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Quapaw official elected to office

J.R. Mathews, vice chairman of the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma, was elected treasurer of the National Indian Gaming Association recently in San Diego, Calif.

Mathews also is vice chairman of the Downstream Casino Resort Authority, which is building a hotel and casino just off Interstate 44, where Oklahoma, Missouri and Kansas meet. The casino is scheduled to open July 5.

The National Indian Gaming Association is a not-for-profit trade group composed of 184 American Indian tribes and other nonvoting associate members.

Mathews' term as treasurer will last two years.