

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
TRIBAL COUNCIL
AGENDA

JANUARY 4, 2021
5:00 PM
LIFESIZE

- I. CALL TO ORDER
 - a. Roll Call
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- III. CONSENT CALENDAR
 - a. December 21, 2020 Minutes (p.2-4)
 - b. Applicants for Enrollment – RESOLUTION (p.5-9)
 - c. Ratifications (to be e-mailed separate)
- IV. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT
- V. LINCOLN BUILDING UPDATE (Dr. Matusiak, CEO/Jake Olsufka, CFO)(p.10-12)
- VI. FALON MCALPIN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
 - a. Anti-Extraction – RESOLUTON (Nick Mauro, Culture Director) (p.13-15)
- VII. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Appointment to NPHA Board of Directors – RESOLUTION (p.16)
- VIII. OTHER BUSINESS
- IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - a. Review Elders Committee Applications (Councilman LaPointe) (p.17-30)
 - b. Employee Annual Evaluations
- X. ADJOURN

AGENDA ITEM REQUEST
(for employees only)

DATE SUBMITTED: __12__/_21__/_2020__

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Meeting of: Tribal Council
 Executive Committee

Meeting Date: __01__/_04__/_2021__

Subject: Enrollment Applications

ACTION REQUEST: (Please describe request in the form of a motion)

Motion to approve 67 applicants for membership (resolution).

Will there be support materials for this agenda item? Yes No
(If there are support materials, one copy must be attached)

Submitted By: Robin Rich

APPROVED _____
Executive Management

**PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA
TRIBAL COUNCIL**

RESOLUTION 21-_____

WHEREAS: The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska is a federally recognized Indian Tribe (P.L. 101-484) whose business affairs are conducted by the Ponca Tribal Council as defined in the Constitution approved July 22, 1994 by the Acting Deputy Commissioner of Indian Affairs; and

WHEREAS: Pursuant to the Constitution of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska, the Ponca Tribal Council exercises legislative powers to enact and promulgate resolutions and ordinances subject to all express restrictions upon such powers contained in the constitution; and

WHEREAS: The Enrollment Committee has reviewed the applications of individuals to determine whether they are eligible for membership according to the Constitution of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska; and

WHEREAS: The Enrollment Committee hereby recommends that the Ponca Tribal Council approve the attached list of sixty-seven (67) individuals to be eligible for placement on the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Roll.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ponca Tribal Council approves the attached list of sixty-seven (67) applicants to be eligible for placement on the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Roll.

CERTIFICATION

THIS IS TO CERTIFY AND AFFIRM that the above and foregoing Resolution was duly authorized and passed by the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Tribal Council on the ____ day of January, 2021 at a duly called meeting held via Lifesize by a vote of ____Ayes; ____Nays; ____Abstained; ____Absent. Chairperson ____voting ____not voting. A Quorum of ____ was present.

ATTEST

Larry Wright, Jr., Chairman
Ponca Tribe of Nebraska

Candace Schmidt, Secretary
Ponca Tribe of Nebraska

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DATE SUBMITTED: 12/14/2020

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Meeting of: X Tribal Council
 Executive Committee

Meeting Date: 1/4/2021

Subject:

- Anti-Extraction Resolution

ACTION REQUEST: (Please describe request in the form of a motion)

- Motion to approve the Resolution

Will there be support materials for this agenda item? Yes
 (If there are support materials, one copy must be attached)

Submitted By: Nick Mauro

APPROVED _____
 Executive Director of Tribal Affairs

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TRIBAL COUNCIL

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WHEREAS: Pursuant to the Constitution of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska, the Ponca Tribal Council exercises legislative powers to enact and promulgate resolutions and ordinances subject to all express restrictions upon such powers contain in the constitution; and

WHEREAS: Article V, Section 1 of the Constitution provides that the Ponca Tribal Council has the power to safeguard and promote the peace, safety, morals, and general welfare of the Tribe, encourage and foster the heritage, traditions, and culture of the Tribe, and protect and preserve the property, wildlife, and natural resources of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS: The Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Tribal Council recognizes the Ponca people's deep historical, cultural, and spiritual ties to the land; and

WHEREAS: Extractive industries, those which take raw materials such as oil, coal, gold, iron, copper, and other minerals, from the earth, pose a threat to the environment and public health through the destruction of natural resources, danger of pollution from the raw materials and extraction process, and the exacerbation of climate change; and

WHEREAS: Many of these projects have been and will be constructed on or near tribal cultural resources and pose a threat to their long term health and stability; and

WHEREAS: The land and water is essential to the continuing practice of Ponca culture and ceremony as well as the general health of all of the Tribe's members; and

WHEREAS: The indigenous peoples of North America were the original stewards of the land in their aboriginal homelands and continue to be the primary stewards of those aboriginal homelands.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ponca Tribal Council hereby declares its opposition to all extractive infrastructure projects as contrary to the interests of the Tribe and its citizens in recognition of the potential harm industries post to the Tribe's environmental, natural, economic, and cultural resources.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Ponca Tribal Council calls on all federal, state, and local authorities to reject all current and future extractive infrastructure projects and turn towards sustainable resources and projects promoting sustainable resources which do not threaten environmental, natural, economic, and cultural and historic resources.

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ATTEST

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WHEREAS: Pursuant to the Constitution of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska, the Ponca Tribal Council exercises legislative powers to enact and promulgate resolutions and ordinances subject to all express restrictions upon such powers contained in the constitution; and

WHEREAS: The affairs of the Northern Ponca Housing Authority shall be managed by a Board of Commissioners composed of five (5) persons who shall be appointed by the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS: _____ was appointed to the Northern Ponca Housing Authority Board of Commissioners to represent District #1 (Position #3).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ponca Tribal Council hereby appoints _____ to serve District 1 – Position #3 on the Northern Ponca Housing Authority Board of Commissioners to fulfill the term expiring on May 31, 2021.

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ATTEST

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