

SPECIAL MEETING

Name of Organization: Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes

Place of Meeting: Tribal Conference Room
Tribal Business Office
New Town, North Dakota 58763
July 12, 1977.

PRESENT: Roy Bird Bear, Treasurer, Austin Gillette, Ralph
Bird Bear, Wayne Packineau, Larry Rush, John Stone, Sr.
Tom Eagle.

OTHER: Cletus Medicine Crow, Tribal Recorder, Bill Lockwood,
Chaplain.

Meeting was called to order at 4:10 P.M.
Roll call - Quorum present.
Opening prayer given by Chaplain.

Roy called meeting to order.

Larry Rush moved that since Roy was the only Executive member in attendance at this meeting, that he act as Chairman. Second by Wayne. Vote on motion: Vote was taken by raising of hands. All in favor, motion carried. Chairman not voting.

Roy appointed Tribal Recorder to take minutes.

Larry moves that Austin Gillette act as Secretary. Second by Tom Eagle. Vote on motion: All in favor, motion carried. Chairman voting.

Roy stated that this meeting had been scheduled last week.

The reading of the minutes was waived by motion of Wayne Packineau. Vote on motion: All in favor, motion carried. Chairman voting.

Roy stated that since there was no set agenda for today's meeting, he would give the Treasurer's report. Roy reported that because of over-spending on the budget, there were no funds available at this time. The Council had gone over their budget since December. Roy stated that he would give a further detailed report as to the financial condition of all the Tribal Programs, as soon as the Tribal Comptroller returns from leave. Roy stated that he would have Linda give a trial balance of all the Tribal Programs.

The subject of reimbursement by the Bureau for trips was discussed. Roy stated that he had written a letter to the BIA dated July 11th, 1977, requesting information on travel vouchers issued to various Tribal Council Members. The response was that the Bureau could not release this information to Roy as it would be in violation of the Privacy Act. Roy was informed to contact the individual and request them to give permission

to the Bureau to release this information.

Austin stated that the Chairperson had been advanced travel in the amount of two thousand dollars which the Bureau was to reimburse the Tribe. Tom suggested that all reimbursement checks be sent to the individual in care of the Treasurer.

Austin made a motion as follows: That Tribal vouchers for advance payment for travel be amended to read as follows: That the traveler does hereby waive the provisions of the Privacy Act pertaining to information for travel vouchers, and that this be attached to future travel vouchers, and further, that this will apply to all individuals obtaining travel advances from the T/2 account. This motion having been made to insure a better system of collection and reimbursement for funds advanced for travel, and further, that this be done by resolution. Second by Tom Eagle.

On remarks, Wayne stated that the Tribe is mainly concerned with advance payment for travel to be reimbursed by the Bureau.

Vote on motion: All in favor, motion carried. Chairman voting.

Austin moved that all future reimbursement checks issued by the Bureau be sent to the individual in care of the Treasurer, and that a resolution be drafted and submitted to the Bureau to that effect. Second by Tom Eagle. Vote on motion: All in favor, motion carried. Chairman voting.

The subject of teaching the Hidatsa language in the Mandaree School was discussed. John Stone, Sr., was of the opinion that the individual students should be able to learn this at home instead of taking up classroom hours. Austin stated that very people spoke their Indian language in the home and that it was next to impossible to learn it elsewhere and that if the student wanted to learn this in the classroom, that student should be given that opportunity.

Wayne Packineau made a motion that the Tribal Council support the teaching of the Hidatsa language as an elective course in the Mandaree School. Second by Larry Rush. Vote on motion: One opposing, five in favor, motion carried. Chairman not voting.

Austin then inquired of Larry as to his standing on the matter of the selection of the Superintendent. Larry responded that according to his knowledge, this was based on a matter of classification. Austin stated that he would like to discuss this matter before the full Council. Tom Eagle moved that Austin Gillette, Acting Secretary, telegram Mr. Harley Zephier requesting his presence before the Council July the 14th, 1977, to discuss this matter. Second by Wayne Packineau. Vote on

motion: All in favor, motion carried. Chairman voting.

Council requests mileage to attend the School Board meeting in Mandaree. Roy entertained a motion to allow Council mileage to attend the School Board meeting in Mandaree. Tom Eagle moved to that effect. Second by Wayne. Vote on motion: All in favor, motion carried. Chairman voting.

Larry moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

ATTEST:


AUSTIN GILLETTE, Acting Tribal Secretary.