

**ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
OF THE
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
SPECIAL SESSION
JULY 2, 2026
CONCHO, OK**

RESOLUTION: A Resolution to Approve the Nomination of Damon Dunbar to the Tribal Utility Authority Board.

RESOLUTION NO: 11L-SS-2026-0702-006

DATE INTRODUCED: June 26, 2026

SPONSOR: Kendricks Sleeper, District A2

CO-SPONSOR: Rector Candy, District A4

SUBJECT: A Resolution to Approve the Nomination of Damon Dunbar to the Tribal Utility Authority Board.

WHEREAS: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes are a federally recognized tribe with their own form of self-government organized under a constitution approved by Tribal membership on April 4, 2006, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior; and,

WHEREAS: Article VI Sec. 5 (a), of the Constitution, vests legislative power in the Tribes' Legislature to make laws and resolutions that are necessary and proper for the good of the Tribe's; and,

WHEREAS: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Legislature found that it was necessary and proper for the good of the Tribes to create a Tribal Utility Authority, and on May 5, 2025, passed Resolution 10L-RS-2025-06-005 which created a Tribal Utility Authority for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes; and

WHEREAS: Art. VI Sec. 5(g)(h) of the Constitution provides that [a]ny Commission or Board created by the Legislature shall be located in the Executive Branch of government and [m]embers of all Commissions shall be selected by nomination by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Legislature and [m]embers of all Boards shall be selected by election as required by law, or by nomination by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Legislature; and

WHEREAS: Governor Reggie Wassana now nominates Damon Dunbar to serve in the position of Tribal Utility Authority Management Board for a one-year term, with said term having started July 3, 2026, and with an expiration date of July 2, 2027; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eleventh Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, pursuant to its Constitutional power, hereby confirms Damon Dunbar to the position of Management Board, in accordance with Art. VI Sec. 5(g)(h) of the Constitution.

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Kendricks Sleeper
Speaker of the Eleventh Legislature
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



ATTEST:

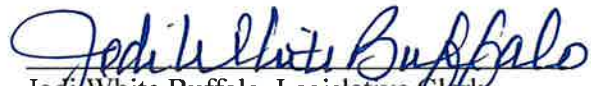
I, Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a True and Accurate Copy of the Original Resolution No. 11L-SS-2026-0702-006 which was acted upon by the Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes in a Special Session of the Eleventh Legislature, by a roll call vote on the 2nd day of July 2026.

VOTE RECORD:

DISTRICT	LEGISLATOR	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
A1	Pamela Sutton	✓			
A2	Kendricks Sleeper	✓			
A3	Travis Ruiz	✓			
A4	Rector Candy	✓			
C1	Bruce Whiteman, Jr.	✓			
C2	Milan Roman Nose, Jr.				✓
C3	Thomas Trout	✓			
C4	Mariah Youngbull	✓			
TOTAL		7			1
Passes (X) Fails () Tabled () Allowed to Die () No Action ()					

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5, subsection (a) of the Tribes Constitution reads in part: "Tie votes in the Legislature shall be decided by the Governor."

		YES	NO	ABSENT
Governor	Reggie Wassana			


Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk

Eleventh Legislature, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



ATTEST:

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(iv) of the Tribes Constitution reads in part: "All Bills passed by the Legislature shall be presented to the Governor for signature or veto. All laws shall take effect thirty days after signature by the Governor or veto override by the Legislature unless any Member of the Tribes submits to the Coordinator of the Office of Tribal Council a petition signed by at least one hundred fifty Members of the Tribal Council seeking to repeal the law or resolution at the next Tribal Council meeting. If the Tribal Council fails to repeal such law or resolution at the next Tribal Council where the matter has been properly placed on the agenda for the Tribal Council meeting, such law or resolution shall become effective immediately."

Pursuant to Article VII, Section 4, subsection (g) of the Tribes Constitution reads: "The Governor shall have the power to sign any enactment passed by the Legislature into law or to veto any enactment passed by the Legislature within ten days of passage with a written explanation of any objections; and if the Governor takes no action within ten days, then the enactment shall become law in accordance with this Constitution."

{ ☒ } APPROVED

{ ☐ } VETOED: Attachment ____; Governor's written explanation of any objections.

On the 2nd day of July, 2026.



Reggie Wassana, Governor
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



TRANSMITTAL OF DOCUMENTS:

From the Legislative Branch to the Office of Records Management

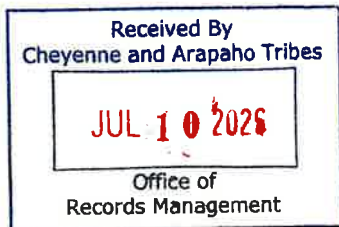
ATTEST:

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(v), of the Tribes Constitution reads, "The Office of Records Management shall compile all Laws and Resolutions into a comprehensive Code in an orderly manner that shall be published annually."

Office of Records Management Staff, hereby certify that the foregoing is a True and Accurate Original Resolution No. 11L-SS-2026-0702-006.

Space below is reserved for Stamp:

Received (Date) Office of Record Management



Signature: Cheryl Blind

Print Name: Cheryl Blind

Title: Director

Date: 7/10/2026

Office of Records Management
Department of Administration, Executive Branch
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

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January 21, 2026

RE: Letter of Interest

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Damon Dunbar an enrolled Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal member who has been employed with the tribes since 2000 in various job positions. My most recent position is at the Housing Authority as the Executive Director.

My interest to serve on the Tribal Utility Authority Board is to help the tribes in setting up policies and procedures for the board. I have experience in writing policies for several tribal programs. I have been on the South Western Oklahoma Development Authority Board of Trustees since 2011 as an At-Large Trustee representing the tribes for southwestern Oklahoma. I currently am the Secretary for the Board of Commissioners at the Housing Authority.

I have been attending renewable energy seminars and conferences for the last 3-years gaining knowledge on solar systems for homes. I currently oversee the newly development of the Energy Program at housing with a mission to help tribal homeowners save on utility costs.

I feel my expertise and knowledge in the energy field will grow, and serving on the Tribal Utility Authority Board will advance the Tribes endeavors to protect their energy sovereignty to help control their own energy systems.

Please consider my interest to serve on the Tribal Utility Authority Board, and continue to help all tribal members. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 580-816-0463 if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Damon Dunbar', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Damon Dunbar

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| <b>Damon Dunbar, M.S.</b><br><b>Weatherford, OK 73096</b> |
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A highly motivated experienced tribal administrator who has demonstrated the ability to lead diverse teams of professionals and organizational employees to levels of success. Strong business and technical qualifications with an impressive track record of more than 20-years of experience in strategic planning, job development, project management, and grant management. Proven ability to successfully create tribal programs, analyze tribal program deficiencies, and develop innovative and cost-effective solutions for enhancing program capacity.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### **Housing Authority of the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes**

**2021-Present Clinton, OK**

**Title:** Executive Director

**Duties:**

- Management of Resident Services, Inspection Services, Construction Services, Special Projects, NAHADA programs
- BIA ARPA grant management, evaluation and compliance
- IHP/APR evaluation and compliance
- U.S. Treasury Housing Assistance Fund (HAF) implementation
- Researching new grant opportunities
- Policy review

### **Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma**

**2016-2021 Concho, OK**

**Title:** Planning & Development Director/Acting EPA Director

**Duties:**

- Oversee the Development projects for tribal administration
- Oversee the grants program
- Policy creation and compliance
- Drafting tribal resolutions
- Oversee the Tribal EPA Programs: GAP, CWA, USGS, BIA
- Working with Legislative Branch and Executive Branch
- Working with all tribal programs and enterprises

### **Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma**

**2014- 2016 Concho, OK**

**Title:** Grants and Contracts Developer

**Duties:**

- Research and disseminate grant funding opportunities to tribal programs
- Writing grants, review of grants and files, grant communications with tribal programs
- Grant evaluation and compliance
- Procurement policy revisions
- Drafting tribal resolutions

### **Housing Authority of the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes**

**2006-2014 Clinton, OK**

**Title:** Special Projects Coordinator

**Duties:**

- Management of eleven elderly homes from gaming revenue
- Grant writing and research, grant management, evaluation and compliance
- Established gaming revenue housing repairs program and policy
- Procurement activities
- Policy revisions and Board of Commissioners resolutions
- Management the Clinton Tribal Community Center

**Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma****2000-2006****Concho, OK****Title(s):** Environmental Manager/Planner, ICDBG Coordinator, Brownfields Project Manager**Duties:**

- Grant writing and research for EPA Tribal General Assistance Program, EPA Section 106 Clean Water Act Program, and EPA Brownfields Pilot Project
- Coordinated various construction phases for three HUD Indian Community Development Block Grants to construct Tribal Administrative Facilities and infrastructure projects
- Planned and implemented Environmental Cleanup Projects with the support of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Tribal Business Committee
- Planned and implemented a Cooperative Agreement with a local vocational technology center to provide hands-on-training for telecommunication students, and other telecommunications projects
- Planned, negotiated, and implemented a state-of-the-art telecommunications solution for the Tribal Administration Complex with Broadband Internet, VOIP, and Wi-Fi applications

**EDUCATION**

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**Southeastern Oklahoma State University**                      **2016**  
**Degree:** Masters of Science Native American Leadership

**Durant, OK**

**Southwestern Oklahoma State University**                      **2000**  
**Degree:** Bachelor of Science in Industrial Technology

**Weatherford, OK**

**Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribal College**                      **2009**  
**Degree:** Associate in Science – General Studies

**Weatherford, OK****AWARDS**

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| • Oklahoma Department of Transportation "Trash Off Hubcab Award"   | 2002 & 2003 |
| • Oklahoma Technical Association Education "Partners for Progress" | 2002        |
| • Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Employee of the Month                | 2002        |
| • Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Employee of the Month                | 2016        |

**VOLUNTEER PROJECTS**

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| • Clinton Playground Project                                                 | 2012-2014 |
| • Cheyenne and Arapaho Labor Day Powwow Committee<br>Sergeant-at-Arms Member | 2014      |

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

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| • South Western Development Authority (SWODA) – Burns Flat, OK<br>Board of Trustees Member-At-Large | 2012-present |
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