

# Minutes

## Quapaw Nation Business Committee Quapaw Nation Community Building & Zoom Saturday, July 15, 2023

- I. **Call to Order:** 9:02 AM.
- II. **Invocation:** Billy Proctor.
- III. **Installation of Officers:**
- Wena Supernaw with oath administered by Frank Frazier.
- IV. **Roll Call by Callie Bowden, Vice-Chair.**
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| • Wena Supernaw, Chair      | Present |
| • Callie Bowden, Vice-Chair | Present |
| • Secretary-Treasurer       | Vacant  |
| • Michelle Newton, Member   | Present |
| • Larry Mercer, Member      | Present |
| • Linda Davis, Member       | Present |
| • Lloyd Buffalo, Member     | Present |
- **Declaration of Quorum:** by Callie Bowden, Vice-Chair.
- V. **Reading, Correction & Approval of Minutes:** June 17, 2023, BC Meeting minutes were presented for approval.
- Motion to approve June 17, 2023, meeting minutes by Callie Bowden, Vice-Chair.
  - Seconded by Lloyd Buffalo, Member.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 1 vacant, and 0 absent.
  - Motion passes approving June 17, 2023, BC Meeting minutes.
- VI. **Approval/Disapproval of Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's Report for the period ending June 30, 2023, was submitted to the Quapaw Nation Business Committee by standard accounting procedures.
- Discussion:
    - Update of Casino Financials for the month ending May 31, 2023.
      - Saracen May operating results;
        - Another solid month. Diversified revenue from statewide sports book continues to strengthen the operating results. May is the first month we have year-over-year comparisons for BetSaracen. Revenue continues to beat expectations, but May's numbers are impacted by the state taxes that are greater than expected.
      - Quapaw Casino for the month ending May 31, 2023;
        - EBITDA totaled \$474,000 with a margin of 22.1%. May's results exceeded budgeted expectations by \$94,000 and represents a slight increase of \$17,000 from May of 2022. The increase in EBITDA from last year is primarily due to the decreased costs of goods sold, Q-play promotional, and advertising expenses with an increase in food and beverage revenue and outside service expense.
        - Total net revenue decreased from May 2022 by \$272,000 or 11.3%, and the net revenue reduction is a result of a decrease in fuel revenue, year over year, due to fluctuation of fuel costs. All other revenue lines were consistent with the previous year, with an increase in food and beverage revenues.
        - Net income for the month totaled \$479,000 with a margin of 22.4%, which represents a positive budget variance of \$137,000. Net income compared to May of 2022 increased by \$61,000.
      - Downstream Resort and Casino financial results for the month ending May 31, 2023;
        - EBITDA totaled 7.7 million with a margin of 43.6%, an enviable margin even compared to Vegas Casino's.
        - May's result exceeded budgeted expectations but was one million lower than May 2022 EBITDA of \$8.7 million.

- Total net revenue for the month was \$5.9 million with a margin of 33.3% with a positive variance of \$743,000. Net income compared to May 2022 showed a decrease of \$1.2 million.
  - Recently received a 10-year improvement plan and will be evaluating the plan, prioritizing the activities, and defining the timing for the plan.
  - Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Michelle Newton, Member.
  - Seconded by Linda Davis, Member.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 1 vacant, and 0 absent.
  - Motion passes approving the Treasurer's Report.
- VII. Approval/Disapproval of Directors' and Subcommittees' Reports submitted:** The Directors' and Subcommittees' Reports for the period ending June 30, 2023, were submitted to the Quapaw Nation Business Committee.
- Motion to approve the Directors' and Subcommittees' Reports by Callie Bowden, Vice-Chair.
  - Seconded by Larry Mercer, Member.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 1 vacant, and 0 absent.
  - Motion passes approving the Directors' and Subcommittees' Reports.
- VIII. Chair's Report:**
- Moment of Silence for deceased Tribal Members.
  - Friday, July 21, 2023, is the next Farmers Market.
  - Saturday, July 22, 2023, annual election and 16 proposed governing resolution amendments.
  - Friday, July 28, 2023, Miami Heritage Fest.
  - Thursday, September 28, 2023, the two-year anniversary of the Lawhorn decision that affirmed the Quapaw reservation was never disestablished.
  - Wednesday, October 4, 2023, the 10th year remediation anniversary of Tar Creek Commemoration is in the beginning stages of planning.
  - Member Linda Davis discussed recent Oklahoma Tax activities:
    - On July 12, a letter signed by 26 Oklahoma tribes, including the Quapaw Nation, was sent to Oklahoma legislative leadership regarding the important matter of tribal-state compacting, specifically our tobacco compacts that are scheduled to expire end of this calendar year. The letter was delivered to President Pro Tem Treat and Speaker McCall. Key messages of the letter included:
      - How tribal-state cooperation only makes Oklahoma a stronger state.
      - Durable compacts built on mutual interest and respectful compromise generate millions of dollars in revenue for the State of Oklahoma and promote productive economic activity throughout the state.
      - Allowing compacts to expire is and would be a disservice to all Oklahomans.
      - We appreciate the Oklahoma Legislature for their hard work to pass measures that allow time to work toward durable intergovernmental agreements, and we respectfully encourage continued efforts to override the administration's vetoes.
      - Multiple members of the Business Committee and the Tax Administrator will be attending an Oklahoma Intertribal Tx Association meeting next week in Stroud, OK.
  - Celebrated recent events:
    - Annual Health fair event was held on June 30, 2023. Thank you Title VI for supplying the food.
    - 151<sup>st</sup> Pow WoW held July 1-4, 2023: Thank you Melany Shawnee and the entire Pow Wow Committee and all the teams that came together to make the Pow Wow successful. Thank you to the 2022 Quapaw Nation Pow Wow Princess Nazhoni Tsosie-Hamilton and the 2023 Quapaw Nation Pow Wow Princess Elaina Shield.
    - Thank you to the Cultural Committee for getting the important Quapaw Nation Veteran Gourd Association established, and running.
    - The Quapaw Nation Spiva 151<sup>st</sup> exhibits at the Spiva of the Arts Center will be available for viewing through the 29<sup>th</sup> of July.
    - Quapaw Museum Tribal Buckskin display will continue until later this summer.
    - July 1-2, 2023, the Quapaw ancestry event held and led by Rise's Super Proctor was a resounding success. Thank you to Rise' for the fifty years of research you shared, and we are hoping that this type of event can continue. Also, thank you to the volunteer's Joe Stand, and Jean Ann Lambert who staffed the event, and Karrie Sisson, Chance Turley Billie Burtrum, and Sheila Gideon who assisted Karen Hildreth during those two

days.

- July 3, 2023, there were two hugely successful events. The first was the showing of the film “Imagining the Indian,” featuring tribal member Dr. Derek Jennings, and the second was a panel discussion at the end of the film that included Derek, producer/writer Yancey Burns, and Director/writer Ben West.
- July 4<sup>th</sup> was a successful General Council Meeting with 589 tribal members in the room, which was down 41 from the previous year. A GC debriefing meeting was held to discuss lessons learned so; we can make improvements for the next year. Included in these discussions was Quapaw Nation acquiring new voting equipment.
- Congratulations to:
  - Tribal Princess – Lena Tsosie
  - Jr. Tribal Princess – Betty Lou Goodbear
  - Pow Wow Committee Chair – Tony Shawnee
  - Thank you to our past Tribal Princess Emma McKibben, and Jr. Tribal Princess Mia Forbis. Thank you to both of you and we are proud of the job you did representing our tribe so gracefully.

**IX. Accounting Report by Eric Bohn: – Chief Financial Officer (CFO).**

- **June General Funds:** received 2.8 million, total for the year 23.6 million. Total expenses for May were 4.1 million, total for the year 24.4 million.
- **Tribal Member Health Benefit:** expenses for June were \$482,000 bringing the total for the fiscal year to 4.0 million.
- **Social Service:** expenses for June were 240,000, a total for the year of \$2.35 million.
- **Education:** expenses for May were \$100,000, the total for the year was \$816,000.
- **Tribal Enterprises:** Distributed \$450,000 in June, 2.15 million for the year.

**X. Subcommittees' Reports:**

- **Election Committee – Frank Frazier - Chairperson.**
  - Finished the recall election. Congratulations to Wena on her new position.
  - Next election will be Saturday, July 22, 2023. Encourage everyone to vote for this will be historical for our Nation. This election will include 16 Amendments, Vice-Chair, and three member seats that will be voted on.
  - Candidates that have an observer, their information must be turned in by Friday, July 21, 2023, at 5:00 pm.
  - As of July 14, 2023, we have 1668 registered voters.
  - Elections must follow a timeline and the election for the vacant Secretary-Treasurer position will be by November 4, 2023. All mail-outs will be sent out to tribal registered voters this week.
  - Candidate declaration for the vacant Secretary-Treasurer position will begin on July 27, 2023, and end on August 8, 2023.
  - Members loved the “I voted stickers,” and we are going to try to incorporate this in annual elections.
  - You can find the 16 amendments on the tribal website under government, subcommittees, and Constitution Committee.
- **Constitution Committee – Roman Kihega - Chairperson.**
  - Going to have two live online Zoom sessions this week in anticipation of the election on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Preparing to answer any questions and give clarity about the amendments on the ballot. This is not intended to sway voters; it is for informational purposes only. The link will be provided on social media as well as on the tribal website. The sessions will be on Monday and Thursday at 6:30 pm and will be for two hours. These amendments have been written to give inherent rights back to the people, Indian Council, and to you. So, please read them. The amendments can be found under government, subcommittees, and Constitution Committee. It is imperative that the citizens know what the rules are and how to hold everyone to them.
  - Nation Building seminar resolution is on the agenda for today. There are two dates proposed with one being November 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> which makes more sense since it is closer to the November election, and would maybe increase our voting and governmental participation. The seminar would be open to all tribal members, and it would bring more people together to have a civil discussion and/or conversation about the Business Committee foundation. The seminar would highlight our tribal government workings, and show what is not working, how to prioritize things, how we move forward, and what is hindering us.
  - Have submitted a proposal for engagement with a company called Civility, which would come to us and conduct a four-hour training seminar in Robert’s Rules of Order for anyone who wants to attend. We govern and rely on these rules but sometimes we don’t know exactly what the rules are all the time.
  - Expect a survey to be put out that is going to cover a range of topics from term limits, and election ordinances timelines.

- The feedback from this survey along with the seminar, will give us a better direction, and a clear path to a constitution.
- Question from Business Committee Chair Wena Supernaw; By what process were the 16 amendments delivered, and what was used to get them over to the Election Committee so that they may appear on the ballot? The Special Indian Council is where the final language was agreed upon for each item. Once agreed on, they were submitted to the Business Committee and the Election Committee. The Business Committee then created a Resolution in February declaring the language, and that a vote would occur.
- **Cultural Committee – Betty Gaedtke, Member**
  - Met on July 21, 2023. The fall gathering is in the works, and they wanted to have the Business Committee weigh in on where it should take place.
  - The Fall Gathering will be on October 14, 2023, and the consensus of the Business Committee wants it to take place at the Pow Wow grounds with overnight camping on Friday and Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of October. Will ask for assistance from the communication team to get the word out through the Quapaw Post and social media as well.

#### **XI. Executive Directors Reports:**

- **Chief Financial Officer - Eric Bohn**
  - **Accounting Department:**
    - June marked the three-quarter mark through the fiscal year.
  - **Tags Department:**
    - Had 145 renewals, 50 new registrations, and distributed 4 new car seats.
  - **Procurement Department:**
    - Procurement assisted in the purchase of 113 purchase requests.
  - **CCDF Department:**
    - Assisted 168 children and/or 115 families.
    - Will be hosting an open house on July 20, 2023, at the QSA building for their CCDF clients and Native American community. They will be handing out a limited number of backpacks and school supplies. Contact JoOuita if you have further questions.
  - **Grants Department:**
    - Currently reviewing and discussing the next ICDBG application.
    - Assisted with some compliance on 3 grants.
  - **Information Technology (IT) Department:**
    - Received 102 help desk tickets and was able to close 74 of them.
  - **Tax Commission:**
    - OITA quarterly meeting to be held on July 19, 2023, at the Sac & Fox Nation Community building in Stroud, Oklahoma. Additional information will be provided when it becomes available.
- **Resource Management Executive Director – Trenton Stand.**
  - Been working on the composting facility and are waiting on concrete barriers to create some bins for the test pilot. Once they have enough for a load we are going to start hauling those over next week or two.
  - There was a meeting with all the Ottawa County tribes yesterday to determine reservation boundaries. This meeting helped all tribes get on the same page with making it one project, and one surveyor, which will benefit all the tribes. Conducted research and gathered information for the project and it will be sent over to the surveyor on Monday. This will be a big and historical project once completed. This will give the tribes an opportunity to tell the government where the boundaries are to let them know that the issue has been resolved within the tribes.
  - **Environmental Department:**
    - Dumpsters are being utilized in Picher, and last month 33 tons of solid waste was hauled off.
    - Continuing their air and water sampling with month-in and month-out duties.
    - QSA for the month, consolidated, moved, and hauled off a little over 100,000 tons of material.
    - They have already exceeded their entire tonnage total from the last calendar year in six months.
    - Budget has been sent to region seven for proposed work on the Kansas Strip, the original allotment property in Kansas. Currently waiting for that to be awarded. There will be site-specific plans that will be put in place with this project.
    - Working on the 10-year EPA Tar Creek Commemoration event to be held October 4, 2023.

- An EPA site in Commerce is in need of topsoil for capping. A meeting took place looking at locations and avenues to get it sold over to that project. This will benefit all, but especially Mitch who will be getting some of the pins cleaned out, which is always an issue.
- **Food Sovereignty Department:**
  - Wash & Pack house is up. James is creating a checklist using the issues that have arisen from this construction project to help reduce or eliminate any and all issues in future construction projects.
  - Participated in Camp Quapaw and Peoria Tribes Kid Camp.
  - They worked with Environmental at the old smelter site where the outdoor classroom is being built and planted about 400 milkweed plants.
  - In June they harvested about 467 pounds of produce, and between the 13 different plants, sales at the Framers Market netted just under \$2000, which we hope keeps trending upward.
  - Still planning all the details for the food distribution program. All applications in by August 1<sup>st</sup> at 3:00 pm
- **Quapaw Cattle Company:**
  - Feed yard numbers are up slightly from last month.
  - Have 67 steers that are going in for the food distribution program.
  - Have an abundance of beef sticks that people can buy. Have also reached out to an individual in Arkansas who is trying to get the sticks put in grocery stores down there.
  - Got first round of hay wrapped up, and are two-thirds away from the needed amount.
  - Buffalo have completed calving. The East herd had an 84% calving rate, which has never been that high. The West herd was around a 50% calving rate, which is about average.
- **Forestry Department:**
  - Lift bucket truck is still in the shop getting serviced under warranty. Parts have finally been received and the truck should hopefully be back soon.
  - Met and discussed potential firewood plans and are trying to get as much back in stock as possible.
  - Forestry will be the first one that we will utilize the checklist on, which was mentioned earlier. A 2024 budget meeting with the BC took place over building a shop-like structure to bring all their equipment inside, and out of the weather.
- **Realty Department:**
  - Worked on obtaining three agreements, which are included in this BC meeting.
  - The first agreement is for purchasing a restricted interest in land, surface only, which is in a piece of property that the Nation has been consolidating over the years and is land that the Cattle Company is leasing now. Both parties will benefit from this agreement.
  - The second agreement is for the sale of a restricted interest in chat, which is a renewal for some of the EPA and QSA work that is going on out at the location. This allows us to move chat for restricted owners that ultimately wouldn't receive a penny from it before. There are three chat sales going on right now. This one is getting voted on today, a renewal, and another project that we are trying to get off the ground that involves a couple of people who have chosen not to participate. Trying to have meetings to get everybody informed, and to figure out how to move forward on this project.
  - The third agreement is for the purchase of 40 Acre tract in Picher.
  - Submitted mandatory Fee-To-Trust last month. BIA doesn't see many of these and several questions arose that had to be answered..
  - Misty Scott has been working on residential appraisals, which don't happen often, and there are even fewer certified general appraisers, which is who we have to use anytime there is land valued as for sale, lease, or right-of-way. She has also been spending a lot of time with rights-of-way, and sending letters out to the people that are affected by these.
  - Received first Bolt right-of-way appraisal back, notices sent to property landowners, and they're working on getting service line agreements moving this month.
- **Processing Plant:**
  - June was the second profitable month in a row since new leadership came on board.
  - Have a meeting next week to discuss the parking lot. John Jackson stated that this project is moving forward.
- Question from the floor on chat sales. We are trying to exhaust all avenues to sell the chat before we move on.

- Question from the floor about the cleanup of residential chat land. You won't be responsible if you allow the cleanup to continue. The EPA stated in the past if you are not going to allow us to clean up your property, then you will have to show us a plan that you are going to clean it up at your own expense. As long as you are willing to work with the EPA you won't be out any money.
- **Quapaw Facilities Authority Executive Director – James Dawson.**
  - **Housing Department:**
    - DV Homes office exterior is complete. Wiring and HVAC are complete, all DV units are up, and shingles were completed on July 5, 2023
    - Elder housing: All are occupied with four on the waiting list. All repair requests are completed as they come in. Inspections and spraying continue to be completed quarterly. Privacy fence material has been purchased and was scheduled to start Thursday, but the rain halted the project. Plan to start on Monday.
  - **Maintenance Department:**
    - Installation of duct work, HVAC units, and electrical for the new fire station at Wyandotte is complete.
    - HVAC and electrical installation on the DV homes has begun with work being completed in stages.
    - 29 work orders scheduled and completed.
  - **Utilities Department:**
    - Work continues on capping unused water lines and removing unused meters and fire hydrants.
    - Installation of water at the Garden Property was scheduled to start Thursday morning, with rain changing that start date to Monday.
  - Administration complex water management project: Contractors are scheduled to start this week. The project will include over 600 feet of sub-grade drainage, three drain boxes, and four additional drain spouts. Once completed all water will be directed away from the buildings into existing stormwater drainage.
  - Pow Wow grounds civil work: The project is scheduled to start this week. We have construction schedules from the civil contractor, and it has a substantial completion date of June 4, 2024.
  - Title VI garage lift has been installed and the project is closed out.
  - Marshalls covered parking: Bids have been requested for covered parking for the Tribal Marshalls vehicles. Received only one bid and had to re-open the bidding for the project to obtain at least one more bid. This request was the result of the substantial hail damage the Marshall's vehicles sustained during the last hailstorm.
  - Outdoor classroom: The contractor is scheduled to have materials delivered and will begin work as soon as they arrive. This project is funded by a Fish and Wildlife grant and will be built at the Smelter property on E20 Road.
  - Food Sovereignty Pavilion: this grant-funded project is scheduled to begin towards the end of the month. It will be a 40ft x 60ft structure on the food sovereignty complex and should take approximately three weeks to complete.
  - Emergency Operation Center: Generator startup was successful. The project is closed out. The substantial completion warranty expires in August, and we will conduct a walk-through thirty days prior to warranty expiration.
  - Lincolnville project: The project is not funded by Quapaw Nation, and is proceeding as planned with no setbacks. We are managing the project for IHS.
  - OLC Covered Walkway and Parking: Materials have been ordered and the contractor will begin installation as soon as the materials are delivered, which is approximately three to four weeks.
  - Splash Pad/OLC Playground: Water line relocation has been completed, the drainage and grade plan are complete, all water features have been purchased, as well as we have received all the playground equipment. Waiting for the final designs and budget numbers to be delivered. Once the final design and budget are approved, we will move into the construction phase as this is a design and build project.
  - NAHASDA: The next project property we are doing for them, the environmental checks for the property came back hot. Currently waiting for EPA to remediate the property.
  - Groundwork at the former Ray property has begun.
  - New pad for the installation of greenhouses at the Garden Property was completed and awaits the delivery and installation of the greenhouses.

- **Tribal Member Services Executive Director – Steva Stand.**
  - **Family Services:**
    - There are 32 OVC (Victims of Crime) open cases and 6 new OVW (Violence Against Women) and FVP (Family Violence Prevention) cases.
    - There are 6 new Sexual Assault clients, and 4 were referred to other programs due to being out of the service area.
    - ICW child food program has fed 42 children weekly, which is going great. They deliver the meals, and the kids run out to meet them.
    - Native Connections Youth Program had 34 children and families using the counseling services offered and paid for by the program. The activities in the process are the Gathering of Hope and the Medicine Wheel.
  - **Higher Education:**
    - June was a busy month due to summer applications and the day-to-day activities of the Higher Education and the Workforce Program.
    - Summer 2023 Traditional & Concurrent/Dual Credit funding began June 1<sup>st</sup> and continues through July 31<sup>st</sup>.
    - Fall 2023 Traditional & Concurrent/Dual Credit funding will begin July 1<sup>st</sup> and continue through September 30<sup>th</sup>.
    - There was a good turnout for the Graduation Banquet that was held on June 10<sup>th</sup>.
    - Onboarding for the Environmental Dept, Food Sovereignty, and Fitness Center interns will be July 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - **OLC Learning Center:**
    - OLC has 3 employees starting soon, putting them at full staff again.
    - They currently have 40 Quapaw children, 21 Quapaw Nation employee children, and 11 private pay enrolled.
    - They are working with the CCDF program on the splash pad that will be coming in the near future.
  - **Title VI/Caregiver Program:**
    - They Served 405 meals during the Health Fair.
    - They Held a Foot Clinic with nine people attending.
    - They Served 825 congregate meals, 3507 home-delivered meals, and 206 walk-ins.
  - **Fitness Center:**
    - They averaged 202 participants for the week and 38 participants daily, with an average of 12 using the sauna, which was an increase of 4.
    - They had 16 new memberships for the month of June, with 37 renewals.
    - They will hold the Annual Health Fair on June 30 from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM.
    - They currently have three summer interns.
  - **Enrollment Department:**
    - There are 5930 enrolled members, 13 new enrolled members, and one name change.
    - They are encouraging enrolled members to visit the Enrollment Office to receive their new enrollment/CDIB card, which will reflect your registered voter status with the phrase “REGISTERED VOTER” displayed across the bottom of the card.
  - **Social Services:**
    - They Assisted with three burials and four Veterans.
    - They Processed 1085 utilities for 64 & under, 230 utilities for 65 & over.
    - They Processed 16 applications for unmet needs/school clothing and one end-of-life.

**XII. New Business:**

- **Resolutions**
  - **071523-A**\_Resolution to Designate a Code Officer.
    - Motion to approve Resolution 071523-A\_Resolution to Designate a Code Officer by Michelle Newton, Member.
    - Seconded by Callie Bowden, Vice-Chair.
    - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.
    - Motion passes approving Resolution 071523-A\_Resolution to Designate a Code Officer.
  - **071523-B**\_Authorizing the Signing of Tribal Justice Support Letter.

- Motion to approve Resolution 071523-B\_ Authorizing the Signing of Tribal Justice Support Letter by Linda Davis, Member.
- Seconded by Lloyd Buffalo, Member.
- Vote: 5 yes, 0 no, 1 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.
- Motion passes approving Resolution 071523-B\_ Authorizing the Signing of Tribal Justice Support Letter.
- **071523-C\_ Quapaw Nation Seminar Proposal.**
  - Motion to approve Resolution 071523-C\_ Quapaw Nation Seminar Proposal by Callie Bowden, Vice-Chair.
  - Seconded by Michelle Newton, Member.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.
  - Motion passes approving Resolution 071523-C\_ Quapaw Nation Seminar Proposal.
- **071523-D\_ Purchase of Restricted Interest in Land-Surface Only.**
  - Motion to table Resolution 071523-D\_ Purchase of Restricted Interest in Land-Surface Only by Lloyd Buffalo, Member.
  - Seconded by Callie Bowden, Vice-Chair.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.
  - Motion to table Resolution 071523-D\_ Purchase of Restricted Interest in Land-Surface Only.
- **071523-E\_ Sale of Restricted Interest in Chat.**
  - Motion to approve Resolution 071523-E\_ Sale of Restricted Interest in Chat by Larry Mercer, Member.
  - Seconded by Linda Davis, Member.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.
  - Motion passes approving Resolution 071523-E\_ Sale of Restricted Interest in Chat.
- **071523-F\_ Purchase of 40 Acre Tract in Picher, Oklahoma.**
  - Motion to approve Resolution 071523-F\_ Purchase of 40 Acre Tract in Picher, Oklahoma by Lloyd Buffalo, Member.
  - Seconded by Larry Mercer, Member.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.
  - Motion passes approving Resolution 071523-F\_ Purchase of 40 Acre Tract in Picher, Oklahoma.
- **071523-G\_ Purchase Resolution-CCDF Splash Pad.**
  - Motion to approve Resolution 071523-G\_ Purchase Resolution-CCDF Splash Pad by Linda Davis, Member.
  - Seconded by Callie Bowden, Vice-Chair.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.
  - Motion passes approving Resolution 071523-G\_ Purchase Resolution-CCDF Splash Pad.

### XIII. Donations:

- **01 Quapaw Public Schools AED Request:** Requesting Quapaw Nation donate 4 new Zoll AEDs.
  - Motion to table donating 4 new Zoll AEDs by Linda Davis, Member.
  - Seconded by Michelle Newton, Member.
  - Discussion: Need to look for alternative funding sources as well.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.
  - Motion passes to table donating 4 new Zoll AEDs.
- **02 "I am Needed:** Requesting Quapaw Nation donate \$1000 to the "I Am Needed" project.
  - Motion to approve a \$500 donation to the "I Am Needed" project by Linda Davis, Member.
  - Seconded by Michelle Newton, Member.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.
  - Motion passes to approve a \$500 donation to the "I Am Needed" project.
- **03 NEO College Student Support Services:** Requesting Quapaw Nation donate 20 pounds of ground beef to the NEO College Student Support Services.
  - Motion to approve donating 20 pounds of ground beef to the NEO College Student Support Services by Larry Mercer, Member.
  - Seconded by Linda Davis, Member.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.
  - Motion passes to approve donating 20 pounds of ground beef to the NEO College Student Support Services.



- **04 DHEGIHA 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Language Conference:** Requesting Quapaw Nation donate \$10,000 to the DHEGIHA 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Language Conference.
  - Motion to approve a \$5000 donation to the DHEGIHA 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Language Conference by Michelle Newton, Member.
  - Seconded by Lloyd Buffalo, Member.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.
  - Motion passes to approve a \$5000 donation to the DHEGIHA 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Language Conference.
- **05 Tinsleigh Henry Ottawa County Fair Livestock Show:** Requesting Quapaw Nation donate \$1000 to the Tinsleigh Henry Ottawa County Fair Livestock Show.
  - Motion to approve a \$500 donation to the Tinsleigh Henry Ottawa County Fair Livestock Show by Michelle Newton, Member.
  - Seconded by Callie Bowden, Vice-Chair.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.
  - Motion passes to approve donating \$500 to the Tinsleigh Henry Ottawa County Fair Livestock Show.
- **06 Nika Bailey Ottawa County Fair Livestock Show:** Requesting Quapaw Nation donate \$1000 to the Nika Bailey Ottawa County Fair Livestock Show.
  - Motion to approve a \$500 donation to the Nika Bailey Ottawa County Fair Livestock Show by Callie Bowden, Vice-Chair.
  - Seconded by Linda Davis, Member.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.
  - Motion passes to approve a \$500 donation to the Nika Bailey Ottawa County Fair Livestock Show.
- **07 Cancer Awareness Team:** Requesting Quapaw Nation donate 50 pounds of ground beef for fundraiser.
  - Motion to approve donating 50 pounds of ground beef to the Cancer Awareness Team by Callie Bowden, Vice-Chair.
  - Seconded by Linda Davis, Member.
  - Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, 1 vacant.
  - Motion passes to approve donating 50 pounds of ground beef to the Cancer Awareness Team.

**XIV. Open Forum:**

- Each person had 5 minutes, 1 trip to the podium, and must pertain to the agenda, or must have filed a form to be placed on the agenda.
- Discussion from the floor and zoom.

**XV. Benediction:** Linda Davis, Member.

**XVI. Adjournment:** 12:25 PM.

- Motion to adjourn by Lloyd Buffalo, Member.
- Second by Larry Mercer, Member.
- Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 0 absent, and 1 vacant.
- Motion passes to adjourn.

/s/ Wena Supernaw  
Wena Supernaw, BC Chair

Minutes Prepared in Accordance with Robert's Rules of Order

By: /s/ Brent Divine |  
BC Executive Secretary

**CERTIFICATION**

Approved by the Quapaw Nation Business Committee on August 19, 2023, with a vote reflecting 5 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining, 1 absent, and 1 vacant