

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

IN REPLY REFER TO:
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BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

ABERDEEN AREA OFFICE 820 SOUTH MAIN ABERDEEN, SOUTH DAKOTA 57401

Memorandum

To:

Superintendent, Fort Berthold Agency

From:

Area Tribal Operations Officer

Subject:

Resolution No. 70-62 and Amendment to Supplemental

Attorney Contract (Four Bears Project) No. 14-20-0100-

6990, Wilkinson, Cragun and Barker and the Three

Affiliated Tribes

The original of the above resolution and supplemental attorney contract, received in this office May 26, is returned so that you may furnish us your written recommendations for the approval or rejection of the above documents. Please refer to 83 IAM 7.1G, Transmittal of Contracts, for your guidance.

It appears from our review that the attorneys are asking for relief from the original limitation of \$10,000 in toto for fees and the \$1,000 expenses per year under the original supplemental contract. The proposed amendment is for a period of eight months beginning May 1, 1970, and ending December 30, 1970, with the attorneys receiving \$40 per hour for fees not to exceed \$10,000 in toto and for expense monies not to exceed \$2,000 during this period.

The proposed amendment at \$40 an hour represents a contract for an eight months period or 250 hours and/or $31\frac{1}{4}$ hours per month. The General Counsel contract with the Supplemental (Four Bears) was approved January 29, 1970, effective January 1, 1970, and expiring December 31, 1970.

The amendment also proposes that the fees and expense ceilings in effect are to end April 30, 1970. May we receive your recommendations at an early date since the proposed amendment falls within the ninety day requirement for disposition action on the contract in accordance with Public Law 90-284 approved April 11, 1968, Title II, Rights of Indians.

Area Tribal Operations Officer

Enclosures

SPECIAL MEETING

Name of Organization:

Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes

Place of Meeting

Grand Pacific Hotel Bismarck, North Dakota 15 May 1970

Chairman Vincent Malnourie called the meeting to order. Roll Call: Vincent Malnourie, Adam Mandan, Rose C. F. High, Ted Bolman, Jr., Adrian Foote, Alfred Driver, Sr., and Ralph Wells, Jr. Absent: Gerald Nagel, Philip Ross, Sr., and Nathan L. Soldier.

First order of business was to take Council action to recommend Harlan Walsh to replace Mr. Sam Feld who is retiring as Reservation School Principal. Motion by Adam Mandan, seconded by Ted Bolman, Jr., that Harlan Walsh fill the vacant position that will be left by Sam Feld whenhe retires. Motion carried. 6 for and Chairman not voting.

Motion by Rose C. F. High, seconded by Adam Mandan that we the Tribal Council members of the Three Affiliated Tribes recommend to the BIA that Superintendent James Keaton be retained at the Fort Berthold Reservation and recommend a promotion for James Keaton. Mr. Keaton has been very helpful and has good working relations with the Council as well as the people on the Reservation and is well respected by the people concerned. A resolution to be drawn up according to the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

A trip to Denver was brought up by Chairman Malnourie requesting that our Superintendent Keaton accompany the delegation that are going to Denver to attend the meeting on May 21 and 22, 1970. Motion by Ted Bolman, Jr., seconded by Adrian Foote that our Superintendent Keaton accompany the Fort Berthold delegation to the Denver meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Rose C. F. High, seconded by Ted Bolman, Jr., that the Council hold a special meeting on May 18, 1970 to work out the budget for the coming fiscal year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Ted Bolman, Jr., seconded by Alfred Driver, Sr., that the Council approve Resolution No. 70-57 on Contract No. A00Cl4200067, Docket No. 350-D in the amount of \$700.00; Docket No. 350-F in the amount of \$500.00 and Docket No. 350-G in the amount of \$500.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Rose C. F. High, seconded by Alfred Driver, Sr., to approve Resolution No. 70-58 as written authorizing the Claims Attorneys to incur necessary and proper expenses under each said Contract on Docket Nos. 350-D; 350-F and 350-G. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Adrian Foote, seconded by Alfred Driver, Sr., that Resolution No. 70-62 be approved as written concerning the supplemental attorney contract, Four Bears Project between the Tribes and the law firm of Wilkinson, Cragun and Barker be amended according to contract as written. Motion carried unanimously.

The Council requested the Tribal Secretary to write a letter of apology to Senator Burdick for not keeping the appointment set up while the Council were in Wash., and thank him for all the help that the Tribes received from the Senator while the delegation were in Washington, D. C.

The Secretary is to write another letter to Senator Young thanking him for his help and getting things done for the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation.

Motion made to adjourn, seconded and carried.

Ralph Wells, Jr., Secretary Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes