## Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) Tribe State of the tribe Address Ruth P Campbell Library Franklin VA

### **Attendees:**

Chief Brown

Vashti Clarke

Caroh Holley

Ellis Wright

**Thoma Hines** 

**Gary Burnette** 

John Turner

Teresa Preston

Alex Whitney

Teressa Baxter

Charles Baxter

Claudette Orie

Todd and Linda DePreist

Micheal Skipper

- 990 filed and submitted 4/13/19 in October received letter that they had not received repot. Filed again with the proper paperwork. Received letter in December saying we were late and being fined some \$3027.70
- Balance of Heritage Foundation account \$5721.98
- \$1900 fill for tribal t-shirts and sweat shirts council approved via email to pay \$1000 towards this bill however Chief Brown will be calling pertaining to incorrect inventory against what was ordered. Appears we were over charged in some of the t-shirts
- Chief Brown has tribal members sending a letter to senator Warren etc. This was sent out by email with email addresses to forward the sample letter. At this time we have approximately 12 letters sent.
- CNE LLC pays \$1000 a month out of which \$500 goes to the tribal account and \$500 to the foundation account. 100 for treasurer and 25 for secretary
- Goal to build the museum on tribal land after which Chief Brown will be paid as the President of the CNE LLC
- All tribal members need to do a new oath of allegiance this is needed for the federal recognition.
- Reminder that Vashti and Teresa did audit of the tribal dues and found that we were over 100,000 in debt of dues not paid.
- Please go to the website and behind the bylaws is an oath of allegiance please print and sign and send to Chief Brown.
- April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2020 St Georges Day tribute to Governor of VA Spotswood treaty
- CNE LLC Checking \$99,034 current
- Karen Barrett and Ms. Tally stood an gave kudos to Chief Brown for all that he has done and is doing for the tribe.

• Teressa Baxter thanked everyone for their prayers for her twin sister who has been granted a new heart via transplant and is well into healing and moving around.

Incoming money: see attached spreadsheet

# FY 2020 STATE OF THE ADDRESS OF THE TRIBE TRIBAL OBJECTIVES / GOALS ACCOMPLISHED IN 2019:

- FOLLOWED UP ON FEDERAL RECOGNITION REQUEST/PACKET TO CONGRESS HOUSE PACKET SUBMITTED TO CONGRESSMAN ROB WHITMAN AND DONALD MCEACHIN.
  - PETITION FOR RECOGNITION SUBMITED TO SEN KAINE NO GO!
  - NEW PACKET SUBMITTED TO CONGRESSMAN WHITMAN & MCEACHIN
- PRESENTED THE 306<sup>TH</sup> SPOTSWOOD PEACE TREATY TRIBUTE TO THE VIRGINIA GOVERNOR ON ST GEORGE DAY – APRIL 23, 2019. TRIBUTE ACCEPTED BY THE GOVERNOR IN FRONT OF THE MANTEL (NATIVE AMERICAN MEMORIAL). RECEIVED CONGRATS LETTER FROM GOV
- SUBMITTED 2<sup>ND</sup> REQUEST FOR THE RETURN OF THE 131 HAND SITE SKELETAL REMAINS.
   CONDUCTED A SECOND VISIT TO VIEW THE REMAINS SUITLAND, MD. ACCOMAPINED BY FORMER US SENATOR ALLEN
- MARKET THE 2020 TRIBAL CALENDARS AND TRIBAL SWEATSHIRTS
- SUBMITED FEDERAL RECOGNITION PACKET TO US CONGRESMAN MCEACHIN. HE AGREED TO RUN POINT AND SPONSOR OUR BILL FOR FED RECOGNITION VIA CONGRESS. PACKET BEFORE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES. POC: BLAIR WRISTON, LA.
- CONTINUED THE WORD A WEEK TRIBAL SPOKEN LANGUAGE VIA EMAIL CHIEF BROWN, WOMEN GROUP LEADER VASHTI CLARK, AND ALEX WHITNEY, TRIBL COUNCIL MEMBER.
- HOSTED THE 25TH GREEN CORN DANCE POWWOW JULY 6, 2019
- HOSTED THE 26<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CORN HARVEST INTERTRIBAL POWWOW AND SCHOOL DAY NOVEMBER 1, 2, & 3 2019

- HOSTED THE 3<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL NATIVE AMERICAN REVIVAL CURSADE FOR CHRIST (THE GREAT AWAKING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT) WITH THE BESELEL DANCERS AND REV LOCKLEAR (PREACHER).
- HOSTED THE 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PRIMITIVE SKILLS GATHERING AT CATTASHOWROCK TOWN
- PARTICIPATED IN AMERICAN INDIAN FILM FESTIVAL OF VIRGINIA. BYRD THEATRE, RICHMOND VA
- RECEIVED USDA/NRCS INCENTIVE FUNDS (\$25,387.15) TO PREPARE AND PLANT 155 ACRES OF TRIBAL LAND IN LONG LEAF PINES (TP 75-12, CHEROEHAKA TRACK) – 120 ACRES PLANTED
- 64,560 VIRGINIA GROWN LONG LEAF PINES PLANTED ON THE CHEROENHAKA TRACK . TOTAL OF 90,000+ LONG LEAF PLINES PLANTED ON TRIBAL LAND IN DECEMBER.
- CATTASHOWROCK TRAIL BUSH HOGED WITH NEW PATH LEADING TO THE BANK OF NOTTOWAY RIVER
- CURTIS CONTRACTING COMPLETED 2 LARGE FISH PONDS ON TRIBAL LAND- LANDSCAPPING IN PROGRESS. 8 SAWTOOTH OAK TREES PLANTED
- CONTINUE MAKING TRIBAL CARDS WITH "NEW" TRIBAL ID CARD MAKING MACHINE DOUBLE SIDED (SOME 100+ CREATED BY CAROH HOLLEY TRIBAL ROLL KEEPER)
- CONTINUED PARTERSHIP WITH ASV (14 YEARS)
- PAID OFF LAND MORTGAGE AND CONDUCTED A MORTGGE BURNING CEREMONY CONDUCTED FUNDRAISER RAFFEL.
- DEEP WELL DUG ON TRIBAL LAND 265 FEET DEEP
- ELECTRIC STOVE, KITCHEN SINK AND RUNNING WATER ADDED TO TRIBAL KITCHEN
- INDIAN FRYBREAD / TACCO GAZEBO PURCHASED

- GAVE TWO NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH PRESENTATIOS, FORT LEE AND FORT EUSTIS NET \$2,000. (2018)
- TRIBAL LAND MAINTENANCE MANAGER / GRASS CUTTING/ PALISADE FORT, FOR CATTASHOWROCK (LEWIS STRONG BEAVER BATEMAN)
- STOCKADE REBUILT BY TRIBAL MEMBER LOUIS STRONG BEAVER BATEMAN.
- CATTASHOWROCK TOWN LARGE BROWN CULTURAL DIRECTIONAL SIGNS ERECTED ON THE EAST AND WEST BOUND SIDES OF HWY 58 – REPAIRED SMALL CATTASHOWROCK TOWN SIGN – VANDALIZED
- CONDUCTED WOMEN GROUP CAMP OUT AT CATTASHOWROCK TOWN
- CULTIVATED AND PLANTED THE THREE SISTERS GARDEN
- APPLIED FOR AND RECEIVED A NON-MATCING VA HUMANITIES (VH) GANT TO DESIGN 48
  WALKING TRAIL SIGN.S
- REPLACED SOME OF THE INTERPRETIVE WALKING TRAIL SIGNS WITH VH LOGO
- APPLIED FOR AND RECEIVED AN AMERICAN EVOLUTION MATCHING GRANT IN SUPPORT OF THE CORN HARVEST POWWOW AND SCHOOL DAY.
- PRESENTED COLLEGE BOOK SCHALORSHIPS TO TRIBAL MEMBERS.
- PROVIDED THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS CARE WALMART SHOPPING FOR 5 ADULT FAMILIES
  IN NEED TOTALING 19 CHILDREN UNDER 10 YEARS OF AGE.
- ATTENDED THE DEDICATION OF THE FIRST NATIVE AMERICAN MEMORIAL THE MANTEL ON THE CAPTIAL GROUNDS IN RICHMOND VIRGINIA.
- STARTUP OF THE CHEROENHAKA (NOTTOWAY) ENTERPRISE, LLC
  - LET AGREEMENT WITH CNE PARTNER UPFRONT FINANCING
  - APPOINTED BOARD OF MANAGERS 3 TRIBE AND 2 MONUMENT CONSTRUCTION

- PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT OF COMPANY APPOINTED. CNE TREASURE AND CNE SECRETARY APPOINTED
- o FORMED PARTNERSHIP 51% / 49% SPLIT OF PROFIT
- BEGIN DRAFTING PACKET FOR TRIBAL 8A (SBA)
- LET AGREEMENT WITH A CONSTRUCTION CONSULTANT
- BRANISTORM POSSIBLE JOINT VENTURE (JV)
- o BRAINSTORM BYOUT OF 100% STOCK IN A COMPANY (CLOSE HOLD)
- o LET AGREEMENT WITH SGS AS UPFRONT ACCOUNTING AND HR MANAGER
- LET OFFICE LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CNE, LLC AND THE TRIBE (\$1,000 PER MONTH TO THE TRIBE)

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## TRIBAL OBJECTIVES / GOALS FOR 2020:

- FOLLOWED UP ON FEDERAL RECOGNITION REQUEST/PACKET TO CONGRESS HOUSE (CONGRESSMAN MCEACHIN)
  - SUBMIT PETITION FOR REOGNITION TO SENATOR WARNER
    - REQUEST HE RUN POINT IN THE SENATE
    - ALL TRIBAL MEMBER TO EMAIL SENATOR WARNER
    - FOLLOW UP WITH BLAIR WRISTON, LA, CONGRESSMAN MCEACHIN
    - FOLLOW UP WITH MICAH BARBOUR, LA, SENATOR WARNER
- PRESENT THE 307<sup>TH</sup> SPOTSWOOD PEACE TREATY TRIBUTE TO VA GOVERNOR ON APRIL 23 2020
- SUBMIT 3<sup>RD</sup> REQUEST FOR THE RETURN OF THE 131 HAND SITE SKELETAL REMAINS. FOLLOW UP WITH FORMER US SENATOR ALLEN FOR SUPPORT
- MARKET THE 2020 TRIBAL CALENDARS AND TRIBAL SWEATSHIRTS
  - O PREPARE AND MARKET YEAR 2021 TRIBAL CALANDARS
- PREPARE AND SUBMITED FEDERAL RECOGNITION PACKET TO THE BIA
- CONTINUED THE WORD A WEEK TRIBAL SPOKEN LANGUAGE VIA EMAIL CHIEF BROWN, WOMEN GROUP LEADER VASHTI CLARK, AND ALEX WHITNEY, TRIBL COUNCIL MEMBER
  - O PRODUCE AND MARKET TRIBAL LANGUAGE CD

- HOST THE 27TH GREEN CORN DANCE POWWOW JULY 4, 2020
- HOST THE 28<sup>TH</sup> CORN HARVEST INTERTRIBAL POWWOW AND SCHOOL DAY NOVEMBER 6, 7, & 8, 2020
  - o BONFIRE 6:30 PM, NOVEMBER 6, 2020, POWWOW CIRCLE
- HOST THE 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NATIVE AMERICAN REVIVAL CURSADE FOR CHRIST (THE GREAT AWAKING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT) WITH THE BESELEL DANCERS AND CHIEF STEVE SILVERHEELS (PREACHER).
- HOST THE 7<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PRIMITIVE SKILLS GATHERING AT CATTASHOWROCK TOWN MAY 2020
- FOLLOWUP WITH DEPT CONSERVATION & RECRERATION (DCR) AND NRCS REF MANITENANCE / BURNING OF THE 120 ACRES OF LONG LEAF PINES ON THE (TP 75-12, CHEROEHAKA TRACK)
- COORDINATE WITH USDA REF POSSIBLE PLANTING OF 5 ACRES OF HEMP ON THE TRIBAL LAND
- REPAIR CATTASHOWROCK TOWN WALKING TRAIL PATHS AND BUILD WALKING BRIDGE LEADING TO THE BANK OF NOTTOWAY RIVER
  - o LAUNCH SITE FOR KAYAKS AND CANOES / WATER DRUM CEREMONIES.
- CLOSE OUT LAND USE AGREEMENT WITH CURTIS CONTRACTING REF THE COMPLETED 2 LARGE FISH PONDS ON THE TRIBAL LAND- LANDSCAPPING IN PROGRESS. (STOCK PONDS WITH BASS AND BRIM)
  - PURCHASE AND PLANT 8 ADDITIONAL SAWTOOTH OAK TREES AROUND THE PONDS
- CONTINUE MAKING TRIBAL CARDS WITH "NEW" TRIBAL ID CARD MAKING MACHINE DOUBLE SIDED FOR OLD AND NEW TRIBAL

- UPDATE TRIBAL ROLL ROSTER AND PURGE THOSE NAMES HAVING NO CONTACT IN THE PAST 7
  YEARS
- CONTINUED PARTERSHIP WITH ASV 15 YEARS.
- CONTINUE TO RESEARCH AND APPY FOR GRANTS TO SUPPORT THE TRIBE'S VISION.
- CONDUCT FUNDRAISERS TO PAY OFF INDIAN FRYBREAD GAZEBO.
  - O PUT IN NEW CIRCUIT BREAKER AND HOOK UP ELECTRIC, LIGHT, FAN AND OUTLET INSIDE FRYBREAD GAZEBO
  - o SCREEN IN THE FRYBREAD GAZEBO WITH SLIDING SCREEN DOORS
- RESEARCH SEPTIC TANK REQUIERMENTS TO BUILD MALE AND FEMALE BATHROOMS ON THE POWWOW GROUNDS
- MARKET NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH PRESENTATIOS WITHIN THE REGION
- TRIBAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS (RE-ELECT 4 YEARS)
- RE-APPOINT THE TRIBAL LAND MAINTENANCE MANAGER / GRASS CUTTING/ PALISADE FORT, FOR CATTASHOWROCK (TRIBAL MEMBER LEWIS STRONG BEAVER BATEMAN)
  - DEVELOPE BUDGET TO PAY FOR GRASS CUTTING
- CONDUCTED WOMEN GROUP CAMP OUTS AT CATTASHOWROCK TOWN
- CULTIVATE AND PLANT THE THREE SISTERS GARDEN & TOBACCO GARDEN
- APPLY FOR THE SECOND PART OF THE NON-MATCING VH GANT FOR 48 WALKING TRAIL SIGNS
  - o FINISH WITH THE DESIGNS AND PUT IN PLACE 22 WALKING TRAIL SIGNS WITH VH LOGO

- FOLLOWUP AND COMPLETE INPUT CLOSE OUT REQUIRMENTS FOR THE AMERICAN EVOLUTION
   MATCHING GRANT RECEIVED BY THE TRIBE
- PRESENT COLLEGE BOOK SCHALORSHIPS TO TRIBAL MEMBERS.
- PROVIDED THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS CARE WALMART SHOPPING FOR NEEDY FAMILIES.
- ATTENDED OTHER POWWOWS / MARKET THE TRIBE'S TWO POWWOWS
- PUBLISH VOLUME 7 OF THE WASKEHEE
- PUBLISH QUARTERLY TRIBAL NEWS LETTER THARAHUNTE (TO HEAR)
- CHEROENHAKA (NOTTOWAY) ENTERPRISE, LLC
  - O SUBMIT TRIBAL 8A PACKET TO SBA
    - ONCE RECEIVED BID ON DOD CONSTRUTION CONTRACTS (MILLION DOLLAR RANGE)
    - EXPAND INTO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CONTRACTS
    - 51% PROFIT FOR TRIBE'S GOAL TO BUILD TRIBAL CULTURAL CENTER AND MUSEUM; WELLNESS CENTER; NON DENOMINATIONAL WORSHIP CENTER AND A CARE TAKERS CABIN.
  - EXPLORE PIPE LINE REPORTING FROM CONSTRUCTION CONSULTANT
  - O BRING ON BOARD A POSSIBLE JOINT VENTURE (JV)
  - POSSIBLE BYOUT OF 100% STOCK IN A COMPANY (CLOSE HOLD)
  - CONTINUE AGREEMENT WITH SGS AS UPFRONT ACCOUNTING AND HR MANAGER
  - O CONTINUE OFFICE LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CNE, LLC AND THE TRIBE (\$1,000 PER MONTH TO THE TRIBE)
  - o BRING IN THE FIRST MILLION DOLLARS TO CNE, LLC!