

THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES
FORT BERTHOLD RESERVATION
NEW TOWN, NORTH DAKOTA

Special Meeting
January 28, 1960

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Name of Tribal Organization: Three Affiliated Tribes, Fort Berthold
Reservation, New Town, North Dakota

Place of Meeting: Conference Room, New Town, No. Dak.

Special Meeting: January 28, 1960

Chairman James Hall called the meeting to order at 1:45 P.M. on January 28, 1960.

Present: Thomas Bluestone, Charles Fox, Guy Fox, James Hall, Leland Hall, Valentine Wells, John White, John Wilkinson, Mr. Drissen.

Absent: John Starr, B. J. Youngbird.

Chairman James Hall: We have two subjects on our agenda for today that need immediate attention. The first is the enrollment, it is not current. Mr. Drissen is concerned over this enrollment, because the census rolls have to be taken care of and brought up to date.

Mr. Drissen stated that the census rolls had to be up to date and that there has been no enrollments made yet. Eligibility has to be determined by the Council, which of course is the most important part. Parents who are enrolled members of the reservation could have their children enrolled automatically and also children born on the reservation.

Leland Hall stated that the Council should take action on children born on the reservation and should be enrolled automatically.

There was a general discussion on eligibility, illegitimacy and automatic enrollment.

Mr. Drissen read the membership ordinance to the Council.

One of the requirements as stipulated in the ordinance was that an application had to be filled out.

Valentine Wells: On this enrollment, I have had letters coming into the Tribal Office from various parts of the country, parents asking to have their child or children enrolled. Some sent in birth certificates and no application and some sent in the filing fee which is \$2.00.

I've written letters to the parents and or the interested persons telling or advising them what was required before any action would be taken.

The following are requirements:

1. Application, to be filled out and fully answered.
2. Photostatic copy of the child's birthcertificate in State of which child was born.

3. A filing fee is charged, \$2.00, for out of State applicants. Money used for stamps, correspondence etc.

Mr. Drissen: The part I am interest in, is to have the enrollment up to date so it can be put on the census rolls etc.

The clerks, census clerk or interested persons should wokr out a routine or some methold of simplifing. The Council to take action to determine as to eligibility.

Blood quantum also discussed.

Chairman James Hall: We will have the Secretary of the Tribal Council and the two Tribal clerks review the applications and present them to the Council whenever they meet. It states that in the ordinance, interested parties, Chairman of the enrollment committee would be the Secretary.

Mr. Drissen: There is a definite policy needed for the filing fee.

Mr. Hall: The Secretary can go on a head. It is his job.

Mr. Drissen: You can change the application form if you do desire.

Guy Fox: There is no need to change the application form. It is good the way it is.

Motion made to have the Secretary of the Tribal Council and the two Tribal Clerks review the enrollment applications and present them to the Council at every regular meeting.

Motion died due to lack of a second.

Chairman James Hall: The full council is not present today, we can bring this question up then.

Here is a letter from Nathan Bear requesting a raise on his salary as a Clerk of Court at Mandaree. The Chairman read the letter to the Council.

In the letter Nathan stated he wanted a raise of \$50.00. The Council members were in doubt, reason being, that Mr. Bear was not specific whether he wanted \$100.00 every period which is every two weeks etc.

There was a lengthy discussion.

Chairman James Hall: The set up at Mandaree was for a G. S.-2 rating.

Guy Fox: Do we have sufficient funds?

Chairman James Hall: I am not sure on this Rosella Young Bear. I think we owe her two pay periods. I mean when she was the Clerk of Court. Action was taken all ready and will have to be paid.