

Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) Tribe of Southampton County Virginia
Annual State of the Tribe
February 10 2018

Attendees:

Chief Walt Brown
Caroh Holley
Claudette Orié
Wayne Edwards
Josephine H Franco
Mary Frances Wilkerson
Mary Ross
Gladys Pegesco (G)
Annie Thomas
Patricia Redwood
Gary Burnette (C)
Joseph Epps
Tommy Hines
Beverly El
Rita Burke
Barbara Walker
William Howell (C)
Tiffany Desnoyers
Tammy Desnoyers
Vashti Clarke (C)
Vanessa Clark
Dollie Green
Jayne Whitney
Shirley Gould (G)

Council Not in Attendance:

Ellis Wright
Deborah Mottahari
Teresa Baxter

Meeting opened at 130pm with Chiefs Remarks and Prayer

- Chief spoke on Danny England (Eagle-Eye) who is not a tribal member has been banned from tribal meetings and the land. If he shows up, please call the police to have him removed.
- Chief discussed council members and changes – Lewis Bateman has agreed to serve on the council, Chief will be making that recommendation that he replace Joseph Epps
- Chief is creating a new position on council as 2nd Vice Chief over administration and council-women recommending Caroh Holley to accept that position
- Vashti Clarke has stepped up and agreed to replace Teresa Baxter as the Foundation Treasurer and Tommy Hines stepped up as assistant treasurer
- Vashti needs to collect software, file cabinet, with files and printer

- Chief Brown still has 3 positions open for council including; Foundation Secretary to replace Cynthia, and Board of Director to replace Debra Mottahari

Names for council

- Lewis Bateman Tribal Maintenance - New Council Member – moved by Gary Burnette, Beverly El 2nd that Lewis Bateman has been properly elected to Council
- Vashti Clarke has been voted in as Foundation Treasurer – properly moved by Gary Burnette and 2nd by Beverly El that Vashti is the Foundation Treasurer
- Tommy Hines has been voted in as Assistant Foundation Treasurer – properly moved by Vashti Clarke and 2nd by William Howell that Tommy Hines is the Assistant Foundation Treasurer and has been temporarily named as council member to replace Teresa Baxter
- Caroh Holley has been voted in as 2nd Vice Chief for admin and council moved by Vashti Clarke and seconded by Beverly El

Current Council Members:

Lewis Batemen - NEW
 Tommy Hines – NEW (for Temp for Teresa)
 Caroh Holley - NEW
 Gary Burnette
 Ellis Wright
 William Howell
 Vashti Clarke
 Chief Walt Brown
 1 Open Spot Remaining

Current Board Members:

Tommy Hines
 William Howell
 Beverly El
 Ellis Wright
 Chief Walt Brown
 Teresa Preston
 Vashti Clarke - NEW
 2 Open Spots Remaining

- Foundation Checking Balance \$7,404.39 – Current total deposited by Chief Brown on 02/07/2018 was \$1861.65
- Balance of Mortgage 7,401.04 Chief would like to have the mortgage paid off by July
- Barn Lease \$169.91 moved and 2nd that Barn lease be paid \$169.91
- Porta Johns \$275.00 moved and 2nd that Porta Johns be paid \$275.00
- Dominion Power \$191.01 and \$90.50 moved and 2nd to be paid
- Real Estate: tax exemption on tax parcel 75-12 is granted however \$1239.30 was paid for December prior to the tax exemption.

Tribal Applications

Dolberry-Burke, Rita Ann (Artis Side) \$250 + \$100 land tax
A-51-8359

Properly moved by Vashti Clarke and 2nd by Beverly El that Rita Ann Dolberry-Burke (Happy Hands) be added to the Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) tribe on February 2 2018

\$250 check stratified:

50 – Admin Fee
25 – tribal card
175 - land tax

\$100 check stratified

100- land tax

\$25 check stratified as balance of land tax

Incoming Money

Barbara Walker	\$20 Admin Fee	\$20 Land Tax
Josephine Franco		\$40 Land Tax
Whitney Woehler	\$40 Admin Fee	
Vanesa Clark	\$40 Admin Fee	
Dollie Green		\$40 Land Tax
Calendars	\$120	
Tammy Desnoyers	\$60 Admin Fee	
Tiffany Desnoyers	\$60 Admin Fee	
Nicholas Desnoyers	\$30 Admin Fee	
Karen Barrette	\$25 T-shirts	
Beverly El	\$50 Admin Fee	
Jane Whitney		\$100 Land Tax
Claudette Orié	\$50 Admin Fee	\$100 Land Tax
Joe Epps	\$50 Admin Fee	\$100 Land Tax
Karen Epps	\$60 Admin Fee	
Jamie Robertsn	\$60 Admin Fee	
Debbie Epps	\$60 Admin Fee	
Karen Epps		\$100 Land tax

- Motion to pay total of \$510.00 to the tribal account moved by Beverly El and 2nd by William Howell that a check be written
- Motion to pay \$910 to the tribal account moved by Vashti and 2nd by Beverly El that a check be written
- Total of 2 checks will be \$1420.00
- Grand total of \$1600 of money collected 02/10/2018 (of which \$800 goes to the tribal account)
- Chief to take total of \$410 cash \$1190 checks to bank
- 02/07/18 deposit \$910 goes to the tribal account.
- 02/10/18 \$800 goes to the tribal account

- Reimburse Caroh Holley 89.99 for anti-virus moved by Vashti 2nd by Beverly El to pay Caroh \$89.99
 - **Carolyn Brown turned in a check #362 in the amount of \$55 for her Admin Fees. Amount to be added to the \$1600 that Chief Brown Deposited to bank on today total \$1655.**
- **2018 State if the Address of the Tribe Power-point presentation and Ethno History presented by Chief Walt Brown**

**FY 2018 STATE OF THE ADDRESS OF THE TRIBE
(TRIBAL OBJECTIVES / GOALS):**

- FOLLOW-UP ON FEDERAL RECOGNITION REQUEST/PACKET TO CONGRESS – SENATE AND HOUSE
- PRESENT THE 305TH SPOTSWOOD PEACE TREATY TRIBUTE TO THE VIRGINIA GOVERNOR ON ST GEORGE DAY – APRIL 23, 2018
- SUBMIT LETTER TO THE QUEEN REQUESTING PRESENTATION OF THE SPOTSWOOD TREATY TRIBUTE IN LONDON
- REQUEST RETURN OF THE 131 HAND SITE SKELETON REMAINS AND NON SKELETAL REMAINS
- MARKET 2018 TRIBAL CALENDAR AND NEW T-SHIRTS
- REESTABLISH / REFORM TRIBAL FEDERAL RECOGNITION COMMITTEE – CONTACT NATIVE AMERICAN RIGHTS FUND: POC ROSE CUNY – 1-800-447-0784 (SEND FORMAL LETTER REQUESTING ASSISTANCE)
- SUBMIT FEDERAL RECOGNITION PACKET TO US SENATE (SENATOR KAINÉ) REQUESTING SPONSORSHIP OF A BILL FOR FED RECOGNITION VIA CONGRESS
- DEVELOP A TRIBAL SPOKEN LANGUAGE CD – CHIEF BROWN & WOMEN GROUP LEADER VASHTI CLARK (DOUG PATTERSON) – NEED FLUTE PLAYER(S)
- EDUCATIONAL DAY/ 23RD GREEN CORN DANCE POWWOW & GATHERING – JULY 7, 2018
- 24TH ANNUAL CORN HARVEST INTERTRIBAL POWWOW AND SCHOOL DAY – NOVEMBER 2, 3, & 4, 2018
- MAY 12, 2018 – 2ND ANNUAL NATIVE AMERICAN REVIVAL – CRUSADE FOR CHRIST (THE GREAT AWAKENING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT) WITH EVANGELIST CHIEF STEVE SILVERHEELS
- MAY 18, 19, & 20, 2018 PRIMITIVE SKILLS GATHERING AND **TRIBAL BBQ PLATE FUND RAISER** – CATTASHOWROCK TOWN

- NEED GRANT / FUNDRAISER TO COVER LONG HOUSE WITH FLEX BARK - \$25,000 (DOMINION ENERGY GRANT – NEED GRANT WRITER)
- PARTICIPATE IN AMERICAN INDIAN FILM FESTIVAL OF VIRGINIA. BYRD THEATRE, RICHMOND VA (NOV 2018)
- ATTEND TRIBAL SUMMIT & POWWOW AT VA TECH MARCH 31 2018
- USDA GRANT TO PLANT 155 ACRES OF TRIBAL LAND IN LONG LEAF PINES (TP 75-12, CHEROENHAKA TRACT)
- CURTIS CONTRACTING COMPLETE 3 FISH PONDS ON TRIBAL LANDM- LANDSCAPPING REQUIRED (STEVE STEPENOWSKI)
- MAKE ALL TRIBAL CARDS WITH “NEW” TRIBAL ID CARD MAKING MACHINE – DOUBLE SIDED (CAROH HOLLEY – TRIBAL ROLL KEEPER)
- CONTINUE PARTNERSHIP WITH ASV (13 YEARS)
- MAKE LAND MORTGAGE PAYMENT AUG AND DEC 2018 - \$3700 RESPECTIVELY (\$7,400 TOTAL)
- FUNDRAISER RAFFLE TO PAY OFF MORTGAGE IN JULY 2018 (MARY FRANCIS WILKERSON & JOE EPPS- CHAIRS)
- ESTABLISH COMMITTEE CHAIRS FOR THE FOLLOWING:
 - REAPPOINT TRIBAL LAND MAINTENANCE / GRASS CUTTING/ PALISADE FORT, CATTASHOWROCK COMMITTEE CHAIR (LEWIS BATEMAN)
 - REVISIT POWWOW CHAIRS AND RE-APPOINT A POWWOW COMMITTEE CHAIR (THREE CO-CHAIRS – WILLIAM LAMB HOWELL; TAMMY DESNOYERS.
 - JOIN THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS
 - REAPPOINT POWWOW COLOR GUARD COMMANDER (WILLIAM LAMB HOWELL)
 - REVISIT AND APPOINT NEW TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS – NEED VICE CHIEF (ADMIN)
 - REAPPOINT GARY BARNETT AS FUND RAISER COMMITTEE CHAIR - TRIBAL CULTURE CENTER AND MUSEUM
 - REAPPOINT CHAIR OF TRIBAL WOMEN GROUP (VASHTI CLARKE); NEED CO-CHAIR
 - APPOINT A TRIBAL MEN’S GROUP CHAIR (OPEN FOR RECOMMENDATIONS)
 - REAPPOINT TRIBAL P/R REPRESENTATIVE (KAREN BARRETT)

- TRIBAL LAND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – CLEAR AREA TO LUNCH KAYAKS AND CANOES – SCOUTS, AMERICA CORPS, ON THE CHEROENHAKA TRACT – NEED A CHAIRMAN
- REESTABLISH GRANT COMMITTEE - CHAIR Gary Burnette
- ORGANIZED THE TRIBAL GREAT NADAWA DRUM GROUP (DRUM ON BOARD)
- NEED 8 DRUMMERS (RECOMMENDING THE BATEMAN BOYS)
- START DRUM PRACTICE IN MARCH (SPRING)