

1 Jimmy McNeill: Here.

2 Richard Locklear: Here.

3 Danita Locklear: Here.

4 Shelley Strickland: Here.

5 Ricky Burnette: Here.

6 Welford Clark: Here.

7 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: We have a quorum.

8 **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

9 MR. LARECE HUNT offered a motion to accept the agenda
10 as is. MR. JERL LOCKLEAR seconded that motion. No discussion.
11 Motion passed.

12 **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

13 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: One question, did everybody
14 receive a copy of the minutes?

15 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: I gave everybody a copy. I
16 put them in the boxes. Did you not receive yours?

17 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: I got mine, mine come in the
18 mail.

19 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: Mr. Shelley, yours should
20 have been in the packet that you got at the retreat. Mr. James
21 Harold, they're probably still in office because he said he wasn't
22 coming to the retreat.

23 MR. JAMES HAROLD LOCKLEAR: I never found anything
24 there.

1 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: I put minutes in
2 everybody's box and I took the ones to the retreat who were going to
3 the retreat.

4 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: What does Council feel about
5 the minutes?

6 MR. SANFORD LOCKLEAR: I got mine.

7 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Do I hear a motion to accept
8 the minutes?

9 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: I move we accept the minutes.

10 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: I second.

11 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: I have a motion to accept the
12 minutes as is. Is there any discussion? Hearing no discussion, all
13 those in favor, say aye. (Aye responses.) All those opposed, say
14 no. (Opposing responses.) Motion carries. Minutes are adopted.

15 **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

16 NASA students from Cumberland County School System,
17 Cape Fear High School students - Kayla Revels, Magen Walker, Edward
18 Strickland, Winona Locklear were present to observe the Tribal
19 meeting and see how the Tribal government works.

20 **OLD BUSINESS**

21 **SUPREME COURT BUDGET INJUNCTION HEARING**

22 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Last week I spoke with Chair
23 of the Supreme Court and we had to reschedule because of some meeting
24 conflicts and he said he was going to get back up with me and let me
25 know the next meeting date for the Supreme Court and I haven't heard

1 anything back from him, and I spoke with him last week. So, as
2 soon as I hear something, I'll pass that along to Council. I'll
3 probably give everyone a call and let you know when the next date is
4 set.

5 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: Tony Hunt was Chair and he
6 advised me that he was resigning, one day this week. Do you know if
7 he's called anybody on that?

8 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Does the Council know?

9 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Mr. Speaker, I was informed that
10 he's already dropped off a letter at the Tribal office. That was by
11 his words. So, you don't have a copy of it?

12 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: No, I haven't seen it. Mr.
13 Leon or Mr. Hardin, do you if he's dropped a letter off.

14 MR. JAMES HARDIN: I haven't seen one.

15 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: If there is a letter, I'll get
16 a letter -

17 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: Because that would be a time
18 delay.

19 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: Ever who is his vice-person
20 would, if they would take that cause and run it.

21 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay. Thank you for that. Is
22 there any more discussion on that topic.

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24 MR. WELFORD CLARK: Mr. Speaker, can I make a request,
25 for some reason the sound is not traveling very well and I'm not

1 hearing everybody down there. Would it be proper to ask that
2 when someone speaks that they stand and speak loudly where we can see
3 them and hear them.

4 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Is that okay with everyone?
5 Okay. Mr. Richard, will you please stand and restate that for us?

6 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: What I said, sir, was I would
7 ask our Speaker, maybe get with our administration and if it is in
8 fact that Mr. Tony Hunt did resign off the Supreme Court as the Chief
9 Judge, then we need to send a letter or give it to our Speaker to
10 that accord and ever who's going to take his place as Chief Justice,
11 even if it's temporary, that we get a schedule on this injunction.
12 Because it would be delayed if we wait for him or them maybe to get
13 that matter in our hands and run with it.

14 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Any more discussion on that?
15 Okay, hearing no discussion, we are going to move onto our committee
16 reports.

17 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

18 **CONSTITUTION AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE**

19 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: At your seat you should have
20 found the copy of 2 different ordinances. One ordinance is entitled
21 the Elders Review Committee. There are 3 sheets to that particular
22 document. And a second ordinance that you should also find at your
23 seat is one entitled, in bold print, "Removal of a Tribal Council
24 member for failure to attend Council meetings". Both of these
25 ordinances were passed out this past week at the staff development

1 meeting that we held and they were also placed in the boxes of
2 those that were not with us. Those that were present were asked to
3 look over these ordinances, we discussed some minor details regarding
4 those and you were asked to come back tonight with any questions,
5 concerns or comments that you wanted to make about either ordinance.
6 The first ordinance that we are going to be discussing is the one
7 entitled, The Elders Review Committee. You will notice that on your
8 agenda that part of this meeting has to do with the Tribal Enrollment
9 Office as well. According to the base rolls that were established
10 many years ago by the Lumbee Regional Development Association, they
11 used 13 items in which they determined the base roll for the Lumbee
12 Tribe. Now, one of those items dealt with, what is called the Elders
13 Review Committee. That was a committee that met and, I'm hoping I'm
14 getting my dates correct, that met between the years of 1985 through
15 1987. It was a committee of individuals who if a person petitioned
16 the LRDA for membership in the Tribe and if there was a problem with
17 them proving the descendancy going back to the 1900 and 1910 census
18 that they could appeal that decision and meet with the Elders Review
19 Committee. Many of your probably will recall that years ago we also
20 had the Indian Education Committee too that would decide whether or
21 not a child would be allowed in an all Indian school. Well, they
22 worked basically on the same principal. That is they knew the people
23 in their communities, and we still have individuals that is with us
24 today that served on that particular committee. Well, the source
25 documents, the base roll are all based on those 13 items. So, to

1 fulfill the constitution, it was needed for this Tribal Council
2 to form an Elders Review Committee with guidelines and hopefully with
3 a system that will allow these individuals to be selected from the
4 territory of the Lumbee Tribe, and this is what this Elders Review
5 Ordinance does. It adds law to the Elders Review, it gives them
6 guidelines on those actions that come under their jurisdiction. So,
7 I am putting forth as a motion from the Constitution Committee that
8 we accept and approve The Elders Review Committee.

9 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, since this is coming
10 from committee, a second is not needed. Is there any discussion?

11 MR. JOHN LOWERY: Why was the minimum age of 55
12 chosen?

13 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Well, one of the things that the
14 committee was looking at was - this was a group of individuals who
15 would be looking back at the ancestral part of our particular Tribe
16 or whoever it is that may be petitioning them or had a complaint or
17 problem with the Tribal Enrollment

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19 Office. So, it was felt that by being of that age, then most likely,
20 you could add some credence to that particular committee.

21 MR. JOHN LOWERY: It's just my observation, but I'd
22 like to see the minimum age raised to 60 just because I think 60 is
23 really getting into the elder age. I'm not saying you are, I'm
24 getting there. And that's all, because nowadays 55 is young.

1 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: I think actually 60 was
2 brought to the table and discussion and I think the consensus was
3 that, because of the age that that might be a hindrance. Now,
4 whether it will be or not, you know, I think only time will tell.
5 But that is a good suggestion.

6 MR. LARECE HUNT: I question the 55 because, again,
7 when you look around, they're not too people here that are 55 that
8 can identify with all the different changes that this Tribe has gone
9 through since 1985. I too would love to see 60 because 60 definitely
10 will put you in an age bracket that you can identify with some of the
11 things that we've been through. I can live with 55, but I too would
12 love to see 60.

13 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: I agree with the 60 years old,
14 but my issue is on number 4, an ERC member may be removed from his or
15 her appointment for various reasons, but how? You know, how would
16 they be removed? By 2/3 Council vote or would the committee vote or,
17 -- you understand what I'm saying? What is the process? I know why,
18 but the how seems to be missing. And I may have missed it in the
19 ordinance.

20 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Well, what we've actually done in
21 the past Mr. Gerald is that in this particular ordinance, I believe
22 is doing the same, is allow them to set up a decorum of their own and
23 then bring it back to the Tribal Council for approval.

24 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: I'm going to talk loud and sit
25 down, I have a bad back, but we have run into some roadblocks on

1 other boards, committees, or whatever on that very issue and I
2 would really like to see it in this ordinance so we won't have to
3 cross that bridge again later on and wish we had. If we do it now,
4 it's done.

5 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: I was going to say I think we
6 do have a ordinance in place on removal of appointed committees. I
7 think that was passed sometime last fall. It should be in your book,
8 and I'm not sure which one it is, but that's one we worked on last
9 fall.

10 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: That is in place, Mr. Gerald.

11 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: Okay. Would it be appropriate to
12 refer to that ordinance, then, in this ordinance, -- as per - I just
13 don't want any questions later on or any issues that somebody is
14 going to say, "well, it ain't in there". You know, the Election
15 Board is covered by the constitution or, or -- we had a bunch of
16 issues surrounding that.

17 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Well, I think if you look at the
18 second bulleted item, I believe that was the consensus of the
19 committee that that was taken care of, what you were saying, and it
20 may not be, -- if you a problem with it where is reads violation of
21 any Tribal law that removes appointees, and in that particular
22 ordinance it deals with what an appointee has to do, or can do, or
23 may do that would cause his or her removal by the Tribal Council.

24 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Any more discussion? Okay,
25 hearing no discussion, all those in favor of adopting the ordinance

1 entitled "Elders Review Committee", what we are going to do is
2 since it is legislation we vote by roll call vote. Ms. Wendy is
3 going to call your name and you're going to state yeah or nay for the
4 ordinance.

5 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM:

6 Larece Hunt: Yes.

7 Sharon Hunt: Yes.

8 Gerald Goolsby: No.

9 David Carter: Absent.

10 Pam Spaulding: Yes.

11 Sanford Locklear: I'll vote for that.

12 Kent Hunt: Yes.

13 John Lowery: Yes.

14 Frances Chavis Yes.

15 Lawrence Locklear: Yes.

16 Joel Garth Locklear: Yes.

17 James Harold Locklear: No.

18 Wendy Moore-Graham: Yes.

19 Jerl Locklear: Yes.

20 Linda Hammonds: Yes.

21 Jimmy McNeill: Yes.

22 Richard Locklear: Okay.

23 Danita Locklear: Yes.

24 Shelley Strickland: Yes.

25 Ricky Burnette: Yes.

1 Welford Clark: Yes.

2 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: We had 18 yes, 2 no.

3 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: So by a vote of 18, 2, the
4 ordinance is adopted.

5 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Mr. Speaker, the next ordinance
6 that we want to address at this time is the one that is dealing with
7 the removal of a Tribal Council member for failure to attend Council
8 meetings. That particular phrase is a phrase that is actually within
9 the constitution. We have been working on this particular ordinance
10 for, believe or not, 5 years, and that is trying to get it to this
11 point where we can get it addressed. It is a sticky particular
12 ordinance when a seated body thinks about removing one of their own.
13 In your constitution, you the Tribal membership, you have the right
14 to recall any of us under certain guidelines. But the only recourse
15 that we have to work with one another if there is a situation or
16 situations where a Tribal member, -- representative, rather, for the
17 Council is not attending the meetings, this ordinance will be
18 addressing that particular person or persons. Once again, this
19 ordinance was distributed, it was placed in the boxes, so therefore,
20 at this time I bring forth from the Constitution Committee a motion
21 to accept this ordinance.

22 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: We have a motion to accept the
23 removal of a Tribal Council member for failure to attend Council
24 meetings ordinance. Since it is coming from committee, no second is
25 required. Is there any discussion?

1 MR. SANFORD LOCKLEAR: Now does that go with just
2 the regular Council meetings or is that committee meetings or what?

3 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: On page 1, Mr. Sanford, section
4 number 1, the first sentence addresses your concern. It is dealing
5 with regular scheduled Tribal Council meetings as well as those that
6 may be called as special Council meetings.

7 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: Mr. Speaker, by the virtue of the
8 constitution, I say that this ordinance as it is written is
9 unconstitutional. In the constitution, it says, "any Council member
10 who is absent from 3 consecutive regularly scheduled meetings of the
11 Council", not special called meetings. I think that that aspect of
12 the ordinance should be stricken as unconstitutional because the
13 constitution in effect is saying 3 regular scheduled meetings and the
14 regular scheduled meeting is once a month. Anybody running or
15 anybody who has ran, ran on that premises of the constitution. And
16 we're trying to write an ordinance that does not agree with the
17 constitution in my opinion. Now I've attended every meeting we've
18 had pretty much. I don't think - I may have missed one. I don't
19 even know if I missed one, but I think it's not right to write an
20 ordinance that conflicts, in my opinion with the constitution. So, I
21 think that part of it could be stricken, and I don't have a problem
22 with the other part of it.

23 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Mr. Goolsby, a second part of the
24 constitution is clear on this issue in that it gives the Tribal
25 Council the authority in Article VII, number 1B to adopt rules and

1 regulations to govern the procedures and decorum of Tribal
2 Council. In actuality, attending the meetings, it has to do with
3 those procedures and decorum. You cannot expect a constitution to
4 address every particular issue, but I do believe that Article VII is
5 clear on that, that it does give Council the right to write an
6 ordinance that governs the attendance other than what is mentioned in
7 the constitution.

8 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: I'd like to refute that by saying
9 that that's dealing with meeting decorum, not removal. Removal is a
10 lot stronger work than decorum of a meeting. Removal is, I mean,
11 everybody at this table ran for these offices and got them and it's
12 based on missing 3 scheduled meetings by the constitution. I beg to
13 differ with your interpretation of the constitution. I believe you
14 got it wrong.

15 MR. JOHN LOWERY: I have a number of problems with
16 this resolution. First one is saying that special called meetings
17 are necessary are far as being removed. Back in December, if I'm not
18 mistaken and some of y'all can let me know if I'm wrong. There was a
19 Tribal Council meeting, a regular scheduled meeting on the 3rd
20 Thursday of December. We gathered then if I'm not mistaken. There
21 was 2 special called meetings, on that Tuesday and that Thursday
22 night. Now, if I'm out of town visiting relatives on Christmas for 2
23 weeks, guess what, one of the Council members who do not like me can
24 file a petition to remove me. They are going to me to send me to the
25 house or try to. That's the first thing I got wrong with this. The

1 second thing I have wrong with this is that, let's see, on
2 Section 1, part B, states that to the extent that he or she is
3 incapable of exercising judgment (inaudible) if an illness is stated
4 as the reason for not being present, -- of period of the time, the
5 member would have to be excused from the (inaudible) if the
6 incapacity of the participate is disability, how will you know if a
7 person is physically or mentally disable. If they are on life
8 support I can understand it, but you know, I'm not a doctor so I
9 can't say that Brother Welford here is mentally incapacitated. The
10 next thing that I have a problem with is Section number 2, part C, it
11 says that a written statement of each of the charges which
12 individually or collectively are a justifiable cause of removal. If
13 I'm not mistaken, this says here, removal of a Tribal Council member
14 for failure to attend Council meetings, that's the only charge that
15 should be brought against anybody. And, the next thing that I have a
16 problem with, Section number 3, part B, says that this shall be added
17 to the (inaudible) regular Tribal Council meeting and do not require
18 a vote of the members present. Why wouldn't it require a vote of the
19 members present? That is so, -- this isn't a matter to play with.
20 You know what I mean. You just don't remove somebody because you
21 think that their hair is gone, just like mine, you know, it's bad.
22 Also, section 2 at the top it says, if the Speaker is subject for
23 removal the petition shall be presented to the Vice-Chairman. In the
24 absence of the Speaker and the Vice-Chairman the petition maybe
25 presented without advance notice at a regular meeting of the Tribal

1 Council and may be a part of the meeting agenda. How does this
2 get to be (inaudible) without advance notice, especially to the
3 person who the petition has been filed against. If you bring charges
4 against me, I want to know in advance that you've brought charges
5 against me. And, let's see, section 3, part I says the Chair of the
6 meeting may recess a special called meeting as time requires but in
7 or on, I don't what the word is supposed to be there, shall meet
8 still more than 5 days, I would like to see this say, that once a
9 hearing is held there has to be 5 or 10 days or 20 days or a month
10 before the Council actually votes on this matter, because it is a
11 matter - this is big, big, big piece of legislation we got here. And
12 part L, the last thing I have a problem with, it says, (inaudible)
13 closed session of the Tribal Council, the governing body shall
14 determine whether justifiable cause exist and remove the subject of
15 removal. A roll call vote shall be required and all votes shall be
16 recorded and the appropriate vote of 2/3 of those present casting a
17 vote shall be required to petition removal to be considered as voted
18 for. If we vote to remove a person and I believe that this whole
19 Tribal Council should vote, vote yes or no to remove somebody, -- 2/3
20 vote of those present, if there is only 14 people there, now many do
21 you need to vote against you? You need to take this into
22 consideration. I think that the whole Tribal Council, -- listen if
23 the person hasn't been there and we should pretty all be able to
24 agree unanimously that they should be removed, not 2/3 vote. And I
25 would think and what else I would to see added to this is that the

1 appeal can be to go to the Supreme Court because we all know
2 that this is dealing with the constitution and that Supreme Court, --
3 and that a person be able to go to Supreme Court for an appeals
4 process. And remember that a Supreme Court only needs a majority
5 vote. So, if 3 members agree that this person should be removed and
6 with 20 Council members voting, then hey, this person is gone.

7 MR. SANFORD LOCKLEAR: The only problem I got with
8 that, my community voted me in this position. Suppose I'm a good
9 Council member in my community and all my community wants me to
10 serve, and then something happens and I have to miss, then that
11 throws me out. And they could have a petition against you for
12 throwing me out because I was there Council member. I mean, the
13 Council member didn't put me in this position, my community put me in
14 this position and I don't see where we could throw somebody out for
15 that. I just don't see it. I can't see it. Your people supported
16 you and put you in a position, I don't see how you can throw them out
17 now. You might know more than I do and I think you probably do, now
18 in my opinion, you cannot throw me out of this office and be
19 justified.

20 MR. JAMES HAROLD LOCKLEAR: I think this ordinance is
21 very biased and it don't contain the information for the purpose of
22 dealing with absentee Council members. And to me it's like stating
23 something that you really want to do something to get rid of someone,
24 you know, like it's something you can use real quick. Now, this
25 document if you read it and look at it is full of beautiful words and

1 it states a lot of stuff, removal is just one word. And I don't
2 think the Council has the right and I don't think it's constitutional
3 that we as a Council sit up here and say, well so and so missed 3
4 meetings, y'all let's work on getting him out. There's a whole big
5 bunch of forms you got to fill out and a lot of stuff that you got to
6 check to make sure, and I do believe it's a direct thing, it ain't -
7 look, we're 21 Council members and we're talking about getting rid of
8 someone, I think we what we ought to do is have a new election and
9 maybe get rid of about 10 of us, you know. But now see this thing
10 here, I don't like it, it's not a part of our constitution. The
11 constitution don't state in depth like this thing is worded here and
12 I simply don't believe that it's fitting for this Council or the
13 Tribe itself.

14 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Any more discussion?

15 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: Everybody on this committee is
16 sick, retired, or half-dead.

17 MR. JOHN LOWERY : Except for me, Brother.

18 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: Okay, but everybody on this
19 committee and this is to the public, we come to meet y'all. We can
20 go all across the country traveling, but half of our people can't
21 even attend the meetings half the time. So, that's what this is
22 saying for your representatives to be at that meeting even if you
23 can't be at that meeting. Now, we don't even get the people in the
24 community, this is the largest district meeting that we've had so
25 far. Everyone in this district calling me to give information, they

1 get 5 and 6 people. And I don't have no constituents because
2 nobody run against me, but I go to all the meetings, I missed one
3 because I was laying up there in Cape Fear with my intestines busted,
4 brusted or what the proper word is, y'all can decide. But at
5 committees and in the committees and in full Council, I'm going to be
6 there even though nobody didn't vote to put to put me in there. I
7 would think somebody needs to vote and throw me out like they did
8 Nixon and like they tried to Bill Clinton if you ain't doing your
9 job. That's the way I look at it and I want my fellow people to know
10 what I feel. Like I said, nobody put me here, I paid my \$150 and I
11 run because I think there are people in their community that's not
12 getting service and not getting information. We should send out more
13 information on letters. But if we can't do that, we ought to be the
14 meetings to take that information back to our people.

15 MR. WELFORD CLARK: Mr. Speaker, I'd like to speak
16 just a minute in support of the ordinance. Absence of a Council
17 person at Council meetings in essence has stilled the voices of every
18 constituent that that Council has. And when that Council person is
19 not here to speak in support of and in behalf of those who elected
20 him, then he or she needs to be held accountable for it. I would
21 object to the words getting rid of because that has a negative
22 connotation. But I would rather substitute words the words holding
23 each other accountable. We took an oath, we said we would come. If
24 our health is an issue and we can't come, that's not good enough. If
25 our job is in our way, that's not good enough. If our other

1 activities, even if our church and nobody loves their church no
2 more than I love mine, but a man can't serve 2 masters. So, there
3 must be a system in place to hold one another accountable. There are
4 some things that are in there I'd much rather not be in there or the
5 wording changed a little bit. It's not a perfect document, but is a
6 good working document that we can put in place and then we can
7 address specific issues as we go along. I stand in support of it and
8 I encourage everyone to let's - after 5 years, enough is enough. We
9 can't expect 100% out of nothing. If the Congress of the United
10 States can impeach the President with 2/3 vote, I think we ought to
11 be able to get rid of, -- to use my friend's words or hold
12 accountable to, my words, one of each other if we don't do our jobs
13 properly.

14 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Is there any new discussion?

15 MR. JOEL GARTH LOCKLEAR: I think we are awful mean to
16 each other sometime. I try to respect all of you. You're like I am,
17 you got gray hairs, some of you has had a heart attack, you have
18 health problems, back problems, I don't know what other problems, but
19 sometimes you just can't come and I think we are setting ourselves to
20 be cruel to somebody because they got sick or picked up a disease and
21 it's going to take them a while to overcome it. I think you ought to
22 be nicer to each other than this. I really do. I makes me ashamed
23 to why we would want to do this to one another. We're not in that
24 bad of shape. There's been very few meetings we've had that we
25 didn't have a quorum to where we could do business, you know that.

1 So, let's not be mean to each other and if you insist on doing
2 this thing, I like what Councilman Lowery said, all of us vote
3 unanimously on such an issue because it's such an important issue.
4 And you scar the community where each of us come from whenever you
5 start removing somebody from this position. And I offer that as an
6 amendment to this thing that it require unanimous vote so that we can
7 all be sure we're not trying to set up somebody just to destroy
8 people's lives.

9 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: So, there's a motion to amend
10 Section 4L to state unanimous vote of the Tribal Council. So, we
11 have that motion on the floor, is there a second, -- this is on page
12 3, section 4L. It's the fourth line and it says vote of 2/3, --
13 unanimous vote, --

14 MS. DANITA LOCKLEAR: So, are you saying the person
15 that's going to be removed would have to approve this themselves?

16 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Right now I'm trying to get
17 the motion clarified.

18 MS. DANITA LOCKLEAR: I thought there was a motion
19 already on the floor?

20 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Well, this is going to be an
21 amendment. Okay, so just to clarify, the motion is on page 3,
22 section 4L is to change the an affirmative vote of 2/3 of those
23 present to an unanimous vote of those present. So, I have that
24 motion on the floor, is there a second?

25 MR. SANFORD LOCKLEAR: I'll second that.

1 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, we have a second on
2 this. Is there any discussion?

3 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Mr. Speaker, I'd like to discuss
4 that particular issue. So, my name is brought forth for removal and
5 in order for you to get the removal process or in order for you to
6 get me removed, you're saying that I will have to vote for that
7 motion myself. Is that not correct? Well, that is exactly what the
8 motion says.

9 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: Call for question -

10 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Any more discussion, Ms.
11 Linda, any other discussion, Mr. Goolsby?

12 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: Well, I was going to offer an
13 amendment to that amendment.

14 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: What was the amendment?

15 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: My friendly amendment to Mr.
16 Garth's motion shall not support the whole document, but would be the
17 majority vote. The unanimous vote (inaudible), -- I don't see,
18 (inaudible) -- not exactly (inaudible) -- in other words not the
19 person. If there are 21 Council members, you have to have 20 votes.
20 I'm sorry, I'll stand up. If there's 21 Council members that's
21 seated then it requires 20 votes to remove a Council person as it
22 relates to this section, not those present. Okay.

23 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Mr. Garth do you accept that?

24 MR. JOEL GARTH LOCKLEAR: Yes.

1 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, so the motion right
2 now is a unanimous vote of those not affected by the vote. Any more
3 discussion?

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5 MR. KENT HUNT: Mr. Speaker, I'd have to agree with
6 Mr. Welford on the document, that the document is not a perfect
7 document, but there has to be some guidelines in place for Council
8 members and I hate to say the word that sometimes intentionally miss
9 meeting or that they don't perform their duties as they were voted on
10 the Council to do. And the Council is aware and everybody should be
11 aware and if we requested for all 21 members to be present at the
12 meeting to remove a Council member then there will be some for the
13 Council member that will be removed and not attend the meeting just
14 for that purpose, intentionally, not attend the meeting so that we
15 wouldn't get the vote for removal. We all know that happens with any
16 board, so I feel that my biggest concern is that, like I said, the
17 document is not perfect, but has to be guidelines in place for
18 Council members that just wouldn't attend the meetings because they
19 just don't want to or don't have a valid excuse, but there has to be
20 guidelines in place.

21 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Thank you, Mr. Kent. Any more
22 discussion on the amendment.

23 MR. JOHN LOWERY: I would like to add another
24 amendment to this. I would like special called meetings because you
25 can have special called meetings every other day. And I would like

1 to see special called meetings taken out and just say regularly
2 scheduled Council meeting. That's an amendment, -- that's a second
3 amendment. I want it voted on.

4 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Is that a friendly amendment
5 to Mr. Garth's?

6 MR. JOHN LOWERY: Yes, sir.

7 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Do you accept that, Mr. Garth?

8 Mr. JOEL GARTH LOCKLEAR: Yes, sir.

9 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: So the amendment as it stands
10 is to, on page 3, section 4L is unanimous vote of those present that
11 will not be will affected by the ordinance and the other is remove
12 special called meetings and this is on page 1. Is there any new
13 discussion on the amendment?

14 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Mr. Speaker, I think that there
15 are - you know, either we are not reading this ordinance or there is
16 some concerns here that you're not looking at in terms of the
17 ordinance. This ordinance does not automatically remove an
18 individual if he or she fails to attend 3 meetings. All this
19 ordinance is really doing is giving a criteria that can be used to
20 determine and assess whether or not I am absent from my
21 responsibility as an elected official of this Lumbee Tribe, all this
22 ordinance is doing is giving law to how it is determined whether or
23 not you are absent with cause or without cause. In no way does it
24 automatically remove an individual.

1 MR. JAMES HAROLD LOCKLEAR: Thank you, Ms. Wendy
2 for the clarification.

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4 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Any more discussion on the
5 amendment? Okay, hearing no more discussion on the amendment, since
6 we are voting on the amendment, we are just going to go voice vote -

7 MR. JOHN LOWERY: Roll call.

8 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay. Right now we are
9 voting on the amendment. Okay, let me clarify. What we are voting
10 on right now is on page 3, section 4L to change that to "unanimous
11 vote of those present not affected by the ordinance". And the other
12 is on page 1, under section 1 to "remove 3 special called meetings".
13 That's what we're voting on right now.

14 MR. WELFORD CLARK: Both at once?

15 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Yes.

16 MR. WELFORD CLARK: I call for a division.

17 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: It was a friendly amendment
18 accepted by Mr. Garth.

19 MR. WELFORD CLARK: That doesn't negate my right to
20 ask for a division if it's a non-debatable motion

21 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay. What we are going to do
22 now, okay, we'll vote on the first - the first one is to change on
23 page 3 to "unanimous vote of those present not affected by the
24 ordinance". Okay. I was going to expedite the process by a voice

1 vote, but it's necessary to raise hands to expedite the process,
2 because when we vote on the final version of the
3
4 legislation that will be by roll call. Does anyone have any problems
5 with that?

6 MR. JOHN LOWERY: Roll call vote.

7 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, Ms. Wendy.

8 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM:

9 Larece Hunt: No.

10 Sharon Hunt: No.

11 Gerald Goolsby: Yes.

12 (David Carter: Absent.)

13 Pam Spaulding: No.

14 Sanford Locklear: Yes.

15 Kent Hunt: No.

16 John Lowery: Yes.

17 Frances Chavis No.

18 Lawrence Locklear: No.

19 Joel Garth Locklear: Yes.

20 James Harold Locklear: Yes.

21 Wendy Moore-Graham: No.

22 Jerl Locklear: No.

23 Linda Hammonds: No.

24 Jimmy McNeill: No.

25 Richard Locklear: No.

1 Danita Locklear: No.
2 Shelley Strickland: No.
3 Ricky Burnette: No.
4 Welford Clark: No.

5 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: We had 15 no, 5 yes.

6 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: So by a vote of 15 no's and 5
7 yeah's the amendment fails. Okay, the second amendment is to remove
8 special called meeting on page 1, that's under section 1. So, right
9 now we're voting on to remove special called meeting on page 1 under
10 section 1.

11 MR. WELFORD CLARK: I want to comment in reference in
12 that, someone made the statement that we could have special called
13 meetings every other day, that's not exactly accurate because we have
14 an ordinance in place that requires 5-day advance notice before we
15 can have meetings, so I don't that it would be practical to expect to
16 do that every other day.

17 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, we are going to proceed
18 now with the vote. We've had discussion. Okay, Ms. Wendy.

19 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM:

20 Larece Hunt: No.
21 Sharon Hunt: No.
22 Gerald Goolsby: Yes.
23 (David Carter: Absent.)
24 Pam Spaulding: No.
25 Sanford Locklear: Yes.

1 Kent Hunt: Yes.
2 John Lowery: Yes.
3 Frances Chavis No.
4 Lawrence Locklear: Yes.
5 Joel Garth Locklear: Yes.
6 James Harold Locklear: Yes.
7 Wendy Moore-Graham: No.
8 Jerl Locklear: No.
9 Linda Hammonds: No.
10 Jimmy McNeill: Yes.
11 Richard Locklear: No.
12 Danita Locklear: No.
13 Shelley Strickland: No.
14 Ricky Burnette: No.
15 Welford Clark: No.

16 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: We have 8 yes, 12 no.

17 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: With 12 no's and 8 yes's, the
18 amendment fails. Okay, so now we are going to vote on the
19 ordinance, Removal of a Tribal Council member for failure to attend
20 council meetings.

21 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: Wouldn't it be appropriate to
22 send it back to the committee before we vote on it. There's a lot of
23 issues with this thing, --

1 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: We've already had the
2 discussion and I think if that was an issue someone had, it should
3 have been mentioned during the discussion. Ms. Wendy.

4 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM:

5 Larece Hunt: Yes.

6 Sharon Hunt: Yes.

7 Gerald Goolsby: No.

8 (David Carter: Absent.)

9 Pam Spaulding: Yes.

10 Sanford Locklear: Yes.

11 Kent Hunt: Yes.

12 John Lowery: No.

13 Frances Chavis Yes.

14 Lawrence Locklear: Yes.

15 Joel Garth Locklear: Yes.

16 James Harold Locklear: No.

17 Wendy Moore-Graham: Yes.

18 Jerl Locklear: Yes.

19 Linda Hammonds: Yes.

20 Jimmy McNeill: No.

21 Richard Locklear: Yes.

22 Danita Locklear: Yes.

23 Shelley Strickland: Yes.

24 Ricky Burnette: Yes.

25 Welford Clark: Yes.

1 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Mr. Sanford wanted
2 to change his vote and you can do that before the vote is tallied,
3 you can change your vote, so what's the vote total, Ms. Wendy.

4 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: 15 yes, 5 no.

5 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, by a vote of 15 yeah's
6 and 5 nay's, the ordinance on Removal of Tribal Council members for
7 failure to attend Council meetings is adopted.

8 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: Now, Ms. Linda, that will be
9 2006-002 in that the first ordinance was 001?

10 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Ms. Wendy is referring to the
11 number if you look on the top page.

12 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: And the reason I'm asking that
13 is because the other one that was 001 was vetoed; correct?

14 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: That's correct.

15 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: 2006-002.

16 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Go ahead, Ms. Linda.

17 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Mr. Speaker, the Ethics and
18 Conflict of Interest ordinance has been posted for more than 30 days.
19 The Chairman has once again vetoed that ordinance. I'm bringing back
20 from the constitution committee at this time to call for a vote on
21 the override on the Chairman's veto with the Ethics and Conflict of
22 Interest ordinance.

23 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, I have a motion to
24 override the Chairman's veto on the Ethics and Conflict of Interest
25 ordinance. Let me remind the Council this requires a 2/3 vote to

1 override a veto by the Chairman. Ms. Wendy. Oh, I'm sorry,
2 discussion. I saw Mr. Welford's hand first.

3 MR. WELFORD CLARK: I would like to inquire if the
4 Chairman of the constitution and ordinance committee has with her the
5 record of the roll call vote when that ordinance was passed in
6 Council and if she does in fact have the names of those members who
7 voted in affirmative for that ordinance in hand?

8 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: I apologize, Mr. Welford. I do
9 not have that with me. The ordinance has been passed twice by the
10 Tribal Council. I apologize, no sir, I don't.

11 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Further discussion?

12 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: Why was it vetoed? Because the
13 last time we voted on it, it was said that all of the Chairman's
14 concerns were met and agreed upon and the changes were metastatic, so
15 why would he veto it if these changes that he referred to -

16 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: And I believe I am correct in
17 stating that at the January Tribal Council meeting when this Ethics
18 and Conflict of Interest ordinance was brought back to the Council
19 again, that at that time the Chairman was present and he said at that
20 time that there were no problems and no issues with this ordinance
21 and we went forward with it because we had made those changes, I
22 believe it's in the record if I'm not mistaken, it may have been a
23 nod, but he verbalized that there were no problems with the
24 ordinance, so at this time, I cannot give you an accounting, but it
25 has been vetoed.

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MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Any more discussion?

MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: Let me make some clarification. He had problems with the sanction section which was a new problem that he addressed.

MR. JIMMY MCNEILL: I agree with what Ms. Linda said. Mr. Goins at our January meeting did make that statement and we made those corrections. And I think we should go forward with the vote.

MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, thank you, Mr. Jimmy. Any more discussion? Okay, hearing no discussion, again roll call vote.

MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: This is on motion 3.

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| Larece Hunt: | Yes. |
| Sharon Hunt: | Yes. |
| Gerald Goolsby: | No. |
| (David Carter: | Absent.) |
| Pam Spaulding: | Yes. |
| Sanford Locklear: | No. |
| Kent Hunt: | Yes. |
| John Lowery: | No. |
| Frances Chavis | Yes. |
| Lawrence Locklear: | Yes. |
| Joel Garth Locklear: | Yes. |
| James Harold Locklear: | No. |

1 Wendy Moore-Graham: Yes.
2 Jerl Locklear: Yes.
3 Linda Hammonds: Yes.
4 Jimmy McNeill: Yes.
5 Richard Locklear: Yes.
6 Danita Locklear: Yes.
7 Shelley Strickland: Yes.
8 Ricky Burnette: Yes.
9 Welford Clark: Yes.

10 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: 16 yes, 4 no.

11 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, by a vote of 16 yes and
12 4 no which is the 2/3rd's requirement, the veto of the conflict and
13 ethics ordinance is overridden.

14 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Mr. Speaker, that's all of the
15 constitution committee's report.

16 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: We also have -

17 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: Let me ask, that becomes
18 2006-001 resolution?

19 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: The Ethics and Conflict of
20 Interest, that's the ordinance. It was originally identified as 01,
21 --

22 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: So now it will become 003, --

23 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Yes. There will not be a 01.

1 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, also a part of that
2 is a report from the Office of Tribal Enrollment on enrollment. Is
3 there a representative from the office here?

4 MS. DONNA OXENDINE: My name is Donna Oxendine. I'm
5 the office manager for the Tribal Enrollment Office and Mr. Ricky
6 asked me to come tonight to inform everybody about the things that
7 are going on with our enrollment office. One of the things is that
8 we'd like members to come in and re-certify their card which means if
9 you have the old LRDA card, we need you to come in and get the new
10 updated card with a picture on it. And we need your updated
11 addresses, phone number, if you have children add your children on.
12 If you've never had a card, we'd like for you to come in and get your
13 new card. We have a Tribal ordinance which is number 2002-0002
14 which states that all adult enrolled members shall renew his or her
15 enrollment once every 7 years if you live inside the territory, or
16 every 5 years outside of our territory. And I placed some of these
17 on the back table, if you work in the schools or public places where
18 our people need to see this information, you can take it with you and
19 put it up. If you do not re-certify by June 15th of 2009, if you live
20 within the Tribal territory, you will be put on an inactive list
21 which means that you won't be eligible for services, you won't be
22 able to vote in Tribal elections and that's one reason why we are
23 encouraging people to come in and update their card.

1 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Ms. Donna, could you
2 clarify the difference what does living inside the territory compared
3 to living outside, maybe where those areas are at.

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5 MS. DONNA OXENDINE: Anyone living within Scotland,
6 Hoke, Cumberland or Robeson County, that's inside the territory and
7 you have 7 years to update your card and that started in 2002. So,
8 June 15th of 2009 if you have not updated your cards, you will be put
9 on that inactive list.

10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER FROM THE AUDIENCE: And at what
11 dates and what hours?

12 MS. DONNA OXENDINE: That you can re-certify?

13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER FROM THE AUDIENCE: Yes.

14 MS. DONNA OXENDINE: We do that on Monday, Wednesday
15 and Friday from 8:30 to 4:30 and you need to bring me in a picture ID
16 and a copy of your birth certificate, a certified copy of your birth
17 certificate which list your parents' names on it.

18 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Any other questions?

19 MR. SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Ms. Donna, what if they have
20 a birth certificate that doesn't have their parents on it?

21 MS. DONNA OXENDINE: We cannot accept it. One of the
22 things that you spoke about earlier are our base rolls and the Elders
23 Review Committee. By BIA guidelines when they come down to examine
24 our membership rolls, they have to have verification that we link
25 back to those base rolls and the way we do that is that you have some

1 type of state certified document which lists your parents' names
2 on it which ties you back to our base rolls.

3 MR. SHELLEY STRICKLAND: So, have you had the problem
4 in the past with that?

5 MS. DONNA OXENDINE: Yes, sir. We want a certified
6 birth certificate, but for our elders who may not have a birth
7 record, we do take census records if they were born before 1930, we
8 take school records that are certified by the schools which list your
9 parents' names on it. If it's elders, we do take family bibles, but
10 like I said we do encourage that if you have some type of
11 documentation issued by a school or state government office to bring
12 that in.

13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER FROM THE AUDIENCE: Cape Fear and
14 Cumberland County is one of your districts and Raeford (inaudible),
15 do we have to go into Pembroke to register?

16 MS. DONNA OXENDINE: According to our ordinance, it is
17 required that you come into our office to re-certify. The only
18 exceptions to that is if you are military living outside the Tribal
19 territory, you can designate someone to come in. If you are elderly
20 or incapacitated, you can designate someone to come in, but that is
21 only to update your information. Anyone who has not enrolled has to
22 physically come into the office. There's no exceptions to that.

23 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, any more questions?
24 Hearing none, thank you, Ms. Donna.

1 MS. DONNA OXENDINE: Oh, I also left some
2 constitutions back there also along with these handouts and you can
3 download the applications off the internet. You can call our office,
4 we'll mail those applications to you. If you need to call us if you
5 have any questions you can. Thank you.

6 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Thank you, Ms. Donna. Ms.
7 Linda, your next committee meeting is scheduled for March 30th;
8 correct?

9 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: That is correct.

10 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: March 30th, that's on a
11 Thursday, next Thursday in fact and it's going to be at 6:30. And
12 also, the constitution committee meetings are going to be held, this
13 is something we discussed, Thursday prior to the Thursday after the
14 Tribal Council meeting. I'm going to get the Council an updated
15 calendar in case you don't have one, but the constitution meeting in
16 April will be held April 13th, that's the Thursday prior to the
17 Council meeting, at 5:30, the time is changed to 5:30. Okay, I'll get
18 you an updated calendar.

19 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: Mr. Speaker, we still got the 27th
20 going on?

21 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Yeah, I was going to mention,
22 -- it's April 13th and also April 27th, yes, so the constitution is
23 going to be meeting April 13th and April 27th at 5:30. Okay. And I
24 will get everyone an updated calendar to put these on.

1 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: The administrative cost. Is
2 that right, Mr. Hardin? We got to supply 20% with this.

3 MS. DANITA LOCKLEAR: Did you pass out a copy tonight,
4 another copy tonight?

5 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: No, just the ones that didn't have
6 it. We need to get this passed tonight because we got to have this
7 in by April to apply for this grant. So, I was hoping each one got
8 the chance to read it and understand it. Any more questions about
9 this?

10 MS. SHARON HUNT: Is the grant \$200,000 each year or -

11 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: Each year.

12 MS. SHARON HUNT: Total \$400,000.

13 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: It's \$200,000 each year. We
14 applied for 2 year right now. Mr. Hardin, you want to explain it
15 more.

16 MR. JAMES HARDIN: We got a 2-year grant, we'll be
17 receiving at least \$200,000 -

18 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: We're looking to start up at 2
19 year now. And the first year we'll looking at starting up maybe 5
20 employees.

21 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: So, you're saying \$400,000
22 with \$80,000 administrative?

23 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: Right.

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25 MR. JAMES HARDIN: We're talking bout 20% each year.

1 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: Mr. Sanford had a question,
2 he wanted to where we were gonna get the 20% from. You look at the
3 line items on the budget and certain line items on there we could
4 pull this money from. On the budget, certain line items what the
5 Tribe has been working with on that. On the budget, so we can pull
6 that 20% off them line items.

7 MS. DANITA LOCKLEAR: You're talking about we
8 incorporate into the Indian Housing Plan that we're gonna do the 5-
9 year plan, is that what I hear you saying?

10 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: I don't know that. Mr. Hardin? I
11 didn't understand your question.

12 MS. DANITA LOCKLEAR: In other words, we are fixing to
13 start a 5-year plan for the NAHASDA money that is coming in. Is that
14 what I hear Jerl saying that we would incorporate that 20% off of
15 that budget for the next fiscal year?

16 MR. JAMES HARDIN: Part of it, yes.

17 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: I'd like to offer this as motion.

18 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay we have a motion to accept
19 the 2006 ANA Grant Application Submission of motion to accept this
20 from the committee. No second is required. Is there any more
21 discussion on this resolution?
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23 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Mr. Jerl, I'm still confused.
24 I'm not sure, we're talking about we going to dip into the NAHASDA
25 funds; is that correct, the HUD funds?

1 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: Right.

2 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Okay, to help us with economic
3 development; right.

4 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: That's right.

5 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: To start up a business that's
6 called Lumbee Nations. To do what?

7 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: You didn't get a chance to read
8 your -

9 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: The packet, okay.

10 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: Everybody read this that I gave
11 you. That are several things -

12 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: I guess my concern, can we do
13 this, are we allowed to do that?

14 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: HUD says we can. HUD says we can.

15 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Can you speak up or stand up
16 so that -

17 MS. DANITA LOCKLEAR: I can stand up, that's fine.
18 When we were at the retreat, my questions to you and I want to make
19 sure that I understand this correctly was that this business was
20 going to be able - you were setting up this business and in setting
21 it up we would be able to take over some of the activities that were
22 going on at the office right now. Well, and my question to you then,
23 that would help us to basically downsize some with some of the staff
24 that we already have at the office; is that correct? If someone else
25 - if we are outsourcing some of the duties that we have already there

1 and we are paying them with NAHASDA but then we're taking
2 NAHASDA funds out of the grant that we already have, but then we are
3 going to take that money and outsource through this program, then
4 that tells me then that we're gonna downsize some because there would
5 be no need for double services. Correct me if I'm wrong.

6 MR. JAMES HARDIN: The concept is to take the asset
7 management piece of our existing housing stock group - except the 37
8 stock, and transfer it to this 4-profit corporation. There may be
9 one, at least, employee, that's currently there might go to this
10 company. At this point I couldn't say more than one. Now, what we
11 have now as you well know in our housing service component is our
12 staff are overloading trying to get people these service. Once we
13 get a home built and get them to sign off the punch list and Mr.
14 Leon Revels back away and I'm just using that component as an example
15 and that becomes an asset to the Tribe in managing that property from
16 their own, -- it shouldn't be his responsibility. He's got to get
17 more homes built. So, our staff is overloaded now. We need more
18 help in the services division. The reason we need them is because
19 they are doing the asset management piece as part of their ongoing
20 job when they're out there trying to provide a service, so we talk
21 about generating more efficiency in the housing components, this will
22 allow for that. But yet it will also burden our new 4-profit
23 corporation that will create jobs, which is the long range plan, of
24 getting 8A certification and going after the jobs and contracts 4-
25 profit. So this is the first step in getting the 4-profit company up

1 and going under the NAHASDA program, it's the only federal
2 program that the government has ever passed in my 30 years in Indian
3 business, you can match it against other federal funds. So, with
4 ANA, we are trying to get 2 or 3 dollars for every one we put into
5 the pot and we can do that with NAHASDA.

6 MS. DANITA LOCKLEAR: Okay, and the other concern that
7 I have, with this board, we can't go back and actually touch this
8 board in a sense. According to -

9 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: You mean a 4-profit board?

10 MS. DANITA LOCKLEAR: That's correct. And see when I
11 look at the makeup of this board, you know, we're - all of us sitting
12 on this Council right now are Indians. When I take and look at the
13 board that you got for this non-profit organization, all those people
14 are not Indians and I have a problem with that. And I feel like even
15 if we do have a board, we can't disband that board for one thing.
16 Once they're there, we can't disband them, we really don't - cause we
17 only have 49% of votes on that board. But, on the other hand,
18 they're not all Indian. So, that to me, presents a problem. Now it
19 may not present a problem to others, but it does to me and that's the
20 issues that I discussed with Jerl at the beach. There are issues in
21 there that I don't support.

22 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: Is it my understanding, Mr.
23 Jerl, that you said we had to match 20% of that, and you know, excuse
24 me for not knowing. Everything that we start up comes out of Indian
25 housing money; is that correct?

1 (Different responses.)

2 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: Well, this would come out of
3 housing, that 20%.

4 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: Like I tell you, like the service
5 we will be performing, we'd look at them line items. We could be
6 pulling a certain amount off certain line items.

7 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: Maybe I need to ask Mr. Hardin
8 and he projected a profit. Is that this year, next year, 5 years
9 down the road? And we don't have no control over this program.

10 MR. JAMES HARDIN: I'm afraid that's incorrect, Mr.
11 Richard. You do have control. IN the bylaws of that company, this
12 Council is the shareholders. You can meet annual and make decisions.
13 As Mr. Welford said about your previous ordinance, it's a working
14 corporation, working document, our bylaws. We're trying to get it
15 off the ground. If we don't get it off the ground and we'll be
16 sitting here stagnant for the next 5 years. But the Council does
17 have control of that corporation. You created it and you have an
18 annual shareholders meeting, just like Sears and Roebuck does and
19 Walmart to their shareholders. It's a corporation and you control
20 it.

21 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: In my layman's way of thinking,
22 if we have 100 people going down there applying for the services,
23 rehab, new houses, down payment assistance, it's no reflection on
24 you, Mr. Jerl, I'm just new, if I got 50% of them being turned away
25 that wants windows, doors and air conditioners in their house, to me

1 it looks like we're taking housing money from people that need
2 housing money and going on a wild goose chase. Now that just mine.
3 Maybe somebody can re-educate me. Every time somebody calls me,
4 well, Mr. Locklear, I couldn't get my house fixed. I'm about tired
5 of hearing that.

6 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: Maybe Mr. Hardin will explain it.

7 MR. JAMES HARDIN: One other comment. We're trying to
8 form a corporation that we evolve in to a full pledge construction
9 company owned by the Tribe. We've been looking to do that and
10 gradually work at Fort Bragg to create jobs, but once that
11 construction company is formed it can build homes cheaper for Tribal
12 members. So, it's a long term plan that's going to be an investment
13 back into our community. We're trying to invest a few dollars now
14 that 2 or 3 years down the road we'll turn multiple dollars back into
15 our community for housing services. NAHASDA is about becoming self-
16 sufficient and this is what you need to do in terms of the Tribe
17 growing a corporation that can provide services back to the Tribal
18 members related to housing and this is what this is about.

19 MS. PAM SPAULDING: And I don't know who to address
20 this to, Mr. Jerl, Mr. Hardin, but this is the first time I've seen
21 this and I apologize. If I'm looking at this correctly, it says
22 proposed year one budget, \$381,150 and just said that the total
23 budget was \$400,000, so am I correct when I see that this says year
24 one the budget is \$381,000.

1 MR. JAMES HARDIN: That's the draft you have.
2 The final budget is still in development. We should have that
3 finalized by the middle of next week.

4 MS. PAM SPAULDING: Will it be within the guidelines
5 of this \$200,000 plus the - the \$240,000 total?

6 MR. JAMES HARDIN: We're looking at approximately \$250
7 to \$300 thousand dollars will be the final budget. (Inaudible.)

8 MS. PAM SPAULDING: Okay, but that was my question.
9 So, then, we've already said we got 200 that we're going after in
10 this grant. We've got to do the matching funds of 40, and where's
11 that other 40, 50 coming from that's above and beyond that?

12 MR. JAMES HARDIN: Well, under the ANA program, you
13 can match it - the minimal is 20%. You can match is more. Now you
14 are going to competing against 100's of applications from across the
15 nation and the more you can match it with the better. The 20% is the
16 minimal. So there are ways we can raise that. What we have proposed
17 to the economic development committee, going back to November, there
18 have been several meetings on this in committee and this concept has
19 been presented thoroughly, I think. We have proposed at least up to
20 \$100,000 out of the NAHASDA grant to help match this grant, and
21 again, we're looking at maybe getting 2 to 300 thousand on ANA.
22 Again, if we get that money and it's funded, this project won't be
23 funded actually until October 1st. So, we're looking at not even
24 looking at money this fiscal year. It would be in the next year
25 anyway. You follow me? So, anyway, in terms of what you asked the

1 maximum amount, if we go with the minimum we may not get funded.
2 We are going to try to the project in such a way that it will get
3 funded.

4 MS. PAM SPAULDING: I just got a little gun shy, I'm
5 sorry -

6 MR. JAMES HARDIN: Yeah, I understand.

7 MS. PAM SPAULDING: -- from the first meeting that I -
8 I fully intended to just sit back and keep my mouth shut and listen
9 and learn. But when somebody tells me that there is a grant, a
10 supposed grant that just fell through and that that's what we were
11 banking on, I'm sorry, that just makes me a little gun shy.

12 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: With the government cutting back
13 on our funds like they are and the potential of the cutbacks, if
14 don't do something now to start being more self-sufficient in our
15 funds and in our money, you know, we're gonna go backwards and you
16 might as well close the doors. One of the things that I talked about
17 when I was campaigning was us doing our own construction, us doing
18 our own roofs, us doing our own houses or building them in a plant
19 somewhere and sitting them out a mobile home to save money rather
20 than spend money. Right now, we're paying roofers X number of
21 dollars per square when we could get them put on a lot less than
22 that, bulk stock pile materials and stuff in this corporation and
23 save the Tribe money, and the money that we're putting in matching
24 would be realized in savings in a little bit of time with the amount
25 of construction and rehab that we do if we utilize it properly.

1 That's the key, you got to utilize it properly, you know, that's
2 the key. You got to utilize it properly. So, I stand in support of
3 doing this because we got to do something to start being more self-
4 sufficient than relying on Uncle Sam all the time when Uncle Sam is
5 all the time cutting our purse, so to speak, although we are getting
6 a little extra next year, I understand.

7 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: I heard y'all saying in Council
8 meetings several times about we need to try to look for other monies,
9 we need - what is it called, -- discretionary money, we need to work
10 for that. And this is a goal to work to where we can start doing
11 contracts with the government, this is the starting process.

12 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Mr. Jerl, you know that I would
13 do anything I possibly could to support this and I agree that we have
14 to start being self-sufficient. My problem is this, I agree with
15 Danita. We've had Council members who had advocated all along that
16 it's Indian preference. I know I can look out here and I can see at
17 least 3 individuals that I know that would be able to replace the
18 Board of Director that we have on there and is not an Indian. My
19 second concern is that the document that I have read that deals with
20 bylaws is an old document that we've had and - but with a couple of
21 changes. Number one, we have incorporated the Chairman into this
22 shareholders, the Chairman is there along with the Tribal Council
23 members, however the document that I read that came from this office
24 clearly states that the Board of Directors of this corporation owns
25 51% of it and the Tribal government, the Tribal membership, the

1 people that we were elected to serve, owns the 49% of it. I'm
2 just real concerned about if we're voting for this, are we also
3 voting, number one, for the Board of Directors that's on that sheet,
4 are we voting for the bylaws that was in the document as well?

5 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: This is just an ANA Grant. You're
6 not voting on nothing on that.

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8 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: But the bylaws state that this is
9 - the resolution states - what's the name of the business that we
10 have listed there, -- I mean on the grant?

11 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: Oh, the grant, the name of the
12 grant?

13 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Yes.

14 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: Administration for Native
15 American.

16 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: I mean, what we going to use it
17 for, what does it say?

18 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: Corporation -- Lumbee Tribe
19 Corporation.

20 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Okay, the Lumbee Tribe
21 Corporation, however is that not what they bylaws read? Is that not
22 what this Board of Directors is? That's my concern. You know, I
23 just have a problem with not knowing all those - of it.

24 MR. KENT HUNT: I'm in support of this resolution.
25 Simply because I know that the Tribe does need a way to bring monies

1 back into the Tribe because, as Mr. Jerl stated we could
2 possibly receive cuts in our federal funds in the next few years.
3 Obviously with the war going on and some other key programs with the
4 President as already stated that if there is not enough activity in
5 the program, then they will be cut. But as Ms. Linda stated I'd like
6 to start up the company and I think the company is important because
7 - one of our goals that Ms. Danita stated this weekend that we do
8 need our own construction company for the Tribe, but I do want to see
9 the company started up but I think we need to, as Ms. Linda stated, I
10 would to see the bylaws changed and I'd like to see us reappoint a
11 new Board of Directors for this company. Simply because of the age
12 of the bylaws and the appointment of the Board of Directors.

13 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: We just voted on the Board of
14 Directors, what, 2 or 3 months ago, we carried it to Council and they
15 voted on it.

16 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: A couple of months back, last
17 fall, something like that.

18 MR. JOHN LOWERY: I was not able to go down to the
19 beach this past week so I didn't have a chance to get a hold
20 (inaudible), and now I guess I can point this to Mr. Hardin. Mr.
21 Hardin, does this also follow other tribes as far as their board of
22 directors and stuff, because I know in my travels throughout Indian
23 country and stuff, I have seen Tribal Council and then there's also a
24 Board of Directors. So, is this something just like that or similar
25 to this as far as other tribes?

1 MR. JOHN HARDIN: Yeah, absolutely, the Cherokee
2 have their own construction company up in the mountains, the South
3 Dakota Sioux have their own, they are saving their Tribal members a
4 lot of money building cheaper homes. We're just trying to follow in
5 that mode, keeping in mind that this is a long term plan to get the
6 company birthed and off the ground with an asset management piece and
7 grow it into a construction company which can then go to 8A
8 certification levels. So, it's part of a long range plan and if we
9 don't take the first step we're never get it.

10 MR. JOHN LOWERY: And I would like to say that I would
11 love to take the first step, if anybody here has ever been in a
12 business you know that the number one thing as far as starting a
13 business is taking risks. We will, whether we do it now or in the
14 future, I hope that this Tribal Council will take that risk to let's
15 start this, our own for profit organization with this tribe. We need
16 this. We steady depend on housing money. That's all we're gonna do
17 is housing. That's what we are going to do from now on. And just
18 like we all know, the President, he wants to slash taxes. First
19 people they always go after is who, minorities. So we are going to
20 sit around here and just think we are going to build houses and
21 that's it and then after a while 14 million, 10 million, 5 million,
22 and 2 million, we won't even have place to meet in, so y'all better,
23 let's do something as far as let's get started. There's a lot of
24 opposition towards it right now. If you would like, and I'm asking
25 you, I would like to recommend that we sent this back to your

1 committee just so we can hammer this out so that next month we
2 can all vote, hopefully together to move forward. I'm asking the
3 Chair, but now if you want to, -- there's a lot of opposition
4
5 and if it's shot down tonight you'll have to turn around and do it
6 again at the next meeting.

7 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: Are you saying send the resolution
8 back to committee?

9 MR. JOHN LOWERY: Yes, sir, if that's the way you
10 feel.

11 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: We got a time deadline. We have
12 to get it out now by April the 5th. The last meeting I had there was
13 no show with nobody.

14 UNIDENTIFIED: Call for question.

15 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, I had a call for
16 question, requires 2/3 vote. And let's do this by voice vote. Call
17 for question ends the debate. That's what we're voting on right now.
18 All those in favor of ending the debate say aye. (Aye responses.)
19 All those opposed, say no. (No responses.) Okay, I want you to
20 raise your hands? All those opposed of ending the debate, please
21 raise your right hand.

22 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: Opposed?

23 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: This is the vote on, is ending
24 the debate right now.

25 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: Opposition?

1 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Yeah, okay. Voting yes
2 to end the debate raise your right hand, if you're voting yes to end
3 the debate. Please raise your hand. Okay, I got 15. Okay, those
4 against ending the debate, this is a no to end the debate. Okay, I
5 got 4 against ending the debate. Motion carries to end the debate.
6 The vote is to accept the resolution entitled Tribal Council approves
7 2006 ANA Grant Application Submission. Since this is legislation
8 there will be a roll call vote on this. The vote is yes to adopt, no
9 to reject. Ms. Wendy.

10 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM:

11	Larece Hunt:	Yes.
12	Sharon Hunt:	Yes.
13	Gerald Goolsby:	Yes.
14	(David Carter:	Absent.)
15	Pam Spaulding:	Yes.
16	Sanford Locklear:	Yes.
17	Kent Hunt:	Yes.
18	John Lowery:	Yes.
19	Frances Chavis	Yes.
20	Lawrence Locklear:	Yes.
21	Joel Garth Locklear:	Yes.
22	James Harold Locklear:	Yes.
23	Wendy Moore-Graham:	Yes.
24	Jerl Locklear:	Yes.

1 Linda Hammonds: I'm abstaining. I
2 did not get my questions answered.

3 Jimmy McNeill: Yes.

4 Richard Locklear: Yes.

5 Danita Locklear: No.

6 Shelley Strickland: Yes.

7 Ricky Burnette: Yes.

8 Welford Clark: No.

9 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: 17 yes, 2 no, 1 abstain.

10 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, by a vote of 17 yes's
11 and 2 no's, the resolution is adopted.

12 MR. JERL LOCKLEAR: I have one more thing, I'd like to
13 set my committee meeting up on the first Thursday night of every
14 month at 6:30. Starting in April, that's April the 6th. Then it will
15 be the first Thursday of every month.

16 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: That's economic development is
17 the first Thursday of every month, that's in April, it's going to be
18 April 6th at 6:30.

19 **EDUCATION AND CULTURE**

20 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: Good evening everybody. My
21 name is Wendy Moore-Graham. I present South Pembroke and the Union
22 district which is District 7. I thank you for giving me the
23 opportunity to be here tonight. I come to you on behalf of the
24 education and culture committee. We know it, everybody knows that
25 our children are in trouble. Our communities are in trouble, and

1 why? Because we have such a high dropout rate. I'm a firm
2 believer that until the Lumbee people rise up together and address
3 the dropout issue, our dropout rates are going to continue to rise
4 steadily in each and every district. This Tribe is going to have to
5 come together with already existing programs such as Indian Education
6 and come in and support and enhance. Now listen, I said support and
7 enhance I did not say take over. There's a big difference. We have
8 component people that are in places and they need some help. We have
9 children that we are losing everyday. I have statistics that I have
10 given to each Council member that tells us that we have a vast
11 problem and the biggest problem with our dropout rate deals with the
12 grassroots issue of identity. Our children have a problem fitting
13 in. They have a problem understanding who they are, what it is to be
14 Lumbee. So this is why I believe it's imperative that both education
15 and culture come together because first I have to teach my child who
16 he is or she is, what she has to be proud of in order to embrace the
17 dominant society's methods of education. We have 2 component of
18 education. We have culture education and we have our base public
19 education. I have given report to - we have a community meeting
20 February 16th, we had 7 people in attendance. One of the issues that
21 came, came from residents from Scotland County and they're issue was
22 that there was money being designated under Title VII that was being
23 disbursed into the general fund. That the Native American children
24 were not benefitting. And the question was asked, a parent asked,
25 why was this happening and the response that the parent got was

1 because Title VII monies are discriminatory. Folks, monies that
2 are set aside for Indian children should be used for Indian children.
3 We have a public fund that is a general fund that covers the other
4 masses and when our funds are designated and earmarked we should not
5 and we will not allow people to come in and just arbitrarily dictate
6 to us what our rights are. Now, folks I sound very radical but I'm
7 very passionate. I love our Indian people, but I understand the
8 importance that education plays in our success. Just as self-
9 sufficiency plays its part. So, I have given out some information
10 that shows that we have dropout rates that are up to 48%. I can
11 speak for Robeson County. Out of 605 students to drop out, 292 were
12 American Indian. Folks if that don't strike a cord in your heart,
13 you got heart trouble and they ain't a doctor can fix it. We need to
14 put our priorities in order. Houses are fine, but houses can be
15 replaced, children can't. So, I would ask that each Council member
16 take upon yourself. My meeting will be held in the Tribal office
17 this coming Monday at 6:30. We will address issues of education,
18 goals and objectives that the education and culture committee wants
19 to address, but we have, we have to address them dualistically. It
20 is hard to separate the two. I have given you an agenda and I would
21 just like to say that you all would come and participate and that the
22 communities would come and participate with us to help address this
23 drastic issue of the dropout rate. When 48% of the dropouts are
24 American Indian and an American Indian doesn't step to the plate to
25 say we have a problem and we need to address it, then there is

1 something wrong in Indian country. So, Monday night at 6:30 I
2 would ask for those of you who are concerned and each of you need to
3 look at your district and see what your percentages are, your county.
4 Robeson County is 48%. So, you need to look at Hoke County, Scotland
5 County, Cumberland County, you need to take a look at these issues
6 and I would ask you for your support on committee. Thank you for
7 your time, and thank you.

8 MR. JOHN LOWERY: I have to leave. It's been a good
9 time. Cumberland County, y'all looked great tonight. Thank you for
10 coming out and I hope if we have any further meetings here, I hope we
11 come back to this nice facility. Please excuse me.

12 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, education and culture is
13 going to meet Monday, March 27th at 6:30 p.m

14 **ETHICS COMMITTEE**

15 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: Yeah, April 6th after Jerl's
16 meeting at 7:30, we'll have a meeting. We need to elect a chair.

17 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Ethics will meet again on
18 April 6th, that's Thursday, April 6th, at 7:30. That's meeting after
19 economic development.

20 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: We will be electing officers at
21 that meeting.

22 - BREAK at 8:30 p.m.-

23 - BACK at 8:45 p.m -

24 **FEDERAL RECOGNITION COMMITTEE**

1 MR. JOEL GARTH LOCKLEAR: Good evening. I'm
2 chairman of the Federal Recognition committee for our Tribe. There
3 are a lot things going on across the nation. It takes a lot of money
4 with lobbying and so forth that reach many of these senators and
5 congressman and it takes a lot of personal contact. The last few
6 days until this morning, I received home and Mr. Leon, myself and our
7 lawyers and representatives went down to Mississippi. I just enjoyed
8 hearing what Jerl was saying a while ago and attempting to do. Going
9 down to Mississippi and met the chief down there and that little
10 tribe, only 9000 in that tribe. They employ - they are the 3rd
11 largest employer in the state of Mississippi. Because they started a
12 program like Jerl is talking about, about a dozen years ago. They
13 got a casino now and it employs a lot of people, but their people
14 almost 10 years go, they totally almost were unemployed. They had
15 about 5000 people of the tribe, now about 4000 moved back home since
16 they started making money. But they are all employed. They finance
17 their own homes for people, 3% interest to build a new home. They
18 have a casino. They built it about 10 years ago, and they said they
19 planned for it to take 9 or 10 years to pay it off, they paid it off
20 in less than one year, and they are in a place in the woods, as he
21 said, he gotta be coming here t come here. They got bus loads coming
22 out all over places. I'm not trying to sell a casino to you, but I'm
23 telling you that this a group of people that's got it together. They
24 got it together because they are together. They have all kinds of
25 construction jobs going on across the country, big construction

1 companies. They started out with one construction company and
2 they kept adding more construction companies and monies coming in and
3 they got a plant in New Mexico because it's cheaper for them to have
4 something built there and shipped back to them. Because they looked
5 and seen what they could do by working together. And we can do even
6 better if we'll work together and care about one another and move
7 forward. Because we got the expertise. We got the best people in
8 the world to work, because our people will work if you pay them.
9 These people are being paid and being paid out a bunch. If their
10 kids want to go to college, and they encourage them to go to college,
11 they'll send them to any college they want to go to and all the bills
12 are paid for, it's free as it can be. So, it was a grand experience
13 to have met this chief and listen to what they're doing in
14 Mississippi and knowing that we could come home and our people,
15 leadership on this Council can do the same thing. It's just a matter
16 of working together. Now, in federal recognition, we raised better
17 than \$40,000 at our federal recognition banquet and I'm very grateful
18 for that, very excited. I want to thank this young lady. One fellow
19 she sold a ticket to and he sat at the table with us, he joined and
20 paid \$1000 and our senator gave us \$1000. It's because they seen the
21 wisdom of what we are trying to do and seriously want to help us get
22 recognized. Now that means we have to learn to respect and work with
23 each other. This business of the news going all over the country bad
24 news. They talk about senators and congressman getting faxes all the
25 time and on the internet getting bad reports. We got no excuse for

1 that. We are better people than that and it's time we started
2 just concentrating on what we can do to highlight the best part of
3 our people and our best efforts. You know if you can't be an asset
4 at this table, you ought to leave and let somebody else take your
5 place. If I'm not an asset get rid of me, send me home. Now, we
6 have a program some of you have never heard of. It's the Federal
7 Recognition Program, a way of raising funds. If you want to join our
8 Federal Recognition Club, it will cost you up to \$1000 and your name,
9 whatever name you select, it may be your mother, father, grandfather,
10 your own or your own child, will be placed once you pay that \$1000 on
11 the honor roll wall which will be built with our new Tribal building,
12 giving honor to you and to your history and your family for all your
13 people who come in the next hundreds of years and come to see where
14 grandpa or grandma where she gave in supporting federal recognition.
15 We are going to put all that on the wall. Join us. You don't have
16 to pay \$1000 tonight, but you can get as low as \$17 a month and send
17 it in, all tax deductible. Or you can send \$50 every 6 months. In 5
18 years, either way, you'll have it paid off. You'll have your name or
19 your loved ones name that you want to honor. I'm honoring my mother
20 and father with my brothers and sisters' help. So, join with us and
21 help us raise the money ourselves. There are some things we can't -
22 we can't get money out of housing, we can't get money out of the
23 treasure, we have to raise it ourselves, money for federal
24 recognition. Keep that in mind, all this housing money and all this
25 money coming in, we cannot touch one dime of it. In order to support

1 federal recognition it depends on you and me and people like us
2 and your friends. If we get federal recognition, then you'll see the
3 blessings that you've never seen before, and see the opportunity that
4 you've never seen before.

5 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Mr. Garth is going to start
6 meeting the first Monday night of each month. For April that's going
7 to change. So the next federal recognition committee meeting is
8 going to be Tuesday, April 4th at 6:00.

9 **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

10 MS. DANITA LOCKLEAR: We had our finance meeting on
11 March 14th, and from our previous Council meeting there was some
12 issues brought out there that was sent back to committee. One of
13 those concerns was the stipend. We talked about a stipend in that
14 meeting and it was sent back to committee for discussion. There was
15 a resolution done and we met back in committee we discussed and
16 during the retreat this past weekend, I think there was maybe 14 or
17 15 of us there. Some of us did look over at that time and had some
18 concerns and questions and we addressed some of those issues there.
19 Those of you that were not there, I don't know if you've had time to
20 look at it or not. But if you have, if you have any concerns, please
21 make them known at this time.

22 But we did try to address everything in this resolution. If you have
23 any concerns we will address them now.

24 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: So, this is a motion?

25 MS. DANITA LOCKLEAR: Yes.

1 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: We have a motion from
2 committee to adopt this resolution on the stipend. Since it's coming
3 from committee, no second is required, is there any discussion?

4 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: Can I make a friendly amendment
5 to number one and add maximum of 3 hours. Add a time on number one
6 where you got 2 hours for the committee, put 3 hours for the Council
7 meeting because it's hard to know how long a Council meeting is going
8 to last. A motion to amend that as it states in number 2, where is
9 says 75% of a maximum time of 2 hours for each committee meeting, add
10 that to number 1 but let it be 3 hours.

11 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, so I have a motion to
12 add 3 hours to, -- this is under the last therefore, number one, must
13 attend 75%, add not to exceed 3 hours. It's similar to what's under
14 number 2 aii.

15 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: Mr. Speaker, the reasons for that
16 is it's hard for us, in other words we had a member to leave tonight
17 for whatever reason and it may be an emergency that he had to go and
18 he might have missed it by 5 hours, some of our meetings last a long
19 time, I mean I've been in until what, 12 o'clock, and some of these
20 people have been at it longer than I have and even some that's even
21 longer than that possibly, so I think it just needs to be guideline
22 there on the amount if it's not 3 hours, somebody could recommend
23 another time. But I offer that in a motion.

24 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: I have a motion on the floor
25 to add "not to exceed 3 hours" to item number 1, is there a second?

1 Okay, hearing no second, that motion dies. Any other
2 discussion? Hearing no other discussion, since this is legislation,
3 we will vote by roll call. Okay, what we're voting on now is the
4 resolution on the stipend. That's what we're voting on now. Ms.
5 Wendy.

6 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM:

7	Larece Hunt:	Yes.
8	Sharon Hunt:	Yes.
9	Gerald Goolsby:	Yes.
10	(David Carter:	Absent.)
11	Pam Spaulding:	Yes.
12	Sanford Locklear:	Yes.
13	Kent Hunt:	Yes.
14	John Lowery:	Left early.
15	Frances Chavis	Yes.
16	Lawrence Locklear:	No.
17	Joel Garth Locklear:	Yes.
18	James Harold Locklear:	Yes.
19	Wendy Moore-Graham:	Yes.
20	Jerl Locklear:	Yes.
21	Linda Hammonds:	Yes.
22	Jimmy McNeill:	Yes.
23	Richard Locklear:	No.
24	Danita Locklear:	Yes.
25	Shelley Strickland:	Yes.

1 Ricky Burnette: No.

2 Welford Clark: Yes.

3 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: 16 yes, 4 no.

4 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, by a vote of 16 yes and
5 3 nays, the resolution on the stipend is approved. We did go over
6 the budget, but I had called to the office today and asked that the
7 budget be there for pick up. I don't have them. I don't know what
8 the problem was for approval tonight. We have not had them for the
9 last 2 months. So, we actually need the last 2 months budgets for
10 approval. And that's all I have.

11 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: When's your next committee
12 meeting.

13 MS. DANITA LOCKLEAR: The next committee meeting is
14 April the 18th at 6:30.

15 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: So the next finance committee
16 meeting is Tuesday, April 18th at 6:30.

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19 **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

20 MR. LARECE HUNT: Ladies and gentleman, 23rd of March,
21 2006. Let me emphasize again, 2006, not 1926, not 1936. In 8 days
22 we have members of our Tribe who will be forced to make a decision,
23 do I pay my light bill, do I buy grocery or do I pay for my medicine?
24 We have a serious problem. April 11th at 6:30, the health and human
25 resources committee will meet. We need you help, we need to find

1 ways to help our folks get relief with medication. Medicaid
2 Part D, the deadline for making your decision on that is May 15th.
3 Federal government has announced if you have not made your choice by
4 May 15th, there is a penalty. The whole nation as a whole, the United
5 States as a whole has failed to get the information out to the people
6 the proper manner then they will be able to make those decisions by
7 May 15th. I challenge you as Council, I challenge you as audience,
8 let's help get the message out.

9 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: The meeting date is April the
10 11th at 6:30, health and human resources.

11 **HOUSING**

12 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: I have some new announcements.
13 We have, and some of you might not have got your calendar, we got a
14 meeting - our meeting date will be the first Tuesday of each month at
15 6:30 and that will be on the side of federal recognition committee.
16 My second announcement, Mr. Ricky Burnette and I think he done a
17 great job getting you fellows out here tonight. Y'all ought to
18 really appreciate him because he works hard sometime. He will be my
19 vice-chair on the housing committee. I hope I don't have to use him,
20 I try not to miss any meetings. Mr. Bosco at our committee meeting
21 dispensed information, I think it's in your box about the present
22 dispensation of budget monies. We also discussed the need for work
23 sessions on our Indian housing policy. Hopefully we can work that
24 with the staff and/or administration. We can get on with that. I
25 beg for you people to attend not only these community meetings, but

1 for the full Council meetings and the committees in general,
2 housing, rehab, whatever. I have these, -- this is how I handle my
3 life, -- these are the Lumbee Tribe file checklist. A lot of you
4 folks go down for housing assistance or rehab or whatever, they give
5 you this and then you have to drive all the way back to Cumberland
6 and/or Scotland County to get a copy of your birth certificate,
7 Tribal enrollment cards, social security cards, handicap information,
8 proof of income. And to me that's a wasted trip. People should
9 these passed out in their communities. Most of the time the intake
10 specialist has them and you have to drive back to wherever you live
11 to get this information if you don't call ahead of time. I brought
12 some. I don't know where they're at. They're with Mr. Baker back
13 there. He's probably giving them out or done and gave them out. But
14 get you one before you leave here, get you two or three and give them
15 to your neighbor if you know they're hunting assistance. Okay. We
16 brought up, developed, designed, I'm new at this job a resolution and
17 I passed it out to my co-Council and if they want to look at it, it's
18 - I don't know if I need to read it or just ask you to look at it,
19 but the bottom line of it is that the executive branch should present
20 a budget to us in a timely manner, the Council, so that we can review
21 it, modify it, and I guarantee my co-Council there will need to be
22 modifications made in it. I'm not shy to say it. And doing that, it
23 takes time. From what I understand the budget has to go to
24 Washington July 1; is that correct? So, if we hold it up and I say

1 this to the public, it will be administration and Council that
2 held it up.

3 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: I'm sorry, do I have the wrong
4 one? I don't see anything about budget.

5 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: Well, the Indian Housing Plan.
6 I'm sorry. I'm new with this, sir, you have to bear with me. But
7 either way, this resolution was brought before my committee. Any
8 questions, -- and Lawrence is helping me out with this.

9 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, so we have a resolution
10 from the housing committee, no second is required since it's coming
11 from committee. Is there any discussion on this resolution?

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14 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: And this is simply drawing a
15 timeline. We can go into committee and discuss it all we want, but
16 this is simply drawing a timeline. That's all it's doing.

17 MR. WELFORD CLARK: Remind me again of the date that
18 this has to HUD.

19 MR. LEON JACOBS: July 1st, 2006.

20 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay. Any discussion? Okay,
21 hearing no discussion, all those in favor of the resolution
22 establishing a timeline for the Indian Housing Plan, this will be a
23 roll call vote since it is legislation. Ms. Wendy.

24 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM:

25 Larece Hunt: Yes.

1	Sharon Hunt:	Yes.
2	Gerald Goolsby:	Yes.
3	(David Carter:	Absent.)
4	Pam Spaulding:	Yes.
5	Sanford Locklear:	Yes.
6	Kent Hunt:	Yes.
7	(John Lowery:	Left early.)
8	Frances Chavis	Yes.
9	Lawrence Locklear:	Yes.
10	Joel Garth Locklear:	Yes.
11	James Harold Locklear:	No.
12	Wendy Moore-Graham:	Yes.
13	Jerl Locklear:	Yes.
14	Linda Hammonds:	Yes.
15	Jimmy McNeill:	Yes.
16	Richard Locklear:	Yes.
17	Danita Locklear:	Yes.
18	Shelley Strickland:	Yes.
19	Ricky Burnette:	Yes.
20	Welford Clark:	Yes.

21 MS. WENDY MOORE-GRAHAM: 18 yes, 1 no.

22 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, by a vote of 18 yeahs and
 23 1 nay, the resolution on establishing a timeline for the Indian
 24 Housing Plan is approved.

1 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: In the future, may I offer
2 the suggestion that all resolutions and ordinances be (inaudible).

3 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: The suggestion was that all
4 resolutions and ordinances be given out at the beginning of the
5 meeting, give each Council member a copy of it prior to the beginning
6 of the meeting, when you first come in. Each Council member present
7 or any documentation that may need to read.

8 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: We have a nomination - yeah, we
9 do have 2 nominees, that's Mr. Ricky Burnette as first alternate, I
10 mean as first person chosen with Ms. Linda Hammonds being second
11 person chosen to be seated on the North Carolina Indian Housing
12 Authority. This was in committee also and it needs to be approved
13 here before full Council.

14 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, so a motion from the
15 committee to fill a seat to be soon vacated on the North Carolina
16 Housing Authority with the first choice being Mr. Ricky Burnette and
17 the second being Ms. Linda Hammonds to serve on the North Carolina
18 Indian Housing Authority.

19 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: May I discuss that just for a
20 second. I believe that this is - Mr. Al Locklear's position will be
21 up in August I think it is of this year or maybe July, maybe earlier
22 than that. And since this is a governor appointee there must be 2
23 names that go in. So, the names that are going in, of course with
24 Mr. Ricky Burnette being the first choice.

1 MR. JAMES HAROLD LOCKLEAR: When was this - when
2 were there discussion or debate about this? I mean, is it already
3 been done?

4 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: In housing.

5 MR. JAMES HAROLD LOCKLEAR: In housing? So what
6 you're saying the decision is made right now for these 2 people or -

7 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: We're getting to vote on it,
8 yes.

9 MR. JAMES HAROLD LOCKLEAR: Nominations are not closed
10 then, are they?

11 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: You have to be appointed by
12 the Council.

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14 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: Mr. Speaker and I'm trying to
15 remember so correct me and I'm sure you will, did we not write an
16 ordinance or resolution or something that stated that when we're
17 seating anybody on an outside board or committee that we would do our
18 best to find non-Council members to do that. If so, why would it be
19 reversed that tonight and chose 2 Council members as the
20 representatives for that. I understand you got to be confirmed by
21 the governor. You under, -- we should be looking for somebody
22 outside the Council to do that. By our own ordinance, our own
23 rules.

24 MR. JAMES HAROLD LOCKLEAR: And further discussion, I
25 remember one time in an election of offices we tried to keep the

1 offices - a person to one office. Now, the way I understand
2 these folks names, they've already been committed to like 2 or 3
3 Council seats and so how - I mean, the time spent on these different
4 seats that you serve on and now you - that takes up a lot of time
5 and, you know, there's 21 people here or 19 or whatever here tonight
6 and you know some of us are not busy doing anything.

7 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, Ms. Danita.

8 MS. DANITA LOCKLEAR: This is where the drawback
9 comes, where some of these ordinances come from, that lot's of times
10 the people don't show up in committee meetings, people don't show up
11 in Council meetings to make decisions and some people have been a
12 part of committee meetings starting out but then they fall by the
13 wayside and chose not to come anymore. Some come sometime, some
14 don't come at all.

15 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: My train of thought is somebody
16 off the board here would be better informed than a lay person out in
17 the community. We vote from administrative side and the Council side
18 about Lumbee housing, or Indian housing I'll put it like that. And
19 these 2 people were nominated. They are good attendees in Council
20 and it's just my thought that we need somebody that's informed about
21 Lumbee business, I'll put it like that.

22 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: You know, the only thing is I
23 believe - I'm not sure, -- this particular board meets every 3
24 months, once a month? Okay. Currently we have Craig McMillian who
25 was a past Tribal Council member who is still serving, and of course

1 Al Locklear who is past Council member who served. You had
2 Jimmy Hunt who was a past Tribal Council member who served. Now
3 there appointee positions come around one time per year. That is
4 true, that is in the ordinance, up until this time, this Council has
5 been appointing the people to these particular types of boards.

6 MR. JAMES HAROLD LOCKLEAR: At this time I nominate Mr.
7 Gerald Goolsby.

8 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: I don't want it. I'd rather
9 stick by our ordinance and get somebody outside the Council. No
10 disrespect.

11 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, is there any more
12 discussion on the motion, the motion is to nominate first choice Mr.
13 Ricky Burnette, second choice Ms. Linda Hammonds to file the seat
14 that's coming up on the North Carolina Indian Housing Authority.

15 MR. KENT HUNT: Mr. Speaker, is Mr. Burnette in
16 agreement in taking this position?

17 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Yeah.

18 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: Let me qualify my - I think
19 Brother Burnette would do a wonderful job and Ms. Linda would do a
20 good job. My only concern is we do have an ordinance that says we
21 will seat someone outside Council.

22 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: It doesn't say we have to.

23 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: It says with all possibility, all
24 efforts and what effort have we made to do that. You speak about the
25 housing committee, you know, I'm a member of the housing committee

1 and I wouldn't (inaudible) so I didn't get an input on it, I
2 feel kind of bad about doing it now, but we need an effort to find
3 someone outside the Council, you know, a former Council member. I
4 know - District 2 former Council member is a very knowledgeable
5 person, you know, of Indian Housing laws and rules. I guess -

6 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, is there any more
7 discussion? Okay, hearing no more discussion since this is not
8 legislation we will first do it by voice vote and see how the vote
9 goes and see if any clarification is needed at that point. All those
10 in favor of those 2 names to fill the seat on the North Carolina
11 Housing Authority, say aye. (Aye responses.) Those opposed, say no.
12 (Opposed responses.) Okay, motion carries.

13 MR. JAMES HAROLD LOCKLEAR: The ordinance don't count
14 for anything, Mr. Lawrence?

15 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: The committee I think made an
16 effort and that's why we have our committees and we take the
17 recommendations from our committee and I think the committee did an
18 excellent job trying to find someone to do it.

19 MS. LINDA HAMMONDS: Mr. Lawrence, just for
20 clarification, --

21 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Okay, we voted on it, we are
22 going to move on. The Council has made its decision. The next
23 committee meeting is going to be on Tuesday, April 4th at 6:30.
24 That's going to be right after federal recognition.

25 **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

1 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Public relations is going
2 to be meeting on Monday, March 27th, right after the education and
3 culture committee. There's nothing to report at this time, but
4 please come. We are going to work on, like I mentioned at the last
5 meeting developing strategies to improve public relations for the
6 Tribe.

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9 **NEW BUSINESS**

10 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: There's no new business on the
11 agenda.

12 **COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

13 MS. GLADYS: I got 3 minutes. I'd just like to thank
14 you all for choosing to come to our community. I'm honored. Our
15 community is honored. I just would like to say that we didn't get
16 notice, our community didn't get notice in sufficient time.
17 Everybody didn't know. Somebody spoke to me when I came in and said,
18 "you didn't tell us", but we were depending on the Tribal Council to
19 notify everybody, so if that would have our job we would've tried to
20 let more people know. But we still got a good group so we thank you
21 all for having the meeting here and doing business in our community.
22 I just want to say that we're going to do some renovations to our
23 building and I want to ask your support. I've had some hindrances
24 from the Lumbee Tribe in the past and I hope that won't happen again.
25 I don't want to discuss that now but I hope that will never happen

1 again. I want to attend your housing meeting, you said it was
2 Tuesday, I'll ask you for the date later. I went to the Tribal
3 office today to the enrollment office and everything was handled
4 wonderful. I'm trying to be fast though and I'm stumbling over my
5 words. My granddaughter was accepted at UNC-Chapel Hill, we found
6 out yesterday and she got a full Bill Gates scholarship. I can also
7 say that we are very proud of Mr. Burnette. He represents us real
8 well. Our community stands behind him 100% and I want to let you
9 know that and he supports us too, so any way that we can help him we
10 are willing to do that. We're disappointed that we didn't see the
11 Chief, but I want to say that on behalf of United Tribe, very
12 quickly, we didn't have him on our agenda but we would have had I
13 been able to get up with him. So, you didn't see, -- you know, all
14 the Chiefs were mostly on the agenda, the program and we would have
15 put him on there as well, but I was unable to get up with him 2 weeks
16 before, so I left messages and he didn't call me back. So, you know,
17 you may have been sick or whatever, but I want to also say that there
18 may be times when our building is finished we may want you to add a
19 room in our center for these services that we spoke of, so that our
20 people will not have to drive to Pembroke. I drove down there today
21 and I took off from work, it took me 4 hours to go down there and get
22 all I needed for my granddaughter and while I was there I renewed my
23 card as well, but it took me, it was 4 hours to take care of
24 business. A lot of people here, in Fayetteville, don't have that
25 opportunity to drive down there and take care of filling out

1 applications and all that stuff and going back, taking other
2 information. So, once our building is finished we hope you will plan
3 to put an office in that facility. Okay. That's it. Let me add, I
4 know our community and if you want to see them, they'll show you.
5 The support that building being renovated rather than building a new
6 center in the community. Now, if you want them to show you, they
7 will. At one time what was said was, this area of Fayetteville, I
8 got to say this, was the poorest and worst part of this whole
9 community. I was born and raised in this part of town, I don't live
10 here anymore, but this is known as Indian community, right? There
11 you go. Right now it's space, but it's owned by the Cumberland
12 County Association for Indian People. Let me also say that this is
13 an urban Indian center, and what you have here tonight is Lumbees,
14 but there's also Coharie and because of Fort Bragg there's other
15 tribes, so we serve other tribes, we just don't serve Lumbee, so if
16 you build a center here, I don't know how you would distinguish how
17 you're going to serve. I've also wondered about that.

18 MR. LARECE HUNT: (Inaudible.) When you think of
19 Fayetteville, you think of the Les Maxwell area, this area
20 (inaudible) Indian education center, Indian activities. If there is
21 anything we can do to help them, this is Indian territory here. Not
22 on the other side around E.E. Smith and Douglas Bird, those places,
23 this is Indian country right here.

24 MR. RANDY LEWIS: Originally back in July I was
25 disabled and I hadn't received any funds (inaudible). Housing agreed

1 to buy the house and then I'd pay the Tribe back. That never
2 happened and then I went into the hospital, in and out of the
3 hospital for 3 ½ months and then I got back out of the hospital it
4 was January. Then I meet with you guys and told you what was going
5 on and you guys voted to help me get my house resolved. That still
6 has not came to light. I've been made (inaudible) judgments, I've
7 had to drive to Raleigh, I knew I had no judgments, I had no tax
8 liens. I had to drive and prove and bring documentation that it was
9 not me, so I was guilty until proven innocent. So, I did that and
10 there is one \$3500 second deed of trust which I knew about, I was
11 told tonight that I had never told anyone about that and you've got
12 record of that. So, nothing has changed since day one. And I have
13 until April 1st to be out of my house. So, I got 6 days. I don't
14 know if you guys can help me. But I will be homeless in 7 days.

15 MR. WELFORD CLARK: Mr. Speaker, for your information
16 and the information of the Tribal Council, we've been working with
17 this gentleman for some months now. There comes a point in every
18 process where Council action and administrative actions, it
19 transcends that and then it becomes a legal action insofar as title
20 searches and clearing away of records and things like that. That is
21 a tedious and cumbersome process. We've met many obstacles along the
22 way trying to resolved Mr. Lewis' issue. If Mr. Lewis has in his
23 possession the documents that he says he has in his possession, he is
24 meeting with me tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at the Tribal office.
25 The Tribal administrator and the deputy administrator have concurred

1 with this. What we are going to do is, we are going to get on
2 the speaker phone and see if we can raise MR. Arlie Jacobs, the
3 attorney who does the Tribal title work, the deed work with our land
4 transactions. We are going to try to ascertain that Mr. Lewis has
5 everything that he needs to have, and if so, then there would be no
6 further roadblocks and we should be able to resolve this matter.
7 Hopefully tomorrow at 10 o'clock we'll put this matter to sleep.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I'd like to say even though
9 (inaudible) this was once Indian community. We represent District 13
10 and District 13 includes Parkton and St. Pauls. We have Indians
11 spread all the way down to Cedar Creek, all the way in Parkton and
12 also in St. Pauls. Now, if you want to go for population Indians,
13 then you have to go and you have to spread out. We just can't say
14 that Les Maxwell is the whole Indian anymore. We were once Indian,
15 yes, and we will always be Indian here at Les Maxwell, but when we
16 get to thinking about a centralized location (inaudible). Les
17 Maxwell will also be our Indian base. (The speaker was not near the
18 back of the room and it was hard to understand what she was saying.)

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I have a question. What's the
20 future for the youth of District 13?

21 MR. LAWRENCE LOCKLEAR: Yeah, I think the question is
22 what are our future plans for the youth of District 13. That's the
23 question.

24 MR. RICKY BURNETTE: Our future plan is we instill you
25 with the power to be able to move forward and one day you'll take on

1 where we leave off and carry on to make this an Indian nation.
2 Right now we got the culture classes going on the 3rd Saturday of
3 every month. Our goal is to get the youth involved. You got to come
4 up and say, look, this is who we are today. We want to do things and
5 you make it known. What we're trying to do is put things together.
6 My goal is that we make you the leaders of today, not tomorrow, but
7 today. And not just teaching you about our culture, who we are and
8 how to dance, but other things, about smoking, what's drugs gonna do
9 to you, what's an education, where can you go with an education. An
10 education is something nobody can ever take away from you. It's
11 knowledge and knowledge is power. And with power I can make things
12 happen. That's my goal with the youth of District 13, that we
13 instill you with that power so that you can move on and do better
14 things than what we've ever done.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Totally inaudible and unable
16 to understand what he is saying.)

17 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 18 - Culture classes are in Cumberland County is the 3rd
19 Saturday of every month from 1 to 5 o'clock at
20 Indian Housing building.
21 - Culture classes also being held at Prospect
22 Community Building on Thursday night from 6 to 8
23 o'clock, and in Fairmont on Tuesday night at
24 Heritage Haven from 6 to 8 o'clock.

- 1 - New business meeting is Thursday, April 20th at
2 6:30.
- 3 - Community meeting (Ms Danita and Mr. Shelley's
4 district) in Scotland County on Monday, April 3rd,
5 6:30 at the courthouse.
- 6 - Boys and Girls Club have a basketball tournament at
7 Purnell Swett High School, Friday, April 7th, from
8 6:30 pm. and Saturday April 8th, beginning at 9:00
9 a.m. \$1 admission.
- 10 - Spring Pow Wow, May 5, 6, and 7th at the Farmer's
11 Market.

12 MR. LARECE HUNT: Just a point of clarification, it
13 came out from Billy Hunt on the planning committee, dated February
14 7th. The memo mentions the culture center as the site of the Pow Wow.
15 Somebody may need to address that because this is what is going to
16 schools saying it's still at the culture center.

17 MR. RICHARD LOCKLEAR: I want to address the gentleman
18 in the back. The perception in Scotland County, Hoke County and
19 Cumberland County is the services that Robeson County receives. They
20 just appointed me housing chairman. I can't figure out why Scotland
21 and Hoke, and nobody has told us. I probably need to be calling on
22 the board and somebody explain to me, either wise co-Council or
23 administration, but as to an answer to your question, as housing
24 chairman and that perception and all I have paperwork in front of me
25 right now with down payment assistance. There are a lot of districts

1 that didn't get it, they're a lot counties that didn't get it.
2 Why, maybe staff can tell you. I don't know.

3 MR. WELFORD CLARK: To put your mind at ease, the
4 perception is some how or another that some districts receive or
5 areas receive more service than other areas. We received from the
6 housing manager, Mr. Bosco Locklear, a rehab report. And some of the
7 things that's covered on that rehab report not only have to do with
8 the number of homes that is being rehabilitated but it talks about
9 the number of people who have been given down payment assistance, as
10 well as mortgage assistance, rental assistance, emergency fuel
11 assistance and those kinds of things. I studied that thing quite
12 well and I'm just awfully impressed as to how equal services are
13 being distributed throughout the Tribal area. When you look at the
14 district numbers, we have 14 districts, but we have 21 Council
15 members which means we have some districts to where are multiple
16 representatives. In my district 14, there are 2200 people on the
17 roll. In district 7, I think there are 3 Council people, but they
18 have over 7500 people on the roll. If we look at nothing except the
19 number of rehab homes and we see that district 7 has 30 and district
20 14 only has 10, it looks like we are being treated unfairly when the
21 reality of the situation is there ar 3 times as many Tribal people
22 there. So, likewise there ought to be 3 times as much service is
23 rendered. I will assure you this, those figures if you consider the
24 population distribution throughout the Tribal area, you will find
25 that if there is a difference, it's so miniscule that you will not

1 notice it. We are indeed, I will defend the housing people, the
2 staff down there, Mr. Bosco, that whole crew, they really do a
3 terrific job distributing the services throughout the whole Tribal
4 service area.

5 MR. JAMES HAROLD LOCKLEAR: Mr. Welford, thank you very
6 much. I really appreciate that. I want to say this and I hope
7 everybody, Council members will understand. Pembroke ain't getting
8 everything. Robeson County where we're from, we ain't getting
9 everything. We're getting equally, like he said, the distribution.
10 We don't get everything, we get a part, but we don't everything. It
11 happens to be the center of the Tribe and that's were people
12 congregate and I feel - I feel it's very prejudicial when somebody
13 says Pembroke gets everything.

14 MR. GERALD GOOLSBY: Call for motion to adjourn after
15 the benediction.

16 MS. PAM SPAULDING: Second.

17 MR. RICKY BURNETTE led the benediction.

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