

Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting MINUTES

October 7, 2025, **9:00 a.m.**, Pawnee Nation Multi-Purpose Building
808 Morris Rd
Tribal Reserve

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Misty M. Nuttle – President
Jordan Kanuho – Vice-President
George Gardipe – Secretary
Carol Chapman – Treasurer

Cynthia Butler– First Council Seat
Dawna Hare – Second Council Seat
Carol L. Nuttle – Third Council Seat
Jenifer Gover LittleSun – Fourth Council Seat

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I. Call to Order & Invocation

Madame President Nuttle called the meeting to order at 9:10 am. Councilwoman Hare gave the invocation.

II. Roll Call – Declaration of Quorum

Secretary George Gardipe called the roll: Misty M Nuttle – here, Jordan Kanuho – here, George Gardipe – here, Carol Chapman – here, Cynthia Butler – here, Dawna Hare – titaku (here), Carol Nuttle – here, and Jenifer Gover LittleSun – here. **Quorum established.**

III. Approval of Agenda

REMOVE: New Business 3. Approval of letter to Congressman Cole for the Pawnee Nation Housing Authority

Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting agenda for October 7, 2025, with changes, seconded by George Gardipe.

Vote: Jordan Kanuho- yes, George Gardipe– yes, Carol Chapman– yes, Cynthia Butler– yes, Dawna Hare– ahu (yes), Carol Nuttle – ahu (yes), Jenifer Gover LittleSun – yes, and President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.

IV. Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting Minutes for September 16, 2025

Motion made by George Gardipe to approve the Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting minutes for September 16, 2025, with changes, seconded by Dawna Hare.

Vote: Jordan Kanuho- yes, George Gardipe– yes, Carol Chapman– yes, Cynthia Butler– abstain, Dawna Hare– ahu (yes), Carol Nuttle – ahu (yes), Jenifer Gover LittleSun – yes, and President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.

V. Pawnee Business Council Travel Report & Request

Madame President Nuttle presented on the travel report;

- Standing Bear powwow; held September 26th and 27th.
 - Represented by the Pawnee Nation was the Blackbeard Descendants as host Gourd Clan and the Pawnee Indian Veterans as Color Guard.
 - Cecelia Hawkins served as the Princess judge for the Pawnee Nation.

VI. Pawnee Business Council Committee Reports

Councilwoman Butler presents on the following committee reports;

- HR Committee
 - Meet every two weeks; currently working first three chapters of the HR policies
 - Almost done with review and will send out for 14-day comment period.
- Communications Committee
 - Updating the SOP for the Communications Manager
 - Working on format for the newsletter, which the
 - The current newsletter should be in the homes that week or next.
- Tourism Committee
 - Continuing looking at project
 - Will be attending the Property Committee meeting
 - Get with the Museum Board and update them on some projects; get there input and support.
 - Looking forward to funding opportunities; got a procedure from the Planning Department on outside grants and the process.

Councilwoman Hare would like to thank councilwoman Gover-LittleSun who took chairmanship of her committee while out on medical leave for family member. Apologize and thank the council for working with her during that time.

Councilwoman Gover-LittleSun presents on the following committee report;

- Governing Docs Committees
 - Legislative and Governance updates
 - Pawnee Nation will be hosting a forum for the Open District 35 seat; reached out to UINO, they have accepted the invite.
 - Will be meeting to make plans for forum.
 - Pawnee Nation Revenue Taxation Act—committee looked over and went through the comment period. Now, the AG and Mary Mushunkashay are reviewing. Will be sent back to committee, then to PBC for approval.
 - Working on Ethics Legislation
 - Working with the Executive Office on the Election Commission, the commission can begin updates on their act.
 - Tribal and Consultation Federal Engagement

- Drafted to briefs; Foreign trade zone pilot & US Treasury comment letter; & for Madame President for the FEMA review
- Intergovernmental Affairs Committee
 - Discussed about the updates; from Governing Docs Committee

Secretary Gardipe mentions his committee will be pushing for an initiative for a tribal deer hunt, archery only. Working on the specifics and will be coming to the council soon for approval.

Councilwoman Gover-LittleSun thanked Secretary Gardipe for pushing the tribal deer hunt. Councilwoman Butler forgot to mention the Chamber activities but first she thanked everybody who purchased circus tickets. Mentions that Haunted Pawnee will be held on October 17th and 18th. Tickets went on sale; they are \$30 per person. Also mentions, the chamber directory and update with businesses and ads; will be having a meeting and will be going around selling last-minute ads.

Councilwoman Hare thanked Madame President Nuttle for representing the Pawnee Nation at the Standing Bear powwow.

VII. New Business

1. Budget Committee Recommendations

a. Approval of 3417 Intertribal Buffalo Council Apprenticeship Budget

Motion made by Jenifer Gover LittleSun to approve 3417 Intertribal Buffalo Council Apprenticeship Budget, with changes, seconded by Cynthia Butler.

Vote: Jordan Kanuho- yes, George Gardipe- yes, Carol Chapman- yes, Cynthia Butler- yes, Dawna Hare- ahu (yes), Carol Nuttle – yes, Jenifer Gover LittleSun – yes, and President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.

b. Approval of 1055 Pandemic Local Beef Delivery System Budget Mod #3

Motion made by Cynthia Butler to approve 1055 Pandemic Local Beef Delivery System Budget Mod #3, with changes, seconded by George Gardipe.

Vote: Jordan Kanuho- yes, George Gardipe- yes, Carol Chapman- yes, Cynthia Butler- yes, Dawna Hare- ahu (yes), Carol Nuttle – yes, Jenifer Gover LittleSun – yes, and President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.

c. Approval of 1020 Department of Fire & Rescue Budget Mod #1

Motion made by Jenifer Gover LittleSun to approve 1020 Department of Fire & Rescue Budget Mod #1, with changes, seconded by Cynthia Butler.

Vote: Jordan Kanuho- yes, George Gardipe– yes, Carol Chapman– yes, Cynthia Butler– yes, Dawna Hare– ahu (yes), Carol Nuttle – yes, Jenifer Gover LittleSun – yes, and President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.

2. Approval of Resolution #25-70 2026 Comprehensive Budget

Motion made by Carol Nuttle to table Resolution #25-70 2026 Comprehensive Budget, seconded by Jenifer Gover LittleSun.

Vote: Jordan Kanuho- yes, George Gardipe– yes, Carol Chapman– yes, Cynthia Butler– yes, Dawna Hare– ahu (yes), Carol Nuttle – yes, Jenifer Gover LittleSun – yes, and President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.

3. Approval of Resolution #25-71 Vice President Resignation

Motion made by Carol Chapman to deny Resolution #25-71 Vice President Resignation, seconded by Cynthia Butler.

Vote: Jordan Kanuho- abstain, George Gardipe– yes, Carol Chapman– yes, Cynthia Butler– yes, Dawna Hare– ahu (yes), Carol Nuttle – ahu (yes), Jenifer Gover LittleSun – yes, and President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.

4. Approval of Resolution #25-72 Vacancy and Call for Special Election

Motion made by Cynthia Butler to withdraw Resolution #25-72 Vacancy and Call for Special Election, seconded by Carol Nuttle.

Vote: Jordan Kanuho- yes, George Gardipe– yes, Carol Chapman– yes, Cynthia Butler– yes, Dawna Hare– ahu (yes), Carol Nuttle – yes, Jenifer Gover LittleSun – yes, and President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries.

VIII. Open Forum

Ann Collins thanked the council for supporting the Grandparent's Day Dance and will be continuing the event but probably will not have a war dance next year but a handgame. Also mentions she has pumpkins bars for sale to help fundraise for next year's Grandparent's Day.

Jamie Nelson reads Facebook comments from tribal members and the schedule of events for the week.

- Wednesday October 8th
 - Title VI Elder Meals- Navy Beans w/Ham
 - The Wolf Sports Grille Special- 6 Cajun Grilled Shrimp, \$12.99
 - The Wolf Sports Grille- MID-WEEK MEAL DEAL, 11a-7p, \$6.99
 - 11a-1p Elder Activity, IHS Flu & Updated Shots
 - 11:30a-1p VAW Domestic Violence Awareness Month Event, @ Gazebo
 - 2p-5p GED Prep Classes
 - 7p-9p Wicked Spinnings STONEWOLF CASINO
 - 7p AA Support Group, SAP Building
- Thursday October 9th
 - Title VI Elder Meals- Malt-o-Meal
 - The Wolf Sports Grille Special- 6 oz Hamburger Steak \$12.99
 - 12:30-5:30 4Bands Market *Open*
 - 12p Wellbriety Meeting, SAP Building
 - 5:30p-6:30p Aerobics with Lesa, MP Gym
 - 7p-9p Dead Lucky Hot Seats, STONEWOLF CASINO
 - 7p-9p Cauldron of Cash Hot Seats, TRADING POST CASINO
- Friday October 10th
 - The Wolf Sports Grille Special- Marinated Chicken Breast, \$11.99
 - Picture Retakes & Class Pictures, PreK-5th Grades
 - 11a-1p Elder Activity, Ride Around Pawnee Bill's
 - 12:30-5:30 4Bands Market *Open*
 - 2:30p Homecoming Parade, Courthouse Lawn
 - 7p-9p Pawnee Black Bear Football Homecoming vs. Caney Valley
- Saturday October 11th
 - The Wolf Sports Grille Special- Surf n' Turf, \$24.99
 - 1p-3p Witchin Hot Seats, TRADING POST CASINO
 - 7p-9p Hallow's Haunting, STONEWOLF CASINO
 - Cowboy Pre-Game Tailgate Show, 2hrs Before Kickoff @ SWC, OSU v. Houston
- Sunday October 12th
 - 7p-9p Hot Seat Hallow, TEEPEE CASINO
 - 5p Heritage Day Dance, Pawnee Nation Campgrounds

Upcoming Events

- Oct 13- Indigenous Peoples Day, PN Offices Closed
- Oct 14- Breast Cancer Awareness Walk, 11a, Little Dee Drive
- Oct 14-Dec 19- Get Ready to Get Fit! Transformation Challenge
- Oct 15-17- Youth Fall Break Camp, 10a-3p, PN Wellness Center Gym

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- Oct 23- War Mothers Meat Raffle Drawing, PNPB
- Oct 25- Recovery & Wellness Art Festival, 4p-8p, Downtown Pawnee
- Oct 29- PNLB Class Halloween Parties
- Oct 30- PNLB Halloween Hayride around the Tribe, 9:30a
 - Trunk or Treat, 6p-8p Downtown
- Nov 1st- Trick or Treat night in Pawnee

IX. Set the Next Meeting Date

The next Pawnee Business Council Special Meeting has been scheduled for October 21, 2025, at 5:30 pm at the Multipurpose Building.

X. Adjournment

Motion made by George Gardipe to adjourn, seconded by Jenifer Gover LittleSun.

Vote: Jordan Kanuho- yes, George Gardipe– yes, Carol Chapman– yes, Dawna Hare– ahu (yes), Carol Nuttle – yes, Jenifer Gover LittleSun – yes, and President Nuttle – not voting. Motion carries to adjourn at 11:02 am.

Approved: October 21, 2025
Date

Jordan Kanuho, Vice President
Pawnee Business Council

George Gardipe, Secretary
Pawnee Business Council