

I. Call to order at 10:04 a.m. by Chairman Everett Waller

II. Opening prayer by Councilmember Talee Redcorn

III. Roll call

Councilmember Forman—absent, entered during and exited shortly after Executive Session

Councilmember Gray—present

Councilmember Harlan—present, via Zoom

Councilmember Redcorn—present

Second Chairman Red Eagle—present

Councilmember Revard—present, via Zoom,

Chairman Waller—present

Declaration of Quorum

Guests: Brian Black, Mahmood, Justin Patterson, David Bird, Christy Red Eagle, Carlos Pereira, Denton Collier

Discussion: Prior to the invocation, **Councilmember Redcorn** extended condolences to Councils Forman and Revard in the loss of their relative, Council Forman's brother and Council Revard's cousin. He acknowledged Justin Patterson's attendance in the meeting and recognized the loss of Mr. Patterson's grandfather in World War II. **Chairman Waller** asked to add discussion regarding an email received and will keep OMC updated, another email about CEJA's 3-D seismic project and land access and a follow-up with the BIA; he will also keep OMC posted. Personnel discussion will be added to Executive Session. **Council Gray** asked to add another grant discussion to the agenda.

IV. New Business

a. Resolution: Accept easement [with Osage Prairie LLC] with standard fees assessed by the BIA

Motion by **Councilmember Redcorn**

Second by **Councilmember Gray**

Motion **PASSED** YES: 6

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 1

Councilmember Forman—absent

Councilmember Gray—y

Councilmember Harlan—y

Councilmember Redcorn—y

Second Chairman Red Eagle—y

Councilmember Revard—y

Chairman Waller—y

Discussion: **Denton Collier** from Osage Prairie Resources, LLC explained the lease was acquired by E.W. Carter as the operator and he was the producer with Osage Prairie. Together, they purchased leases from David Coast. The requested easement, Wild Horse 1-5 associated with three quarter sections, is for a lease that hadn't been "produced in quite some time" and wasn't approved due to non-production. There isn't an approved disposal well; the approved disposal well is adjacent—East Gas Maker. An easement was the best option because it's best for the economics of Wild Horse 1-5, and he'd like to continue to use the disposal well. There was a depleted gas well. Mr. Collier and Mr. Carter paid the outstanding royalties from the previous inactive leases, as a good faith effort to retain and/or obtain the right to receive the easement to the disposal well. They made an application to the ON EPA to have the name transferred into their current name, and it was approved. **Councilmember Revard** asked Chairman Waller to write a letter to the BIA requesting the superintendent not to plug the well for the reason of OMC granting the easement. **Mr. Collier** asked about OMC sending the letter and added the superintendent only identified one well to be plugged—1G. The disposal well was not identified to be plugged in the letter he received. **Council Revard** said he thought the superintendent should be sent a letter about the easement and copy of the resolution to make

sure the disposal well does not get plugged. Council Revard also wanted assurance that the annual fee would be assessed. **Chairman Waller** said the motion would go through after BIA set the terms.

- b. Election Report:** **Billie Ponca** reported there were two major problems. The balloting company put postage on some of the ballots that wasn't adequate. Ms. Ponca told them repeatedly not to put postage and was assured there would not be postage. However, postage was included anyway, and it was the incorrect amount of postage. She spoke to the Pawhuska Post Office, requested them not return mail for lack of postage cost, and told them the Election Office would pay the cost of postage; the post office assured her they would not return any of the mail. When a shareholder called with questions regarding the insufficient postage, Ms. Ponca gave them options: (1) send back as is and the Election Office will pay the remaining postage due or (2) go to the post office asking what the amount due is and pay the difference themselves. A second mistake the balloting company made was the way the names are displayed on the ballot. Ms. Ponca sent a picture of how the names should appear on the ballot with candidate's name and number. When the ballots were printed, the numbers were removed. Only the names are on the ballot in the correct order of the drawing. She asked OMC for suggestions about how they should handle the ballots.

Discussion: **Council Harlan** recommended leaving the ballots the same because changes would make room for complaints. The most important thing is the names are on the ballot in the correct order. She added the mailing issue is unfortunate, but that was something that was out of the Election Office's control. She said Ms. Ponca and her staff did everything necessary to correct the issue. She said when calls or email complaints are received, make sure everyone is given the same answer with their options. **Chairman Waller** said to write a press release acknowledging the postage problem, so people were aware of their options. **Council Revard** asked why absentee ballot requests weren't sent this year. **Ms. Ponca** said the Election Office has never sent absentee ballots. She said the Election Office only sends a notice of the election. The notice does, however, contain information on how to request an absentee ballot. **Council Revard** said, in 2018, applications for absentee ballots were sent. **Ms. Ponca** responded the absentee ballot requests were not sent from the Election Office. **Council Revard** maintained the absentee ballot was sent from the Election Office. **Ms. Ponca** said candidates sometimes send absentee ballots, but they are not sent from the Election Office. It is not a requirement of the official rules and regulations and would double the cost of postage.

- c. Motion:** Table issue until May 18—Gravel for Rainbow Yard

Motion by **Councilmember Gray**

Motion **PASSED**

YES: 6

NO: 0

Councilmember Gray—y

Councilmember Redcorn—y

Councilmember Revard—y

Councilmember Forman—absent

Second by **Councilmember Redcorn**

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1

Councilmember Harlan—y

Second Chairman Red Eagle—y

Chairman Waller—y

Discussion: **David Bird**, who works in oil plugging, contacted four contractors about for quotes to spread gravel on the Rainbow Yard. He presented the quotes to OMC. Each company gave two quotes: one for the cost of spreading gravel on the full yard and one for the cost to spread it on part of the yard. **Council Revard** reminded the yard was purchased by the nation to store excess equipment using well plugging funds. He asked, since the yard is in the Nation's name, whether the expense was OMC or the Nation's. **Chairman Waller** opined OMC would have to maintain the yard from their budget. He also contacted procurement

about how to get funds from sales of excess pipe transferred and use proceeds to pay for maintaining the yard; he hasn't heard back yet. **Council Gray** added maybe maintenance could be paid jointly with OMC and the Nation. She thanked Mr. Bird for getting the bids. She asked to table the discussion until the questions were answered. **Council Redcorn** said Candy Thomas should be contacted to make sure the upgrades to the yard are acceptable and in line with federal law. **Justin Patterson** said to look for a cement base could be found to determine the amount of gravel that's needed. He also asked about selling the excess pipe because the price of pipe is high right now. **Council Redcorn** suggested having an auction. **Second Chair Red Eagle** said not to table the item too long because storage time is limited.

- d. Resolution:** Submit the Tribal Energy Development Capacity (TEDC) grant for the Osage Nation in coordination with OMC

Motion by **Councilmember Gray**

Motion **PASSED** YES: 5 NO: 0

Councilmember Redcorn—y

Councilmember Revard—abstain

Councilmember Forman—absent

Councilmember Harlan—y

Second by **Councilmember Redcorn**

ABSTAIN: 1 ABSENT: 1

Second Chairman Red Eagle—y

Chairman Waller—y

Councilmember Gray—y

Discussion: **Council Gray** said she's proud of OMC-4 saying they've submitted five grants. An announcement came out for the TEDC grant with only two weeks to get it done. A similar grant was done in 2019 for tribal business to develop laws, codes and business structures; she has updated the previous application. Council Gray asked grant department's assistance, and they said they could help as long as OMC had a resolution.

- e. Resolution:** Submit grant application to DEMD-EMDP to investigate oil recovery using improved oil recovery methods

Motion by **Councilmember Redcorn**

Motion **PASSED** YES: 5 NO: 0

Councilmember Redcorn—y

Councilmember Revard—abstain

Councilmember Forman—absent

Councilmember Harlan—y

Second by **Councilmember Gray**

ABSTAIN: 1 ABSENT: 1

Second Chairman Red Eagle—y

Chairman Waller—y

Councilmember Gray—y

Discussion: **Council Redcorn** has worked with Candy Thomas and Bill Lynn, geologist on the preliminary stages of the grant.

- f. Report on Trip to Denver:** **Council Gray** presented a recap of her trip to Denver for the launching of the Intertribal Energy Consortium or Intertribal Energy Alliance, to which she was voted to be the OMC representative. The group was formed with grant funds by the Jicarilla Apache Tribe-Black Hawk Energy Holding. The consortium is a group of tribes working together to promote energy for tribes. Some of the tribes represented are Three Affiliated, Navajo, Eastern Shoshone, Southern Ute, Wind River, and Missouri River Resources. This was the first meeting. They want tribal leaders to join, also so they can have consistency in keeping the organization, when the grant ends. The next meeting is in Houston. The Southern Ute is showcase their Houston office, and their offshore rigs in the Gulf of Mexico. At the next meeting, they will discuss what type of organization to form, e.g. 501(c) 3.

Discussion: **Council Redcorn** thanked Council Gray for going. He liked the idea of the group coming together and recognizing the need for such a group in Indian Country. He would love to see the Chairman

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of OMC sitting at a meeting with the Oklahoma governor BIA superintendent someday, as it happened with the Southern Ute Tribe. **Council Gray** added it's good to have other tribes who've been in similar situations to share what worked and what didn't and help in energy situations. **Council Redcorn** said Natives have 15% of the resources in Oklahoma and are 8% of population. However, Oklahoma is politically challenged. OMC should start the conversation to take control of assets and resources, getting advice from the Southern Ute Tribe and how they did handled their situation. Take off with the political situation and businesses so OMC can feed their children and grandchildren. **Chairman Waller** thanked Council Waller for her participation in the group.

- g. Osage Oil and Gas Summit Report:** Christy Red Eagle gave a presentation about the Summit. She worked with Council Gray. There were 101 attendees. This was the first Summit since COVID. She thanked Council Redcorn because he shared about the Summit during his trip to Texas, and a lot of new people came as a result. Also one of Council Redcorn's contacts from OSU, Dr. Puckett is sponsoring a free weeklong camp for Osage youth for geoscience. Dr. Puckett and Ms. Red Eagle are also working with Mary Wildcat and a scholarship in geology from OSU. **Chairman Waller** suggested expanding the Wah-Tiah-Kah scholarship, too. He thanked Ms. Red Eagle for her hard work on a great Summit and said he'd heard nothing but great responses. **Council Gray** said Christy Red Eagle was a pleasure to work with and all the speakers loved the sponsorship gifts. E.W. Carter and his family were pleased [for him to have been chosen as Producer of the Year]. **Ms. Red Eagle** said comments she received were that everyone enjoyed the speakers, especially Duane Matt. **Council Redcorn** commended Ms. Red Eagle's work and was excited about the children being involved. He also confirmed the \$12K left in the budget was not touched. **Ms. Red Eagle** said it was not touched and was being added because of more payments coming in.

- h. Resolution:** Pay Christy Red Eagle, as agreed upon, \$5,000 for her services [from the Summit budget]

Motion by **Councilmember Gray**Motion **PASSED** YES: 5

NO: 0

Second Chairman Red Eagle—abstain

Chairman Waller—y

Councilmember Gray—y

Councilmember Redcorn—y

Second by **Councilmember Redcorn**

ABSTAIN: 1 ABSENT: 1

Councilmember Revard—y

Councilmember Forman—absent

Councilmember Harlan—y

Discussion: **Chairman Waller** said there might need to be a mini summit with only the University of Tulsa, Oklahoma State University, and the University of Oklahoma because of the great connections that have been taking place. This topic might need to be discussed further after the June dances.

V. Motion: Enter Executive SessionMotion by **Councilmember Gray**Motion **PASSED** YES: 6

NO: 0

Councilmember Revard—y

Councilmember Forman—absent

Councilmember Harlan—y

Second Chairman Red Eagle—y

Time 11:49 a.m.Second by **Second Chairman Red Eagle**

ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 1

Chairman Waller—y

Councilmember Gray—y

Councilmember Redcorn—y

a. Motion: Exit Executive SessionMotion by **Second Chairman Red Eagle**Motion **PASSED** YES: 6

NO: 0

Time: 12:55 p.m.Second by **Councilmember Redcorn**

ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT:

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Chairman Waller—y
Councilmember Gray—y
Councilmember Redcorn—y
Councilmember Revard—didn't participate in the vote

Councilmember Forman—y
Councilmember Harlan—y
Second Chairman Red Eagle—y

b. Motion: Table MI3 Contract until May 18 meeting

Motion by **Councilmember Redcorn**

Motion **PASSED** YES: 6 NO: 0

Councilmember Forman—y
Councilmember Harlan—y
Second Chairman Red Eagle—y
the vote

Second by **Second Chairman Red Eagle**

ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT:

Councilmember Gray—y
Councilmember Redcorn—y
Councilmember Revard—didn't participate in
Chairman Waller—y

VI. Old Business

a. Motion: Table TAAMS

Motion by **Councilmember Forman**

Motion **PASSED** YES: 6 NO: 0

Councilmember Gray—y
Councilmember Redcorn—y
Councilmember Revard—didn't participate in the vote
Councilmember Forman—y

Second by **Councilmember Redcorn**

ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT:

Councilmember Harlan—y
Second Chairman Red Eagle—y
Chairman Waller—y

b. Resolution: Reimburse Councilmember Gray \$905.23 for travel [to Denver for intertribal energy meeting]

Motion by **Councilmember Gray**

Motion **PASSED** YES: 4 NO: 0

Councilmember Harlan—y
Second Chairman Red Eagle—y
the vote
Councilmember Forman—absent

Second by **Councilmember Harlan**

ABSTAIN: 1 ABSENT: 1

Councilmember Redcorn—y
Councilmember Revard—didn't participate in
Chairman Waller—y
Councilmember Gray—abstain

Discussion: Council Gray said travel was tabled at the last meeting. Chief of Staff Lacey Reynolds helped Council Gray calculate the travel amount. **Second Chairman Red Eagle** asked for Councilmember Gray to let everyone know next time when she would be traveling. **Councilmember Gray** responded that she emailed all documents to OMC staff. Staff inadvertently missed the email, and it wasn't shared with all Council.

VII. Approve minutes

Motion by **Council Redcorn**

Motion **PASSED** YES: 5 NO: 0

Councilmember Redcorn—y
Councilmember Revard—didn't participate in the vote
Councilmember Forman—absent
Councilmember Harlan—y

Second by **Second Chairman Red Eagle**

ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 1

Second Chairman Red Eagle—y
Chairman Waller—y
Councilmember Gray—y

VIII. Adjourn

Motion by **Councilmember Redcorn**

Motion **PASSED** YES: 5 NO: 0

Time: 1:01 p.m.

Second by **Councilmember Harlan**

ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 1

Second Chairman Red Eagle—y
the vote

Councilmember Forman—absent

Councilmember Harlan—y

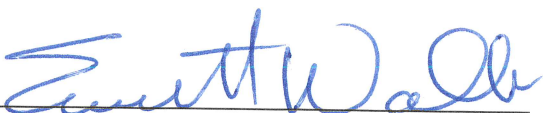
Discussion: Chairman Waller said it was an honor to see Councilmember Redcorn's children earning their education and graduating. Councilmember Gray added she had a grandson graduating from Hominy High School, Joseph Roan Gray.

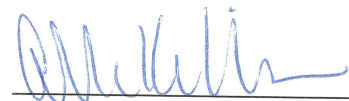
Councilmember Revard—didn't participate in
Chairman Waller—y

Councilmember Gray—y

Councilmember Redcorn—y

Approved by the Fourth Osage Minerals Council on May 18, 2022.



Everett Waller, Chairman

Executive Administrative Assistant