ELECTION BOARD MEETING CR CONFERENCE ROOM FRIDAY, JULY 8, 2022 – 10:00 AM

Present: Chairman John Kessler, Ronald Rousseau, Bryce In The Woods, Ted Knife Jr.

Others present: Ev Ann White Feather, Justin LaPlante, Inez Iron Bird, Rachel Straighthead. Later on Charlene Anderson entered the meeting.

Called to order by John Kessler, Board Chairman, at 10:06 AM.

Committee receiving the challenge of candidates.

John called Steven Gunn on cellphone - on speaker

Prayer: Bryce in The Woods

Discussion: Is there a formal process of being a candidate with Ev Ann, Secretary, is there a formal way to do that?

John conversing with Steven Gunn on cellphone

EvAnn is a candidate so she has to leave, Charlene is coming in place.

John called back to order at 11:30 AM.

Discussion with committee on what opinion are on Secretary when unopposed. Not a member of Election committee but to perform if not a candidate. Secretary shall appoint to assist to do duties of the Secretary. Charlene will be available to proceed the duties of the Secretary.

Bryce talking to Ron about changes and not in compliance with and mentioned to go back to the districts.

Ev Ann mentioned Kim is available by phone if needed.

Motion by Bryce to have the Tribal Secretary be allowed to perform her duties Second by Ronald 3 for 0 opposed Motion Carried.

Ronald motion for executive Second by Ted 3 for 0 opposed Motion Carried. Motion by Ronald to come out of executive at 12:17 PM Second by Ted 3 for 0 opposed Motion Carried.

John will go over background check.

Motion by Ronald to approve Buddy Colombe Sr. as a District 3 candidate Second by Bryce

John call out of order due to violate Constitution and Ordinance 14 no felony record.

Bryce wanted to hear from Buddy Colombe Sr.

Ronald made a motion to approve Bryce Second

Motion by Ronald to approve Delores Curley Second by Bryce 3 for 0 opposed

Motion by Ronald to approve Joe Miner Sr. Second by Bryce Called out of order – felony charges

Bryce stated bring in both candidates for verification

Ev Ann said he provides the Ordinance 14 to all Election Board members

Joe Miner Sr. is not gonna run, exclude him per phone call.

Buddy Colombe's package will be open for phone number.

Ev Ann said District 3 no meeting so not certified - no district officers.

Open up District 3 package by Chairman John Kessler for Buddy Colombe information and John is on the phone with him. Buddy requesting to attend the meeting.

CERTIFY CANDIDATES:

DISTRICT 3

Kenric Dupris - Council Representative Candidate Petition: David Dupris Jr. Calvin Lone Eagle - Not on Voters List Jayla Taken Alive - Not on Voters List Toni Taken Alive **Justino Dupris** Tracyn Charging Cloud Shiloh Charging Cloud Angelmae Charging Cloud **Justin Romero** Mabel Romero - Not on Voters List Teno Bear Stops Rose (Dupris) Bear Stops April Waloke Motion by Ronald to accept petition Second by Bryce Yes by Ronald, Ted and Bryce 0 opposed Motion carried

Wilma Waters - Council Representative Candidate

Petition:

Clement Long

Sylvester Waloke

Dena Waloke

Adam Eder - Not on Voters List

Iverne Waloke

Veronica Holy

Clinton Holy

Clementine Day

Dustin Day

Nikita Knight - Not on Voters List

Arlys Briggs

Edson Briggs

Motion by Bryce to accept petition

Second by Ronald

Yes by Ronald, Bryce and Ted

3 yes 0 opposed

Motion carried

Sharon Lee entered and left at 1:56 PM as she is a candidate for Tribal Treasurer. She just wanted to make sure that there was a quorum.

Buddy Colombe entered the meeting.

Ronald made a motion to go into executive at 12:59 PM Second by Bryce 3 yes 0 opposed Motion carried

Motion by Ronald to come out of executive at 1:18 PM Second by Ted 3 yes 0 opposed Motion carried

Break and called back to order at 1:43 PM

Devina Longbrake - Council Representative Candidate Petition: Clay Longbrake - Not on Voters List Raymond Longbrake **Bonnie Belt** Elivira Blue Legs Terri Red Bear Belt **Brent Belt** Aleta Belt - Not on Voters List Mike Longbrake Ree Red Horse Makai Thunder Hawk Iris Frazier Motion by Ted to accept petition Second by Ronald Yes Ronald, Ted and Bryce 0 opposed Motion carried

Deb James Knight – Council Representative Candidate Petition:
Keith Curley
Rosa Little Shield
Maris Reindl
David Dakota Bald Eagle – Not on Voters List
Richard Hale Jr.
Kenna Clown
Elaine Widow
Floyd Hart
Steve Vance

Darlene Vance
Denise Crow Ghost
Savannah Charging Eagle
Motion by Ronald to accept petition
Second by Ted
Yes Ronald, Bryce and Ted
0 opposed
Motion carried

Delores Curley - Council Representative Candidate Petition: Brooke Blue Earth - Not on Voters List Dion Blue Earth - Not on Voters List Jazmyn Phillips - Not on Voters List Katherine Rousseau - Not on Voters List Rheta Miner Francine Blue Arm Ira Condon - Not on Voters List Allyn Shaving - Not on Voters List LeeAnn Dupris - Not on Voters List Shirley Ann Dupris Echo Whirlwind Soldier Celinda Bear Eagle Yamni Harden - No on Voters List **Kodene Spotted Horse** Wakinyan Harden - Not on Voters List Ryan Burds - Not on Voters List Cecile Curley - Not on Votes List Motion by Ted to disapprove petition (lack of eligible voters) Second by Bryce Yes Ted and Bryce Ronald abstain 2 yes 1 abstain Motion carried

Ev Ann read Ordinance 14, page 26, need 10 legal voters

Michelle White Wolf – Council Representative Candidate Petition:
Jordyn Bald Eagle
Jerome White Horse
Sarah Morrison
Tasina Belt
Bailey Belt – NVL
Marletta Little Shield
Austin Little Shield

Derek Yellow Owl Sr.
Cole White Wolf
Truman Bobtail Bear
Lawrence Parker III
Motion by Ronald to approve petition
Second by Ted
Yes Bryce, Ted and Ronald
3 yes 0 opposed
Motion carried

Motion by Ted to disapprove Buddy Colombe as a candidate Second by Ronald Yes Ted, Ronald and Bryce 3 yes 0 opposed Motion carried

John read the Challenge into record – District 4 – from Mary Lee Johns Michael Eugene Rousseau has not lived in District 4 for 1 year and needs to show proof of residency.

Ev Ann stated she received a text from Merrie Miller to have Ronald recuse himself because Michael is his father.

District 4, July 5, 2022, Special Meeting minutes turned in and sealed to be open by Election Board. Secretary office did not open.

Steven Gunn asked did the candidate get notice of challenge. Kim stated no.

Steven Gunn asked to get the candidate to come to the Election Board meeting or on the phone.

According to the Housing Comp list is he not on there with Housing Authority. Election board needs residency documents.

Ronald stated that the board discredited Tribal ID and Voters list from due process.

John said that the Election board has to act on the challenge need a document that states he resided in District 4.

Recessed for 20 minutes at 3:49 PM Called back to order at 4:24 PM

Ronald exited the meeting at 4:08 PM

TREASURER-AT-LARGE

District 4 nominated Sharon F. Lee - complete Motion by Ted to accept Second by Bryce 2 for Carried by acclamation

District 1 nominated Kevin Keckler – complete Motion by Ted to accept Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

Kenita Counting – Treasurer-At-Large Candidate
Petition:
Bonita Traversie (Shot At)
Kendra Counting
Dixie LeCompte
Arlen Lee
D. Alice LaClaire
Ronald Bowker
Doretta Bowker
Ryun Bowker
Cyun Bowker
Kristi Fire Cloud
Motion by Ted to approve petition
Second by Bryce
Carrie by acclamation

Rhea LeCompte - Treasurer-At-Large Candidate Ricky DeHorse - Not on Voters List Jake White Eagle III Arlene Thompson Jerri LaPlante Xavian LaPlante - Not on Voters List Dugan Thompson **Sharita Woods** William C. LaPlante Tamara Hale W. Harvey Eagle Horse Mary Jane Ducheneaux Toni Ducheneaux Motion by Bryce to approve petition Second by Ted Carried by acclamation

CHAIRMAN-AT-LARGE

Harold Frazier - Chairman-At-Large Candidate

Petition:

David Miner

Amber Traversie

Lakota Azure (Hutchinson)

Alma Miner

Andrew Dupris Sr.

Aaron Azure

Carl Peterson

Antoinette Nichols

Steele Bordeaux

Richard Red Elk

Motion by Ted to approve petition

Second by Bryce

Carried by acclamation

Derek Bartlett - Chairman-At-Large Candidate

Petition:

Wilbert Dupris

Shawn Means

John LaSalle

Lana Dauphanis

Lisa Adams

Trevor Traversie

Aaron Johnson

Isadore Ducheneaux Jr.

Albert Spotted Bear

Loren Larrabee

Motion by Ted to approve petition

Second by Bryce

Carried by acclamation

Gary Cudmore - Chairman-At-Large Candidate

Petition:

Nicole Shepherd

Dillon Dupree

Unalee Howe

Cody Birkeland

Leighton Hertel - Not on Voters List

Irona Howe

Riggin Mortenson

Mika Tibbs

Kris Schrempp

Joshua Schrempp - Not on Voters List

Danielle Cudmore Holly Annis Motion by Ted to accept petition

Ronald entered meeting at 5:04 PM

Second by Bryce Yes Ted, Bryce and Ronald 3 yes 0 opposed Motion carried

Jamie White Eyes - Chairman-At-Large Candidate Petition: **Lonnie White Eyes Desiree Colombe Delbert Bruguier** Kayla Colombe Kelli Colombe - Not on Voters List **Brady Miller** Darvis One Skunk Kalee Hawk Jorge Hawk William C. LaPlante Jarret Lawrence Motion by Ted to approve petition Second by Bryce Yes Bryce, Ted and Ronald 3 yes 0 opposed Motion carried

Stevie Moran - Chairman-At-Large Candidate Petition: Jreven Moran Lana Dauphanis John Lawrence Courtney (Walters) Mike **Kyle Walters Richard Walters** Jessica Keckler Winston Mike Amelia Curley Cecile Curley - Not on Voters List Chris L. Miner Motion by Ronald to approve petition Second by Bryce Yes Brice, Ronald and Ted

3 yes 0 opposed Motion carried

3 yes 0 opposed Motion carried

Merrie Miller entered meeting at 5:14 PM She asked that Ronald recuse himself from District 4 petition

Tee Knight – Chairman-At-Large Candidate
Petition:
Kyler Ducheneaux
Duffy Ducheneaux
Mark Knight
Stalin High Elk
Kirk Fast Horse
Betsy Ducheneaux
Connie Knight
Nick Knight
Nick Knight
Nikki Knight
Michael Lafferty
Motion by Ronald to approve petition
Second By Bryce
Yes Bryce, Ronald and Ted

Joseph Lafferty - Chairman-At-Large Candidate Petition: **Deloria Straighthead** Corey Straighthead Cassandra Little Star Dean Little Hawk **Gertrude Lafferty** Joseph Lafferty Winona Charger **Lavita Brings Horse** Shane Bruguier/Brings Horse Kayla Howe Motion by Ronald to approve petition Second by Ted Yes Ronald, Ted and Bryce 3 yes 0 opposed Motion carried

Stevie noted that she used Donnie Mitchell for Fingerprint and not LED (\$15.00 fee) card was sent to DCI.

Ev Ann stated that they used the clinic across the road but got the ok to use LED.

Vincent Dupris - Chairman-At-Large Candidate Petition: Rachel Straighthead Melissa LeBeau - Not on Voters List Mona Longbrake Rhonda Dupree - Not on Voters List **Brandi Jewett** Trev Bad Warrior Preston Jeffries - Not on Voters List Sage Miner **Austin Blue Coat** Sammi Ducheneaux James Murray Clifford Marshall Jeremy Schad Motion by Ronald to approve petition Second by Bryce Yes Ronald, Bryce and Ted 3 yes 0 opposed Motion carried

Ryman LeBeau -- Chairman-At-Large Candidate Petition: Donna LeBeau Michelle R. LeBeau Kathleen LeBeau Richard R. LeBeau Jerris L. Veaux Robert Red Bear Richard Lofton Jody Kohlus Theresa Lofton Lesli White Dog Motion by Ronald to approve petition Second by Bryce Yes Bryce, Ronald and Ted 3 yes 0 opposed Motion carried

John read into record a letter from Vincent Dupris dated July 8, 2022 Financial Assistance.

Merrie Miller stated to go to the Support Services or the Tribal Treasurer.

Ev Ann is unopposed and is willing to sign for the Chairman.

John read into record a letter dated July 8, 2022 from Vincent Dupris requesting the Election Board remove Ronald Rousseau from the Election Board and the documents that are attached to the letter.

Break 6:12 PM Called back to order 6:21 PM

John asked the board if they want to take action on letter Financial Assistance. Bryce stated NO ACTION

Ronald stated need to follow the laws.

John asked on the letter for the removal of Election Board member.

Ted said he needs to recuse himself as it has been done in the past.

Merrie stated that when she was on the Election Board she asked Bernita to step out whenever her brother's issue came up and she did.

Violation of Code of Ethics

Motion by Bryce to TAKE NO ACTION

John has report from CR Housing Authority Motion by Bryce to go into executive at 6:35 PM Second by Ted 3 for Motion carried.

Motion by Ted to come out of Executive at 8:55 PM Second by Ronald 3 for Motion carried

Recess at 8:56 PM Back on record at 9:26 PM

John said Election Board determined that Mike Rousseau is the father to Ronald Rousseau. Motion by Ted to recuse Ronald Rousseau from participating in his father's election
No Second called out of order

Ronald stated he was a dually elected official and Mr. Gunn has no authority to make decisions.

Steve Gunn cited Ordinance 14, Part 2, Sec. C 4

Ronald stated violating his rights.

Election Board can make a decision on conflict of interest.

John made a motion to recuse Ronald Second by Ted Bryce abstain John broke the tie Motion carried

John said take up issue on challenge. Needs facts that he is resident and had option to gather more information. Need to move forward.

John read the letter into record Entertain a motion to accept this challenge and not accept the candidate's petition of Michael Rousseau. Pulled motion

Ev Ann stated for the record that the Election Board needs to follow the Constitution. Chairman does not make motion – he can entertain a motion but not make them.

Motion by Ted to accept this challenge and not accept the candidate's petition of Michael Rousseau.

Bryce not voting

Second by John

Motion carried

Ronald talked to Steven Gunn but didn't get an answer. Ron recused himself, said it was unlawful and was not coming back.

Steven stated he is available as the attorney for the board. Ronald was video taping John and committed in chamber before he left.

DISTRICT 4

Belinda Aungie – Council Representative Candidate
Petition:
Berdina Norris
Xandria Norris
Lennox Smith – Not on Voters List
Meleena Norris
Terrance Circle Bear
Josie LaBlanc
Jerae Widow
Ferrell Chasing Hawk

Janie (Mann) Baker Lena Bear Eagle – Not on Voters List Terrance Pay Pay Clarence Pay Pay Jr. Motion by Bryce to approve petition Second by Ted Carried by acclamation

Merrie Miller – Council Representative Candidate Petition:
Patrick Red Dog
Sam Eagle Staff
Paulette Eagle Staff
Alvina Hump
Ariel Pay Pay Frazier
Jordan Mesteth
Jerrilyn Bad Warrior
Kari Meeter
Alexander Meeter
Corrina Bowker
Motion by Ted to approve petition
Second by Bryce
Carried by acclamation

George Eagle Chasing - Council Representative Candidate Petition: Brad Moran - Not on Voters List Whitney Mesteth Paulette Eagle Staff Dale Bagola - Not on Voters List Shai Bagola - Not on Voters List Lowell Slides Off John Miner Sharon Vogel Jessica Dupris **Kristine Hand Boy** Teresa (Terri) Pearman Wambli Flying By - Not on Voters List Motion by Ted to disapprove petition - lace of qualified voters Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

John read into record Special District 4 meeting July 5, 2022 ZOOM

Charles Festus Fischer – Council Representative Candidate
Petition:
Leo A Fischer
Lois Fischer
Sloan Fischer
Dalton Fischer
Thomas Fischer Sr.
Jessica LeBeau
Clyde Mandan
Allen F. Ducheneaux
Keaton Peterson
Shane Laurenz
Motion by Ted to approve petition
Second by Bryce
Carried by acclamation

Terrence Circle Bear Sr. – Council Representative Candidate Petition:
Shelby Serrano
Rafael Serrano
Bernice Condon
Jory Condon
June Condon
Karen Four Bear
Belinda Aungie
Casey (William) LaPlante
Lowell Slides Off
Randy Slides Off
Motion by Bryce to approve petition
Second by Ted
Carried by acclamation

Nomination – Kelsie Kay Haskell – Tribal Council Candidate - complete Motion by Ted to accept nomination and approve Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

Nomination – Thad Rose – Tribal Council Candidate - complete Motion by Ted to accept nomination and approve Carried by acclamation

Nomination – Roberta Tiger – District Chairman – complete Motion by Bryce to accept nomination and approve Second by Ted Carried by acclamation

Nomination – Paulette Eagle Staff – District Secretary - No supporting documents Motion by Ted to disapprove – no supporting documents Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

DISTRICT 1

Nomination – Ev Ann White Feather – Tribal Secretary – District 1 – complete Motion by Ted to accept nomination and approve Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

Nomination – Bernita In The Woods – Tribal Council Candidate – complete Motion by Ted to accept nomination and approve Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

Nomination – Danny Marshall – District 1 Chairman – Declined – going to run by petition for Council Representative Motion by Ted to disapprove nomination Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

Nomination – Juanita Oros – District 1 Secretary – No supporting documents Motion by Ted to disapprove – no supporting documents Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

Nomination – Kracy Dog Eagle – Policy Board – no supporting documents Motion by Ted to disapprove Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

Muriel Vivian High Elk – Council Representative Candidate Petition:

Jami High Elk – Not on Voters List
Silas High Elk
Rhea Bruguier
Steven Bruguier
Alex High Elk
Desidera (Egna) Red Dog
Jayme Gonzalez
Ryan Strongman
Oscar High Elk
Ramona Three Legs
Chad High Elk

Motion by Bryce to approve petition Second by Ted Carried by acclamation

Daniel James Marshall - Council Representative Candidate Petition: Jill Marshall Virginia White Feather **Ashley White Wolf** Kylee Red Horse Karla Knight Floyd Traversie William Knight - Not on Voters List Lowan Jeffries Marlis Afraid Of Hawk Jauron Widow Irona Howe Motion by Ted to approve petition Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

DISTRICT 5

Nomination – Jeffrey Four Bear – District 5 Chairman
Motion by Bryce to disapprove nomination due to council action sent minutes
back and to reimburse if requested by candidate
Second by Ted
Carried by acclamation

Nomination – Antoinette Nichols – District 5 Secretary Motion by Bryce to disapprove by Tribal Council action Second by Ted Carried by acclamation

Nomination – Lee Ann Knight – District 5 Vice Chairman Motion by Bryce to disapproved by Tribal Council action Second by Ted Carried by acclamation

Robin LeBeau – Council Representative Candidate Petition: Troy Clausen – Not on Voters List Andrew High Bear Melvin Garreau III Waylon High Hear Faron Mesteth Nona High Bear
Dawn LeBeau
Greg LeBeau
Luke Day
Eric Red Bird – Not on Voters List
Bradley T. Moran
Britney Moran
Motion by Bryce to approve petition
Second by Ted
Carried by acclamation

Joseph Brings Plenty - Council Representative Candidate Petition: Joni Brings Plenty Seth Brings Plenty **Belle Brings Plenty Brett Brings Plenty** Gabe Blackmoon Jr. Colin DuBray - Not on Voters List Linus Chasing Hawk Charles Kuntz Larry LeBeau Cheyenne Mexican - Not on Voters List Sophie Brings Plenty - Not on Voters List **Della Brings Plenty** Wyatt Brings Plenty - Not on Voters List Louie Brings Plenty - Not on Voters List Howard Little Star Jr. Motion by Bryce to approve petition Second by Ted Carried by acclamation

Randel Lawrence – Council Representative Candidate
Petition:
Robert Walters
Hunter Moran
Lee Ann Knight
Cali Anderson
Charlene Anderson
Gordon Runs After
Suzanne Eagle Staff
Sandy Ward
Ina LeBeau
Desiree Clown
Motion by Bryce to approve petition
Second by Ted

Carried by acclamation

Bryan Paul Lawrence - Council Representative Candidate Petition: Irma LaPlante

Nashiah Charger - Not on Voters List Jaylen Wells - Not on Voters List

TRevis Lofton

Andre Lawrence

Jo Lawrence

Richard Briggs

Derek Marshall

Cora High Elk

Joshua Bolger - Not on Voters List

Taylor Short Bull - Not on Voters List

Anthony Collins - Not on Voters List

Motion by Ted to disapprove petition – lack of valid signatures Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

Election board going over list again

20 minute recess 12:10 AM Called back to order 12:27 AM

Robert Walter - Council Representative Candidate Petition: Sandra Frazier

Janie Mann

Randle Lawrence

Jack Lawrence

Myrna Lawrence

Sarah Dupris

Chris Brave Heart III

James L. Veaux

Constance Clown

Marlin Miner Jr.

Motion by Bryce to approve petition Second by Ted

Carried by acclamation

Joseph Miner - Council Representative Candidate Motion by Ted to disapprove petition – failed background check Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

Ev Ann said only 4 candidates they will to the General Election

Motion by Bryce to approve that the 4 District 5 candidates will go the General Second by Ted Carried by acclamation

DISTRICT 6

Jennifer Talks - District 6 Secretary Petition:

Sunni Rousseau

Daniel Butcher – Not on Voters List

Only 10 names on petition and Daniel Butcher not on voters list Motion by Ted to disapprove petition – due to lake of signatures Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

Daniel Butcher – District 6 Chairman Petition:

Motion by Bryce to disapprove petition - Not on Voters List Carried by acclamation

Tuffy Thompson - Council Representative Candidate Petition: Frank Thompson

LeeAnn Thompson

Frank T. Thompson

Mary Jane Anderson

Virginia Traversie

Faye Rousseau

William Miner III

Holly Gray

Shelby Gray

Duane Gray

Motion by Ted to approve petition Second by Bryce

Carried by acclamation

Dixie LeCompte – Council Representative Candidate Calee LeCompte

Ronald Bowker

Harley Bowker

Haylee Bowker

Barbara Roach Delema Butcher Arthur Butcher - Not on Voters List Kristina White Eagle Nicholas White Eagle **Durial Fire Cloud** Darlene Rosas Motion by Bryce to approve petition Second by Ted Carried by acclamation

Ronald Eagle Chasing - District 4 Motion by Ted to reimburse filing fee and background check Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

Jerry Taylor – District 2 Motion by Ted to reimburse filing fee and background check Second by Bryce Carried by acclamation

DRAWING LOTS FOR BALLOTS:

<u>District 4 Council</u> Thad Rose Terrence Circle Bear Kelsie Haskell Merrie Miller Charles Fischer Belinda Aungie

District 5 Council – go to General Election

District 6 Council – go to General Election <u>District 1 Council</u>

Muriel Vivian High Elk Bernita In The Woods Daniel James Marshall

<u>District 3 Council</u> Wilma C. Waters Deb James Knight Michelle L. White Wolf Devina Longbrake Kenric Dupris

Treasurer-at-Large Kenita Counting Kevin Keckler Rhea LeCompte Sharon Lee

<u>Chairman-at-Large</u> Stevie Morn Tee Knight Ryman LeBeau Jamie A. White Eyes Harold Frazier Gary A. Cudmore Joseph Lafferty Derek Bartlett Vincent Dupris

Ev Ann informed the board that the names will be sent to the printer and Kim will pick up 100 of each for the absentee voting starting on Tuesday. Closing prayer - Ted

Motion by Ted to adjourn at 1:26 AM Second by Bryce Motion carried by acclamation.

Minutes taken by

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