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1 (Meeting called to order at 6:40 p.m.)

2 RICKY BURNETT: This meeting is now called to
3 order. Let me say we thank you for your patience. We've had to
4 take a group picture.

5 Also, I'd like to ask you, if you have a cell phone, if
6 you would turn it off or put on vibrate, not to interrupt as
7 we're conducting out business.

8 Our next order of business, I'm going to call on Mr.
9 Ray Littleturtle, if he would, if he'd lead us in prayer. If we
10 would all stand, please.

11 RAY LITTLETURTLE: Before we bow our heads and show
12 our honor to The Creator, let us clear our minds. Let us think
13 of the ones who at this moment are in harm's way. And let us
14 think of our elders from which the tribe came from.

15 (Invocation was given by Councilman Ray Littleturtle.)

16 RICKY BURNETT: Let us remain standing. Mr.
17 Kernice, would you lead us in the pledge of allegiance, please?

18 (Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Councilman Kernice
19 Locklear.)

20 RICKY BURNETT: And again, I ask you to remain
21 standing. I'm not going to take a collection, I just ask you to
22 stand. It's been requested, because as you know, we have a
23 swearing in tonight. And Mr. James has asked that his wife be
24 able to sing the National Anthem for him.

25 So, we're going to ask her to come forward and sing the

1 National for us at this time.

2 (National Anthem was sang by Pearlie Deese.)

3 RICKY BURNETT: And would the Council remain
4 standing. Would you join with me as we read our Preamble to the
5 Tribal Constitution together?

6 (Recitation of the Preamble.)

7 **Preamble to the Tribal Constitution:**

8 "In accordance with the inherent power of self-
9 governance of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, the Tribe
10 adopts this Constitution for the purposes of establishing a
11 tribal government structure, preserving for all time the Lumbee
12 way of life and community, promoting the educational, cultural,
13 social and economic well-being of Lumbee people, and securing
14 justice and freedom for the Lumbee people."

15 RICKY BURNETT: Madame Secretary, roll call,
16 please.

17 (Secretary Louise Mitchell gave a roll call and the
18 following Lumbee Tribal Council members were present.)

19 Audrey Revels Hunt, District 1

20 Sharon Hunt, District 2

21 L. Louise Mitchell, District 2

22 Laura B. Sampson, District 3

23 Pam Spaulding, District 3

24 Helen Locklear, District 4

25 Charles Bullard, District 5

1 Kernice L. Locklear, District 5
2 James Deese, District 6
3 Larry Chavis, District 6
4 Ray Littleturtle, District 7
5 James H. Locklear, District 7
6 Terry Campbell, District 7
7 Steve Sampson, District 8
8 James T. Smith, District 9
9 Bradley McMillian, District 10
10 Linda Revels, District 11
11 Shelly Strickland, District 12
12 Furnie Lambert, District 12
13 Ricky Burnett, District 13
14 Welford Clark, District 14

15 RICKY BURNETT: At this time, it is an honor to
16 introduce a Tribal Council elected member James Deese. He is
17 from the Moss Neck Community. He is married to Pearlie Dial
18 Deese and is a father of two, Makaela (spelled phonetically) and
19 Ethan. James and his wife are the owners of Snazzy Boutique on
20 Union Chapel Road. At this time, Mr. Deese and Judge Bell, would
21 you come forward.

22 JUDGE BELL: If you would raise your right hand and
23 repeat after me.

24 (Councilman James Deese was sworn in by the Honorable
25 Greg Bell and repeated the following affirmation:)

1 "I, James Deese, do solemnly affirm that I will support
2 and defend the Constitution of the Lumbee Tribe of North
3 Carolina;

4 That I will carry out faithfully and impartially the
5 duties of my office to the best of my ability;

6 That I will preserve for all time the Lumbee way of
7 life and community;

8 That I will promote educational, cultural, social and
9 economic well-being of the Lumbee Tribe;

10 And that I will strive to secure justice and freedom
11 for the Lumbee People."

12 JUDGE BELL: Congratulations.

13 JAMES DEESE: Thank you.

14 RICKY BURNETT: At this time, we welcome you also
15 to a 15-minute welcome reception for Mr. James Deese. So, if you
16 would join us, 15 minutes.

17 (Off the record at 6:52 p.m.)

18 (On the record at 7:09 p.m.)

19 RICKY BURNETT: At this time, we will review and
20 approve of our agenda. Is there any additions?

21 JAMES SMITH: Mr. Speaker, on the CLLR2009-219-0, I
22 make a motion to table that for 45 days.

23 FURNIE LAMBERT: Second.

24 RICKY BURNETT: That will come when it's presented, Mr.
25 Taft. Yeah, when it's presented, okay? Ms. Sharon?

1 SHARON HUNT: I have one item that was omitted from
2 the agenda packet under Federal Recognition. The name of it will
3 be Federal Recognition Legislative Delegation.

4 RICKY BURNETT: Okay.

5 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Burnett, Mr. Patrick's supposed
6 to have those resolutions brought to us? He's brought it to you?

7 SHARON HUNT: Yeah, he just gave it to me.

8 RICKY BURNETT: All right. Any others?

9 STEVE SAMPSON: Mr. Speaker, we have two under
10 Health and Human Services, one to support a 2009 ANA grant
11 application, and the other one, American Indian Child Welfare
12 Partnerships, I'd like to include.

13 RICKY BURNETT: All right. Any others? Hearing
14 none, I entertain a motion we accept the agenda as presented.

15 FURNIE LAMBERT: Second.

16 RICKY BURNETT: You make a motion.

17 FURNIE LAMBERT: I make a motion that we accept the
18 agenda.

19 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Second.

20 RICKY BURNETT: Been moved and seconded. An in
21 favor say aye.

22 (Ayes were given.)

23 RICKY BURNETT: All opposed?

24 (No nays were given.)

25 RICKY BURNETT: Motion carries. Thank you.

1 ("Motion 1" - A motion to accept the agenda with
2 additions was passed.)

3 RICKY BURNETT: At this time, we will review and
4 approve of the January Tribal Council minutes and the actions.
5 Ms. Spaulding?

6 PAM SPAULDING: Mr. Speaker, on page 27, there is a
7 part where a Jimmy Strickland addressed the Council. That should
8 be Jimmy Hunt everywhere it says Jimmy Strickland.

9 RICKY BURNETT: Did everyone understand? Page 27,
10 Jimmy Hunt vice Jimmy Strickland?

11 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Speaker, on page 3, in the
12 Preamble, in accordance to the inherent power of self-governance,
13 that should be the Lumbee Tribe -- or let's see -- the Lumbee
14 Tribe of North Carolina instead of Lumbee Tribe.

15 Also on page 4 and 5, line 13, Charles Bullard,
16 District 4, that should be District 5. Also page 5, line 1,
17 Ricky Burnett, District 14, that should be District 13.

18 RICKY BURNETT: Okay. Everyone understand? Page
19 4, item 13, Charles Bullard should be District 5. Page 5, number
20 1, Ricky Burnett, District 13. And on page 3, line item 19, it
21 should be -- instead of the word left, it should be Lumbee Tribe
22 of North Carolina.

23 Any other? Any other corrections? Hearing none, I
24 entertain a motion that it be accepted.

25 PAM SPAULDING: I offer such a motion.

1 RICKY BURNETT: Need a second.

2 LARRY CHAVIS: Second.

3 RICKY BURNETT: Been moved and seconded. All in
4 favor, let it be known by saying aye.

5 (Ayes were given.)

6 RICKY BURNETT: All opposed?

7 (No nays were given.)

8 RICKY BURNETT: Motion carries.

9 ("Motion 2" - A motion to accept Lumbee Tribal Count
10 actions and minutes with corrections was passed.)

11 RICKY BURNETT: At this time, we go into our
12 Community Comments in 15 minutes. I have three representatives
13 from the community that have signed up. Let me read your name.
14 I have Ms. Retha Freeman, Mr. Robert Carter and Mr. Eric
15 Locklear; is that correct?

16 And again, we ask that when you come, out of respect to
17 the Council, not calling names or being personal towards people.
18 But, we want to hear what you got to say because you are our
19 people and you are the ones that we represent.

20 So, at this time, Ms. Retha, if you would come.

21 **Community Comments**

22 RETHA FREEMAN: Hello. I know y'all get tired of
23 seeing me every month. But, I'm woman enough, I blessed out the
24 Council, and I'm woman enough to say I'm sorry. Mr. Terry
25 Campbell -- I'm calling his name out of good -- he is in my

1 district. He has taught me, when I was saying y'all need to get
2 off of your sorry behinds and do things, Terry is doing. But, he
3 has told me things.

4 And I'm volunteered. I didn't know about all this
5 volunteering and doing different things. I'm got active in it.
6 And I'm in District 7. I would call each one of them and I would
7 ask them to come and talk with me. Been doing it for two years
8 ever since I moved back here. None of them in my district on my
9 Tribe -- Terry says he represents me. And that -- and he's told
10 me what all his duty's is.

11 And I'm sorry for blessing y'all out because
12 you're supposed to have volunteers up under you and people to
13 help you. And I'm learnt more since Terry's been in there that I
14 have -- ever had about the Lumbee Indians a helping one another a
15 volunteering. And the one's what was in my district, I would
16 call them, ask them to come and talk to me. They didn't have
17 time or they was always sick, in the bed or something another.

18 So, I'm sorry for blessing all of y'all out.

19 (Applause was given.)

20 RICKY BURNETT: Thank you, Ms. Retha. At this
21 time, Mr. Robert Carter.

22 ROBERT CARTER: Thanks, Mr. Burnett. I appreciate
23 this time. I'm just a concerned citizen of the Saddletree
24 Community. I currently serve on the Board of Directors of the
25 Saddletree Community Center. And I -- I just wanted to state

1 some facts as they are.

2 The current Saddletree Community Center would like
3 to thank this board for helping us in the past. We had a culture
4 class, we had food bank services and stuff that this Tribal
5 Council helped us with. And we're looking forward to working in
6 the future.

7 Our representative, Mr. James Taft, has informed
8 us that we're going to have a meeting on March the 23rd. We've
9 already had a couple of meetings scheduled with the Tribal
10 Council, but weather and other things have deterred it or
11 whatever. But, we're looking forward to our March 23rd meeting
12 so we can get together and partner with the Tribe in order to
13 bring our building up to spec like some of the other ones are in
14 the county and in the other districts.

15 We just think we just -- should be just treated
16 just like any other district. We do have a community center all
17 ready established. We have our own bylaws, so we can't give --
18 I'm on the Board of Directors. We can't give anything to the
19 Tribe, but we can partner with the Tribe. In other words, we can
20 lease it to the Tribe or whatever we need to do to help the
21 community.

22 And we want -- we want whatever the community
23 wants. We are just a Board of Directors. But, we do have a
24 sitting Board of Directors there, and that's basically what I
25 wanted to bring. And I appreciate y'all, I appreciate our

1 representative, Taft Smith from District 9, working with us.

2 Thank you.

3 RICKY BURNETT: Thank you, Sir. Mr. Eric Locklear.

4 ERIC LOCKLEAR: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, thank you
5 Tribal Council members. Thank you, Tribal Members, for showing
6 up to be a part of your active government tonight. I bring you
7 greetings from the North Carolina Indian Cultural Center Board.
8 I'd like to distinguish our representatives from the North
9 Carolina Indian Commission -- Commission of Indian Affairs, Ray
10 Littleturtle, Furnie Lambert.

11 On behalf of the Indian Cultural Center Board, I've
12 come tonight to solicit from this Tribal Council the nomination
13 of a Lumbee Tribal member to the Indian Cultural Center Board.
14 For those of you who do not know, the North Carolina Indian
15 Cultural Center Board consists of 21 members of the Board of
16 Directors.

17 Each of the eight state-recognized tribes is to
18 have a representative from that board from the tribes, as well as
19 any urban American Indian centers in the state of North Carolina.
20 Presently, we do not have a representative of the Lumbee Tribe on
21 that Indian Cultural Center board. I'm serving in a special
22 capacity as an appointee of the Commission of Indian Affairs.

23 The Chairman -- I think the Chairman is with us --
24 has invited us to nominate a Lumbee Tribal member to serve on
25 that board. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The Commission of Indian

1 Affairs is actively soliciting from all tribes nominations to the
2 board to fully reach that board's capacity.

3 I'm placing in nomination tonight the name of your
4 former Tribal Council member, Ms. Wendy Moore-Graham, who is
5 joining us this evening. Wendy has served in 1993 and 1994 on
6 the Lumbee-Cheraw Tribal Constitution Assembly. She volunteered
7 for eight years, from 1997 through 2005, on the Lumbee Tribal
8 Elder's Council.

9 Ms. Wendy Moore-Graham also served as the 2000-
10 2001 President of the North Carolina Indian Cultural Center
11 Community Support group. And she was elected and served as the
12 District 7 representative in 2006 as a member of the Lumbee Tribe
13 of North Carolina Tribal Council government. She is a proud
14 graduate of Prospect School and further her education while
15 attending college at UNC-Pembroke and Robeson Community College.

16 I would like to encourage your support in the
17 nomination of Ms. Wendy Moore-Graham to the North Carolina Indian
18 Cultural Center Board. She will be a great asset on behalf of
19 the American Indian Tribes of North Carolina and especially the
20 Lumbee People. Thank you.

21 RICKY BURNETT: Thank you, Mr. Eric. Mr. Chairman.

22 CHAIRMAN GOINS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And I
23 depend on Councilwoman Mitchell to help me with this. Back in
24 the year of 2000, maybe 2001, it came to our attention that the
25 Lumbee Tribe did have a position on the board for the North

1 Carolina Indian Cultural Center. At that time, we appointed
2 Councilman Delton Oxendine. Help me, Louise.

3 LOUISE MITCHELL: Yes.

4 CHAIRMAN GOINS: Councilman Oxendine went to three
5 meetings and nobody showed up. He never did go back and at that
6 point, we never did nominate anyone else. So, when Eric was
7 talking to me about that, I recalled that and I knew we had a
8 position. So, Councilman Clark, we need to fill it because I'm
9 telling you something, I don't know who -- why Wendy would want
10 it because we've got some major problems up there.

11 It's a shame and disgrace -- I'm standing here
12 tonight saying we're gonna have a powwow in Lumberton and cannot
13 even have it in the North Carolina Indian Cultural Center. Now,
14 that's the truth. I cannot think of a better person with a
15 backbone than Wendy Moore to stand up there. That's what it's
16 going to take.

17 RICKY BURNETT: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. At this
18 time, we will go into our Committee reports. Ms. Louise has
19 asked that she be moved down to the bottom. So, at this time,
20 Economic Development, Mr. Kernice Locklear.

21 **Economic Development Committee Report**

22 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Thank you, Brother Ricky. Good
23 afternoon, Ladies and Gentlemen, Councilman and Brother
24 Counselor. Glad to have you all with us tonight. This Economic
25 Development resolution is CLLR2009-0219-0, the Economic

1 Development Bank Account Authorization. I'll start with the
2 second whereas. Is everybody with me, pages?

3 Because I'm gonna need your help with Economic
4 Development. Just because I'm the Chairman, that don't mean I'm
5 the boss. All 21 of us is the boss of this because it's about
6 our people.

7 "Whereas, the Lumbee Tribal Council in conjunction with
8 the Lumbee Tribe Finance Office is responsible for the oversight
9 and management of all Tribal economic development funds;

10 "And whereas, the economic development funds are
11 deposited into a separate account, which has been established for
12 the sale of tribal memorabilia;

13 "Therefore, be it resolved the Tribal Council of the
14 Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina does authorize Economic
15 Development Committee Chairman Kernice Locklear and Committee
16 Treasurer Audrey Hunt to be the signature designees of the
17 Economic Development bank account for the purpose of depositing
18 and disbursement inventory of tribal memorabilia.

19 "Therefore, it is resolved Committee Treasurer Audrey
20 Hunt is responsible for the oversight and sale of inventory of
21 tribal memorabilia."

22 RICKY BURNETT: This coming from committee needs no
23 second. Are there any questions? Hearing none, roll call,
24 Madame Secretary.

25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Audrey Hunt.

1 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Sharon Hunt.

3 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Lamari Louise Mitchell, yes. Ms.

5 Laura Sampson.

6 LAURA SAMPSON: No.

7 LOUISE MITCHELL: Pam Spaulding.

8 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.

9 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

10 HELEN LOCKLEAR: No.

11 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.

12 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.

13 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.

14 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.

15 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.

16 JAMES DEESE: Yes.

17 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Anthony Chavis.

18 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.

19 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ray Littleturtle.

20 RAY LITTLETURTLE: Yes.

21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.

22 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Sustained.

23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.

24 TERRY CAMPBELL: Yes.

25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.

1 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.

3 JAMES SMITH: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.

5 BRAD McMILLIAN: No.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.

7 LINDA REVELS: Yes.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.

9 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.

10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.

11 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

13 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

15 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Motion carries.

17 RICKY BURNETT: 18 for, 3 against, motion carries.

18 ("Motion 3" - Resolution to designate Kernice Locklear
19 and Audrey Hunt as signature designees on the Economic
20 Development bank account, and to designate Audrey Hunt over the
21 sale of Lumbee Tribe tribal memorabilia was passed.)

22 RICKY BURNETT: At this time, Education, Culture
23 and Public Relations, Ms. Audrey Hunt.

24 **Education, Culture and Public Relations Committee Report**

25 AUDREY HUNT: Thank you. It's kind of an awkward

1 position here. We just heard the Chairman speak about the
2 appointment for the board. Eric also spoke on that. I was told
3 it was a time-sensitive matter. So, at this time, I would like
4 to present a resolution. If Patrick would pass this around, and
5 then we'll discuss it.

6 This resolution is North Carolina Indian Cultural
7 Center Board Appointment. And as you're getting it, I'll go
8 ahead and read it for you. It says:

9 "Whereas, the North Carolina Indian Cultural
10 Center Board is compromised of members of all tribes in North
11 Carolina, therefore be it resolved the Tribal Council of the
12 Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina does appoint Wendy Moore to the
13 North Carolina Indian Cultural Center Board.

14 "Therefore, be it even further resolved, Wendy
15 Moore shall serve in the interest of the Lumbee Tribe of North
16 Carolina and shall report to the Education, Culture and Public
17 Relations Committee of the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of
18 North Carolina when requested and/or needed."

19 RICKY BURNETT: Coming from Committee needs no
20 second. Any questions, discussion? Ms. Sharon?

21 SHARON HUNT: Preacher Ricky, this did not come
22 from Committee.

23 RICKY BURNETT: I stand corrected.

24 AUDREY HUNT: No, it came from Council.

25 LARRY CHAVIS: I make a motion we accept this.

1 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: I second it.

2 RICKY BURNETT: A motion and a second. Any
3 questions? Thank you for keeping me in line. Madame Secretary.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Roll call?

5 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

7 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

9 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. Yes.
11 Ms. Laura Sampson.

12 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.

13 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.

14 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.

15 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

16 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

17 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.

18 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.

19 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.

20 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.

21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.

22 JAMES DEESE: Yes.

23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.

24 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.

25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ray Littleturtle.

1 RAY LITTLE TURTLE: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.

3 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yes, Ma'am. Yes, Ma'am.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.

5 TERRY CAMPBELL: Yes.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.

7 STEVE SAMPSON: Most definitely.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.

9 JAMES SMITH: Yes.

10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.

11 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yes.

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.

13 LINDA REVELS: Yes.

14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.

15 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.

17 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

19 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

21 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Motion carries.

23 ("Motion 4" - Resolution to appoint Wendy Moore to

24 serve on the North Carolina Indian Cultural Center Board was

25 approved.

1 AUDREY HUNT: Okay. Also I'd like to give you a
2 couple of dates that you need to keep in mind. The first and one
3 of the most important ones is the June 23rd of this year, all
4 adult-enrolled members shall renew his or her enrollment card.
5 And this has to be renewed every seven years. Now, listen folks,
6 how important this is.

7 If you do not get your card updated, you are put
8 on an inactive file, which means you're cutting your ties as far
9 as being able to vote in any elections or receive any services.
10 You will be put on an inactive file for one year. So, which
11 means that if you're eligible for services, then you're putting
12 your name on the back of the list.

13 RICKY BURNETT: Mr. Shelley.

14 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: You said seven years. I thought we
15 had -- I thought it was five years.

16 AUDREY HUNT: Well, the posters -- Alex, would
17 you like to --

18 ALEX BAKER: It originally was five and seven
19 depending on where you resided outside the territory. But, past
20 Tribal Council has extended that for everybody regardless of
21 where you live until June the 23rd, 2009. They gave everybody
22 seven years. I do want to stress -- I apologize, forgive me,
23 Chairman.

24 But, I do want to stress, you can still update
25 your card after June the 23rd. It's not to say that you cannot

1 update your card. But, you need to remember, after that date
2 from whenever you do update your card is when the expiration of
3 year -- is when your ineligible for services then.

4 AUDREY HUNT: When I say the updated ones, these
5 are the ones that will have your picture on it, the photo on it.
6 Now, you can look at it and there is an expiration date on that.
7 Excuse me?

8 (Question from audience.)

9 AUDREY HUNT: Just when it expires. If you have
10 -- well, we still probably have 10,000-plus people that have not
11 updated that card. So, if you don't have the one with the
12 picture on it, then you have not updated it. And if you're not
13 sure, you need to contact the Tribal Office and they will tell
14 you. Because you are also required to bring with you birth
15 certificates, I.D., picture I.D., and I think we are now
16 requiring them to have the certified birth certificates.

17 So, yes?

18 (Question from audience.)

19 ERIC LOCKLEAR: Is it correct that if you haven't
20 updated by June 23rd you will not be able to vote?

21 AUDREY HUNT: You will not. And this year is the
22 election for Tribal Chairman. So, it's a very important year for
23 the Tribe. So, it's important that you get these cards updated.

24 (Councilwoman Hunt entertained other questions from
25 unknown members of the audience.)

1 AUDREY HUNT: Mr. Ray?

2 RAY LITTLE TURTLE: Maybe I misunderstood or didn't
3 hear as well as I should. But, what we just did was appoint
4 somebody with perpetuity to the board of the Cultural Center, no
5 beginning date or no ending date. Is this the way we're going to
6 go with appointments, open-end on both ways?

7 ERIC LOCKLEAR: The appointments to the Cultural
8 Center Board are five years in term, unless the Tribe chooses at
9 that time to renew the appointment of that individual.

10 RAY LITTLE TURTLE: Well, it doesn't have to be stated
11 in said resolution?

12 PAM SPAULDING: It's their bylaws.

13 RAY LITTLE TURTLE: My mistake.

14 FURNIE LAMBERT: When a person is appointed to the
15 board up there at the Cultural Center, it goes through the
16 Commission of Indian Affairs. And I believe that's when the date
17 is established.

18 AUDREY HUNT: Do I have any other questions on
19 your enrollment card? We do have some flyers that we are going
20 to be leaving out on the front. We'd like for you to let the
21 people in your communities know about this. Tribal Council, if
22 you would, Mr. Baker has laminated copies that you can put within
23 your communities. We need to get this information out because
24 you know how it is when you go to pay your taxes, everybody files
25 in at the last minute trying to get it done.

1 So, we need to try and get people in as quickly as
2 we can. The last thing I want to talk to you about -- and I know
3 it sounds kind of early -- but, it is February and we are going
4 to have a powwow. And it is going to be May the 1st through the
5 3rd. And it's also going to be held at the Farmer's Market, Exit
6 13A. It's kind of hard to get there now.

7 But, we're also going to give flyers out. We have
8 the small ones out on the table. When you leave, would you
9 please pick up some of these and pass them out? We need to
10 really get our youth involved in the powwow. It kind of gets
11 them off the street. We have a wonderful class. We have
12 wonderful classes with the -- with our youth advisor, Ms. Wanda.

13 And we just -- we need to get out young people
14 more involved in the powwow. We've got a lot of kids that have
15 never been to a powwow. So, instead of taking them to Carowinds,
16 take them to the powwow, okay? Thank you. Yes?

17 FURNIE LAMBERT: April?

18 AUDREY HUNT: Excuse me?

19 FURNIE LAMBERT: The powwow.

20 AUDREY HUNT: The powwow is May the 1st through
21 the 3rd, it's Friday, Saturday and Sunday. And come hungry
22 because we do have vendors there. And I'm not sure if they
23 brought the application. But, if you're interested in being a
24 vendor, if you'll check with the office, we'll have the
25 applications for the vendors.

1 Okay? Any questions on that? Thank you.

2 RICKY BURNETT: At this time, we'll hear Federal
3 Recognition, Ms. Sharon Hunt.

4 **Federal Recognition Committee Report**

5 SHARON HUNT: First, I'd like to just express my
6 gratitude to Congressman McIntyre for introducing our bill
7 already for us, H.R. 31, which is the Lumbee Recognition Bill.
8 And now that the stimulus package has cleared, hopefully we will
9 get a comparable bill introduced on the Senate side in the near
10 future. We don't have a date for that, but just as soon as we
11 hear something, we'll be happy to let you know.

12 We have four resolutions that come out of the
13 Federal Recognition Committee from our last meeting. The first
14 one is LNTP Funds designation support. There's a few typos in
15 it. But, it starts off --

16 PAM SPAULDING: Madame Chair, we've never had LNTP
17 resolutions in with our Tribal Council packets.

18 SHARON HUNT: That's not a LNTP resolution.

19 PAM SPAULDING: It came out of LNTP. That's what
20 we did in LNTP.

21 SHARON HUNT: Okay, moving right along. Federal
22 Recognition, we will refer this back to the LNTP. They don't --
23 LNTP doesn't report here anyway, so. The next one is the Federal
24 Recognition Spokesperson.

25 "Whereas the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of

1 North Carolina it is essential to display unity between Executive
2 and Legislative branch of the Tribal Government regarding Lumbee
3 Federal Recognition, therefore be it resolved that the Tribal
4 Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina does hereby
5 designate Tribal Chairperson Jimmy Goins as the official
6 spokesperson for Federal Recognition;

7 "Therefore be it further resolved, if another
8 person is designated to speak on Federal Recognition on behalf of
9 the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, it shall be based on joint
10 approval of the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North
11 Carolina and Tribal Chairperson Jimmy Goins."

12 This was done in an effort to display unity
13 between both branches of government. And -- are you ready?

14 RICKY BURNETT: Yeah, do you want to let's do that
15 one first?

16 SHARON HUNT: Yeah, I guess it would be all
17 right.

18 RICKY BURNETT: Coming from committee needs no
19 second. Are there any questions?

20 FURNIE LAMBERT: Are we going to do both at one
21 time?

22 SHARON HUNT: No, do one at the time.

23 RICKY BURNETT: Hearing none, Madame Secretary.

24 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

25 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

1 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.
2 SHARON HUNT: Yes.
3 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. Yes.
4 Ms. Laura Sampson.
5 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.
6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.
7 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.
8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.
9 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.
10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.
11 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.
12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.
13 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.
14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.
15 JAMES DEESE: Yes.
16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.
17 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.
18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ray Littleturtle.
19 RAY LITTLE TURTLE: Yes.
20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.
21 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yes.
22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.
23 TERRY CAMPBELL: Yes.
24 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.
25 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.

1 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.
2 JAMES SMITH: Yes.
3 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.
4 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yes.
5 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.
6 LINDA REVELS: Yes.
7 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.
8 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.
9 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.
10 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.
11 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.
12 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.
13 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.
14 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.
15 LOUISE MITCHELL: Motion carries.
16 ("Motion 5" - Resolution to appoint Tribal Council
17 Chairman Jimmy Goins as the Federal Recognition spokesperson was
18 passed.)
19 SHARON HUNT: Okay, the next one is the 2009
20 Federal Recognition Legislation Support.
21 "Therefore be it resolved that the Tribal Council
22 of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina will support the Lumbee
23 Recognition Bill H.R. 31 in the House of Representatives and its
24 companion in the Senate."
25 RICKY BURNETT: Coming from committee, it needs no

1 second. Is there any questions, discussion?

2 ERIC LOCKLEAR: When you say and its companion in
3 the Senate, do you mean like-bill in the Senate?

4 SHARON HUNT: Well, at this time we're not sure
5 what is going to be presented on the Senate side, but it'll be
6 its companion bill.

7 RICKY BURNETT: And let me say, I know that you are
8 concerned, and I'm not trying to be ugly or dismay, but this is a
9 Council meeting and the Council is the one that should be on
10 this. Do you follow what I'm saying, Mr. Eric?

11 By no means am I trying to be disrespectful to
12 anyone, but a lot of times it takes over from the Council that
13 you've appointed and that we have discussed this. So, Mr. Ray.

14 RAY LITTLETURTLE: I think this is an opportune time.
15 We were a little flippant a while ago when we talked about the
16 elders. And now, I want to make a motion that the elders are not
17 charged anything for gate admittance. They bring their --

18 RICKY BURNETT: Mr. Ray, if I can, and I think I
19 follow with you. If we'll take that with the Education Committee
20 Report. This one right now, we're on the Federal Recognition for
21 them to bring it. Not being disrespectful to you, but the motion
22 before us right now is on the 2009 Federal Recognition
23 Legislation Support.

24 SHARON HUNT: Mr. Welford?

25 WELFORD CLARK: I'm concerned about the last

1 therefore, just so that I can understand. Where it says in
2 recognition of Bill H.R. 31 in the House of Representatives and
3 its companion in the Senate. And my question is this, last year
4 the Senate bill that was introduced was in fact the same bill
5 that was introduced in the House. And there wasn't a Senate bill
6 as such introduced.

7 So, there is some discussion concerning some
8 differences that someone would like to see in the bill. So, I
9 want to know is this, will the Senate -- are we endorsing the
10 Senate bill if it mirrors the House bill, or are we endorsing a
11 Senate bill that may be different from the House bill. I'm
12 trying to be careful in what I say.

13 Are we talking about the same bill in the House,
14 the same language in the House, the same language in the Senate?
15 Or are we saying whatever the language is in the Senate we will
16 endorse it, where we may not have the opportunity to have input
17 into it?

18 SHARON HUNT: Well, I think the word companion
19 doesn't mean -- doesn't mean that it has to be alike. I don't
20 think companion means alike.

21 WELFORD CLARK: Yeah, but I understand that. And
22 that's -- and therein lies the problem as far as I'm concerned.
23 Is this Council giving the Senate -- our Senators the privilege
24 of writing it however they see fit to write it, and waving this
25 resolution in our face and they saying you gave us the

1 authorization to do it? Or do we want to restrict the language
2 in it like we restricted some of the language in the House?

3 RICKY BURNETT: Mr. Kernice.

4 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Ms. Sharon, maybe our lawyer or Ms.
5 Ruth could clarify this. Ms. Sharon, see if they maybe will
6 clarify what Mr. Welford's trying to say.

7 SHARON HUNT: Would you be happy if we just
8 strike the last six words?

9 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes, that's what I was going to
10 suggest.

11 WELFORD CLARK: Strike the what now?

12 SHARON HUNT: Strike the last six words and put a
13 period after the House of Representatives.

14 WELFORD CLARK: Put a period after House of
15 Representatives, yes. Then could I offer that as an amendment to
16 this resolution, that we strike the last one, two, three, four --

17 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: I second.

18 WELFORD CLARK: Yeah, that a period come after
19 Representatives.

20 PAM SPAULDING: Mr. Speaker, could we --

21 RICKY BURNETT: Let him do his --

22 PAM SPAULDING: Okay, I was just looking for
23 confirmation from my attorney.

24 RICKY BURNETT: Mr. Welford, do you want to restate
25 it?

1 WELFORD CLARK: Okay. I offer a motion to amend
2 this resolution in that we -- by inserting a period after House
3 of Representatives. And in fact, we will be eliminating "And its
4 companion in the Senate," those six words.

5 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: I second.

6 RICKY BURNETT: Mr. Kernice seconds it. Are there
7 any other questions, discussion? Hearing none, Madame Secretary.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

9 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

11 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. Yes.

13 Ms. Laura Sampson.

14 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.

15 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.

16 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.

17 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

18 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

19 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.

20 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.

21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.

22 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.

23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.

24 JAMES DEESE: Yes.

25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.

1 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ray Littleturtle.

3 RAY LITTLE TURTLE: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.

5 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yes.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.

7 TERRY CAMPBELL: Yes.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.

9 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.

10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.

11 JAMES SMITH: Yes.

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.

13 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yes.

14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.

15 LINDA REVELS: Yes.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.

17 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.

19 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

21 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

23 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

24 LOUISE MITCHELL: Motion carries.

25 ("Motion 6" - Amendment to resolution to support the

1 Lumbee Recognition Bill H.R. 31 in the House of Representatives
2 was passed.)

3 WELFORD CLARK: Now, was that for the motion or was
4 that for the resolution.

5 RICKY BURNETT: For the amendment.

6 WELFORD CLARK: That was the amendment? Okay.

7 SHARON HUNT: Okay, the last one is the one that
8 Patrick passed out to us tonight that was omitted from the
9 agenda.

10 RICKY BURNETT: We have to vote on the resolution.
11 What you had was a vote to amend the resolution. Now, we must
12 take a vote on the resolution itself as it has been corrected.
13 Madame Secretary.

14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

15 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

17 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. Yes.

19 Ms. Laura Sampson.

20 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.

21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.

22 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.

23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

24 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.

1 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.
2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.
3 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.
4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.
5 JAMES DEESE: Yes.
6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.
7 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.
8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ray Littleturtle.
9 RAY LITTLE TURTLE: Yes.
10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.
11 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yes.
12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.
13 TERRY CAMPBELL: Yes.
14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.
15 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.
16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.
17 JAMES SMITH: Yes.
18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.
19 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yes.
20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.
21 LINDA REVELS: Yes.
22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.
23 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.
24 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.
25 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.

1 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

2 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

3 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

4 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

5 LOUISE MITCHELL: Motion carries.

6 ("Motion 7" - Amended resolution to support Lumbee
7 Recognition Bill H.R. 31 in the House of Representatives was
8 approved.)

9 SHARON HUNT: Thank you. The next one is the one
10 that Patrick passed out to us tonight, Federal Recognition. It
11 should read Federal Recognition Legislative Delegation, not
12 Designation. It reads by saying:

13 "Whereas the Lumbee Nation Tribal Programs,
14 Incorporated has designated funds for" --

15 Well, let me not mention LNTP. Let me go to the
16 next one.

17 "Whereas the Lumbee Tribal Council sees the need
18 to establish a Federal Recognition delegation to accompany Gerald
19 Danford when lobbying for the Lumbee Federal Recognition
20 Legislation, therefore be it resolved, the Tribal Council of the
21 Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina does authorize Tribal Chairman
22 Jimmy Goins, Interim Tribal Administrator Tammy Maynor, Speaker
23 Ricky Burnett, Federal Recognition Committee Chair Sharon Hunt,
24 Tribal Clerk Ruth Locklear, Federal Recognition Attorney Arlinda
25 Locklear or Legal Aid of North Carolina representative Cynthia

1 Hunt to accompany Gerald Danford when consulting for Lumbee
2 Recognition.

3 "Therefore be it further resolved in the absence
4 of Speaker Ricky Burnett and Federal Recognition Committee Chair
5 Sharon Hunt, the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North
6 Carolina shall appoint another member of the Tribal Council to
7 serve on this delegation."

8 But, I just saw a word that probably needs to be
9 changed in the whereas, where it says when lobbying for Federal
10 Recognition. It should say as an ambassador because he is not a
11 lobbyist. And I didn't see this earlier, but if you'll just make
12 that change.

13 RICKY BURNETT: Coming from committee, needs no
14 second. Any question? Mr. Welford.

15 WELFORD CLARK: I hate to be the only one to raise
16 an issue, but I'm just thinking in the interest of time, from
17 what I remember what Mr. Danford said in discussion, the need to
18 go come up overnight. And there would be no opportunity for the
19 Tribal Council to meet to select someone. I would think that we
20 would maybe amend this to allow that delegation to appoint
21 someone.

22 If the Speaker couldn't go, and if Ms. Sharon Hunt
23 couldn't go, to allow that delegation itself to choose someone
24 rather than having to wait to have a -- to get a consensus from
25 the rest of the 21 people.

1 RICKY BURNETT: Ms. Pam.

2 PAM SPAULDING: That was in the original motion
3 that I made that night, that if they were not able to go that
4 they could appoint somebody. That was in the original motion.

5 WELFORD CLARK: So, if we amended that last
6 sentence in there that says, "Be it further resolved that in the
7 absence of Speaker Ricky Burnett and Federal Recognition
8 Committee Chair Sharon Hunt," why wouldn't we put the -- what is
9 this committee called anyway?

10 PAM SPAULDING: Federal Recognition Delegation.

11 WELFORD CLARK: Yeah, the Federal Recognition
12 Delegation shall appoint a replacement, to allow these folks to
13 choose someone.

14 STEVE SAMPSON: Are you offering that in the form
15 of a motion?

16 WELFORD CLARK: I'm offering that as a motion, yes,
17 Sir.

18 RICKY BURNETT: Moved and seconded. All right,
19 Madame Secretary.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Okay, are you amending this
21 resolution, Mr. Welford?

22 WELFORD CLARK: Yes, amend that to strike that last
23 sentence where it says the Tribal Council of North Carolina shall
24 appoint another member of the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe
25 of North Carolina to serve in this delegation, to strike that.

1 And to insert that and say the -- whatever this committee is
2 called -- will be authorized to appoint a replacement.

3 RICKY BURNETT: Laura?

4 LAURA SAMPSON: I think Ms. Audrey was before me.

5 RICKY BURNETT: Oh, Ms. Audrey.

6 AUDREY HUNT: The fifth whereas, do you think we
7 need to take out companion in the Senate also there?

8 WELFORD CLARK: Before we discuss this, Brother
9 Speaker, I've got a motion here for this amendment that we need
10 to resolve before we resolve that.

11 RICKY BURNETT: Ms. Laura?

12 LAURA SAMPSON: Yeah, I was just gonna suggest
13 maybe that we add the Co-chair or the Vice-chair to this
14 committee, which I think is Mr. Furnie. If we could add his name
15 as part of the -- excuse me?

16 PAM SPAULDING: He's not the alternate or the Vice-
17 chair.

18 LAURA SAMPSON: Oh, okay. Well, whoever the Vice-
19 chair is. Is it already in here, did I miss that?

20 SHARON HUNT: I think he was named in the meeting
21 as an alternate.

22 LAURA SAMPSON: Well, I mean, those might be names
23 that we might could put in here, the Vice-chair and whoever the
24 alternate was. I mean, that would clear up any meeting of an
25 emergency. I mean, that would just add names to the list should

1 --

2 RICKY BURNETT: Mr. James.

3 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: I think the only thing that needs
4 to be changed is the -- instead of the word designation, that it
5 be changed to delegation and -- the legislative delegation. And
6 we do. That night when we affirmed this, that the alternate
7 would be Mr. Furnie Lambert because he is the Vice-chair of our
8 Council.

9 RICKY BURNETT: Any others? We have a motion to
10 make this amendment and a second. Madame Secretary.

11 LOUISE MITCHELL: State your amendment again, please.
12 State your motion again, please.

13 WELFORD CLARK: My motion is to allow this
14 delegation -- excuse me. My motion was to allow that. But, Ms.
15 Sampson raised an interesting point. And the point -- but, she
16 said something that sparked something in me. There's right much
17 literature that this person needs to be up-to-snuff on.

18 So, it may be better for us to name the alternates
19 so that they can get copies of all this literature and stuff that
20 they will need to already know, rather than putting them in a
21 position to going somewhere and not having sufficient knowledge.
22 So, that -- I hadn't thought about that.

23 LAURA SAMPSON: That gives you a larger pool of
24 names and less likelihood we would have to --

25 WELFORD CLARK: Yeah, yeah. So, we could just

1 appoint two alternates and they could get a book like everyone
2 else and be sufficiently schooled.

3 LOUISE MITCHELL: State your amendment.

4 WELFORD CLARK: Well, before we state it --

5 LOUISE MITCHELL: You amended -- state your complete
6 amendment, please.

7 WELFORD CLARK: And Madame Secretary, I can't state
8 the complete amendment now because we first must choose the names
9 to insert there. So, I would just offer an amendment at this
10 time that we end that therefore at Sharon Hunt instead of a
11 period. And then we'll choose the names and further amend it by
12 adding these names. Unless Ms. Laura --

13 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: We already have one alternate, so
14 we need to nominate one more alternate.

15 LAURA SAMPSON: If that's your pleasure. Is that
16 your motion.

17 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: If that's the pleasure of Mr.
18 Welford's motion.

19 WELFORD CLARK: That would be fine because we did
20 discuss Mr. Lambert.

21 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yeah.

22 WELFORD CLARK: So, we just need to pick another
23 name. We just need to pick another person now then we can amend
24 it.

25 LARRY CHAVIS: I make a friendly amendment it be

1 the Vice-chair of the committee for this representative.

2 RICKY BURNETT: And that's who?

3 LARRY CHAVIS: Ms. Audrey.

4 WELFORD CLARK: Okay, now Mr. Speaker, I will state
5 the amendment. Okay, okay. I offer a motion that we amend the
6 last therefore by striking everything from the end of Sharon
7 Hunt's name and inserting the Vice-speaker of the Tribe and the
8 Vice-chairman of the Federal Recognition Committee chair will be
9 the designees.

10 RICKY BURNETT: It's not the Vice-speaker, it's the
11 Vice-chairman.

12 WELFORD CLARK: Vice-chair, excuse me.

13 RICKY BURNETT: Okay, you hear that? Got a second.

14 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yeah, yeah. I do.

15 RICKY BURNETT: I feel like I'm in the church.
16 Madame Secretary.

17 LOUISE MITCHELL: LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey
18 Hunt.

19 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

21 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Louise Mitchell. Yes.

23 Ms. Laura Sampson.

24 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.

25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.

1 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

3 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.

5 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.

7 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.

9 JAMES DEESE: Yes.

10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.

11 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ray Littleturtle.

13 RAY LITTLE TURTLE: Yes.

14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.

15 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yes.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.

17 TERRY CAMPBELL: Praise God, yes.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.

19 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Taft Smith.

21 JAMES SMITH: Yes.

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.

23 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yes.

24 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.

25 LINDA REVELS: Yes.

1 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.

2 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.

3 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.

4 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.

5 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

6 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

7 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

8 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

9 LOUISE MITCHELL: Motion carries.

10 ("Motion 8" - Amended resolution on Federal Recognition
11 Legislation was approved.)

12 SHARON HUNT: Thank you for so much grief, Mr.
13 Welford.

14 RICKY BURNETT: Thank you, Ms. Sharon. At this
15 time, we'll hear from Finance. Ms. Pam Spaulding.

16 **Finance Committee Report**

17 PAM SPAULDING: Good evening. We had some -- we
18 met in our original Finance Committee meeting and we had
19 resolutions. But, before we vote on those resolutions, I feel
20 that my obligation as your Treasurer -- to inform the public of
21 the financial status of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina. As
22 you know, we had some severe cutbacks in the past two years in
23 our budget to the tune of about \$3 million dollars.

24 Well, we've received some good news that goes along
25 with the new stimulus packet. And that is that NAHASDA will be

1 getting some additional funds to the tune of about \$550 billion
2 dollars.

3 (Applause from audience.)

4 PAM SPAULDING: And it will be disbursed. We don't
5 know when or how much.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: That's million.

7 PAM SPAULDING: Million. It was me, I'm sorry, but
8 that's still a lot of money. Sorry, that's still a lot of music.
9 But, the good news is that we are recipients of NAHASDA funds.
10 So, we will be included in that little shoveling out of monies.
11 Good deal. Okay.

12 The first resolution is the 2009 CSBG budget
13 amendment. This came about because there was a position that was
14 done away with, taken away. So, we re-disbursed that monies, the
15 \$26 thousand dollars to other needed line items in the CSBG
16 budget. And the resolution reads:

17 "Whereas the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of
18 North Carolina annually adopts a fiscal year budget, which is
19 inclusive of all tribal programs; and whereas the Tribal Council
20 of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina reserves the right to amend
21 the budget as being appropriate to maintain a balanced budget;

22 "Therefore be it resolved, the Tribal Council of
23 the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina does hereby agree to accept
24 the aforementioned proposed 2009 CSBG budget amendment."

25 RICKY BURNETT: Coming from committee requires no

1 second. Any questions? Hearing none, Madame Secretary.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

3 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

5 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. Yes.

7 Ms. Laura Sampson.

8 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.

9 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.

10 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.

11 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

12 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

13 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.

14 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.

15 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.

16 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.

17 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.

18 JAMES DEESE: Yes.

19 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.

20 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.

21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ray Littleturtle.

22 RAY LITTLE TURTLE: (Absent).

23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.

24 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yes.

25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.

1 TERRY CAMPBELL: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.

3 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.

5 JAMES SMITH: Yes.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.

7 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yes.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.

9 LINDA REVELS: Yes.

10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.

11 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.

13 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.

14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

15 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

17 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Motion carries.

19 ("Motion 9" - Resolution to accept 2009 CSBG budget

20 amendments was approved.)

21 PAM SPAULDING: The next resolution deals with the

22 2008-2009 Tribal budget. This is an amendment. And it reads:

23 "Whereas the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of

24 North Carolina reserves the right to amend the budget as deemed

25 appropriate to maintain a balanced budget;

1 "Therefore it be resolved, the Tribal Council of
2 the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina does hereby agree to accept
3 the aforementioned proposed 2008-2009 Tribal budget amendment."

4 RICKY BURNETT: Coming from committee requires no
5 second. Any questions? Discussion? Hearing none, Madame
6 Secretary.

7 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

8 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

9 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

10 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

11 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. Yes.

12 Ms. Laura Sampson.

13 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.

14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.

15 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

17 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.

19 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.

21 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.

23 JAMES DEESE: Yes.

24 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.

25 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.

1 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ray Littleturtle.
2 RAY LITTLE TURTLE: (Absent.)
3 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.
4 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yes.
5 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.
6 TERRY CAMPBELL: Yes.
7 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.
8 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.
9 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.
10 JAMES SMITH: Yes.
11 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.
12 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yes.
13 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.
14 LINDA REVELS: Yes.
15 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.
16 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.
17 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.
18 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.
19 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.
20 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.
21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.
22 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.
23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Motion carries.
24 ("Motion 10" - Resolution to accept proposed 2008-2009
25 Tribal budget amendments was passed.)

1 PAM SPAULDING: In your next resolution, please
2 change everywhere on this resolution, this is the CSBG Food Bank.
3 He said that he did a typo because he was typing something else
4 for CDBG. This is coming out of Ms. Ruth's, CSBG.

5 "Whereas the CSBG Food Bank grant was awarded to
6 the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina;

7 "Therefore be it resolved, the Tribal Council of
8 the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina does reaffirm Ruth B.
9 Locklear, Tribal Clerk, as the sole designee on deciding who the
10 community recipients shall be of the Lumbee Tribe CSBG Food Bank;

11 "Therefore be it further resolved, Ruth B.
12 Locklear shall solicit advice from any person she chooses in
13 awarding the community recipients of the Lumbee Tribe CSBG Food
14 Bank."

15 RICKY BURNETT: Again, coming from committee
16 requires no second. Any questions, discussion? Hearing none,
17 Madame Secretary.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

19 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

21 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. Yes.

23 Ms. Laura Sampson.

24 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.

25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.

1 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

3 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.

5 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.

7 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.

9 JAMES DEESE: Yes.

10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.

11 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ray Littleturtle.

13 RAY LITTLE TURTLE: (Absent.)

14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.

15 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yes.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.

17 TERRY CAMPBELL: Yes.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.

19 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.

21 JAMES SMITH: Yes.

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.

23 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yes.

24 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.

25 LINDA REVELS: Yes.

1 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.

2 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.

3 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.

4 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.

5 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

6 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

7 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

8 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

9 LOUISE MITCHELL: Motion carries.

10 ("Motion 11" - Resolution reaffirming Ruth Locklear as
11 the designee over the Lumbee Tribe CSBG Food Bank was approved.)

12 RICKY BURNETT: Thank you. At this time, we'll
13 hear from Health and Human Services, Mr. Steve Sampson.

14 **Health and Human Services Committee Report**

15 STEVE SAMPSON: Okay, before we get started, I hope
16 to bring great news next month in regards to what I talked about
17 last month about Duke, and they put me on hold with that. But,
18 let's hope next month they allow me to speak. I spoke
19 prematurely and they got the message via the newspaper, and I got
20 beat up against the wall on it.

21 But, next month I'm hoping to have them here with
22 the information with pamphlets telling what you have to do and
23 everything. Let met just stop right there. I'm gonna stop.
24 Next month, coming, stay tuned. All right.

25 Two things, we have two resolutions here tonight.

1 First I have a speaker I want everybody to meet. I had the
2 privilege of meeting her last year. Come to find out that there
3 weren't many Native American foster parents and there was a
4 problem with Native American foster parents in our service area.
5 And this lady came to our attention last March of April.

6 And she's done a great deal free for the Tribe.
7 And we have a couple of resolutions coming from the Health and
8 Human Service Committee to try to offer some help back to her.
9 But, at this time, I'd like Ms. Rhonda Jones, if you'll come
10 forward. I don't have her bio, but I can tell you she does have
11 a passion for all children. And I'd like to say that anybody,
12 regardless of what race you are, that will take in a child, I
13 commend you for that.

14 What this committee would like to see though is
15 more of our Native American children placed in more Native
16 American homes, where they can be more founded in their roots and
17 their heritage and their culture. Once again, I commend anybody
18 of any race that will take in any child in need. All right, Ms.
19 Jones.

20 RHONDA JONES: Thank you, Mr. Steve. Thank you
21 for inviting me here today. Just to give you some information
22 about myself, substitute as a bio, my name is Rhonda D. Jones
23 Hughes. I attended Rutgers University. I got a Bachelor's in
24 Social Work and I also have a Master's in Social Work. By trade,
25 I'm a Psychotherapist. I deal with a lot of mental health

1 issues.

2 When it comes to the Indian Child Welfare Act and
3 issues, these children are facing a lot of problems such as
4 depression, adjustment disorder, a lot of separation and anxiety
5 disorders, just to give you some -- a little information. I just
6 became a member January the 15th of the North Carolina Indian
7 Child Welfare Task Force, that the North Carolina Commission of
8 Indian Affairs has established.

9 Last week, I was in Charlotte concerning a family
10 who was in Foster Care. That day, the Court hoped to allow a
11 non-Native family to adopt these Indian families. But, in
12 surprise I showed up to Court and stopped the adoption process.
13 So, we did make a difference in those family's lives.

14 April the 6th through the 8th, I will be part of a
15 pilot to help train the Department of Social Service caseworkers
16 statewide concerning the culture of American Indian people. I'm
17 excited about that. Thank you.

18 (Applause was given.)

19 Also, this coming up Monday, I'm having a
20 conference call with the North Carolina Department of Social
21 Service in Raleigh. Bob Hinsley, who is the North Carolina
22 Department of Social Service Foster Care Team, as well as the
23 Jordan Institute, they also are establishing a pilot to help --
24 this is designated to only the Lumbee people -- to promote more
25 Lumbee foster parents. So, that's another breakway that we're

1 making, the Lumbee Tribe has been making.

2 Also, we're opening up a child placement agency.
3 We're hoping to eliminate DSS as a legal guardian of these foster
4 children so we can have more rights with these families.

5 (Applause was given.)

6 And also, this is preparing us for Federal
7 Recognition. So, once we get Federal Recognition, we'll already
8 have established this team in place. Yes, Sir. The name of this
9 agency is Red Path Child and Family Agency because we do walk the
10 Red Path, the Red Road. The state has given me a consultant.
11 Her name is Ms. Carmen. She's going to be meeting with me and
12 just looking at the office space where I'm located and -- so we
13 can get licensed.

14 I want to start promoting -- I mean, I'm always
15 promoting foster care, but I also want to start training foster
16 care. I'm MAP trained. It took me two weeks to get MAP trained.
17 This MAP training, you have to take -- to be a foster parent, a
18 parent has to take 30 hours of foster parent classes. I'm
19 trained for that, so I want to start training this ASAP and I
20 want to meet with Mr. Steve concerning when is a good time to
21 start doing this.

22 I also want to start going to the churches and
23 promoting this also. I'm going to be at the Unity Conference
24 promoting foster care for the Lumbee people, as well as the North
25 Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs. Does anybody -- I mean,

1 this is really volunteer work I do when I travel. But, if
2 anybody, North Carolina, even out in other states, has any
3 problems concerning any child welfare, please contact me. I will
4 fly to the end of the world for my people. And so, just let me
5 know.

6 (Applause was given.)

7 STEVE SAMPSON: All right. Let's see if we can't
8 give her some help. In our last committee meeting, it came about
9 that office space was a problem for Ms. Jones like she said.
10 Wait a minute, I've grabbed the wrong resolution. Thank you.
11 All right. Beginning here with the first therefore.

12 "Therefore be it resolved, the Tribal Council of
13 the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina does allow Rhonda Jones office
14 space, if available, to establish her American Indian Foster Care
15 Agency. Therefore, be it further resolved, when the Lumbee Tribe
16 of North Carolina is contacted regarding American Indian foster
17 care" --

18 Does everybody have this one? Does everybody have
19 it now? All right. Okay, I'll just start over.

20 "Therefore be it resolved, the Tribal Council of
21 the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina does allow Rhonda Jones office
22 space, if available, to establish her American Indian Foster Care
23 Agency. Therefore, be it further resolved, when the Lumbee Tribe
24 of North Carolina is contacted regarding American Indian foster
25 care adoption, Tribal Clerk Ms. Ruth Locklear will be the person

1 of contact and will coordinate and/or forward all inquiries and
2 information to Rhonda Jones.

3 "Therefore be it even further resolved, Rhonda
4 Jones is authorized to represent the Lumbee Tribe of North
5 Carolina with information and brochures on American Indian Child
6 Welfare in promoting foster parenting or adoption in the Indian
7 communities at the United Tribes Indian Unity Conference March
8 the 5th through the 7th, 2009 in Raleigh, North Carolina."

9 RICKY BURNETT: Again, coming from committee it
10 requires no second. Any question? Discussion? Hearing none,
11 Madame Secretary.

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

13 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

15 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. Yes.
17 Ms. Laura Sampson.

18 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.

19 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.

20 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.

21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

22 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.

24 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.

25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.

1 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.

3 JAMES DEESE: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.

5 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.

7 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yes.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.

9 TERRY CAMPBELL: Yes.

10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.

11 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.

13 JAMES SMITH: Yes.

14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.

15 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yes.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.

17 LINDA REVELS: Yes.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.

19 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.

21 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

23 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

24 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

25 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

1 LOUISE MITCHELL: Motion carries.

2 ("Motion 12" - Resolution authorizing support to Rhonda
3 Jones in establishing American Indian Child Foster Care Agency
4 was approved.)

5 STEVE SAMPSON: I have one more resolution to bring
6 before you. Grants writer Mr. Ben Jacobs brought it before the
7 Health and Human Service Committee, another ANA grant
8 application. It says -- this resolution in support of the 2009
9 ANA grant application. Starting with the last whereas.

10 "Whereas the Lumbee Tribal Council gives full
11 support and approval of this application for funds from ANA for
12 the entire project period, and will provide the required 20
13 percent non-ANA matching funds.

14 "Therefore be it resolved that the Lumbee Tribal
15 Council do hereby authorize the Tribal Chairman and Tribal
16 Administrator to submit to the administration for Native
17 Americans for the purpose of the ANA project; therefore be it
18 further resolved the Lumbee Tribal Council also authorizes the
19 Tribal Chairman and the Tribal Administrator to sign the grant
20 application and all other documents relating to the ANA grant
21 award."

22 RICKY BURNETT: Again, coming from committee
23 requires no second. Question, discussion? Hearing none, Madame
24 Secretary.

25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

1 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

3 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. Yes.

5 Ms. Laura Sampson.

6 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.

7 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.

8 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.

9 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

10 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

11 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.

12 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.

13 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.

14 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.

15 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.

16 JAMES DEESE: Yes.

17 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.

18 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.

19 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.

20 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yes.

21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.

22 TERRY CAMPBELL: Yes.

23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.

24 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.

25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.

1 JAMES SMITH: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.

3 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.

5 LINDA REVELS: Yes.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.

7 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.

9 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.

10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

11 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

13 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

14 RICKY BURNETT: Motion carries. Thank you.

15 ("Motion 13" - Resolution allowing Tribal Chairman and
16 Tribal Administrator to sign for ANA grant application was
17 approved.)

18 RICKY BURNETT: At this time, we'll hear from
19 Housing, Mr. Larry Chavis.

20 **Housing Committee Report**

21 LARRY CHAVIS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Tonight, I
22 have before you some resolutions on control number 2009-0219-0.
23 That's District 12 land purchase. And it goes as -- the last
24 whereas:

25 "District 12 has shown a need of establishing a

1 Tribal elder housing site;

2 "Therefore, be it resolved that the Tribal Council
3 of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina does support and agree to
4 allow Tribal Administrator to purchase land in District 12 in the
5 amount of \$85 thousand dollars for the proposed estimated a
6 Tribal elder housing site."

7 RICKY BURNETT: Again, coming from committee,
8 requires no second. Any question, discussion? Ms. Sharon.

9 SHARON HUNT: I feel it should probably say which
10 parcel of land. It's kind of vague saying land for \$85 thousand
11 dollars. It can say approximate, or how many acres or something.
12 I just thought we had in the past. How many Mr. Furnie, eight
13 and a half?

14 RICKY BURNETT: Any others? Hearing none, Madame
15 Secretary.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

17 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

19 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Louise Mitchell. Yes.

21 Ms. Laura Sampson.

22 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.

23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.

24 PAM SPAULDING: For God's sakes, yes.

25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

1 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.

3 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.

5 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.

7 JAMES DEESE: Yes.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.

9 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.

10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.

11 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: For God's sake, yes.

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.

13 TERRY CAMPBELL: Yes.

14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.

15 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.

17 JAMES SMITH: Yes.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.

19 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yes.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.

21 LINDA REVELS: Yes.

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.

23 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.

24 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.

25 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: After three years, it's about time.

1 Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

3 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

5 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Motion carries.

7 ("Motion 14" - Resolution allowing \$85,000 land
8 purchase for Tribal elder housing site in District 12 was
9 approved.)

10 LARRY CHAVIS: All right, on the next one, the
11 control number is 2009-0219-0. Additional service case number is
12 0042875. And it reads as:

13 "Whereas the Lumbee Tribe it is the decision to
14 provide quality service based on the need of the additional
15 tribal members, which we'll offer exceeds the amount allowed in
16 the tribal housing policy."

17 And the last therefore, "It be resolved that the
18 Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina will agree
19 to provide an additional \$4,500 in service to the case number
20 0042875 in an effort to provide the equivalent in rehabbing
21 service needed."

22 RICKY BURNETT: Again, coming from committee
23 requires no second. Question? Mr. Furnie.

24 FURNIE LAMBERT: You've got two resolutions here
25 with the same number.

1 RICKY BURNETT: No, they'll change, where that zero
2 dash, it'll read like one.

3 FURNIE LAMBERT: No, I mean, like 219, the one
4 before it was 219.

5 RICKY BURNETT: Yeah, but then you have -- they're
6 not numbered, Mr. Furnie. Where it's got zero, then it'll be
7 like 01, 02.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: After it's passed.

9 FURNIE LAMBERT: Okay.

10 RICKY BURNETT: Any questions, discussion? Hearing
11 none, Madame Secretary.

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

13 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

15 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. Yes.
17 Ms. Laura Sampson.

18 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.

19 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.

20 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.

21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

22 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.

24 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.

25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.

1 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.

3 JAMES DEESE: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.

5 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.

7 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yes.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.

9 TERRY CAMPBELL: Yes.

10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.

11 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.

13 JAMES SMITH: Yes.

14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.

15 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yes.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.

17 LINDA REVELS: Yes.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.

19 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.

21 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

23 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

24 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

25 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

1 LOUISE MITCHELL: Motion carries.

2 ("Motion 15" - Resolution for additional \$4,500 rehab
3 to case number 0042875 was approved.)

4 LARRY CHAVIS: Control number 2009-1016-0, that's
5 District 8 elder's site. And it reads as, the last whereas:

6 "District 8 has shown a need in establishing a
7 tribal elder housing site."

8 And the last therefore, "It is resolved that the
9 Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina does support
10 and agree to allow the Tribal Administrator to seek land in
11 establishing an elder's site for District 8."

12 RICKY BURNETT: Coming from committee requires no
13 second. Any discussion, question? Hearing none, Madame
14 Secretary.

15 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

16 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

17 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

18 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

19 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. Yes.

20 Ms. Laura Sampson.

21 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.

23 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.

24 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

25 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

1 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.
2 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.
3 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.
4 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.
5 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.
6 JAMES DEESE: Yes.
7 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.
8 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.
9 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ray Littleturtle.
10 RAY LITTLE TURTLE: (Absent.)
11 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.
12 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: I don't know. Yes.
13 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.
14 TERRY CAMPBELL: Yes.
15 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.
16 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.
17 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.
18 JAMES SMITH: Yes.
19 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.
20 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yeah.
21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.
22 LINDA REVELS: Yes.
23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.
24 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.
25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.

1 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

3 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

5 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

6 RICKY BURNETT: Motion carries. Thank you.

7 ("Motion 16" - Resolution to allow Tribal Administrator
8 to seek land purchase for District 8 tribal elder housing site
9 was approved.)

10 LARRY CHAVIS: Control number 2009-0219-0, this is
11 District 9 community center land purchase negotiations. And it
12 goes as, the last whereas:

13 "District 9 has shown a need to establish a
14 community center for the use for community meetings, cultural
15 activities, Lumbee Tribe elder service and various tribal
16 activities."

17 And it goes, the last therefore, "Be it resolved
18 that the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina
19 does support and agree to allow the Tribal Administrator" -- wait
20 I'm sorry, I got an amendment. Let me go back to the last
21 therefore.

22 "Be it resolved that the Tribal Council of the
23 Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina does support and agree to allow
24 the Tribal Administration to purchase land to establish a
25 community center for District 9 pending HUD's approval."

1 RICKY BURNETT: And after District 9 is pending HUD
2 approval. Again, coming from committee it requires no
3 discussion. Any question or discussion?

4 JAMES SMITH: Mr. Speaker.

5 RICKY BURNETT: Mr. Taft.

6 JAMES SMITH: I make a motion to table this for
7 45 days due to process until we get -- we got our community
8 meeting the 23rd of March. Can I get a second on that, please?

9 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Second.

10 RICKY BURNETT: We have a motion to extend this 45
11 days and you had a second. Roll call vote, Madame Secretary.

12 FURNIE LAMBERT: Discussion.

13 RICKY BURNETT: Oh, I'm sorry. Discussion.

14 LAURA SAMPSON: Yeah, I was just gonna ask Mr. Taft
15 for clarity, if he could elaborate on that a little bit so that
16 people can understand what the 45-day --

17 JAMES SMITH: We got people from both sides give
18 concerns on that, and we have people that's concerned about the
19 land and how it was -- how the motion was set forth in our
20 Housing meeting. We were in comments and we made a motion, so it
21 wasn't due processed. And so, we'd like to go back and discuss
22 this.

23 Also, once we bring it to the community, ever what
24 they decide is well with me, which is ever where they put the
25 land or ever what else. I just want all the people to be

1 concerned and all the people to be -- all of them was planning to
2 come. We had meetings planned before. But, due to weather and
3 due to other circumstances, we didn't get to meet at our
4 meetings. So, therefore if we get this taken care of, I believe
5 that we can come on to agree on what we should do.

6 RICKY BURNETT: Mr. Welford.

7 WELFORD CLARK: There has been -- I'm trying to
8 figure out how I want to say this. There has been a number of
9 community meetings held. If the purpose of the delay is to allow
10 the community to meet in regard to any -- to discussing the
11 parcel of land where the Saddletree Community Center is now, then
12 I would say that we not consider that simply because on the
13 advise of the Tribal Attorney as related to us by the Tribal
14 Administrator, the status and the ownership of that land is so
15 questioned now that it may be difficult in the future to ever
16 accurately determine who owns it.

17 And in fact, we may be an a battle for a fee-
18 simple deed for an eternity. Nobody knows who owns that land.
19 So, if it was to discuss another parcel of land -- if it was to
20 discuss another parcel of land the Tribe may buy would be one
21 thing. But, if it's to discuss this land and what would take
22 place there, I don't see any reason for us to postpone it. That
23 it would seem that -- it's clear to me that we have been advised
24 from the legal department to steer clear of this parcel of land.

25 RICKY BURNETT: Mr. Terry.

1 TERRY CAMPBELL: Mr. Taft, this issue, how long has
2 it been going on now?

3 JAMES SMITH: Well, it's been starting in this
4 year. But, I've been working, you know, with different groups in
5 the community. But, to answer Mr. Welford's question, it don't
6 matter where the land's at. I just want some due process.
7 That's what I said, the whole thing, due process. It don't
8 matter if it's the building or where, Mr. Welford, whether if
9 it's there or somewhere else, I just want to do it in due process
10 of what we should do, is go through the community in the
11 community. That's all I want, for our people to have a voice.

12 WELFORD CLARK: And if I may just rebut that in
13 about 15 seconds, Mr. Speaker. It'll take me about 15 seconds.
14 To my calculations, this is the fourth time that we have
15 discussed this land in the presence of a large number of people
16 from that community. And in the fourth meeting, there has only
17 been one person out of four people who has ever expressed any
18 dissatisfaction in what has been proposed.

19 So, if we're to delay this in order to hear this
20 one person again out of 40 or 50, then I think that we've wasted
21 enough time. And I will object to the tabling of the resolution.

22 RICKY BURNETT: Ms. Pam.

23 PAM SPAULDING: Call for the question. I call for
24 the question.

25 RICKY BURNETT: Call for the question. All right.

1 WELFORD CLARK: A motion for the debate to come to
2 a close takes a two-thirds vote.

3 RICKY BURNETT: It takes two-thirds. Roll call.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: To table?

5 RICKY BURNETT: No, for the debate to come to a
6 close. We're taking a vote to come to the close. That's what
7 you called for your question, for it to end. Roll call vote.

8 WELFORD CLARK: The main motion is to end the
9 debate, which is the first one we're voting on; correct?

10 RICKY BURNETT: Yeah, call for the question.

11 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

12 AUDREY HUNT: No.

13 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

14 SHARON HUNT: No.

15 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. No.

16 Ms. Laura Sampson.

17 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.

19 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

21 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.

23 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.

24 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.

25 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.

1 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.

2 JAMES DEESE: No.

3 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.

4 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.

5 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.

6 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yes.

7 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.

8 TERRY CAMPBELL: Abstain.

9 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.

10 STEVE SAMPSON: We're voting to end this debate;

11 right?

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: To end the debate.

13 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.

14 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.

15 JAMES SMITH: No.

16 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.

17 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yes.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.

19 LINDA REVELS: Yes.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.

21 FURNIE LAMBERT: No.

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.

23 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Abstain.

24 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

25 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

1 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

2 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

3 LOUISE MITCHELL: 12 yes, 6 no.

4 RICKY BURNETT: Need 14 to have two-thirds. Any

5 discussion?

6 WELFORD CLARK: Excuse me. Abstentions don't

7 count. Absentee -- there were 18 votes that were cast. 12 said

8 yes, 6 said no, it passes two-thirds. Abstentions don't count as

9 votes. Abstentions do not count as votes. Absent -- there are

10 20 people here. There were 18 who voted, 12 voted the

11 affirmative, 6 voted in the negative, 2 abstained, so the motion

12 does pass.

13 LOUISE MITCHELL: All right.

14 RICKY BURNETT: It passes.

15 LOUISE MITCHELL: To end the debate.

16 ("Motion 17" - Motion to end debate on proposed

17 resolution passed.)

18 RICKY BURNETT: Now, we're back to the motion to be

19 tabled for 45 days. Roll call. The motion is to table for 45

20 days.

21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

22 AUDREY HUNT: No.

23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

24 SHARON HUNT: No.

25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. No.

1 Ms. Laura Sampson.
2 LAURA SAMPSON: No.
3 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.
4 PAM SPAULDING: No.
5 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.
6 HELEN LOCKLEAR: No.
7 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.
8 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: No.
9 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.
10 CHARLES BULLARD: No.
11 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.
12 JAMES DEESE: No.
13 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.
14 LARRY CHAVIS: No.
15 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.
16 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: No.
17 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.
18 TERRY CAMPBELL: Abstain.
19 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.
20 STEVE SAMPSON: No.
21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.
22 JAMES SMITH: Yes.
23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.
24 BRAD McMILLIAN: No.
25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.

1 LINDA REVELS: No.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.

3 FURNIE LAMBERT: No.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.

5 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Abstain.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

7 RICKY BURNETT: No.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

9 WELFORD CLARK: No.

10 LOUISE MITCHELL: 17 nos, 1 yes, 2 abstentions.

11 ("Motion 18" - Motion to table proposed resolution for

12 45 days failed.)

13 RICKY BURNETT: Now, we go back to the original

14 motion from the committee on the, "Be it resolved the Tribal

15 Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina does support and

16 agree to allow Tribal Administration to purchase land to

17 establish a community center in District 9 pending HUD approval."

18 Roll call.

19 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

20 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

22 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. Yes.

24 Ms. Laura Sampson.

25 LAURA SAMPSON: Yes.

1 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.
2 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.
3 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.
4 HELEN LOCKLEAR: Yes.
5 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.
6 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Yes.
7 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.
8 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.
9 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.
10 JAMES DEESE: Yes.
11 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.
12 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes.
13 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ray Littleturtle.
14 RAY LITTLE TURTLE: Yes.
15 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.
16 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yes.
17 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.
18 TERRY CAMPBELL: May as well yes.
19 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.
20 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.
21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Taft Smith.
22 JAMES SMITH: No.
23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.
24 BRAD McMILLIAN: Yes.
25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.

1 LINDA REVELS: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.

3 FURNIE LAMBERT: Yes.

4 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.

5 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.

6 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.

7 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.

8 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

9 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

10 LOUISE MITCHELL: Motion carries.

11 ("Motion 19" - Resolution approving Tribal
12 Administration to purchase land in District 9 pending HUD
13 approval was approved.)

14 RICKY BURNETT: Thank you, Mr. Larry. At this
15 time, we'll hear from Constitution and Ordinance, Ms. Louise.

16 Before Ms. Louise speaks, I need to go back to the
17 housing, Alex has brought to my attention. The purchase for
18 District 12 is going to be a \$1.8 million dollar investment.
19 They wish to thank the Housing Committee for approving that and
20 the Tribal Council. And it will be in the newspaper.

21 **Constitution and Ordinance Committee**

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Thank you. It is an honor to be
23 elected as Chairman of the Constitution and Ordinance Committee.
24 Of course, it's a tough job. We will be meeting a lot, a lot of
25 work sessions. We've already had two meetings, we've met two

1 times. And I'd like to announce the official Constitution and
2 Ordinance Committee meeting tonight.

3 And that's Mr. James Taft Smith, Mr. Furnie
4 Lambert, Mr. Kernice Locklear, Mr. Terry Campbell, Mr. Welford
5 Clark, Ms. Helen Locklear, Mr. James Harold Locklear, Mr. Larry
6 Chavis, Mr. Steve Sampson is the Vice-chairperson of this
7 committee, Mr. Ricky Burnett, Mr. James Deese, Ms. Sharon Hunt,
8 Ms. Linda Revels, Mr. Charles Bullard, and myself as Chairperson.

9 We have two interested persons of the tribal-
10 enrolled members that are working with us and wants to be a part
11 of our committee in the advisory capacity. And that's Mr. Eric
12 Locklear and Ms. Ruth Locklear as staff. We have a list of goals
13 that we have proposed for 2009, and these goals came out of the
14 Constitution Orientation Committee Meeting that we held for new
15 members and incumbent Tribal Council members.

16 We will be meeting often to write law that is
17 needed. There are some issues that have happened in the past
18 that needs to be addressed. We need to add additional language
19 in some laws and maybe some of our tribal enrollment law. We've
20 been working on some things there.

21 We also had a concern and have a concern about the
22 judiciary branch. And out of our committee, we did put task
23 before us for 60 days with aggressive pursuit of an individual
24 who meets the eligibility requirements existing for the fifth
25 Justice position.

1 At this point in time, we do not have the fifth
2 Judge appointed. And one of the things that we're having a
3 problem with, or it seems to be, is that we have to have a lawyer
4 or an accredited law student. So, we're working on that. We've
5 got 60 days. Ms. Sharon and myself, we're going to be working on
6 that as much as we can.

7 And if that does not prevail -- because I do
8 understand that the problem has been maybe the age limit. We may
9 be taking a look at that. We may be asking for an amendment to
10 the Constitution. But, first of all, we wanted to try this
11 process to see what we can do. And if that doesn't work, then
12 we'll be working on some other things.

13 We invite you all to come to our Constitution
14 Committee meetings because you are tribal-enrolled members. And
15 we hope that there will be a calendar of the meetings that will
16 be provided. Maybe if you can go to the Tribal office and just
17 ask for the calendar to see when these meetings are held.

18 And as a reminder to you as tribal-enrolled
19 members, you have the right by the Lumbee Tribe of North
20 Carolina, the Constitution, you have the power to initiate a vote
21 on tribal ordinances, the power to recall any elected official of
22 the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, and the power to conduct a
23 referendum on any tribal ordinance adopted by this Tribal
24 Council, or to propose an amendment to the Constitution. That is
25 your right.

1 But, there is a process in the Constitution that
2 you must follow to obtain those powers. Tonight, I have a
3 resolution. The onliest (sic) resolution that is out of or
4 committee right now. And as I said, we are working on some. We
5 had some motions that were made for some of the amendments that
6 are in process, but we have to complete them before we can bring
7 them to you. And the Chairman has to take a look at them to
8 whether he will pass it or veto it. And then it has to come back
9 to Council.

10 So, there's a lot of process and a lot of work in
11 this committee. The resolution that I have tonight is 2009
12 regular business meeting schedule. We have a law in place that
13 -- an ordinance in place that states that:

14 "There shall be regular meetings of the Tribal
15 Council as defined in a resolution by the Tribal Council at first
16 annual meeting of each calendar year. The meeting of each
17 calendar year shall be published and made available to the
18 membership."

19 We were not able to do this at our first meeting
20 because of our -- Mr. James Deese who was just sworn in tonight.
21 So, we're having to do this tonight.

22 "Whereas Speaker Burnett asked the Tribal Council
23 of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina at the January business
24 meeting to review the 2009 calendar for possible out-of-district
25 business meetings during 2009 calendar year;

1 "Therefore be it resolved, the Tribal Council of
2 the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina does agree to hold a Tribal
3 Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina monthly business
4 meetings at 6:30 the third Thursday of each month at the Regional
5 Center for Economic Community and Professional Development;

6 "Therefore, be it further resolved, Tribal Council
7 of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina monthly business meetings
8 will be held in other tribal districts on the following dates."

9 And this is where, I guess, we need some dates
10 now.

11 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Comments?

12 RICKY BURNETT: Yeah.

13 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Mr. Speaker and Ms. Committee
14 Chair, on this resolution, now I feel personally that our regular
15 monthly meetings should be held here at our office. And all the
16 community meetings be held in every district. And I think they
17 should be held in every district whenever the district
18 representatives want those meetings held.

19 And -- but, I feel like these meetings that we
20 have, the Tribal meetings, should be held in the tribal area here
21 where we call home. And -- I beg your pardon? Well, you know,
22 what I mean, our Lumbee home, our Tribe, the Lumbee people. And
23 so, I think when we started this, but even the places that we
24 went to, there wasn't many people that showed up to hear the
25 meetings.

1 Now, community hearings is where the
2 administration and staff, they go out with the people that are
3 heads of those departments to show you and to tell you what is
4 available to you and how you can receive help and things like
5 that. So, you know, and I think that's what those community
6 meetings are for, for you to learn and for you to understand.
7 Now, that's it, that's all I got to say. Mr. Shelley's got his
8 hand up.

9 RICKY BURNETT: Mr. Shelley.

10 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: We've always had a good turnout,
11 well, District 12, Scotland County. So, I'm going to make a
12 motion that we have a Community Meeting, if someone has a
13 calendar. Council meeting in July.

14 RICKY BURNETT: July.

15 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Are you saying a Council meeting?

16 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Tribal Council meeting, because
17 we've always had a good turnout in Scotland County.

18 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Well, let's vote on the matter
19 first. And then if it's passed, you can get your dates.

20 RICKY BURNETT: No, you got to get the dates.

21 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: I beg your pardon.

22 RICKY BURNETT: July the 16t, District 12. Anyone
23 else?

24 WELFORD CLARK: Mr. Speaker, I'd like to have the
25 Tribal Council meeting the month of September in District 14.

1 And in all due respect to Mr. Locklear, if we're going to have it
2 where it's home, then we need to go up to Drowning Creek.
3 COMtech is not home. So, we need to go up to Maxton if we want
4 to get it truly home. September the 17th, District 14.

5 RICKY BURNETT: Mr. Lambert.

6 FURNIE LAMBERT: Mr. Speaker, I would like to remind
7 the Council that the government of North Carolina doesn't go all
8 over the place to hold its business meetings. And we are
9 government, and I don't think we should be going from the
10 different districts holding our business meetings.

11 RICKY BURNETT: Okay, noted. Ms. Louise.

12 LOUISE MITCHELL: We are the Lumbee Tribe of North
13 Carolina. We are not North Carolina or Federal. We have the
14 authority to have our meetings wherever we need to have them. We
15 have more tribal-enrolled members in other communities besides
16 just here in Pembroke. So, I don't see that it would be a
17 problem maybe every other month or quarterly or whatever as we're
18 doing right now to have them in other communities.

19 We all represent the Lumbee Tribe of North
20 Carolina. Some of us come from Scotland, some of us come from
21 Cumberland, some of us come from Back Swamp, Fairmont. So, I
22 feel that we at times can have Council meetings in your district,
23 as long as you designate where you're going to be at.

24 RICKY BURNETT: Mr. Sharon, did you have your hand
25 up?

1 SHARON HUNT: I thought we had a resolution to
2 that effect at one time that we would have four a year out of --
3 apart from here. But, I would like to also add, if our community
4 building is finished by December, I would be happy to host the
5 meeting in District 2 for December, along with my counterpart,
6 Ms. Louise.

7 LOUISE MITCHELL: Thank you. Thank you.

8 RICKY BURNETT: December 17th, that's District 2.
9 Mr. James.

10 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: I get the understanding here that
11 we're following the tradition of the Indian people, and that is
12 that we can take out teepee and move it anywhere we need it, so.

13 PAM SPAULDING: We do the long houses.

14 RICKY BURNETT: Anyone else? We have three. Ms.
15 Pam.

16 PAM SPAULDING: We'll take one and get it over.

17 RICKY BURNETT: For when?

18 LARRY CHAVIS: We had one there last year.

19 PAM SPAULDING: After April, May.

20 RICKY BURNETT: May 21st, District 3. All right,
21 Mr. Kernice. We got four. All right.

22 "Therefore be it further resolved, Tribal Council
23 of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina monthly business meetings
24 will be held in other tribal districts on the following dates:
25 District 3, May 21st, 2009; District 12 will be July the 16th,

1 2009; District 14 will be September the 17th, 2009; District 2
2 will be December the 17th, 2009."

3 You have a motion on the floor. Let me answer Ms.
4 Freeman.

5 (Question/comment from audience member.)

6 RICKY BURNETT: And I agree with what you're
7 saying. This is the Tribal Council meeting that you see right
8 now, the business meeting. I know what you're speaking of, the
9 community meetings. And running it in the newspaper, I don't
10 have any control. I know we've got it on the website and there's
11 many others. But, I think that we're trying to get it in the
12 churches and announce and people make the announcement.

13 Let me say, when we have a community meeting in
14 District 13 in Fayetteville there at the church, we had a packed-
15 out people because we spread the word through the churches and
16 all that. And I'll be hones with you, it wasn't in the
17 Fayetteville paper, never saw it. But, it's the word-of-mouth by
18 us talking to take it together in getting the people to get
19 involved.

20 (Comment from audience.)

21 RICKY BURNETT: Well, you know what, I think that
22 you stood up and apologized to earlier and said you know more
23 about it now and you were volunteering. I believe you're one
24 that would get that word out about the community meetings and
25 make that thing happen.

1 Okay, I got a motion on the floor.

2 WELFORD CLARK: In regard to that, Mr. Speaker, I
3 was simply gonna say the Tribal Council now in some real serious
4 discussions concerning a free publication that has offered to
5 publish all of our Tribal News. And we're trying to put that
6 together now so that you will be able to get a free publication
7 that will have all the Tribal News in it. It may take us two or
8 three months to get it, but I think you will see it come to pass
9 before half the year is gone.

10 (Comment from audience.)

11 RICKY BURNETT: All right, we have a motion on the
12 floor. Madame Secretary.

13 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Audrey Hunt.

14 AUDREY HUNT: Yes.

15 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Sharon Hunt.

16 SHARON HUNT: Yes.

17 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Lamari Louise Mitchell. Yes.

18 Ms. Laura Sampson.

19 LAURA SAMPSON: No.

20 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Pam Spaulding.

21 PAM SPAULDING: Yes.

22 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Helen Locklear.

23 HELEN LOCKLEAR: No.

24 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Kernice Locklear.

25 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: No.

1 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Charles Bullard.
2 CHARLES BULLARD: Yes.
3 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Deese.
4 JAMES DEESE: Yes.
5 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Larry Chavis.
6 LARRY CHAVIS: Yes, let's try it.
7 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Harold Locklear.
8 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: No.
9 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Terry Campbell.
10 TERRY CAMPBELL: Why not.
11 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Steve Sampson.
12 STEVE SAMPSON: Yes.
13 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. James Taft Smith.
14 JAMES SMITH: Yes.
15 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Bradley McMillian.
16 BRAD McMILLIAN: No.
17 LOUISE MITCHELL: Ms. Linda Revels.
18 LINDA REVELS: Yes.
19 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Furnie Lambert.
20 FURNIE LAMBERT: No.
21 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Shelley Strickland.
22 SHELLEY STRICKLAND: Yes.
23 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Ricky Burnett.
24 RICKY BURNETT: Yes.
25 LOUISE MITCHELL: Mr. Welford Clark.

1 WELFORD CLARK: Yes.

2 LOUISE MITCHELL: Motion carries.

3 ("Motion 20" - Resolution to hold quarterly Lumbee
4 Tribal Council business meetings in various districts approved.)

5 WELFORD CLARK: What was the vote, Madame
6 Secretary.

7 LOUISE MITCHELL: 14 yes.

8 RICKY BURNETT: 14 for and 6 against.

9 LOUISE MITCHELL: 1 absent.

10 RICKY BURNETT: We will now go into our new
11 business. We have the Tribal Council retreat date. Who has
12 that? Anything?

13 LAURA SAMPSON: Are you asking for suggestions? Is
14 that local?

15 RICKY BURNETT: Local.

16 LARRY CHAVIS: Yeah, it's passed to be local.

17 LAURA SAMPSON: Where is it going to be at?

18 (Discussions were held.)

19 LARRY CHAVIS: I make a motion we send it back to
20 Committee and let's get us a date on it.

21 RICKY BURNETT: I need a second.

22 PAM SPAULDING: Second.

23 RICKY BURNETT: Been moved and seconded. All in
24 favor say aye.

25 (Ayes were given.)

1 ("Motion 21" - Motion to send Tribal Council Retreat
2 back to Constitution Committee for tentative date was passed.)

3 LOUISE MITCHELL: Excuse me, what committee are you
4 sending it back to?

5 LARRY CHAVIS: Constitution Committee. She's got
6 one next week, I believe, planned.

7 RICKY BURNETT: At this time, we'll look at the
8 calendar in review.

9 (Calendar additions and review. Please see attached.)

10 RICKY BURNETT: Mr. Terry.

11 TERRY CAMPBELL: A lot of times, folks, in the
12 scripture it says to give praise where praise is due, and honor.
13 And the staff catches a lot of flack sometimes. Maybe sometimes
14 they deserve it and sometimes they don't. But, I had a situation
15 this week with a constituent. I was getting calls at midnight at
16 113 minutes on my cell phone. And I asked Mr. Tammy Maynor and
17 Mr. Boscoe Locklear and Mr. Paul Locklear to check with this lady
18 and see what they could do to help me out with that situation.

19 And I just want to say tonight, they were very
20 helpful. They jumped on it, problem solved, phone's quit
21 ringing, I'm able to sleep and eat supper. And I'd like to thank
22 them.

23 RICKY BURNETT: Mr. Shelley. Mr. James, did you
24 have something?

25 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Yeah, I was wondering what Ms.

1 Helen was feeding that night.

2 RICKY BURNETT: Some cow. Ms. Louise.

3 LOUISE MITCHELL: Yes, if you'll notice in your
4 packet at the back, Tribal Council Committee Officers. Mr.
5 Patrick didn't get to finish, so I added in --

6 LARRY CHAVIS: I make a motion we extend the time
7 for at least about 10 more minutes.

8 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: Second.

9 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: Second.

10 RICKY BURNETT: All in favor say aye.

11 (Ayes were given.)

12 RICKY BURNETT: All opposed?

13 (No nays were given.)

14 ("Motion 22" - Motion to extend Lumbee Tribal Council
15 meeting was passed.)

16 (Applause was given.)

17 RICKY BURNETT: All right, moving along.

18 LOUISE MITCHELL: Okay, this is the updated one
19 because I didn't know he had it. The onliest one that's missing
20 now is Personnel, so I guess we will do those officers there.

21 RICKY BURNETT: Okay. Let me say we thank you, the
22 community, for coming and participating with us and attending
23 this meeting, and also to the Tribal Council. At this time, I
24 would entertain a motion that we adjourn.

25 KERNICE LOCKLEAR: So moved.

1 ("Motion 23" - Motion to adjourn was passed.)

2 JAMES H. LOCKLEAR: So moved.

3 RICKY BURNETT: At this time, I'm going to ask Brother
4 James, if he would, to dismiss us in a word or prayer.

5 (Benediction was given by Chairman James Deese.)

6 (Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.)

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Calendar Review

1 (The following items were either announced or
2 added to the Tribal Council calendar.)

February 2009

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4 26th 7:00 p.m. Lumbee Tribal Meeting

5 Goins Barn Hwy 710

March 2009

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7 3rd 6:00 p.m. Education and Culture Committee Meeting

8 7:00 p.m. Constitution Committee Meeting

9 23rd 7:00 p.m. Saddletree Community Meeting

10 24th 6:00 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting

11 6:30 p.m. Economic Development Committee Meeting

12 7:00 p.m. Federal Recognition Committee Meeting

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