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TRIBAL COUNCIL

Principal Chief: Lee R. Young

Asst. Chief: Richard L. Watson

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Clarence G. Ward, Treasurer

Ebonie S. Mobley, Secretary

Mary S. Young

Marsha Jo Butler

Dorothy L. Ward

PRINCIPAL CHIEF'S MESSAGE: Hensci, Seminoles Tribal Council met on April 19, 2024 via Zoom. Attending the meeting were: Lee Young, Principal Chief, Richard Watson Assistant Chief, and Tribal Council members Ebonie Mobley Secretary, Mary Young and Marsha Butler. Absent were Clarence Ward Treasurer and Dorothy Ward. Following ascertaining a quorum was present the meeting was called to order by Chief Young. A prayer was presented by Richard Watson. Minutes from the Jan 18, 2025 meeting were read and accepted. Financial report: Total assets: \$605.16, operating account: \$485.16, project account: \$120.00. Membership report: current membership: 231, an increase of 2 since last Tribal Council meeting. Old business consisted of discussion regarding: fundraising, events and tribal identification cards. Was acknowledged the renewal of identification

cards has been very dismal. New Business – Seminole Days September 20, 2025 was discussed. Chief Young stated we had been contacted by Tom Ashmore, President of the West Texas Archeological Society to be our featured speaker. Chief Young proposed formation on a “Chief Chat” Zoom presentation. Purpose of the Chief Chat was to establish a forum for the presentation of information on the tribe to educate the membership, and provide an opportunity for questions to be presented and answered. The Chief Chat Zoom meeting to be scheduled to begin in May. The next Tribal Council meeting was scheduled for July 12, 2025 time 11:00 AM CST.

May Birthdays

Sherhondia A. Green – May 1
Jonathon Riley Factor – May 1
Viviana Benson - May 1
Douglas C. Ward - May 5
Steven C. Young – May 9
TiJanae Watson – May 10
Ronald Q. Blanks – May 12
Jonathon C. Francis – May 13
Ernest Benson Jr. – May 17
Kaylin J. Jackson – May 20

Hubert D. Williams – May 20
April D. Polite – May 20
Cubert Young III – May 22
Shaelyn D. Stocker – May 24
Quillan B. Green – May 25
Dorothy Louise Ward – May 26
Myla Rena Tabora – May 28
Amara Renee Coleman – May 29
Julia F. Naylor – May 29
Carl D. Young - May 31



CHIEF'S CHAT



**You're invited to a discussion of Organization,
Goals, Ideas and Educational information
On our tribal organization!**

TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025

7:00 PM – 8:00 PM CST 8:00 – 9:00 PM EST

Zoom Teleconference

www.zoom.com

Meeting ID: 815 0208 6656

Passcode: 313941

TRIBAL IDENTIFICATION CARDS: Tribal Identification Cards are available for \$25, valid for 4 years. The Tribal Identification Cards, are an official means to identify tribal members. Tribal Identification Cards do not replace any official government issued identification, they provide a means for members to proudly display their tribal enrollment.



TRIBAL IDENTIFICATION CARD RENEWAL

Tribal Identification Cards are beginning to expire – we will mail expiration notices. Everyone encouraged to check the expiration date on their Tribal Identification Cards. Renewal only requires submission of payment of \$25, payable to Absentee Seminole Tribe of Texas.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

If you change residence, get a new telephone number, new email address, or any other changes in contact information. Forward your new information to our office.

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