

# Heipa District

## Regular Meeting

February 21, 2021

Chairman Jay Renville, called meeting to order at 11:02am

**Members present:** Sign-in sheet attached.

**Executives:**

Gypsy Wanna	Councilwoman	X	Jay Renville	Chairman	X
Karen White	Vice-Chairwoman	X	Buffy Nanaeto	Treasurer	X
Paige LaBelle	Secretary	X			

**Boards/Committees:**

Nadine LaBelle	Youth, Election	X			
Spencer Wanna	Elderly, SWHA	X			
Angel Wanna	Youth	X			
Marie Renville	Elderly, SWO Elderly, TZTS, Const.	X			
Alan White	Sgt. of Arms	X			
Leanna Bernard	Youth	X			

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

**Discussions:**

- *Waiting on the update for security system for district.*
- *Still have crossing cards left to distribute. (1 per house hold)*
- *Discussed to the people of the 85-15 distribution of DMC (DNGE), and talked about the pay increases that the employees got for hazard pay.*  
*-Front Line employees: \$2.00 more.*  
*-Supervisors: \$1.50 more.*  
*-Managers: \$1.00 more.*
- *New Wave Matrix minimum wage at DNGE (DMC, DMS, DCC) is only at \$9.30, and isn't enough for employees to get by.*
- *Treasurer Buffy Nanaeto updated everyone on what was in the General Account.*
- *Gypsy Wanna discussed the accusations against the Dakota Crossing, she also discussed how much the grocery store would benefit from agreeing to the lease with BUCHE Foods.*
- *Discussion about the discrimination at ihs, and how patients can now have access to complaint forms from any department in ihs.*
- *CEO from BUCHE FOODS came in and introduced himself and what benefits he would be offering.*
- *Tz board presented that they want to let Danny White go for theft.*
- *People in our district having access to gravel.*

Minutes taken by: Secretary Paige LaBelle

Approved on 03/21/2021

Minutes Amended by: Secretary Renae Huntington

Amended on: May 16, 2021 Motion 9.

**Motion #1:** Made by MorningStar Owen to resend motion #64 that was made on 11-24-20. (Motion No. 64: made by Curtis Bissonette, Second by Winfield Rondell III., questioned by Cheryl Owen, to approve the Dakota Nation Gaming enterprise wage compendium and to approve the increases for DNGE staff that are currently below the minimum wage levels in the wage compendium, effective January, 3, 2021, as presented by DNGE CEO Kurt Schmidt and CHRO Chris Kolle.)

- 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Dolly MaConnell
- Questioned by: Barb Heminger

17-0 opposed.

-APPROVED

**Motion #2:** Made by MorningStar Owen, to get rid of cooperate DNGE level staff except CFO.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Karen White.
- Questioned by: Dolly MaConnell

10-3 Opposed

-APPROVED

**Motion #3:** Made by Helenna LaBatte in resolution form that our Tribal Council Representative adhere to the SWO Constitution and Bylaws, Laws, Policies and procedures.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Barb Heminger
- Questioned by: Morning star Owen

6-7 Opposed

-DEFEATED

**Motion #4:** Made by Helenna LaBatte that our tribal council representative vote NO on the Management Agreement/Lease with BUCHE FOODS until the procurement policies and procedures have been followed.

2<sup>nd</sup> by: Morning star Owen

Questioned by Jule Demarrias

6-14 Opposed.

-DEFEATED

**Motion #5:** Made by Helenna LaBatte that tribal council and DCA meet with all boards, committees and commissions as part of the orientation Process for newly seated Tribal Council; that such consultation be conducted and completed by April 15, 2021.

2<sup>nd</sup> by: Barb Heminger

Questioned by: Morning star Owen

12-6

**Motion #6:** Made by Alan White to authorize Heipa Council Rep to approve the contract with RF Buche for the Dakota Crossing.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Winfield Rondell III

Questioned by Doug

*Minutes taken by: Secretary Paige LaBelle*

*Approved on 03/21/2021*

*Minutes Amended by: Secretary Renae Huntington*

*Amended on: May 16, 2021 Motion 9.*

19-0 opposed

- APPROVED

**Motion #7:** Made by Karen White that election be ran by ballet and boards and committees get regular stipend with background check if required.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Barb Heminger

Questioned by: Alan White

9-10 Opposed

-DEFEATED

**Motion #8:** Made by Karen White that Council do a legal review on tribal members being charged for jail stay in Roberts County, and also the medical bills charged to tribal member inmates for being taken to couteau des prairies hospital.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Spencer Wanna

Questioned by: Barb Heminger

18-0 opposed

APPROVED

**Motion #9:** Made by Winfield Rondell III to remove lake traverse council representative Dionne Lake for abusing her power. Code Of Ethics Violations. Misuse of office, unauthorized personal use of tribal equipment, man power or materials.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Doug Renville

Question by: Jewl Demarrias

15-0 Opposed

-APPROVED

**Motion #10:** Made by Marsha Renville to get a list of all the people in our district who are home owners in our district that need gravel, and submit it to the tribe for payment.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Morning star Owen

Questioned by: Barb Heminger

22-0 Opposed

-APPROVED

**Motion #11:** Made by Marsha Renville for the new members to be approved.

- Dakota Sargent
- Hannah Sargent
- Gracie Goodsell

2<sup>nd</sup> by Winfield

Questioned by: Spencer Wanna

15-0 Opposed

-APPROVED

*Minutes taken by: Secretary Paige LaBelle*

*Approved on 03/21/2021*

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**Motion #12:** Made by Doug Renville to accept the new youth to adult members.

- Cheyanne Marlowe
- Carlito Mesarina
- Cheyanne Meng
- Brielle Cook

2<sup>nd</sup> Winfield

Question by: Alan White

20-0 Opposed

-APPROVED

**AMENDMENT to Motion #12: Per Heipa District Regular Meeting on May 16, 2021 Motion 9.**

“**Motion 9:** by Verlyn Beaudreau to correct Motion #12 from February 2021 meeting minutes to change Cheyanne Meng to Challenge Meng. 2<sup>nd</sup> JR Rondell. Questioned by Amos White. In Favor: 13. Opposed: 1. Motion Passed.”

**Motion #13:** Made by Ellie DuMarce to accept 3 new elderly members.

- Thomas White
- Jacquelyn Crawford
- Todd Brown

2<sup>nd</sup> by Barb Heminger

Questioned by: Spencer Wanna.

16-0 Opposed

-APPROVED

***Meeting adjourned at 2:32PM***

***2<sup>nd</sup> by Alan White***

***Questioned by: Doug Renville***

***20-0 opposed***

***-APPROVED***

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