MINUTES OF
YAVAPAI-APACHE NATION
Special Business Meeting
March 18, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Jon Huey called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m., Middle Verde Administration Building and Zoom.us.

2. INVOCATION: Germania Jones

3. ROLL CALL: Germania Jones, Amanda Honwytewa, Tanya Lewis, Jon Huey, Ricardo Pacheco and Darlene Rubio were present. Apphia Shirley was present via Zoom.us. Henry Smith arrived late. Nancy Guzman was absent (personal).

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Apphia Shirley motioned to approve the agenda seconded by Ricardo Pacheco; 7 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstained, motion passed.

5. MINUTES OF 3-11-2021

Tanya Lewis stated she had sent her corrections to Karla Reimer via email redlined and highlighted with it cc’d to the Tribal Council.

Amanda Honwytewa sent her corrections via email.

Henry Smith arrived at 9:10 a.m.

Germania Jones motioned to approve the minutes seconded by Ricardo Pacheco; 8 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstained, motion passed.

6. RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE YAVAPAI-APACHE NATION AND KM DRILLING, INC., FOR REPAIR AND REHABILITATION OF THE NATION’S UPPER CLOVERLEAF WELL – Yolanda Trujillo

Henry Smith motioned to approve the resolution due to the Agricultural Resources Department has solicited quotes from qualified well repair companies and recommends that the Nation contract with KM Drilling Inc., to provide the repair and rehabilitation work on the Upper Cloverleaf Well in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Independent Contractor Agreement; and the Term of the Agreement shall be from April 1, 2021 and extending through April 30, 2021, with total compensation to be paid to KM under the Agreement not to exceed $48,659.80; and funding for payment of compensation under the Agreement is available to be
paid from the Nation’s P.L. 93-638 contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs Contract No. A20AV00858, Amendment No. 2; and the Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the Nation to enter into an Independent Contractor Agreement with KM Drilling Inc. together with KM’s Estimate #891 dated 2-18-2021 under which KM will provide repair/rehabilitation of the Upper Cloverleaf Well per Version 1 (3-18-2021) seconded by Apphia Shirley; 8 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstained, motion passed.

7. RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. ONE TO THE GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE YAVAPAI-APACHE NATION AND THE NATURE CONSERVANCY FOR INSTALLATION OF IMPROVED IRRIGATION SYSTEMS AT THE NATION’S CLOVERLEAF FARM AND RANCH – Yolanda Trujillo

Henry Smith motioned to approve the resolution per Council Resolution No. 175-2020, dated November 5, 2020, the Council authorized the Nation to enter into a Grant Agreement, Contract Number AZFO-201022 with The Nature Conservancy, under which TNC agreed to provide the Nation grant funds for the installation of improved water efficient irrigation systems at the Nation’s Cloverleaf Farm and Ranch; and the Nation and TNC wish to amend the Agreement to add additional funds identified by TNC for the Project in accordance with the terms and conditions of Amendment Number One; and the additional grant funds provided under the Amendment Number One will increase the original grant amount from $30,000 to a new grant amount of $83,000, an increase of $53,000; and the Council finds that amending the Grant with TNC, as set forth in Amendment Number One is in the best interest of the Nation per Version 1 (3-18-2021) seconded by Ricardo Pacheco; 8 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstained, motion passed.

Amanda Honwytwewa hoped to have further discussion on the plans for upper Cloverleaf lands.

8. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NATION TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE INTER TRIBAL COUNCIL OF ARIZONA FOR A ONE-TIME GRANT FOR COVID-19 RELIEF AND EMERGENCY USE – Chairman Huey

Darlene Rubio motioned to approve the resolution due to the Nation is a member of the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona; and ITCA has been engaged in assisting its Member Tribes in responding to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and ITCA has a one-time grant in the amount of $5,000 per Member Tribe to be used for COVID-19 relief and emergency use as needed to respond during the pandemic, and Member Tribes are eligible to apply using the application form; and the Council finds it in the Nation’s best interest to authorize the application and authorize to take such further action as deemed necessary to carry out the intent and purposes per Version1 (3-18-2021) seconded by Henry Smith; 8 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstained, motion passed.
9. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES – Steven Schepman

Darlene Rubio motioned to approve the resolution in exercising its due diligence the Council has determined that issuance of a Request for Proposals for investment management services from qualified investment management firms will assist the Council in evaluating the performance of its current investment management firm and assessing whether management of the Nation’s investment portfolio might be improved by engaging the services of a different firm; and the Nation’s Treasurer has prepared a formal Request for Proposal for Investment Management Services from qualified investment management firms interested in providing professional management of the Nation’s investment portfolio and the Treasurer requests the Council’s authorization to issue the RFP, evaluate responses received, and thereafter make further recommendation to the Council as provided in the RFP per Version 1 (3-18-2021) seconded by Germania Jones; 8 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstained, motion passed.

10. SELECTION OF MARSHALS FOR THE ELECTION BOARD (4) FOR A 1-YEAR TERM

This was done by secret ballot.

Darlene Rubio motioned to appoint Franklin Garner, Thomas Herrera, Anthony Sanchez and Gertrude Smith as Marshals for the Election Board for a one-year term seconded by Henry Smith; 8 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstained, motion passed.

11. OLD BUSINESS – None
12. NEW BUSINESS
a. Council Reports – None
13. ADJOURNMENT

Germania Jones motioned to adjourn at 9:36 a.m. seconded by Ricardo Pacheco; 8 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstained, motion passed.

YAVAPAI-APACHE TRIBAL COUNCIL

Karla Reimer, Secretary