



JENNY'S NEWSLETTER

February 16, 2010

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Congress Meeting Today

Congress will convene today at 1:00 p.m. I have attached instructions for those who aren't familiar with the process of accessing "live audio" of the meetings.

1. During the last meeting, a bill was passed (ONCA 10-26) and moved to enrollment. The bill is regarding the appropriation of funds to the Executive Branch in the amount of \$115,000.00 to litigate the suit against the Oklahoma Tax Commissioners.
2. Congressman Supernaw made a Motion to instruct the Congressional Affairs committee to engage with legal counsel regarding inappropriate action taken by the Executive Branch due to the improper veto of ONCR 10-04. This is the instance when Jim Gray abused the Separation of Powers by rewriting the legislation, changing the appropriation amount from \$115,000 to \$502,000.00.
3. Another issue to be considered by the Congressional Affairs Committee and counsel is the failure of the Executive Branch to pass ONCA 10-15. Failure on the part of Jim Gray to pass this legislation placed \$20 million dollars in federal funds in jeopardy for the tribe and it is unknown still today if we have lost those funds due to inaction on Gray's part.

4. On a positive note, Congress confirmed Dr. Robert Warrior to the Editorial Board under the New Independent Press Act.

Mineral Council Meets Tomorrow

The Regularly scheduled meeting of the Mineral Council will be tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. Instruction on how to listen to the meeting in real time or archives is attached.

It is hoped that the meeting of Friday, February 12th will be available in the audio archives for us today. I will call the council office this morning and request that the audio be made available as soon as possible. This is a meeting that all Shareholders should be interested in. The Council passed a Resolution to remove Cynthia Boone from the Trust Team as well of stripping her of other special duties such as overseeing and signing on the accounts.

This Resolution was prepared prior to the meeting coming to order Friday, February 12th. The Agenda for the meeting was posted on the Minerals Council Website which indicated that the first order of business would be an Executive Session regarding a personnel matter. Cynthia Boone is an elected official, not an employee, therefore, it is questionable that this Executive Session was legal.

When the Council returned to open session, a vote was taken on the Resolution to remove Cynthia's responsibility from her and transfer those responsibilities to Jewell



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Purcell. The Resolution passed 5 to 3. Those voting against the Resolution were: Cynthia Boone, Talee Red Corn and David Dubler.

Immediately following that action, the Osage Nation Accounting Department gave a report of the Mineral funds. At this time, Cynthia Boone, who just 10 minutes prior to the report had access to and ability to inquire about the accounts uncovered the fact that there were Certificates of Deposit in one bank of which the members of the Minerals Council did not have access to as well as \$170,000.00 in the Citizens Bank which likewise, the council does not have access to.

This information is what I recollect from listening to the meeting "live." In my notes I have written down that Cynthia stated that the Osage Nation wouldn't talk to her about the accounts and that the Minerals Council couldn't get their hands on it.

According to reports, in the last 5 minutes of the meeting, Cynthia proposed a Motion that would deny employees of the Osage Nation from being able to serve on the Minerals Council. I personally missed this part of the meeting and have not seen a document on the matter, therefore am unable to make an informed comment on it.

THIS JUST IN: I spoke with the Minerals Council office just now at 9:05 a.m. The audio archive of this meeting is being

prepared at this time. We should expect to have access to this meeting today and I hope that many of you will listen. It would be good to listen to the January 20th meeting (Part 4 of 5) as well. This meeting gives you major insight into the handling of Shareholder funds. Kirke Kickingbird, attorney representing the Minerals Council, questions a Tribal Accountant and Clint Hill, Controller of the Osage Nation during this meeting.

OSA MEETING

On Sunday, February 21, 2010, at 1:00 p.m., the Osage Shareholders Association will hold a meeting. Guest speaker is Kirke Kickingbird, Attorney, with the firm of HOBBS, STRAUS, DEAN & WALKER. This firm was hired by the Minerals Council on August 26, 2009.

Shareholders are encouraged to send questions for Mr. Kickingbird to the OSA at: osage@totelcsi.com

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