INTRODUCTORY REDISTRICTING MEETINGS FEBRUARY 3, 2011

SAN CARLOS APACHE TRIBAL COUNCIL SAN CARLOS, ARIZONA



Call to order:

Opening Prayer:

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING February 03, 2010 – 9:00 a.m. Tribal Council Hall

AGENDA

Roll Call:			
Approval of Agenda:			
Approval of Minutes:	No minutes for approval at this time		
Regular Session:			

Regular Session:

- 1. Discussion of Liquor Ordinance, Alex Ritchie
- 2. TANF Funding, Bernie Kniffin
- 3. Temporary Check Signer, Patty Bowyer
- 4. Director's Meeting Agenda, Terry Rambler
- 5. Gila County Election Department
 - a. Voter Outreach Coordinator Report, Josephine Goode
 - b. Supervisor Redistricting General Information, Linda Eastlick

Executive Session:

6. Appointment of Tribal Gaming Commissioners, Nadine Beautty

Adjournment:

Goode, Josephine

From:

Goode, Josephine

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Tuesday, February 01, 2011 8:24 AM

To:

'kttalgo'

Cc: Subject:

Eastlick, Linda RE: FW: RE: Regular February 1 Tribal Council Meeting

Thank you very much. Have a good day today!

Josephine

Voter Outreach Office Phone: 402-8628

From: kttalgo [mailto:kttalgo@scatui.net]
Sent: Monday, January 31, 2011 9:54 PM

To: Goode, Josephine **Cc:** Terry Rambler

Subject: Re: FW: RE: Regular February 1 Tribal Council Meeting

Hello Ms. Josephine Goode,

We have placed you on the February 3rd Special Council meeting agenda. I have attached a copy of the agenda or your

information.

Katrina Talkalai

Tribal Secretary

On Mon, 31 Jan 2011 21:15:22 +0000, "Goode, Josephine" < jgoode@co.gila.az.us > wrote:

Is it ok to put Gila Elections in one of the Special Tribal council meeting before February 9th, because Linda Eastlick, Election Director may have date conflict for the 9th of February meanwhile I will forward the agenda items to your office for council preparations the meeting. I appreciate your kindness, Katrina.

Josephine Goode

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Meeting Minutes San Carlos Apache Tribal Council February 3, 2011

In attendance:

Honorable Chairman Terry Rambler
Vice Chairman Dr. John Bush
Jonathon Kitcheyan - Bylas
Mitch Hoffman - Seven Mile
Fred Ferreira - Peridot
Hugh Moses - Bylas
Simon Hood - Gilson
Bernadette Goode - Seven Mile
Alex Ritchie - Tribal Attorney
Keven Barsi - Tribal Attorney
Wilbur Benally - Finance Director
Katrina Talkalai - Tribal Secretary
Linda Eastlick - Gila County Elections Director
Josephine Goode - Gila County Voter Outreach Coordinator

Linda Eastlick discussed

- Voter registrations statistics previously sent from Chairman Mike Pastor to Chairman Rambler
- The upcoming Gila County redistricting process including:
 - Importance of the process
 - Census data to out shortly
 - There will be many public meetings including a public meeting at San Carlos wherein the redistricting process will be described to Tribal members and the they will be invited to participate.
 - Extended an invitation to the Tribal Council asking them to participate in the process
 - Discussed the selection of a redistricting committee by the Board of Supervisors

Josephine Goode discussed:

- Her role at Gila County
- Ballot propositions
- The importance of voter registration on the reservation
- ID at the polls

SAN CARLOS TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 19, 2011

Honorable Chairman Rambler and distinguished members of the Council

Redistricting for Gila County is a separate process from the Independent Redistricting Commission/Arizona State redistricting

Gila County is redistricting Supervisor Districts and College Districts

The Supervisors have authority to change those lines

Our Supervisors and County Manager may make comments and support a mapping idea for the Congressional or Legislative changes, but they have no authority to adopt those changes as the IRC has that authority.

Judy Dickerson, Graham County Elections Director, is unable to attend today, however, she has explained to me that Graham County has not started their redistricting of supervisor districts yet. They will be starting in the next month or so.

Her phone: 928.428.3937 Her email: jdickerson@graham.az.gov

If you would like to review the supervisory and college district maps that the Board of Supervisors will be studying next Tuesday at a work session, I have brought copies for each Council member and would be happy to review each map.

Any maps finally selected must abide by not only the Constitutional principle of one person one vote, but they must also abide by the Voting Rights Act and not dilute minority populations such that they cannot elect candidates of their choice.

Any maps finally selected will be sent to the Department of Justice for preclearance.

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GILA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS

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Voter Outreach Program Gila County Division of Election

The Voter Outreach program was established to work with the Indian Reservations in Gila County. It was determined that Gila County is subject to the bilingual election requirements. Based on the particular situation and the needs of the local Apache communities the goals for developing and implementing the voter outreach have been available through various voter education and election training using written materials or oral presentation to acquaint eligible voters to understand the electoral process and encourage them to vote.

The Apache language translation project has been the major part of the program. The voter education and election information provided to tribal people in English and in the Apache language are:

- Translating election materials into Apache language including Propositions
- Publicity in English and Apache language through San Carlos and White Mountain radio broadcast
- Election information through San Carlos newspaper and White Mountain newspaper resources
- Demonstration of the voting system
- Polling place information
- Voting hours
- Special assistance for the elderly and disabled voters
- Community posting
- Instruction in Apache language to cover:

Voter registration, polling place notices, election pamphlets, actual casting of the ballot and development of audio tape in the Apache language explaining, "ID @ the Polls".

Josephine Goode, Voter Outreach Coordinator

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

BY TERRY RAMBLER

I want to congratulate the top four vote getters in the Peridot and Bylas Districts in the recent special primary elections. Congratulations to Steve Duane, Charles Hill, Wendsler Nosie, Sr., and Lee Randall in Peridot. Congratulations to Marthalene Interpreter-Baylish, Harrison Talgo, Myron Moses, and Ardell Ganilla in Bylas.

I also want to say thank you to Kristy Jackson, Mary King, Solomon Starr, Cordella Moses, and Shirley Titla for having the courage to give it a "shot." No one really knows all it takes to campaign for an elected position until one actually goes through it. It is not easy. I wish you well in your future endeavors.

I encourage all voters to come out and make your vote count on Tuesday, March 1, 2011 in the special general election.

As promised, I will continue to share with you the actions of the Tribal Council at all our meetings.



I will provide you a general summary of the Tribal Council's actions, whether through resolutions or motions. The general summary will be based on the public session portion of the agenda as executive sessions are meant to be confidential.

If the public wishes for further detailed information from the Tribal Council meetings, they can obtain the information from the Tribal Secretary. The detailed information can be found in the approved meeting minutes and the certified resolutions and motions.

The following are what transpired at the Tribal Council's special meeting on Jan. 28, 2011 at the Apache Gold Casino Convention Center in San Carlos.

Tribal Council Attendance

The Tribal Council members that were in attendance were: Chairman Rambler and District Council members Goode, Moses, Hooke, Ferreira, and Hoffman. Vice Chairman Bush was excused as he was attending an event with the Recreation & Wildlife Department in Reno, Nevada. Councilman Kitcheyan was excused as he was attending a meeting with the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) on several projects in Seattle, Wash. Councilman Etpison was excused due to illness.

Tribal Council Actions

The Tribal Council met with Congressman Paul Gosar and discussed the Oak Flat Land Exchange issue, the new health care facility being built in Peridot and the new public safety facility that the Tribe desperately needs. The purpose of Congressman Gosar's visit was to learn of the needs of our people and the priorities of the Tribal Council.

The Tribal Council expressed its continued opposition to the Oak Flat land exchange due to its cultural, archaeological, and environmental concerns about the proposed mining in the Oak Flat area. The Tribal Council requested for fair and due consideration on the part of the Congressman as he deliberates his position on this important issue.

After our initial discussions, Congressman Gosar accompanied the Tribal Council on a tour of the new health care facility being built in Peridot. We informed the Congressman that Congress began appropriating funding for the project in 2005. The new clinic will bring fundamental health care services back to the Reservation as well as address unmet medical needs of the Tribe, including a low-risk birthing unit, telemedicine capabilities, diagnostic imaging, expanded specialty care such as ambulatory surgery and doscopy, physical therapy, and expanded diabetes treatment.

We further informed the Congressman that the designs, scope of work, infrastructure, and preliminary construction phases have been completed. In Fiscal Year 2010, water, sewer, gas, electric and communication systems were completed. Foundations and structural steel for the EMS, public health, and main hospital buildings are substantially completed. Our Project Manager Harding Burdette did a good job in updating the Congressman. We requested Con-

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gressman Gosar to continue to support the completion of the Tribe's new health care facility.

We toured the current public safety facility located in Gilson Wash and showed Congressman Gosar the need for a new public safety facility. Chief of Police Alejandro Benally did a good job in explaining the need for a new facility. We requested Congressman Gosar to continue to help the Tribe in securing construction funding to build a new facility.

We toured the Youth Home located in Seven Mile prior to our final stop for lunch-at Councilwoman Goode's home. All in all, it was an informative and helpful visit for Congressman Gosar.

The meeting ended with an update from our federal lobbyist, Mapetsi Policy Group, on activities at the federal level that impacts our Tribe and we discussed the Tribe's priorities.

The following are what transpired at the Tribal Council's special meeting on Feb. 1, 2011 at the Tribal Council Hall in San Carlos.

Tribal Council Attendance

The Tribal Council members that were in attendance were: Chairman Rambler, Vice Chairman Bush, and District Council members Goode, Hoffman, Moses, Kitcheyan, Hooke, Etpison, and Ferreira.

Tribal Council Actions

The Tribal Council certified the election results for the special primary election held on Feb. 1, 2011 for the vacant Bylas and Peridot District Council seats.

In the Peridot District, the top four vote getters Steve Duane (184), Charles Hill (165), Wendsler Nosie, Sr. (158), and Lee Randall (137) move on to the special general election to be held on March 1, 2011. In the Bylas District, the top four vote getters Marthalene Interpreter-Baylish (278), Harrison Talgo (181), Myron Moses (154), and Ardell Ganilla (107) also move on to the special general election.

In Bylas, there was a 38.62 percent turnout. In Peridot, there was a 24.93 percent turnout.

The following are what transpired at the Tribal Council's special meeting on Feb. 3, 2011 at the Tribal Council Hall in San Carlos.

Tribal Council Attendance

The Tribal Council members that were in attendance were: Chairman Rambler, Vice Chairman Bush, and District Council members Goode, Hoffman, Moses, Kitcheyan, Hooke, and Ferreira. Councilman Etpison was excused due to illness.

Tribal Council Actions

Since all the information to discuss the liquor ordinance was not available, the item was postponed until the next meeting.

The Tribal Council appointed Patty Bowyer as the Acting Treasurer until the return of the Treasurer, who is out on extended leave. This action will enable the Acting Treasurer to sign checks on behalf of the Tribe.

The Tribal Council discussed the agenda for the Directors' meeting on Feb. 7, 2011.

Josephine Goode and Linda Eastlick of the Gila County Department of Elections presented to the Tribal Council information on the Voter Outreach Program and the Gila County Redistricting Advisory Committee.

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Nora Green of Enterprise Rent-A-Car presented information to the Tribal Council on the services it offers the Tribe.

The Tribal Council scheduled the following interviews for three of its key vacant positions: 1) Education Director on Feb. 25, 2011, 2) Health Director on Feb. 28, 2011, and 3) Language Preservation Director on March 1, 2011.

The Tribal Council appointed Carlos Goseyun and William Belvado as Tribal Gaming Commissioners for a period of three years.

The Tribal Council discussed in executive session the following items: 1) Election Board update; 2) Tribal Treasurer position, 3) Tribal Administration budget, and 4) a request from a former employee.

There were no public comments. I have reported only on the public session portion of the Tribal Council meeting and any reports presented to the Tribal Council in public session.

Until next time, God be with The Voter Outreach program each and every one of you.