

SPECIAL MEETING

Name of Organization: Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

Place of Meeting: Conference Room  
Fort Berthold Agency  
New Town, North Dakota  
January 2, 1970

Chairman Vincent Malnourie called the Meeting to order. Roll Call: Ted Bolman, Tony Mandan, Philip Ross, Adrian Foote, Nathan Little Soldier, Vincent Malnourie and Ralph Wells Jr. Quorum present. Absent: Gerald Nagel, Rose Crow Flies High and Alfred Driver. Others present: Paul Ewald and John Sitting Crow Jr.

The purpose of the Meeting was to get council action on two resolutions that need approval. Motion by Nathan Little Soldier seconded by Adrian Foote to approve Resolution No. 69-107. The Tribal Business Council of the Fort Berthold Reservation hereby requests the Superintendent, the Area Director and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs to place a moratorium on all applications for a patent in fee on Fort Berthold Indian land until September 1, 1970 in order that the Tribe may be given an opportunity to negotiate for the purchase of any of the lands involved, if so desired. Motion carried. 6 for, 0 opposed and the Chairman not voting.

The Chairman gave the floor to John Sitting Crow Jr. and asked if he had any business that he wanted to present to the Council at this time. John stated that he received a letter from the Land Operations concerning his grazing allocation, where his payment was past due and in delinquent status, requesting his presence on January 2, 1970 concerning his delinquency on allocation. John stated that due to illness this past summer he was unable to carry out his work and plans he had made and now he had changed over to F.H.A. loan from P.C.A. and is still working out a loan with F.H.A. at the present time. The purpose of this meeting with the Council is to request an extension on payment of his grazing lease, which might take about 60 days to work out the loan. Motion by Adrian Foote and seconded by Tony Mandan to give John Sitting Crow Jr. an extension for two months time to pay his leases on grazing. Mr. White Head stated that we are not trying to get anyone in trouble, but we want to know if those people that are past due on payments on their allocations, are in compliance with their contracts.

Mr. White Head was questioned on the status of James Brugh's allocation, if, it was leased to some other party. Mr. White Head stated that as far as he knew Jim still has the lease and has no knowledge of it being leased to some one else, but will check into it.

Motion by Nathan Little Soldier and seconded by Adrian Foote to authorize the B.I.A. to contact all operators that are delinquent on their grazing leases. Motion carried. 5 for, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and the Chairman not voting. Philip Ross stated "when we worked out our grazing regulations, here

sometime ago, these things that we are now talking about, we put in our regulations as to what the operators were to abide by and the date of November 1, is the date when all grazing leases are due. Now we are sitting here giving extensions out and I do not think the Council is in a position to do any collecting or have anything to say on the individual owned allotments."

Ted Bolman stated that, "since F.H.A. is setting up their office here in New Town and have not started in getting applications for loans yet, might be the reason for the delay of getting loans processed, for some of these that are delinquent on their payments." Motion by Nathan Little Soldier and seconded by Adrian Foote to have Mr. White Head contact the F.H.A. Office here in New Town and find out who will be eligible for a loan and who will not. Motion carried. 5 for, 1 opposed and the Chairman not voting.

Philip Ross stated that, he had four emergency loan applications, due to death in the family. All four applications each requested \$50.00. Delores Packineau, Vera Bracklin, Shirley Myrick and Timothy Roszell all requested a \$50.00 loan. The Credit Committee met in the Tribal Office on the evening of December 30, 1969. All of the four loan applications were approved by the Credit Committee and the checks are to be made out the next day. When the checks were made out these people did not receive the amount they were approved for. They received less than applied for. Motion by Philip Ross and seconded by Adrian Foote to approve for the four applications on emergency loan for the amount requested and also requested an explanation for not getting the full amount. Motion carried. 6 for, 0 opposed and the Chairman not voting.

Motion by Philip Ross and seconded by Adrian Foote requested Jerry Straus to preserve on all hunting rights on the Fort Berthold Reservation. The Tribal Secretary is to write a letter on this matter to Jerry Straus. Motion carried. 6 for, 0 opposed and Chairman not voting.

Ted Bolman, Jr., stated the following in regard to the Tribal Clerk: In as much as I have a fine working relationship with our Tribal Clerk, I feel that she should make it a special point to be regular in her working schedule. I realize that there are times when it is totally impossible. By being irregular is creating hardship on the entire Tribal Business Council since she has knowledge of tribal files etc., therefore, I urge she make some adjustment to this fact.

Ted Bolman reported to the Council that the people in Mandaree would like to get an ordinance into effect on the control of dogs in that area. Some of the children in Mandaree have been bitten by dogs. Ted was told that the people in Mandaree would have to write up an ordinance on the control of the dogs and present it to the Council for action.

Motion by Nathan L. Soldier and seconded by Adrian Foote to approve Resolution No. 70-1 that the Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes request the BIA to provide the Council an investment schedule so as to allow the claims money at a higher interest rate. Motion carried. 6 for, 0 opposed and Chairman not voting

Motion made to adjourn, seconded and carried.

Ralph Wells, Jr., Secretary  
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