

LUMBEE TRIBAL COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

For Thursday April 18, 2024 / 6:30pm
Tribal Complex/Livestreamed

Meeting Called To Order: Speaker, Dewey McNeill

Invocation: Homer Fields

Pledge of Allegiance: Bobby Emanuel

Preamble: Harold Smith

Roll Call: Alex Baker

Ethics Statement read by Speaker, Dewey McNeill

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

Council Members Present at Roll Call: 16

Billy Oxendine

Gerald Goolsby

Harold Smith

Pam Hunt

Jody Bullard

Larry Chavis

Kristie Hunt

Rudy Locklear

Kathy Hunt

Dewey J McNeill

Bobby Emanuel

Chocajuana Oxendine

Josephine Doss

Larry Soles

Alex Baker

Homer Fields

Quorum established

Alex Baker was appointed Secretary Designee by Speaker, Dewey McNeill due to Nanci Locklear being out due to a medical procedure.

Billy Oxendine made a motion that Mr. Graylen Mitchell be excused from meeting

Gerald Goolsby 2nd the motion

VOICE VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR

CARRIED

Kristie Hunt asked that Carrington Locklear be excused from meeting due to daughter having a procedure.

Billy Oxendine 2nd the motion

VOICE VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR

CARRIED

Chocajuana Oxendine asked that Nanci Locklear be excused from the meeting due to a medical procedure.

Billy Oxendine 2nd the Motion

VOICE VOTE
ALL IN FAVOR
CARRIED

Kathy Hunt asked that Yvonne Dial be excused from meeting

Billy Oxendine 2nd the motion

VOICE VOTE
ALL IN FAVOR
CARRIED

Jody Bullard made a motion to approve the agenda with changes

Harold Smith 2nd the motion

VOICE VOTE
ALL IN FAVOR
CARRIED

Gerald Goolsby made a motion to add a resolution to the agenda CLLR-2024-0418-01 "CULTRUAL CENTER SITE PLAN DEVELOPMENT"

(Economic Development Committee didn't have a quorum for item to be voted on)

Larry Chavis 2nd the motion

VOICE VOTE
MAJORITY IN FAVOR
CARRIED
ONE AGAINST – BILLY OXENDINE

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

Jody Bullard 2nd the motion

VOICE VOTE
MAJORITY IN FAVOR
CARRIED
ONE AGAINST – BILLY OXENDINE

Gerald Goolsby made a motion to approve the April Emergency Called minutes & Actions

VOICE VOTE
ALL IN FAVOR
CARRIED

Speaker, Dewey J. McNeill recognized in attendance Superior Court Judge Bell for Robeson County.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Lowery gave a report on Cultural Center Plans and Cultural Center Accomplishments and Goals
(slides were shown)

Presentations

Jamie Bell, Lumberton Wrestling Coach & his wrestlers (girl's state champions) were recognized by the council.

(Pictures were taken)

Committee Reports

FINANCE – Alex Baker

TCRR-2011-1215-01 “Standing Rules of Order and Regulations Governing the Duties of the Tribal Council Officers and Decorum of Council Meetings” Amended

ROLL CALL VOTE

15Y1N0ABS0RECUSE

CARRIED

Items came out of committee

CLLO-2008-0522-01 “Tribal Council Travel Ordinance” Amendment # 2

ROLL CALL VOTE

16Y0N0ABS0RECUSE

CARRIED

Items came out of committee

ETHICS – Bobby Emanuel

CLLO-2010-0312-01 “Ethics and Conflict Of Interest Ordinance” Amendment #3

ROLL CALL VOTE

16Y0N0ABS0RECUSE

CARRIED

Items came out of committee

CONSTITUTION AND ORDINANCE – Rudy Locklear

CLLO-2024-0418-01 “2024 Tribal Council Redistricting Maps”

ROLL CALL VOTE

15Y1N0ABS0RECUSE

CARRIED

Items came out of committee

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Gerald Goolsby

CLLR-2024-0418-01 “CULTRUAL CENTER SITE PLAN DEVELOPMENT”

Billy Oxendine made the Motion to approve

Jody Bullard 2nd the Motion

ROLL CALL VOTE

16Y0N0ABS0RECUSE

CARRIED

Item was added at Tribal Council Business meeting due to committee not having a quorum

Community Comments (Limited to 3mins.)

Dr. Lawrence Locklear, District 6 Spoke on teaching a course at UNCP on the history and cultural of the Lumbee Tribe and what all it includes, such as the Lumbee Constitution and how the Lumbee government works.

Dr. Cherry Beasley gave an update on the Department of Health and Human Services and things they are working on such as the Tribal Health Assessment and grants.

Calendar Review

- April 23-Rowland Ribbon Cutting 4pm.
22- Interviews 6:30pm
25 – Cords of Honor Ceremony RCC 6:30pm.
29 – District 10 Community Meeting Rennert Fire Department 6pm.
- May 02 – IEA Feather Ceremony, Gray's Creek High School 6pm.
06 – Finance 6:30pm.
Housing 7:30pm.
07 – Health 6:30pm.
ANR 7:30pm.
09 – Education 6:30pm.
C&O 7:30pm.
11 – Cumberland County PowWow 12pm.
20 – District 12 Community Meeting Evans Cross Rd. 6pm.
28 – Economic Development 6:30pm

Gerald Goolsby made a motion to adjourn

Benediction was given by Harold Smith