THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES FORT BERTHOLD RESERVATION NEW TOWN, NORTH DAKOTA

Special Meeting February 4, 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.

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Chairman James Hall called the meeting to order at 1:35 P.M. on February 4, 1960.

Present: Thomas Bluestone, Charles Fox, Guy Fox, John Starr, James Hall,

Leland Hall, Valentine Wells, John White, John Wilkinson,

B. J. Youngbird.

Special call for agenda, waiting for the Superintendent.

Item one, bid on Louis Felix land, rough land.

Question on Lewis Felix Jr. land.

Motion to bid \$4.00 per acre and give the Land Committee the right to meet the high bid.
Second, motion carried.

Petition from the Eastern Segment for $\frac{1}{4}$ crop share lease other than \$3.00 per acre. They request the Tribal Council for a $\frac{1}{4}$ share crop lease.

Tribal Land Committee stated that the Indians lease Tribal lands for $\frac{1}{4}$ and let non-Indians farm the land, and that the Indians don't pay their leases. A lot of leases nothing is coming into the Tribe for Tribal land leases. Tribal Council questioned the Indian.

Motion made to give Indian operators the right to lease Tribal Farm land on $\frac{1}{4}$ crop share, provided they have equipment and willoperate the land themselves.

Second, motion carried.

Mr. Bluestone questioned the Council. I work and use my neighbor's equipment and operate it myself, farming my land.

The Council felt that Thomas Bluestone or any other Indian that will do that will be given permission to do so.

Chairman James Hall read a telegram that was sent to Superintendent Morken, Fort Berthold, from Glen Emmons, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C.

BY DECISION DATED FEBRUARY 1, 1960, ASSISTANT SECRETARY SUSTAINED AWARD OF GRAZING PERMIT BY BUREAU OF RANGE UNIT NO. FIVE, FORT BERTHOLD AGENCY TO ANGUS KENNEDY ETAL. COPY OF DECISION WILL BE MAILED IN NEAR FUTURE. PLEASE FURNISH CHAIRMAN TRIBAL COUNCIL COPY OF THIS WIRE. JOE CHASE AND KENNEDY HAVE BEEN ADVISED OF THIS DECISION THROUGH THEIR ATTORNEYS.

Motion to write Secretary of the Interior and Commissioner Emmons, protesting of griving grazing lease to non-Indians other than our own Indian men. To appear before Secretary of Interior in behalf of Joe Chase. Second, motion carried.

Chairman James Hall: We will have our Tribal Attorney, H. L. Malloy look into this.

Mr. Malloy: I attended the hearing when it took place.

There was more discussion on Joe Chase's deal by the Council members.

Chairman James Hall stated that Joe Chase was cut out entirely on the lease.

John Starr: On this Chase deal, it is the land owners who created this bir stir.

Mr. Malloy: I want to ask some questions on these oil leases.

Mr. Dffsen was called in to give an explanation on the subject, oil and gas leases, authorizing the Superintendent to advertise etc.

Discussion on what the Interior recommends. Removal of restriction on mineral leasing of Indian Tribal lands etc.

Chairman James Hall: Let us go on with the other resolution.

Mr. Malloy read the resolution 60-14 to the Council on the Gas & Oil leases.

Motion made to adopt resolution 60-14. Second. motion carried.

Chairman James Hall: Here is this Police Officers Daily Activity Report forms. If you fellows wish to look through them, you may do so.

What is the pleasure of the Council on these Daily Activity Report forms?

Motion made to have the Police Officers Activity Report Forms approved. Second, motion carried.

Youngbird: The Courts of today are different than the past, referring to the Indian Court. Records are important and they have to be put in the files. Cases can be reviewed if the need arises, what took place on such a date the time etc.

Chairman James Hall to John White: Where is the form 57 or that application that was handed in?

I think one of our own members of the Tribe should be employed in this position of Elerk of Court.

Mr. Youngbird: I don't have to much to say on this, I've been speaking all the time. Let us hear from the Chairman of the Employment Committee.

John White: This was never brought up to the attention of the Employment Committee about getting another Clerk of Court. As far as Nathan being the Clerk, he is doing a very efficient job. He has brought up just about everything to date. You all know Nathan worked in the Credit Department upstairs and was paid from Tribal funds.

Thomas Bluestone: Nathan Bear has a large family, his wife and children are enrolled here. I think he is doing a good job.

Mr. Youngbird: I would like to have the Secretary read the minutes and letter of Nathan Bear requesting the raise.

Walentine Wells: read the letter of Nathan Bear dated January 28, 1960 to the Council.

There was a long discussion on the raise requested, the position on the Clerk of Court etc.

Mr. Youngbird: Let us decide on this Clerk of Court right. We should advertise this position.

Lee Hall: I don't think it is right to have the Clerk of Court paid more than the Judge.

Motion made to readvertise the position of the Clerk of Court and have the salary also known which is \$150.00 per month. Second, motion carried.

Chairman James Hall read letter addressed to him from the Secretary of the Oglala Sioux Trinal Council, Pine Ridge Rexervation in South Dakota. This letter concerned the Proposed Grant Loan Program which the Three Affiliated Tribes is proposing through Senator Young. Their Council would like some information etc.

Chairman James Hall declared a five minute recess.

Chairman James Hall Called the meeting to order.

Motion made to rescind the action taken by the Council on the GS-2 rating. Second

Remarks; by Guy Fox: I think the previous action should be rescinded advertising the position of the Clerk of Court.

Motion carried.

Mr. Morken: Have you made plans for your trip to Washington, D. C.? Are you taking a quorum on this trip?

Chairman James Hall: No, Senator Young stated that a full Council was not needed yet.

Motion to request by telegram, Commissoner Emmons and Senator Young, we want our Superintendent Owen Morken and Dewey Clifford to accompany the Fort Berthold delegation to Washington, D. C. Second, motion Carried.

There was some discussion on the Proposed Grant-Loan Program.

Meeting with Senator Young in Washington, D. C. was sheduled for February 10, 1960 at 2:00 P.M.

Mr. Morken: Did you fellows decide how many are going to D. C.

Chairman James Hall: What does the Council think if Mr. Malloy and I make the trip. I don't think it is necessary for a quorum to make the trip.

Youngbird: There was action taken by the Council and it still stands.

Motion made to adjourn. Second, motion carried.

/s/ Valentine Wells, Secretary
Tribal Business Council