

LUMBEE TRIBAL COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

For Thursday February 15, 2024 / 6:30pm
Tribal Complex/Livestreamed

Meeting Called To Order: Speaker, Dewey McNeill

Invocation: Graylen Mitchell

Pledge of Allegiance: Jody Bullard

Preamble: Bobby Emanuel

Roll Call: Nanci Locklear

Ethics Statement read by Speaker, Dewey McNeill

Welcome: Speaker Dewey McNeill welcomed the Administration, Tribal Administrator Ricky Harris, Finance Director Sharon Bell, former Tribal Council Member, Mrs. Anita Blanks, Corbin Eddings, all those in attendance and via Livestream.

Council Members Present at Roll Call: 19

Graylen Mitchell

Gerald Goolsby

Harold Smith

Pam Hunt

Jody Bullard

Wendy Moore

Carrington Locklear

Kristie Hunt

Larry Chavis

Nanci Locklear

Yvonne Dial

Rudy Locklear

Kathy Hunt

Dewey J McNeill

Bobby Emanuel

Chocajuana Oxendine

Josephine Doss

Alex Baker

Homer Fields

Quorum established

Alex Baker made a motion to approve the February Agenda with the addition of adding the Tribal Administrator to the agenda after item #9

Gerald Goolsby 2nd the motion

VOICE VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR

CARRIED

Gerald Goolsby made a motion to approve the January Tribal Council Minutes & Actions
Alex Baker 2nd the motion
VOICE VOTE
ALL IN FAVOR
CARRIED

Committee Changes and additions were made by council members:
Kristie Hunt announced that she stepped down as the Committee Chair of the Health Committee and that Jody Bullard would be replacing her and she is now the Vice Chair.
Gerald Goolsby made a motion to accept the amended changes
Harold Smith 2nd the motion
VOICE VOTE
ALL IN FAVOR
CARRIED

Tribal Administrator, Ricky Harris gave the Chairman's Report
Pow Wow date will be Sept. 27-29, 2024
Presented a photo of the First Tribal Council (*photo will be displayed in the Tribal Complex for public viewing*).

Presentation was given by Corbin Eddings - Update from the United Tribes
Announced that Ms. Zion Richardson of the Haliwa –Saponi Tribe is the new Miss Indian North Carolina
The upcoming Unity Conference March 7-9, 2024 Charlotte NC "Our Children Our Legacy" is the slogan
Mistress of Ceremonies for the banquet is Mrs. Pamela Cashwell, Secretary of the North Carolina
Department of Administration. Other expected speakers will be the Secretary of Health and Human
Services, special agents with the FBI, and Mrs. Shelia Godwin, North Carolina Senior Coalition Princess
(she will be singing the National Anthem). Various workshops and activities will be taking place throughout
the conference.

Community Comments – (Limited to 3mins.)

Asa Locklear and Tyler Howard UNCP students presented on behalf of the Curt and Katherine Locklear
American Indian Hearitage Center at UNCP. Seeking support for the upcoming Brave Nation Pow Wow
that is scheduled for March 23, 2024 (*letters were passed around for sponsorship*).
Josie McLean District 2 – A member of Tabernacle Baptist Church seeking sponsorships to play on
soccer team that will be playing in Spain (Billy Royale) on March 29, 2024.
Council Member Mr. Jody Bullard asked that the administration provide a Tribal Flag to Miss Josie McLean
so that she can take with her to Spain to represent the Lumbee people.
Anita Blanks – Redistricting maps and time frame when they will be finished and published.

Committee Reports

FINANCE – Alex Baker

Jody Bullard made a motion to blanket vote proposed Ordinances numbered CLLO-2024-0215-01 – CLLO-2024-2015-04

Carrington Locklear 2nd the motion

VOICE VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR

CARRIED

CLLO-2024-0215-01 “Duke Energy Foundation Grant Budget”

CLLO-2024-0215-02 “Environmental Enhancement Grant Budget Grant”

CLLO-2024-0215-03 “Healthy Native North Carolinians Grant Budget”

CLLO-2024-0215-04 “Well Being (BCBS) Grant Budget”

ROLL CALL VOTE

19Y0N0ABS0RECUSE

CARRIED

Items came out of committee

CLLO-2022-1117-04 “Native Voices Rising Budget Ordinance” Amendment #1

ROLL CALL VOTE

19Y0N0ABS0RECUSE

CARRIED

Item came out of committee

CLLO-2021-0628-04 “IHBG American Rescue Plan Budget” Amendment #3

ROLL CALL VOTE

19Y0N0ABS0RECUSE

CARRIED

Item came out of committee

CLLO-2023-0921-01 “Fiscal Year October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024 Lumbee Tribal Budget Ordinance” Amendment #1

ROLL CALL VOTE

18Y0N1ABS0RECUSE

CARRIED

Item came out of committee

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES – Jody Bullard

CLLR-2024-0215-01 “American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Program”

Corrections to the 4th WHEREAS (Rudy Locklear asked for an amendment that the Director Celeste Hunt’s name be removed and read The Lumbee Tribe Vocational Rehabilitation Program is requesting the Lumbee Tribe to submit funding for fourth grant cycle) (Gerald Goolsby asked that authorizing her to submit for funding not to submit funding be changed and added)

Yvonne Dial stated for clarification, this is a grant that is being reapplied for (refund)

Gerald made the motion to accept amendment

Alex Baker 2nd the motion

VOICE VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR

CARRIED

Item came out of committee

CLLR-2024-0215-01 "American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Program" (with changes)

ROLL CALL VOTE

19Y0N0ABS0RECUSE

CARRIED

Item came out of committee

EDUCATION – Chocajuana Oxendine

CLLR-2024-0215-02 "Lumbee Holiday"

Alex Baker asked that the stricken last WHEREAS in red be removed from the resolution

ROLL CALL VOTE

19Y0N0ABS0RECUSE

CARRIED

Item came out of committee

Calendar Review

February 22 – Economic Development 6:30pm (Josh Malcolm)

29 - Tribal Constitution Reform Committee 6:30pm.

March 4 – Health - 6:30pm

ANR– 7:30pm.

5 – Housing – 6:30pm

Finance – 7:30pm.

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21 – Tribal Council Business Meeting 6:30pm.

25 – Economic Development 6:30pm.

Education 7:30pm.

Announcements

Wendy Moore announced Rape Crisis Center March 1, 2024 Golf Tournament

Tammy Maynor announced Department of State will hold an afternoon with the youth at the Boys and Girls Club on Feb. 25, 2024 (employment opportunities).

Larry Chavis made a motion to adjourn

Gerald Goolsby 2nd

No One Objected

Benediction was given by Bobby Emanuel