

# LUMBEE TRIBAL COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

For Thursday May 16, 2024 / 6:30pm  
Tribal Complex/Livestreamed

Meeting Called To Order: Speaker, Dewey McNeill

Invocation: Harold Smith

Pledge of Allegiance: Grayland Mitchell

Preamble: Wendy Moore

Roll Call: Nanci Locklear

Ethics Statement read by Speaker, Dewey McNeill

Welcome: Speaker Dewey McNeill welcomed the Administration, Tribal Administrator Ricky Harris, Tribal Chairman, John Lowery, Chief Justice Mark and Members joining via livestream.

## **Council Members Present at Roll Call: 20**

Billy Oxendine

Graylen Mitchell

Gerald Goolsby

Harold Smith

Pam Hunt

Jody Bullard

Wendy Moore

Carrington Locklear

Larry Chavis

Kristie Hunt

Nanci Locklear

Yvonne Dial

Rudy Locklear

Kathy Hunt

Dewey J McNeill

Chocajuana Oxendine

Josephine Doss

Larry Soles

Homer Fields

Alex Baker

*Quorum established*

Pam asked that Alex Baker be recognized (came in after roll call)

Billy Oxendine made a motion to excuse Bobby Emanuel

Jody Bullard 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

*There were no objections*

Gerald Goolsby made a motion to approve the agenda

Billy Oxendine 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

VOICE VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR

CARRIED

Gerald Goolsby made a motion to approve the April Tribal Council Minutes & Actions

Wendy Moore 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

VOICE VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR

CARRIED

### **Presentations**

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Kaden Ryan Thompson gave a presentation on book he wrote on Henry Berry Lowry. Kaden was presented with a gift from Council and Tribal Chairman John Lowery

*Pictures were taken*

Brandon Locklear gave presentation and was presented a gift from Council and Council woman

Chocajuana Oxendine

*Pictures were taken*

Twila Allen was recognized by the Council and Tribal Chairman, she was presented with a gift.

*Pictures were taken*

### **Chairman's Report**

Chairman Lowery gave a report on the President's Budget (40% increase in HUD Funding) Chairman will be preparing his budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Government to government relationship with the Catawba Nation. Chairman Lowery asked that the Council accept the agreement and pass a resolution of support and to have a signing ceremony in the month of June. Pam Hunt made a motion to accept and support intergovernmental agreement between the Catawba's and the Lumbee People.

Billy Oxendine 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

ROLL CALL VOTE

20Y0N0ABS0RECUSE

MOTION PASSED

### **Committee Reports**

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#### **CONSTITUTION AND ORDINANCE – Rudy Locklear**

**CLLR-2024-0516-01 "RE-APPOINTMENT TO THE NC COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS BOARD"**

*(Larece Hunt)*

ROLL CALL VOTE

12Y8N0ABS0RECUSE

**FAILED DID NOT HAVE A 2/3 VOTE**

*Items came out of committee*

Billy Oxendine made a substitute motion to appoint Jennie Lowery to the NC Commission of Indian Affairs Board

Kristie Hunt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

ROLL CALL VOTE

10Y10N0ABS0RECUSE

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION FAILED**

**CLLR-2024-0516-02** "NC COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APPOINTMENT" (*Leslie Locklear*)

ROLL CALL VOTE

10Y9N0ABS0RECUSE

*FAILED DID NOT HAVE A 2/3 VOTE*

*Items came out of committee*

Larry Chavis made a substitute motion to add Ricky Burnett back to the ballot for appointment for vacant seat

Gerald Goolsby 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

ROLL CALL VOTE

10Y9N1ABS0RECUSE

MAJORITY VOTE

PASSED

Rudy Locklear made substitute motion to send Leslie Locklear and Ricky Burnett names back to committee for discussion

Kristie Hunt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

Rudy Locklear withdrew his motion

"NC COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APPOINTMENT" (*Leslie Locklear*)

ROLL CALL VOTE

10Y9N1ABS0RECUSE

*FAILED DID NOT HAVE A 2/3 VOTE*

"NC COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS APPOINTMENT" (*Ricky Burnett*)

ROLL CALL VOTE

10Y9N1ABS0RECUSE

*FAILED DID NOT HAVE A 2/3 VOTE*

*Leslie Locklear and Ricky Burnett can be brought back to committee for consideration*

*Ricky Burnett and Larece Hunt will serve as holdovers until seats have been filled*

**CLLR-2024-0516-03** "LUMBEE TRIBE ENTERPRISES, LLC BOARD APPOINTMENT" (*Josh E Locklear*)

ROLL CALL VOTE

20Y0N0ABS0RECUSE

CARRIED

*Items came out of committee*

**CLLR-2024-0516-04** "SUPREME COURT OF THE LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA APPOINTMENT" (*Dr. Paul Nelson Locklear*)

ROLL CALL VOTE

18Y2N0ABS0RECUSE

CARRIED

*Items came out of committee*

*Honorable Mark Brooks swore in Paul N Locklear, pictures were taken*

**CLLR-2024-0516-05** "ELECTION BOARD APPOINTMENT FOR DISTRICT 1; TRIBAL COUNCIL DISTRICTS 5, 7, AND 11 (*Millicent Brewer*)

ROLL CALL VOTE  
20Y0N0ABS0RECUSE  
CARRIED

*Items came out of committee*

**CLLO-2021-0221-01** "AUTHORIZING THE RECORDING, ARCHIVING, AND LIVE BROADCAST OF TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS" AMENDMENT #1

ROLL CALL VOTE  
20Y0N0ABS0RECUSE  
CARRIED

*Items came out of committee*

**FINANCE – Pam Hunt**

**CLLO-2023-0921-02** "FIACAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2023 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 LUMBEE TRIBAL BUDGET ORDINANCE" AMENDMENT #3

ROLL CALL VOTE  
20Y0N0ABS0RECUSE  
CARRIED

*Items came out of committee*

**CLLO-2024-0516-01** "TRIBAL POWWOW 2024 BUDGET"

ROLL CALL VOTE  
20Y0N0ABS0RECUSE  
CARRIED

*Items came out of committee*

**CLLO-2024-0516-02** "SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, TRIBAL TRAINING & TECHICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER (SAMHSA TTAC) GRANT BUDGET"

ROLL CALL VOTE  
20Y0N0ABS0RECUSE  
CARRIED

*Items came out of committee*

**CLLO-2024-0516-03** "USDA FOREST SERVICES CFP & LSR CAPACITY GRANT BUDGET"

ROLL CALL VOTE  
20Y0N0ABS0RECUSE  
CARRIED

*Items came out of committee*



**Community Comments (Limited to 3mins.)**

Richard Jones District 6 – Allocation of \$50,000.00 from the Eco. Development. Speaker Dewey McNeill stated that 25,000 was put into Tribal Scholarships, 25,000 was used for RES Conference for Eco. Development.

Joe asking for Beta Club support.

**Calendar Review**

- May 20 – District 12 Community Meeting Evans Cross Rd. 6pm.  
28 – Economic Development 6:30pm  
30 – District 7 Community Meeting Pembroke Boys and Girls Club
- June 4 – Finance 6:30pm.  
Housing 7:30pm.  
6 – District 8 Community Meeting Union Chapel Church  
10 – ANR 6:30pm.  
Education 7:30pm.  
13 – District 3 Community Meeting Soaring Eagle 6:30pm.  
18 – District 2 Community Meeting Back Swamp BGC 6:30pm.

Larry Chavis made a motion to adjourn

Benediction was given by Homer Fields