Georgia Council on American Indian Concerns



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GCAIC Meeting Minutes

3/27/2023

Call to Order: 11:33Invocation: McCrary

• Roll Call: McCormick, McCrary, Dane, Gooding, Altman, Wood, Kirkland

• Approval of Minutes: Unanimous

- Tribal Reports
 - Lower Muscogee Creek Tribe: continuing education on civic duties and voting, working on grants for the tribe, and correcting addresses, saving Okefenokee swamp bill
 - o Georgia Tribe of Eastern Cherokees: representative not present
 - o The Cherokee of Georgia Tribal Council: representative not present
- Chairman's Update: Council involvement with Gwinnet County rock piles, will draft letter to encourage protection of the archeological site
- Vice Chairman's Update: meeting Saturday June 24th organized around the
- External Communication Summary
 - Calls/ Emails/Mail: we have been connecting email submissions with our tribal contacts
 - o Organizing archives
- Other Business
 - \circ 2/27 action items
 - Part-time position: Altman, we have people but need to figure out how to pay them
 - Archaeological consults: if it is under 25k, the council can choose who they want to respond to it, reached out to 4 different CRM firms across the state and sent a hypothetical situation to each and have received responses from 2/4, discussed pricing from 2 of the firms that have responded, Southern Research seems in line with what we have done previously



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• Woman that called about a possible cemetery near the flint river, sounds like early 19th century historic Euro American or African American cemetery, it will be protected, laid out in rows with field stones at head and foot, Lower Muscogee would be buried facing the east with a house on top that would eventually rot away, will be completely fenced off and will not be developed

• Announcements

• Adjournment: 11:58