

MANDAN, HIDATSA, & ARIKARA NATION

Three Affiliated Tribes • Fort Berthold Indian Reservation HC3 Box 2 • New Town, North Dakota 58763-9402

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 06, 1997

TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL 701-627-4781 Fax 701-627-3805

01. CALL TO ORDER, PRAYER & ROLL CALL.

A Special Meeting of the Three Affiliated Tribes' Tribal Business Council was held on Thursday, November 06, 1997, in the Tribal Council Chambers, to review and act on the minutes of previous meetings, a resolution requested by the Bureau of Indian Affairs on the gas and oil agreement, the leases for the Twin Buttes Manufacturing Company, the FY 1998 Tribal and Tribal Program Budgets, and personnel selections. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Russell D. Mason, Sr., at 2:25 p.m. Rosemarie Mandan was asked to say the prayer. All members were present, as follows: Chairman Russell D. Mason, Sr., Vice Chairman Austin Gillette, Secretary Daylon Spotted Bear, Treasurer Mark Fox, Councilman Thomas Bird Bear, Councilman Edwin Hall, and Councilman Tex Hall.

02. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

- a. October 07, 1997, Special TBC Meeting. Motion to approve was made by Mark Fox and seconded by Daylon Spotted Bear. 6 in favor, Mr. Edwin Hall abstained. Carried.
- b. October 09, 1997, Regular TBC Meeting. Motion to approve, as amended, was made by Mark Fox and seconded by Austin Gillette. 7 in favor. Carried.
- c. October 24, 1997, Special TBC Meeting. Motion to approve, with corrections, if needed, was made by Austin Gillette and seconded by Daylon Spotted Bear. 7 in favor. Carried.
- O3. PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON OIL & GAS AGREEMENT. Staff Attorney Thomas M. Disselhorst was asked to present the resolution and go over the last letter that had been received from the Secretary of Interior's office. Tex Hall stated he was not prepared to vote on this resolution, as he felt some of the information was untrue. After further discussion by Edwin Hall and Thomas Bird Bear, a motion was made by Tex Hall to defer this. The motion was seconded by Edwin Hall. Discussion was to defer this for two weeks. Chairman Mason called for the vote on the motion to defer: 3 in favor, 4 opposed. Motion denied. Discussion by Chairman Mason that the Twin Buttes leases and the budget needed to be acted on today. Tex Hall made a motion to put the Alenco Oil issue as the last item on the agenda. Motion was seconded by Thomas Bird Bear. Chairman Mason called for the vote on the motion to put Alenco Oil as the last item on the agenda: 3 in favor, 4 opposed. Motion

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denied. Thomas M. Disselhorst was asked to present the resolution, once again. Mr. Disselhorst stated that the resolution, in support of the agreement, is requested in the November 4 letter from Michael J. Anderson (Acting Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs), as a necessary pre-condition of BIA approval of the agreement, i.e., the Bureau of Indian Affairs has stated that they need to have a resolution from the Tribal Business Council in support of the agreement, before they can or will move to finally approve it. At this point, Councilman Tex Hall stated he was not going to sit in on this, and he, along with Councilmen Edwin Hall and Thomas Bird Bear exited the meeting.

- **O4.** CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS. Chairman Mason expressed his disappointment and concerns about the quorum being broken and not being able to complete the agenda, and stated the meeting would be recessed until the three councilmen decided to return.
- 05. MEETING RECESSED. The meeting was recessed at 3:10 p.m.
- **O6. NEXT MEETING.** The next meeting held was a special meeting on Monday, December 8, 1997.

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES

As Executive Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Mandan Hidatsa Arikara Nation, Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, I hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of seven members, of whom five members constitute a quorum. Seven members were present at a Special Meeting held on the 16th day of December 1997, whereupon these minutes were presented for approval by the Three Affiliated Tribes' Recorder. Said minutes were duly approved, with changes, by the affirmative vote of 4 members, with 3 members being opposed.

Daylon Spotted Bear, Executive Secretary
Three Affiliated Tribes' Tribal Council

ATTEST:

Russell D. Mason, Sr., Chairman

Tribal Business Council