks & gloves and hours of operation will be 10am – 2am Wednesday - Sunday. Poker will remain closed until further notice.

During Phase Two, Kasu Café will operate under normal business hours from 8am to 2am, seven days a week. The Flowers Island Restaurant new hours of operation will be from 3pm to 9pm Wednesday through Friday and

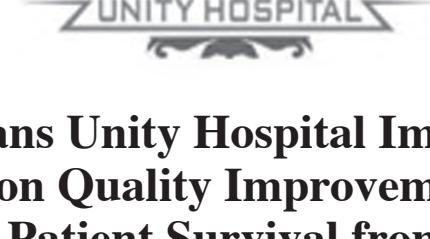
11am to 9pm on weekends. The 360 Lounge and the Casino Bar will now allow standing or sitting

The entire casino property will continue to be non-smoking and will still temporarily restrict anyone under 18 years old from entering the Resort. Valet, golf simulators, video gaming room, fitness room and hotel pool remain closed for now.

Additionally, masks are still mandatory for all guests and team members while on the property. Entrances restrictions are lifted whereas guests may enter and exit the property from any of the entrances but upon entering we are still requiring temperature checks & masks.

"You, the guests, let us know you appreciated the efforts we made as a team to ensure your safety," continued Beltran, "We look forward to bringing our favorite table games back for you to enjoy with the same amount of confidence in our safety protocols we have shown since we re-opened."

Expanded hours of operation will be determined on a later date. Casino management will continue to utilize social media and their website (www.winnavegas.com) to communicate and inform the public on any new developments regarding the different phases of reopening the Casino Resort.



Twelve Clans Unity Hospital Implements Resuscitation Quality Improvement Program to Increase Patient Survival from In-Hospital Cardiac Arrest

Winnebago, NE - More than 200,000 in-hospital cardiac arrests occur annually in the U.S. with survival rates from adult in-hospital cardiac arrest at less than 26 percent. Patients who suffer a cardiac arrest must receive the highest quality CPR possible, which is known to be the cornerstone for survival. For decades, the CPR training standard for healthcare providers has been Basic Life Support with a requirement for participants to renew their course completion card every two years. However, studies show CPR skills can decay within three to six months following this training.

Twelve Clans Unity Hospital (TCUH) recognizes the importance of high-quality CPR competency, performance and delivery in saving more lives. That's why the Resuscitation Quality Improvement® (RQI®) program, co-developed by the American Heart Association®

(AHA) and Laerdal® Medical, is being implemented to help Twelve Clans Unity Hospital achieve sustained mastery of high-quality CPR skills and competency, resulting in improved patient outcomes. Not only is the hospital one of the first facilities in the nation to implement RQI 2020, we are the first hospital in the state of Nebraska as well.

RQI 2020 provides a high-reliability platform for self-directed, simulation-based mastery learning and performance, which is implemented through "low-dose, high-frequency" hands-on CPR quality improvement sessions, in 10 minutes every 90 days, that

measure and verify competency each time. This program also provides training and certification for Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) and Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS), which allows the hospital to provide a higher level of care to patients. The RQI program also provides analytics that can measure individual, department, facility or system compliance. In addition, it allows for simplified enrollment and offers additional modules for learners when necessary. Through more frequent exposure to CPR simulation scenarios, our facility and staff are committed to improving patient outcomes and decreasing preventable deaths from cardiac arrests.



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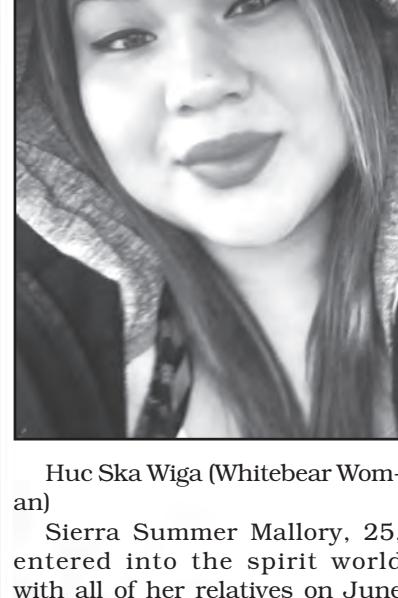
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



In Loving Memory, **Sierra Summer Mallory**



Huc Ska Wiga (Whitebear Woman)

Sierra Summer Mallory, 25, entered into the spirit world with all of her relatives on June

12th, 2020. She resided in Winnebago, NE for most of her life and graduated from Winnebago Public School in 2012. She was employed with the WinnaVegas Casino Resort for 6 years. Sierra was an active member of Jesus Our Savior Lutheran Church in Winnebago, NE.

Survivors include one son, Kendrick Louis Mallory; two sisters Cree Autumn and Cheyenne Rain; two brothers Travis Maurice and Nakia Allen. Sierra has 5 nieces and 3 nephews whom she cherished and loved very much. She also has numerous friends that she loved and enjoyed being around.

Sierra was joined in everlasting life and is now resting with her father, Cleve Allen Lyons Jr.

Sierra Summer will be dearly missed by many.

JESUS OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN OUTREACH



Pastor Ricky Jacob

"2020-2021 Bible Verse and Hymn"

Each year we select a Bible verse and a hymn for Jesus Our Savior Lutheran Preschool. This year I selected a two-part Bible verse. The first part goes like this:

Then [Jesus] opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures' (Luke 24:45).

Jesus was sending his disciples, now his apostles - or 'sent ones' - to go in all four directions and share the Good News found in Sacred Scriptures. You need to have your mind open in order to understand God's Sacred Word. It is our prayer that God's Spirit would open the minds of our preschoolers this school year. And what do the Scriptures teach? Jesus went on and this is part two of our Bible verse:

Then [Jesus] opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, "This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." (Luke 24:46-47).

God's Sacred Word teaches how our preschoolers and every one else as well, can hear the Good News of obtaining the forgiveness of sins. By the grace of God, one is moved to repent and then to place one's faith in Jesus Christ's saving work and awesome resurrection.

The hymn that we selected for this school year - 2020-2021, was written by Frances R. Havergal, (1836-79); and is entitled 'I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus.' I will let the words speak for themselves:

I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus
Trusting only Thee;

Trusting Thee for full salvation,
Great and free.

I am trusting Thee for pardon;
At Thy feet I bow,

For Thy grace and tender mere
Trusting now.

I am trusting Thee for cleansing In the crimson flood;

Trusting Thee to make me holy By Thy blood.

I am trusting Thee to guide me;

Thou alone shalt lead,

Ev'ry day and hour supplying All my need.

I am trusting Thee for power;
Thine can never fail.

Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me

Must prevail.

I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;
Never let me fail.

I am trusting Thee forever And for all.

Jesus Our Savior Lutheran Preschool is now accepting applications for the 2020-2021 school year. Our preschool operates four days a week (most likely Monday through Thursday this year).

A child is eligible once they turn three and no longer in diapers/pampers. Our morning class meets from 9 to 11:30; and our afternoon class meets from 1 to 3:30. There is a one-time registration fee (non-refundable of \$25) for first time applicants. Class size is limited to eight.

Our curriculum is designed to meet the individual needs and interest of each child. It includes: Bible stories and memorization of God's Word and the Lord's Prayer in Ho-Chunk; reading and number readiness (Zoo-Phonics Program) as well as preschool level Ho-Chunk language learning; science concepts and problem solving; large and fine motor skills; social development and interaction; music and drama; as well as creative art and expression.

Jesus Our Savior Lutheran Preschool mission statement sums it up nicely. It reads: Each child is a precious gift from the Creator, saved by the love of Jesus. Thus it is our duty to help them grow physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually through God's Word, empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Thank You

At this time, we would like to send our thanks to all relatives and friends for their love and support along with donations on behalf of our loved one, Sierra Summer Mallory.

A big thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Robert Armell Sr. for all of their time, love, and prayers that they gave our family at the time of our loss. We greatly appreciated everyone's support, especially Dawn Snake and Stevie for preparing the wonderful meals.

Love and Prayers from the Mallory Family and the late Cleve Allen Lyons Jr.

Haven House Adds New Housing Program for Survivors

Many people experience abuse in their life, such as emotional, psychological, verbal, physical and sexual abuse. No one deserves to be abused. Haven House is here to help and provide support. They are dedicated to the elimination of violence against women, men, and children through empowerment, education, social action, and support services. Haven House has been providing free and confidential services for survivors of domestic and sexual violence since 1978. They serve victims of domestic violence and sexual assault within a five county area; Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, Wayne, and Thurston counties which includes the Omaha and Winnebago Indian Reservations.

Being cooped up at home is tough. But for victims of domestic abuse trapped at home with an abuser, home can also be a terrifying, dangerous place of violence. Haven House has been working hard to expand their services to provide victims safe way out. For years they have been able to provide emergency shelter for individuals fleeing for their safety; Haven House is now able to take it one step further.

Haven House was awarded fund-

ing for a transitional housing program by the Nebraska Crime Commission's Victim of Crimes Act. This has been a great accomplishment for the agency. Beginning July 1st, Haven House has the opportunity to further assist victims of domestic and sexual violence by providing transitional housing for up to 24 months. During these 2 years, Haven House can help victims pay deposits, utilities, and monthly rent. While participating in this program advocates will work continuously with individuals to provide intense case management throughout the length of their participation. The intense case management will allow advocates to assist individuals with employment search, financial budgeting, and debt reduction. The goal of the program is to teach individuals the tools need to be self-sufficient and live violence free.

If you or someone you know is dealing with domestic or sexual violence, Haven House is available 24/7. An advocate can be reached by calling the Haven House hotline at 1-800-440-4633.

Denise Tello

Transitional Housing Coordinator

Senator Joni Albrecht WEEKLY UPDATE

July 13, 2020

As we move closer to reconvening at the Legislature, Nebraska moves towards economic recovery. Our state continues to lead the country, even in the midst of COVID-19. In June, Nebraska posted the lowest unemployment rate in the Nation, showing once again the amazing work ethic of Nebraska residents and their commitment to a strong recovery of our State.

Speaking of unemployment, the extra \$600 per week for those collecting unemployment benefits is set to expire July 31. Also, beginning the benefit week of July 12, 2020, performing and reporting work search activities are once again required for those claiming benefits unless the claimant has an employer-confirmed recall date within 112 days of their layoff, is in approved training, a union member with a hiring hall, or in a short-time compensation program.

Working from home the last few months has involved more than a few frustrating moments without adequate Internet service. This last week, I directly experienced the need for improved broadband and internet access for those of us in District 17. The gap in adequate rural access to broadband has become even more apparent with increased use of Internet by so many working from and staying at home during the pandemic.

Never having left my mind, rural broadband access is once again at the forefront. I serve on the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee. In February, the Committee designated LB992 as one of our two priority bills. LB992 proposes the Broadband Internet Service Infrastructure Act and makes changes recommended by the Rural Broadband Task Force to improve access.

The changes in part provide a process enabling broadband to expand service by running over existing electric easements to the rural communities

throughout Nebraska. I am looking forward to discussing LB992 during these next 17 days of the Session.

Kudos to Walmart South Sioux City that has actively participated in reaching the goal of Walmart's Veterans Welcome Home Commitment to hire 250,000 veteran associates since its Memorial Day 2013 launch. Nebraska helped reach the goal with 2,200 veteran hires and 421 veteran associate promotions in the state. I am proud that District 17 played a part in this honorable effort.

Looking ahead to reconvening July 20, property tax relief remains a focal point for me and many of my colleagues. There has been hard work since January to try to bring tax relief to individual, commercial, and agricultural landowners. Many senators have worked tirelessly to make LB1106 a better bill. Reports have indicated that there is still a struggle to get the 33 votes needed to pass LB1106. My thanks to Senator Groene for outlining the following changes being proposed in the most recent amendment to LB1106:

Agriculture, horticultural & special

valuations within the TEEOSA formula adjusted to 52%; residential, commercial/industrial & centrally assessed property adjusted to 83%

Taxable property valuations for school districts: 55% for agriculture, horticultural & special valuations; 87% for residential, commercial/industrial & centrally assessed property.

Acceptable ranges for property valuations by Counties adjusted to 49-55% for agricultural, horticultural, & special valuations; 79-87% for residential, commercial/industrial & centrally assessed property.

Foundation Aid, currently set at 2.23% of local income taxes to each school district from the State, under LB1106 in its currently proposed amendment would replace the Income Tax Rebate with 15% of net income, corporate, sales & use tax collections divided by statewide K-12 fall membership. Foundation Aid cannot be less than 15% of a school district's basic funding.

Base limitation on budget growth. Adjust from 2.5% Basic Allowable Growth Rate of expenditures, which has averaged 1.48% to 2.0% maximum allowable growth in expenditures.

Budget authority, currently allowed to accrue unused budget authority year over year may access a maximum of 2.5% of additional budget authority annually. This would continue after 2020-21, however, would include a one-time reset of all school districts' unused budget authority back to current year expenditures. To eliminate budget authority hoarding, the 2.5% cap would be eliminated and districts that use the year over year budget method would be allowed to set base-year maximum expenditures at 110% of the most recent 2-year budget.

Maximum levy of \$1.05 per \$100 valuation adjusted.

In summary, the State pays a larger percentage of educational costs for Nebraska's children and the school districts restrain spending growth. At the center of the proposal is a plan to reduce local reliance on property tax revenues.

Naturally, the changes noted above, along with a few others may change.. As the amendment is currently proposed, District 17 taxpayers and schools will benefit from its passage.

What is certain is that enough is enough. We need to do what is best for the children, the taxpayers, and the State.

As we look toward reconvening on July 20, I am challenging my colleagues in the Legislature to join hands across the aisle and to take care of this issue that the people of Nebraska have already waited 40 years for us to fix. Enough is enough. The time is now. In the infamous words of John F. Kennedy, "If not us, who? If not now, when?"

As always, I invite you to let me know your thoughts, ideas, concerns, or suggestions by contacting me at jalbrecht@leg.ne.gov or by calling my office at 402.471.2716.

Hocak Corner

Nišanak

(nee-shah-nahk)

River

Howix

(hoh-weex)

Catfish

Homaci hi'uinekje na!

(hoh-mah-chee hee'oo-ee-neek-jay nah)

Let's go camping!

TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES

**WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
MID-MONTHLY TRIBAL COUNCIL
MEETING
June 15, 2020**

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:

Coly Brown
John Snowball
Roland Warner
Louis LaRose
Victoria Kitcheyan
Aric Armell
Thelma Whitewater
Melton Frenchman

OTHERS PRESENT:

Garan Coons
Brandon Stout
Matt May
Erika Dunn
Alan Post
Teresa Littlegeorge
Barb Pretends Eagle

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

OPENING PRAYER: John Snowball offered the opening prayer.

APPROVE AGENDA:

Added: Roads Department request, Task Force recommendations, Construction Tax added

Thelma Whitewater motioned to approve the Agenda with the additions. Aric Armell seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

5-29-20 Treasurer's Report meeting minutes

Aric Armell motioned to approve the May 29, 2020 Treasurer's Report meeting minutes. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

6-3-20 Regular Tribal Council meeting minutes

Thelma Whitewater motioned to approve the June 3, 2020 Regular Tribal Council meeting minutes. Victoria Kitcheyan seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

6-8-20 Special Tribal Council – Eligible Voters List meeting minutes

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to approve the June 8, 2020 Special Tribal Council – Eligible Voters List meeting minutes. Aric Armell seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

6-10-20 CEO Report meeting minutes

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to approve the June 10, 2020 CEO Report meeting minutes.

Thelma White water seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

RATIFY FIVE SIGNATURES

Human Resources – Approve Guidelines for CARES Act housing and Utility Assistance (HUA)

Roland Warner motioned to ratify the five signature approving the Guidelines for CARES Act housing and Utility Assistance (HUA). Aric Armell seconded.

Objection: Melton Frenchman

VOTE: (6) yes, RW, AA, LLR, TW, JSB, VK (1) no, MF (0) abstain Motion carried.

One Time Emergency Grant for Reva DeCora in the amount of \$250.00 to help assist with the loss of home due to fire.

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to ratify the five signature approving a One Time Emergency Grant for Reva DeCora in the amount of \$250.00 to help assist with the loss of home due to a fire. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

Adopt resolution #20-151: Tribal Enrollment Applicant Emergency Enrollment – Death Benefit.

Aric Armell motioned to ratify the five signature adopting resolution #20-151: Tribal Enrollment Applicant Emergency Enrollment-Death Benefit. Victoria Kitcheyan seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS
Coronavirus Relief Fund Small Business Grant Program

Victoria Kitcheyan motioned to approve the Coronavirus Relief Fund Small Business Grant Program. John Snowball seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

REOPEN IRON HORSE AND NATIVE STAR CASINO CLASS II

John Snowball motioned to request reopening guidelines from Winnebago Gaming Development Commission CEO before reopening the Iron Horse Casino and Native Star Casino. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.
CURFEW

John Snowball motioned to have General Council Draft an amendment to resolution #20-118 to make the changes on Curfew to modify to 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. and that officers be given authority to use their discretion on whether or not to issue a citation and for to be completed as soon as possible. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

VOTE: (7) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

CONSTRUCTION TAX

Update on Financial issues. Roland Warner motioned to take Financial Issues of Shortfalls to the Tax Commission and then return to the Tribal Council with recommendations. Aric Armell seconded.

Objection: Melton Frenchman

VOTE: (4) yes, RW AA TW VK (3) no, MF LLR JSB (0) abstain Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Investigative Committee Findings; Ethical Complaint for VK & MF Schedule Hearing dates

Aric Armell motioned to schedule Thursday the 25th at 10:00 a.m. via GoTo meeting for Victoria Kitcheyan regarding Ethical Complaint. Roland Warner seconded.

Objections: Victoria Kitcheyan, Melton Frenchman, Louis LaRose

VOTE: (4) yes, RW, AA, TW, JSB (3) no, VK, MF, LLR (0) abstain Motion carried.

Aric Armell motioned to schedule Thursday June 25, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. via GoTo meeting for Melton Frenchman regarding Ethical Complaint. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

OBJECT: Victoria Kitcheyan

VOTE: (4) yes, RW, AA, TW, JSB (3) no, MF, VK, LLR (0) abstain Motion carried.

ADJOURN:

[Melton Frenchman left the GoTo meeting at 5:45 p.m.]

Roland Warner motioned to adjourn. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

Chairman Brown adjourned the meeting at 5:47 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Teresa Littlegeorge, Executive As-*

*sistant
Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska*

CONCUR:

*Thelma Whitewater, Secretary
Winnebago Tribal Council*

VOTE: (5) yes(0) no (0) abstain
Motion carried.

ADDED ITEM: FILL VACANT SEAT OF JAMES SNOW (2018-2021 TERM)

Thelma Whitewater nominates Karl Baker to fill the vacant seat of Deceased council member James Snow until the next Election. Aric Armell seconded.

Roland Warner motioned to close nominations. Aric Armell seconded.

Louis LaRose requested a roll call vote.

Roll call vote:

Thelma Whitewater yes

Aric Armell yes

Roland Warner yes

John Snowball no

Louis LaRose no

Coly Brown yes

VOTE: (4) yes (2) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

Karl Baker is appointed to fill James Snow's seat until his term is up in 2021.

Swearing in will be set up as soon as possible.

ADJOURN:

John Snowball motioned to adjourn. Aric Armell seconded.

VOTE: (5) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

Chairman Brown adjourned the meeting at 1:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Littlegeorge, Executive Sec-

RE

*Thelma Whitewater, Secretary
Winnebago Tribal Council*

John Snowball motioned to adopt resolution #20-154: Approving Independent Contractor Contract Goldman Engineering Management, Inc. Thelma Whitewater seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND TIMELINE:

Roland Warner motioned to have General Counsel Draft letter to the U.S. Treasury to request further time to spend the Coronavirus relief funds due to the delay in payment to tribes. Louis LaRose seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

RATIFY FIVE SIGNATURE – AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION #20-118:

Roland Warner motioned to ratify the five signature: Adopting resolution #20-118A; Amendment to Resolution 20-118 Change to COVID-19 Curfew Order Times. Aric Armell seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

ADDED ITEM:

Digital Display Screen

14ft X 20ft High Definition Screen to display updates Ads, etc. for the community. \$190,000.00 for screen, plus construction, area development \$500,000.00. Communication Budget of the CARES ACT.

John Snowball motioned to get a legal opinion on the screen for liabilities. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

ADJOURN:

Thelma Whitewater motioned to adjourn. Roland Warner seconded.

VOTE: (6) yes(0) no (0) abstain

Motion carried.

Chairman Brown adjourned the meeting at 12:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Littlegeorge, Executive Sec-

RE

*Thelma Whitewater, Secretary
Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska*

WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA SPECIAL TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING – ETHICAL COMPLAINT HEARINGS

June 25, 2020 via GoTo meeting

TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:

Coly Brown
Thelma Whitewater
John Snowball
Roland Warner
Aric Armell
Louis LaRose

KARL BAKER (drug testing in @10:27a.m.)

OTHER PRESENT:

Wendy Helgemo

Sheila Corbine

Brandon Stout

Cecelia

Danelle Smith

Esther Mercer

Garan Coons

Lisa DeCora

Tyresha Wolfe

Teresa Littlegeorge

TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:

Victoria Kitcheyan (suspension)

Melton Frenchman (suspension)

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman

Brown

called the meeting to order at

10:05 a.m.

OPENING PRAYER:

Sheila Corbine

offered the opening prayer.

APPROVE AGENDA:

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Community Coordinator (Project Launch Grant)

Early Childhood Coordinator (Land of Wellness)

Early Childhood Coordinator (Woska-Pi)

Kitchen Assistant (Senior Citizen Center)

Environmental Services Technician

Emergency Room Nurse

Mental Health Therapist

Outpatient Clinical Nurse

Inpatient Clinical Nurse

Chief of Optometry Services

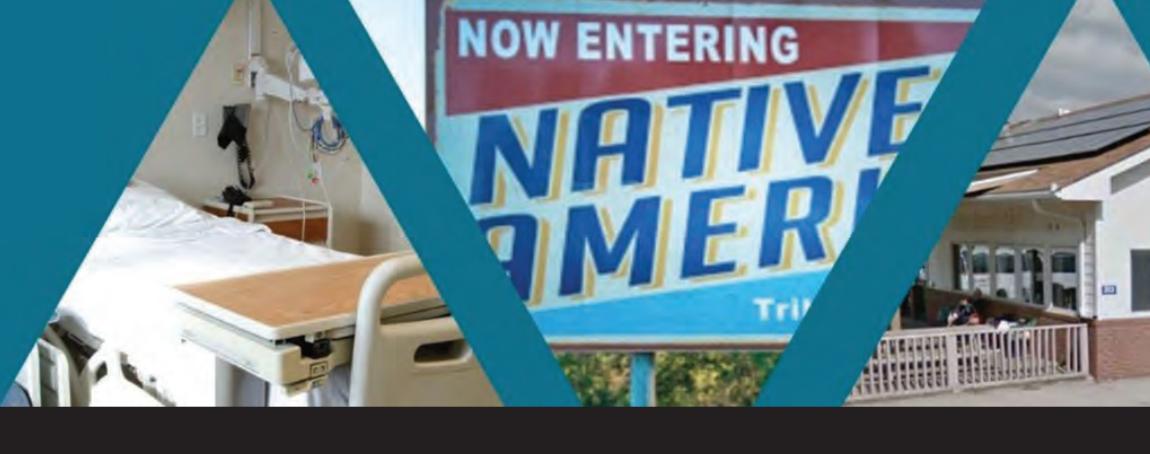
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