



GAMYU

SPECIAL COMMUNITY MEETING

Thursday, February 16, 2012

5:00 p.m.

Hualapai Tribal Gym

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Saturday, March 3, 2012

8:00 a.m.

Tribal Chambers

Meeting will be held on schedule unless unforeseen circumstances cause it to be rescheduled

ANNUAL SHAREHOLDERS MEETING

Monday, March 5, 2012

3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Hualapai Tribal Gym

The Great Spirit created Man and Woman in his own image. In doing so, both were created as equals. Both depending on each other in order to survive. Great respect was shown for each other; in doing so, happiness and contentment was achieved then, as it should be now.

The connecting of the Hair makes them one person; for happiness or contentment cannot be achieved without each other.

The Canyons are represented by the purples in the middle ground, where the people were created. These canyons are Sacred, and should be so treated at all times.

The Reservation is pictured to represent the land that is ours, treat it well.



The Reservation is our heritage and the heritage of our children yet unborn. Be good to our land and it will continue to be good to us.

The Sun is the symbol of life, without it nothing is possible – plants don't grow – there will be no life – nothing. The Sun also represents the dawn of the Hualapai people. Through hard work, determination and education, everything is possible and we are assured bigger and brighter days ahead.

The Tracks in the middle represent the coyote and other animals which were here before us.

The Green around the symbol are pine trees, representing our name Hualapai – PEOPLE OF THE TALL PINES –

HUALAPAI TRIBE OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN

Ms. Louise Benson
Chairwoman

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Richard Walema, Sr.
Vice Chairman

February 10, 2012

Dear Tribal Members:

As explained below, the Hualapai Tribe has resolved to buy out GCSD's interest in the Skywalk Agreement under the power of eminent domain. Eminent domain permits a sovereign Tribe to acquire title to property for public use, as long as the Tribe pays "just compensation" for the property. The amount of "just compensation" that will be paid to GCSD will be determined by the Hualapai Tribal Court.

Background

In 2003, 'Sa' Nyu Wa, Inc. and GCSD (a company controlled by David Jin) entered into a written agreement. That agreement required GCSD to construct and manage at Eagle Point the Skywalk and other improvements, including a visitor's center, an amphitheater, outdoor landscape, and utilities (such as water, sewer, and electrical service). GCSD initially was required to complete the project by May 1, 2005.

Unfortunately, GCSD failed to complete a single improvement other than the glass bridge. GCSD has said that it does not intend to do any further construction. The Skywalk Agreement also required GCSD to manage the project. And, shortly after the glass bridge opened to the public in 2007, GCSD began also to handle all moneys paid by Skywalk visitors. GCSD has failed to account for the moneys it has collected since 2007 and has disregarded its management obligations. The Tribe has not yet received any material payment even though the glass bridge has been open for almost five years.

Harm to the Tribe

GCSD's actions have harmed the Tribe:

- *Revenue loss at the Skywalk:* The unfinished Skywalk facility has hurt tourists' impressions of the project and has prevented maximum tourist visitation. We have also

lost revenue-producing activities that could be conducted in the unfinished visitors' center and the other improvements that were never built.

● *Impact on GCRC and other Tribal activities:* The Tribe and the Tribe's other enterprises have also been affected by the unfinished Skywalk project. For example, visitorship to other attractions at Grand Canyon West and use of the Hualapai Lodge have been affected.

● *An unsightly and unsafe site:* The deterioration and poor condition of the unfinished Skywalk facility has created an eyesore and a blemish to the Hualapai Reservation. Safety and health issues have also arisen, such as those due to the deteriorating nature of the wooden walkways and ramps that skirt the project.

● *Unpleasant and offensive conditions:* The unfinished Skywalk facilities being unfinished for several years has created the need for temporary and unsatisfactory solutions to various problems, such as unsightly outdoor portable toilets and noisy, exhaust-spewing, expensive external portable generators.

● *Suits against the Tribe:* GCSD has repeatedly brought legal proceedings against the Hualapai Tribal Council, SNW, and Tribal officials in the Hualapai Tribal Court, in the United States District Court for the District of Arizona, and with the American Arbitration Association. These proceedings have burdened the Tribe with the time, expense and effort of defending itself in these matters.

Purchase of GCSD's Contract Interest for Public Use

GCSD's actions have damaged unique, priceless, and culturally-significant Hualapai land, the reputation and goodwill of the Hualapai Tribe and its people, and the Hualapai Tribe's ability to benefit from its limited natural resources. The Tribal Council patiently tried over the past three or more years to resolve this matter. In the end, GCSD rejected the Tribe's offer to acquire GCSD's interest in a friendly and business-like transaction and instead continued to bring legal proceedings.

To prevent further damage to the Tribe and its lands, and to remedy the damage caused by GCSD's conduct, it became necessary to exercise the power of eminent domain and purchase GCSD's interest in the Skywalk agreement for a fair price. That price will be determined by the Hualapai Tribal Court.

We believe this decision will best serve the interests of the Hualapai Tribe. We look forward to successful completion and operation of the Skywalk project.

Very truly yours,

THE HUALAPAI TRIBE

By 
Louise Benson, Chairwoman



**1st Annual Hualapai Valentine's Pow-Wow
Contest All Categories
February 24th & 25th, 2012**

Head Staff Picked Daily

Head Northern Drum: War Horse

Head Southern Drum: Southern Guns

Friday:

Bird Session: 5pm – 7pm
Grand Entry: 7pm
Color Guards Hualapai Veterans

Saturday:

Gourd Dance: 10am – 12pm
Grand Entry; 12pm
Dinner Break: 4pm – 6pm
Bird Contest: 4pm -6pm
Gourd Dance: 6pm
Grand Entry: 7pm

Saturday Night

**"Fancy Feather Special' \$1,000.00 Cash Prize
In Honor of the Late Olsen Duwyenie Sr.
Teens & Adults ONLY
Winner Take All**

Men's Grass Special

Traditional Bird Singing & Dancing Tap Out Contest

Traditional Wear is Required for Everyone

Bird Singing Contest (Min. 4 Singers)

Admission \$5 per person daily

Or

\$8 for 2 days

Hualapai Lodge Pow-Wow Rate / Ph # 928-769-2230

Arts & Crafts Vendors ONLY: \$100 for 2 days

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