

MINUTES

Heipa District Regular Meeting
Sunday March 20, 2022, 11:00am
Heipa District Center



Regular Meeting

Members present: Jay Renville, Renae Huntington, Elnora Dumarce, Doug Renville, Angel Wanna, Barbara Heminger, Gypsy Wanna, Marie Renville, Steve Renville, Alan LaBelle, Brendan LaBatte, Robert LaFromboise, Buffy Nanaeto, Karen White, Charlene LaFontaine, Leanna Bernard, Kristin Wanna, Mickey Renville, Bertha Greeley, Helena LaBatte, Mike Schreiner, Aaron Keeble, Erin Kiyukanpi, Edith MacConnell, Dianne Renville, Michelle Wanna, Spencer Wanna. Sign-in sheet attached.

Absent: Amos White, Nadine LaBelle, Verlyn Beaudreau, Winfield Rondell

Chairman Jay Renville called the meeting to order at 11:00am. Prayer by Spencer Wanna.

Agenda

- Chairman's Report
- Vice-Chair's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Secretary's Report
- Council Woman's Report
- Board and Committee Reports

Chairman Jay Renville's Report

The Chairman gave an update from the Special District Meeting about the ARP funds. The needs assessment is posted on the District Facebook page and will help guide us in what we need to do as a district. This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

We have a Heipa District Website being designed to allow more exposure over the internet. Upcoming events, activities, news, meetings, agendas, minutes, etc. will be available on the website.

Vice-Chair Karen White's Report

DCA talked about hunting and fishing license prices for youth still in high school.

There are Council motions that have passed that have not been acted upon including motions concerning Robert's County jail stays. There have been continuous problems with jail administration and proper health care. There was a discussion about documenting complaints and filing with the Tribe as well as with Robert's County Police Commission and the State's Civil Rights Office. Council will be traveling to Washington DC to testify for the new Tribal jail.

There was a discussion on hazard back pay for District Coordinators and workers.

Motion 1 by Helena LaBatte, second Barb Heminger, question Karen White to allow 18-year-olds and up that are still in high school to pay youth price for hunting and fishing licenses with provided high school enrollment. 17 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 2 by Helena LaBatte, second Marie Renville, question Bob LaFromboise that Council act on Council Motions that have already been passed to establish/revise the

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Reservation Election Board REB code to reflect the 7-member board with one member from each district, to establish the Civil Rights Office, to establish the Gaming Board, and to get the legal opinion on the Robert's County jail stays. 16 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 3 by Elly Dumarce, second Marie Renville, question Karen White to reaffirm a previous motion that the Tribal Detention Officers go to the Robert's County Jail daily to do a detailed check with documentation on all our Tribal members and ensure all needs are met. 18 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Action Item: for Council to follow up on the Robert's County Jail not having hot water and people forced to take ice cold showers since January.

Treasurer Buffy Nanaeto's Report

The Elderly General Welfare checks ran out and different check blanks were used. The report shows money came out of building maintenance, but money will be transferred/the accounts reimbursed. There was an update on the District Day's bill.

District member Brendan LaBatte requested funding for a moccasin tournament.

Motion 4 by Brendan LaBatte, second Bob LaFromboise, question Buffy Nanaeto to request \$600 from the Pow Wow Committee for a moccasin tournament. 17 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 5 by Karen White, second Marie Renville, question Doug Renville that the Tribe pay all Boards and Committees \$500, the same as REB Reservation Election Board and the Tribal Constitution Committee. Motion amended: that the Tribe pay all Boards and Committees \$500, the same as REB Reservation Election Board. 15 for, 1 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 6 by Spencer Wanna, second Barb Heminger, question Mickey Renville that Angel Wanna be appointed to 40 hours per week at \$14.00 per hour differentiated back to when Nadine left until Nadine can return to work. 18 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Action item: Review district coordinator job description. Buffy will find out if the building insurance covers accidents.

Secretary Renae Huntington's Report

The next Regular District Meeting falls on Easter Sunday.

There were two Youth to Adult members: Aryana Heaven Blackthunder and Angelina Marie Loefer.

There were discussions on February's Minutes: the district furnace was installed and the water heater ordered, Karen White and Spencer Wanna were asked to provide a list of which members have been serviced and when, and there was an Executive Session on the Little Steps Daycare.

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- Motion 7** by Karen White, second Alan LaBelle, question Elly Dumarce to reschedule the next Regular District Meeting from April 17, 2022, to April 10, 2022. 24 for, 1 opposed, motion passed.
- Motion 8** by Alan LaBelle, second Brendan LaBatte, question Kristin Wanna, to accept the meeting minutes for February 20, 2022 Regular District Meeting, March 10, 2022 Special District Meeting, and March 10, 2022 Executive Meeting. 17 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.
- Motion 9** by Brendan LaBatte, second Edith MacConnell, question Spencer Wanna, to accept the two youth to adult members Aryana Heaven Blackthunder and Angelina Marie Loefer. 14 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.
- Motion 10** by Elly Dumarce, second Karen White, question Helena LaBatte, to remind Tribal Chairman Hopkins of his responsibilities and hold him accountable because the Tribal Chairman is not addressing our motions. In accordance with SWO Revised Constitution Bylaws, Article 1 Duties of Officials, Section 1 Chairman, (c) he shall see that all ordinances and resolutions of both the General Council and the Council are carried into effect. 17 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Break at 12:55pm, meeting resumed at 1:02pm.

Council Woman Gypsy Wanna's Report

There was an update on Medical Cannabis. There is a possible partnership with Flandreau and a meeting on Tuesday March 22, 2022, at 11:00am at DMC and a public community forum regarding Cannabis Codes on Friday March 25, 2022, at 6:00pm at the SWO Admin Building in the Training Room.

There was a discussion on allocating ARPA funds to a treatment center.

There was a discussion on items for the youth and an update that the Youth Department put requests in for youth items like bouncy houses.

- Motion 11** by Karen White, second Brendan LaBatte, question Spencer Wanna to change the COVID-19 Building into a parolee halfway house. 17 for, 1 opposed, motion passed.
- Motion 12** by Charlene LaFontaine, second Karen White, question Brendan LaBatte that when Karen Gangle's contract is up that her contract is not renewed. 17 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.
- Motion 13** by Brendan LaBatte, second Helena LaBatte, question Bob LaFromboise that Council all come together to add something to SWO TEK Park for the youth. 8 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.
- Motion 14** by Alan LaBelle, second Spencer Wanna, question Elly Dumarce to accept all Executive Reports. 14 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

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Board and Committee Reports

Housing – Spencer Wanna gave an update on the SWHA meetings from February 26 and March 14. There were discussions on the SWHA doors closed to the public, housing units needing new appliances, and Veblen housing units open because people are no longer eligible to move in.

Action item: To find out if there will be security patrols around Veblen housing units and who oversees the Magic Apartments.

Motion 15 by Brendan LaBatte, second Marie Renville, question Kristin Wanna that Housing should be open to the public for normal operation for walk-in visits and appointments. 18 for, 0 opposed, motion passed.

Motion 16 by Helena LaBatte, second Dianne Renville, question Charlene LaFontaine for Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Housing Authority, tenant services who is in charge of evictions, should leave terminally ill Tribal Members alone and to not evict them from their housing. 8 for, 1 opposed, motion passed.

Personnel – Marie Renville gave an update on the last meeting.

THPO – Marie Renville gave an update on upcoming events.

TZTS – Marie Renville gave an update on the last meeting.

Fish and Wildlife – Spencer Wanna will request a buffalo with district letter, processing can take up to four months.

Judicial – Bob LaFromboise - public hearing for medical marijuana March 25, 2022, at 6:00pm.

Elderly – Bob LaFromboise - future round table with Council to discuss health care/IHS issues.

Pow Wow – Steve Renville provided a report from the SWO Pow Wow Committee. The 2022 Wacipi will be held Friday June 30 – Sunday July 3, 2022.

Motion 17 by Angel Wanna, second Charlene LaFontaine, question Dianne Renville to adjourn meeting. All in favor, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 1:56pm.

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Executives, Boards and Committees

Jay Renville	Chairman	X	Elly Dumarce	Constitution, Elderly, Pow Wow	X
Karen White	Vice-Chair	X	Helena LaBatte	Environmental Protection	X
Buffy Nanaeto	Treasurer	X	Kristin Wanna	Pow Wow, Youth	X
Renaë Huntington	Secretary	X	Leanna Bernard	Election, Youth	X
Gypsy Wanna	Council Woman	X	Marie Renville	Constitution, Elderly, Personnel, THPO, TZTS	X
Mickey Renville	Sargent of Arms	X	Nadine LaBelle	Election, Pow Wow, Youth	E
Amos White	Constitution, Pow Wow		Spencer Wanna	Fish & Wildlife, Housing	X
Angel Wanna	Election, Youth	X	Steve Renville	Pow Wow	X
Barb Heminger	Elderly	X	Verlyn Beaudreau	Police Commission	
Bob LaFromboise	Constitution, Judicial, REB	X	Winfield Rondell	Human Services, Planning, Tax, TERO	
Doug Renville	Elderly	X			

X=present, E=excused absence, U=unexcused absence

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Heipa District
Sign-In Sheet

Special Meeting
Executive Meeting
Regular Meeting

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- 1 Renae Huntington
- 2 Enola Dumorce
- 3 Doui RENVILLE
- 4 Angela Lee
- 5 Bureau ~~Henry~~
- 6 ~~Supper Wanne~~
- 7 Marie Rencille
- 8 Steve ~~Spence~~
- 9 ~~Alan Fab. M~~
- 10 Brendon LaBattelle & Kids
- 11 Robert LA Fromboise
- 12 Buffy Naslett
- 13 ~~Karen White~~
- 14 Charlene LaFontaine
- 15 ~~Christine~~
- 16 Kristin Wang
- 17 Melby Renville
- 18 Bertha Greeley
- 19 Helena LaBattelle
- 20 MIKE SCHREINER
- 21 Aaron Keeble
- 22 Erin Kynkapi
- 23 Edith MacConnell
- 24 Dianne Renville
- 25 Michelle Wanne
- 26 Chuck Bush
- 27 ~~Spencer Jansen~~
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