

SPECIAL MEETING

Name of Organization: Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

Place of Meeting : BIA Conference Room  
Fort Berthold Agency  
New Town, North Dakota  
January 19, 1976

Chairperson Rose Crow Flies High called the meeting to order and made the roll call: Thomas Eagle, Jr., Treasurer; Austin H. Gillette, Secretary; Hazel M. Blake; Ronald Little Owl; Fred Morsette; Myra Snow; John Stone, Sr., Bernard Chase, Jr. Quorum present. Absent: Wayne Packineau and Roy Bird Bear. Others present: D. W. Knudson, Fieldman, American Indian Bank; John Fredericks, Indian Cattlemen's Association; Anson A. Baker, Superintendent, BIA; David C. Loup, Loan Specialist, BIA; John H. Danks, Agency Programs Officer; and Wallace Chase, Mandaree CAP.

Purpose of meeting: To discuss procedures for determining eligibility for special loans for Indian livestock operators from the Indian National Bank in D. C.

The BIA questioned the 'statement of eligibility.' They recommended that this statement should be signed by the applicant and the tribe. John Fredericks recommended that the BIA representatives at the subagencies and the tribal councilmen at the subagencies sign the certification of eligibility. He pointed out that it is important to get the loan applications in as soon as possible for there is only \$2.8 million available and there are cattle operators in sixteen reservations making application for these loans right now. If our cattle operators are late there probably won't be any funds available.

Hazel Blake asked if they (ranchers) lost one cow, can they get a loan to replace one cow. Mr. Knudson replied it would not be feasible economically to make a loan to replace one cow.

The Chairperson asked who would follow up and collect loans. John Fredericks said the Indian Bank would make the loan and must be responsible for the collection of the loan.

Mr. Knudson, American Indian Bank, said a person cannot get a loan under this program unless there is no other credit available to him such as FmHA, PCA and local banks.

Tom Eagle said this is designed to help cattle operators who sustained a loss of livestock during the spring storms of 1975. John Fredericks further explained that this loan money was to buy replacement cattle for those cattle lost and could not be used to pay leases.

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Three National Cities

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WIA Conference Room  
Fort Belknap Agency  
New Town, North Dakota  
January 22, 1978

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Chairperson Rose Crow High called the meeting to order and made the roll call: Thomas Eagle, Jr., Treasurer; Austin R. Gillmore, Secretary; Hazel M. Blake; Ronald Little Owl; Fred Horsette; Myra Snow; John Stone, Sr.; Bernard Chase, Jr. (Guest present); Wayne Lockman and Roy Bird Bear. Other present: H. W. Knudson, Chairman; American Indian Bank; John Fredericks, Indian Livestock Association; Anson A. Baker, Superintendent, WIA; David C. Long, Loan Specialist, WIA; John H. Banks, Agency Programs Officer; and Wallace Chase, Standards Unit.

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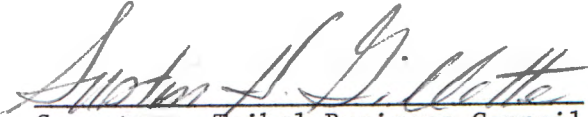
John Stone asked if these loans were to be repaid annually. Mr. Knudson explained the repayment rate would require an annual payment. Myra Snow said FmHa requires Indian operators to go and apply for this emergency loan through the Indian bank.

Mr. Knudson asked who should sign the eligibility form and where should we take the applications. Ron Little Owl said he preferred that one member of the Council sign the eligibility, otherwise we would get all mixed up. Mr. Baker stated that he preferred that the tribe and the lender and the applicant sign the eligibility certification, in as much as tribal members were bona fide livestock operators who sustained losses of livestock. The Chairperson stated she felt she should sign the eligibility along with Dave Loup and Tom Eagle, chairman of the Tribal Credit Committee. John Fredericks said the Indian Bank of D. C. set up the loan applications and not the tribe. He pointed out it was important to get the loan applications completed and on to the Bank as soon as possible.

Rose Crow Flies High said she should sign all loans along with Tom Eagle. Tom Eagle said we could run the eligibility through the Tribal Credit Committee. John Stone agreed with Tom Eagle's statement. John Fredericks said Tom Eagle is the designated representative to the Cattlemen's Consortium; he was designated by tribal resolution as authorized to sign this form. If the tribe wants another person to sign this form they must pass a resolution to authorize someone to sign other than Mr. Eagle. Mr. Knudson said he would prefer to deal with someone from each segment and then bring the eligibility form into New Town. He said he can fill out the application but he does not have authority to sign the statement of eligibility form.

Bernard Chase said we should hurry for in 10-14 days there won't be any funds available for our Indian operators. Bernard Chase made a motion to turn over the responsibility for signing the forms and for working with the Indian Bank representatives to Thomas Eagle. Austin Gillette seconded the motion. Voting was as follows: Hazel Blake, yes; Ron Little Owl, yes; Thomas Eagle, abstained; Austin Gillette, yes; Fred Morsette, yes; John Stone, yes; Myra Snow, yes; Bernard Chase, Jr., yes. Chairperson not voting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

  
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