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SPECIAL CALL TRIBAL COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING  
MARCH 3, 2016  
CHAIRMAN HARVEY GODWIN, JR.

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LAKISHIA SWEAT TERRY HUNT  
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BOBBY OXENDINE JARROD LOWERY  
LARRY TOWNSEND DOUGLAS LOCKLEAR  
REGINALD OXENDINE JAN LOWERY  
BILL BREWINUTION ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS  
JANET LOCKLEAR FRANK COOPER  
AREATHA PATTERSON SHELLEY STRICKLAND  
WILLIAM MAIDEN BARBARA LOWERY

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APPEARANCES

TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

TERRY HUNT
JANIE OXENDINE MCFARLAND
ALTON LOCKLEAR
JONATHAN LOCKLEAR
BOBBY OXENDINE
JARROD LOWERY
LARRY TOWNSEND
REGINALD OXENDINE
JAN LOWERY
BILL BREWINGTON
DANIEL JONES
ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS
JANET LOCKLEAR
WILLIAM MAIDEN
DOUGLAS LOCKLEAR
PROCEEDINGS

(The following meeting was held on Thursday, March 3, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.)

Speaker Bill Brewington called the meeting to order and requested Mr. Bobby Oxendine to give the invocation.

(A prayer was given by Mr. Bobby Oxendine.)

Ms. Jan Lowery took a roll call for attendance purposes, and the following members were present: Terry Hunt, Janie Oxendine McFarland, Alton Locklear, Jonathan Locklear, Bobby Oxendine, Jarrod Lowery, Larry Townsend, Reginald Oxendine, Jan Lowery, Bill Brewington, Daniel Jones, Anita Hammonds Blanks, Janet Locklear, and William Maiden. There were 14 members present, and therefore, the council had a quorum.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: Aren't we going to say the Pledge of Allegiance?

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: No. Not at a special meeting.

Mr. Bobby Oxendine asked that Mr. Lesaundri Hunt be excused due to eye surgery and is not able to drive.

Mr. Alton Locklear asked if Ms. LaKishia Sweat be excused due to an audit.

Ms. Jan Lowery asked that Frank Cooper be excused.
Mr. Jonathan Locklear made the motion to excuse those folks from the special call meeting.

Terry Hunt seconded the motion.

A voice voted was taken on the motion, and all members were in favor of the motion.

Mr. Bill Brewington asked that everyone stay after the benediction for a little housekeeping.

At the last tribal council meeting, Mr. Ron Oxendine made a recommendation that we select a person to represent council a voting person for LTE.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: What is the wishes of the council?

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: Have we not already voted for someone for LTE? Is this an additional person? What are we voting on?

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: No. This is a voting person.

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: Well, that's what we voted on.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: No. That's the purpose of this meeting tonight. The purpose of this meeting tonight is to present LTE a voting person to represent council.

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: It was my understanding that we voted for the economic development person. That person is automatically on the LTE Board
according to the bylaws.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Ms. Anita, we don't have control of the LTE bylaws. We are just doing the recommendation from the LTE to present them a name and what they do with their bylaws and how they handle -- that's what they recommend and asking for tonight. Anybody else?

MR. JONATHAN LOCKLEAR: Mr. Speaker, I would like to nominate Mr. Jarrod Lowery to serve on the LTE Board.

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: Second the nomination.

MR. WILLIAM MAIDEN: Mr. Speaker, in our economic development meeting last week, I thought that was one of the things we were supposed to bring back here tonight, and in that meeting, we selected Mr. Al Locklear to serve on that board.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Would you like to nominate Mr. Al Locklear?

MR. WILLIAM MAIDEN: Nominate Mr. Al Locklear.

MS. JANIE MCFARLAND: Second.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: At this time to represent the Council on LTE, you have two nominations: Mr. Jarrod Lowery and Mr. Al Locklear. Any other nominations?

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: Not to offer a nomination, but I think we are working backward here. It came out of the LTE community -- I'm sorry -- the economic development committee. It came out of the committee with the
nomination, and that's what comes to the floor, and if we need to go back to committee to do this all over again, it should come out of the committee. All actions has to come out of the committee; am I correct?

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Not necessarily.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: When do actions not have to come out of committee?

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: When the LTE asked for a nomination, we can that direction as long as we can get that nomination through tonight. It doesn't matter to me.

Mr. Jarrod, [sic] do you withdraw your nomination?

MR. JONATHAN LOCKLEAR: No, sir.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Let the economic made their recommendation. Then we'll vote and go from there.

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: Mr. Speaker, the recommendation of the committee has already been made.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: All right.

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: Mr. Speaker, in January, we voted on the chair of the economic development committee; did we not? This whole council. We know that the economic chair is the person who is automatically on the LTE Board. LTE bylaws state that economic chair is becomes a member of their board as soon as they're put in that position. Why are we doing this? What has changed?

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Ms. Anita, if that is the
case, then we wouldn't be having this meeting tonight.

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: That is the case.

It's been the case. Ask Terry Hunt how he got to be on the economic committee last year.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: All I'm doing is the request of the LTE, to bring them a name.

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: I know exactly what you are doing, but the point is it is totally unnecessary. This council has already made that decision of who we decided to send, so why do we keep coming back?

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: Mr. Hunt, are the LTE bylaws the same today as they were whenever you were elected economic development chair a year ago?

MR. TERRY HUNT: They have been changed.

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: When were they modified? I have a copy of them, and that is what mine are saying.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Point of order. We will vote. We have two names -- the names of this council --

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: Mr. Chairman, you are overstepping your bounds. It came out of committee. Every action has to come out of committee. You're circumventing the committee for whatever reason -- I don't understand. Furthermore, it is a request from LTE. We will -- we don't have to honor any of the request from LTE. This is a
tribal council matter, and we met, the economic development
commitee met. We discussed this matter at the meeting,
and if you feel that the nomination that came out of
committee is not what you want, then that we need to go
back to committee. Otherwise, it came out of committee,
and that is the first item from the membership voted out of
committee. It was voted out of the committee.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: No. No. You are wrong, Mr.
Al. When the committee brings us the reports, this council
can substitute and do all the --

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: You haven't given us the
actions from the committee.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: What are the recommendations
of our economic? If someone else wants to make a
substitute, that's fine; amend that, that's fine. What are
the recommendations coming from committee?

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: I would also ask that you
should step aside since you are trying to circumvent a
order of this council -- a recommendation that came out of
committee, and you are not going to hear it.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: I am offering it right now.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: You have two motions on the
floor.

MR. WILLIAM MAIDEN: I withdraw my motion.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Will you withdraw your
MR. JONATHAN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Is there a recommendation from the economic development committee?

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: Mr. Speaker, being that there are none --

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: Mr. Speaker, the economic committee voted to send Al back to the LTE committee as he was voted initially by the council in January at the first meeting, and we know that, that position is on the LTE Board by the bylaws, which were revised in July of last year and still make that statement. That's the only way that Terry would have stayed on. So what I want to know is what has changed? That's what I want to know.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: I am waiting for you or the chair of economic development. I'm waiting for a recommendation from economic development.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: My recommendation is to send this back to and let's decide if we maybe we should not even need to do this at all since you are sitting wanting to circumvent the committee. Maybe you should go back to committee and started the process all over again.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Mr. Al, you are out of order. The only thing I know is that what was directed to
me was to bring a nomination to the LTE. They did not say
what order.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: The recommendation from LTE
was to -- I don't know how to say this because I am already
sitting on the LTE Board already. That has not changed.
I'm not off the LTE Board. I can't give you a
recommendation to put me back on the board. My
recommendations from the economic development committee is
that we modify the word, operations agreements, -- that the
board member sits there for 15 years. That was the
recommendation. It was nothing more than that the
recommendation was to modify --

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: Speaker, I cannot hear what's
going on.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: The recommendation was to
modify the term of the person on the board. That was the
recommendation. I am sitting on the board presently.
Nothing has changed.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Mr. Terry, I think we need
-- the way it was explained to me with Ron is the economic
development chair would serve on the board, but then the
council would have a voting delegate on the board. You
would be the best one to clear this up.

MR. TERRY HUNT: Mr. Speaker, that night that Ron
was in here, he explained everything to the council, and
these people in here heard the same thing I am hearing.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: So what is your
interpretation since you set on LTE?

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: Correction. He does not sit
on LTE.

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: Mr. Speaker? Mr. Speaker?

Mr. Terry has got the floor.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Terry, go ahead.

MR. TERRY HUNT: It still stands what Ron told
everybody. I hear the same thing.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: He asked us to bring a
nomination to him, which could be the existing chair, or it
could be someone else. You've heard the recommendations
from our economic development committee, Mr. Al Locklear.
Need no second since it's coming from committee.

MR. JONATHAN LOCKLEAR: I nominate Mr. Jarrod
Lowery to serve on the LTE Board.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Are you putting that as a
substitute?

MR. JONATHAN LOCKLEAR: Substitute motion. Yes, sir.

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: Second the motion.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: All right. Substitute
motion that Mr. Jarrod Lowery serve on the LTE Board as
representative of this council. Discussion? Discussion?
MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: Mr. Speaker, so are we saying that in addition to the economic chair being on LTE, we are putting another tribal council person on LTE? So are we then saying that because Ron Oxendine stood here and made some kind of request, that will totally null and void everything this council voted on and then bring another name because he didn't like the name we had?

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: No. He didn't. Mr. Ron asked that we bring a person to him. We had two options. He said we could bring the existing chair, or we could bring another.

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: Mr. Speaker, the council made its choice of who was going to be on there. He doesn't get to come back and say what we can and cannot do. That's not his call. That call has already been made by the council.

MR. JARROD LOWERY: Mr. Speaker?

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: I'm calling -- I'm calling for a vote on the substitute motion. Ms. Secretary, roll call on the substitute motion.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: Discussion. Are you not allowing discussion?

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: We keep going back -- all right. Go ahead, Al.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: So answer the question. Are
you saying we adding another person to the LTE Board?

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: I cannot answer that. The only thing I can answer is what was request of this council to do -- to bring a name to them.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: And the committee decided a name.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Right. But the council has to decide on a name.

MR. JONATHAN LOCKLEAR: I make a motion that the nominations come to a close.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: No. We have a substitute motion. Roll call on the substitute motion.

MS. JANIE MCFARLAND: My hand has been up. I have a couple of questions. Mr. Terry said that the regulations or bylaws have been amended. Do we know that for a fact?

MR. TERRY HUNT: They are in the process of being amended.

MS. JANIE MCFARLAND: So they are in the process?

MR. TERRY HUNT: Since it's been asked for -- they talked about changing -- all I can tell y'all is the LTE Board is going to change or already has changed and voted on -- they voted on the changes of the bylaws of LTE.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Ms. Janie?

MS. JANIE MCFARLAND: What is the vote?

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: The vote is now --
substitute vote is Mr. Jarrod Lowery will serve as the representative for council on the LTE.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: I make a motion that we adjourn.

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: We got two nominations.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: I'm sorry. The motion to adjourn cannot dismissed. This board is in -- I make a motion that we adjourn, and that motion cannot be thrown out. That has to be address every time. Mr. Bill, you and Jarrod, -- Parliamentarian, motion is made to adjourn has to be carried out.

MR. WILLIAM MAIDEN: Second the motion.

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: Mr. Speaker, let's vote on the motion to adjourn.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: Parliamentarian,--

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Motion to adjourn. We will vote on the motion to adjourn.

Ms. Jan Lowery conducted a roll call vote.

MS. JAN LOWERY: LaKishia Sweat? Terry Hunt?

MR. TERRY HUNT: No.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Janie McFarland?

MS. JANIE MCFARLAND: Yes.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Lesaundri Hunt? Alton Locklear?

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: Yes.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Jonathan Locklear?
MR. JONATHAN LOCKLEAR: No.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Bobby Oxendine?

MR. BOBBY OXENDINE: Yes.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Jarrod Lowery?

MR. JARROD LOWERY: No.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Larry Townsend?

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: No.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Douglas Locklear?

MR. DOUGLAS LOCKLEAR: No.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Reginald Oxendine?

MR. REGINALD OXENDINE: No.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Jan Lowery, no. Bill Brewington?

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: No.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Daniel Jones?

MR. DANIEL JONES: No.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Anita Hammonds Blanks?

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: Yes.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Janet Locklear?

MS. JANET LOCKLEAR: No.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Frank Cooper? Areatha Patterson?

Shelley Strickland? William Maiden?

MR. WILLIAM MAIDEN: Yes.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Barbara Lowery?

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: Mr. Speaker, I call for

question on the motion.
MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Motion on the substitute motion. Roll call.

MR. BOBBY OXENDINE: Mr. Speaker, point of information. Need to ask Mr. Terry -- Mr. Terry, is someone coming off the LTE Board? Do we need to put another LTE person on there?

MR. TERRY HUNT: From my understanding, is from what's going on is they want to change that position to a 15-year position period. That position which comes from the council.

MR. BOBBY OXENDINE: Changing the economic position to a 15-year period.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Thank you, Mr. Bobby. Let me read you what was directed to me to do.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: Mr. Speaker, call for question. You keep circumventing the rules.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Recommend the tribal council select a person to fill this permanent position. Number one, to retain Mr. Al Locklear as nominee. Number two, identify a new candidate.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: That's not what was discussed in committee.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Roll call.

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: I'm sorry. Read that part again. Retain what now?
MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Retain Al Locklear as the nominee. Identify a new candidate.

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: So you mean to tell me because Ron Oxendine comes here -- he has the power and the authority to tell this council that I don't like your, your person that you are sending me, but you can still have him as a nominee, but you get to do everything all over again. It's not fair.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: He didn't say that.

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: You said that he could retain -- you couldn't retain him as an nominee. He was not the nominee. He was the chosen person by the tribal council.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Roll call.

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: This is ridiculous.

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: She's out of order.

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: Larry, you know all about being out of order.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Roll call. Question?

MS. JAN LOWERY: And this is to vote to elect Jarrod Lowery to serve on the LTE Board?

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: The substitute motion is Jarrod.

MR. JONATHAN LOCKLEAR: So we are voting on the substitute motion.
MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Right.

MS. JAN LOWERY: LaKishia Sweat? Terry Hunt?

MR. TERRY HUNT: Pass.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Janie Oxendine McFarland? Is she here?

MS. JANIE MCFARLAND: Yes. I am here, but I don't know what we are voting on. I mean, we can't work together apparently, so I don't know what we are voting on.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Lesaundri Hunt? Alton Locklear?

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: Pass.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Jonathan Locklear?

MR. JONATHAN LOCKLEAR: Yes.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Bobby Oxendine?

MR. JONATHAN LOCKLEAR: No.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Jarrod Lowery?

MR. JARROD LOWERY: Pass.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Larry Townsend?

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: Confirm Jonathan -- I mean Jarrod. Yes.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Douglas Locklear?

MR. DOUGLAS LOCKLEAR: Pass.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Reginald Oxendine?

MR. REGINALD OXENDINE: Yes.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Jan Lowery, yes. Daniel Jones?

MR. DANIEL JONES: Yes.
MS. JAN LOWERY: Anita Hammonds Blanks?

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: Pass.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Janet Locklear?

MS. JANET LOCKLEAR: Yes.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Frank Cooper? Areatha Patterson?

Shelley Strickland? William Maiden?

MR. WILLIAM MAIDEN: No. And, Mr. Speaker, you are wrong.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: You're out of order, Mr. Speaker.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Yes.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Okay. Do I go back to people who pass?

MS. BELINDA BREWER: Yes.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Okay. Terry Hunt?

MR. TERRY HUNT: Abstain.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Alton Locklear?

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: I'm deciding. You can pass me again.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Jarrod Lowery?

MR. JARROD LOWERY: Abstain.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Douglas Locklear?

MR. DOUGLAS LOCKLEAR: Yes.

MS. JAN LOWERY: Anita Blanks?

MS. ANITA HAMMONDS BLANKS: No.
MS. BELINDA BREWER: What about Ms. Janie?

MS. JANIE MCFARLAND: I don't know what we are voting on, so I'm not voting.

MS. JAN LOWERY: So she's abstaining. Okay. Is that it?

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: I haven't voted yet. Mr. Speaker, you are totally out of order. Also, you said you would never vote. Did you not say that?

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: Point of order. We are doing roll call. This is not for discussion. This is a roll call motion.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: Abstain.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Motion passed. Mr. Jarrod will represent us on LTE.

MR. BOBBY OXENDINE: Mr. Speaker,— Madam Secretary, what was the vote?

MS. JAN LOWERY: Okay. 8 yes, 3 no, 4 abstain, and 6 are absent.

MR. ALTON LOCKLEAR: This will be in court.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: Okay. Do I get a motion we adjourn?

MR. LARRY TOWNSEND: So moved.

MR. JONATHAN LOCKLEAR: Second.

MR. BILL BREWINGTON: All right. Mr. Reggie, if you would dismiss us — but I do need to make an
announcement once we adjourn.

(A prayer was given by Mr. Reginald
Oxendine.)

(End of proceedings.)