

SPECIAL MEETING

Name of Organization: Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes

Place of Meeting : Conference Room
20 April 1979

Present : Austin Gillette, Chairman; August Little Soldier,
Vice-Chairman; Thomas Eagle, Jr., Treasurer;
Tillie Walker, Secretary; Marie Wells, Eva Beaks,
Willard Yellow Bird, Ronald Little Owl, Hazel Blake.

Absent : Theodore Bird Bear.

Others : Max James, HIP/Weatherization; Gainus Little Soldier,
Environmental Health; Bernadine Yellow Wolf, Tribal
Health; Harrison Fields, Acting Superintendent.

Vice-Chairman called meeting to order at 2:55 PM.
Roll call; Quorum present.

MINUTES

The Secretary read Minutes of 5 April 1979.

Wells moved for approval of Minutes of April 5; second by
Yellow Bird. Vote: Six (6) in favor, two (2) abstentions,
motion carried.

The Secretary read Minutes of 27 March 1979.

Eagle moved for approval of Minutes of March 27; second by
Wells. Vote: Seven (7) in favor, one (1) abstention;
motion carried.

The Secretary read Minutes of 21 March 1979.

Yellow Bird moved for approval of Minutes of March 21,
second by Blake. Vote: Six (6) in favor, one (1)
abstention, one (1) not voting, motion carried.

BUDGET MODIFICATION

Secretary read resolution to approve budget modification for '78 carry-over
monies for the Tribal Health Program. Questions were raised about the need
for a secretarial desk.

Blake moved for approval of the budget modification for
the Tribal Health Program; second by Eagle. Vote: Eight
(8) in favor, Chairman voting, motion carried.
Resolution No. 79-104

BUDGET MODIFICATION Cont.

Beaks moved that the desk be deleted from the modification; second by Wells. Vote: Six (6) in favor, two (2) opposed, Chairman voting, motion carried.

Bernadine Yellow Wold was called on to explain the budget modification. She said the Family Planning office is in need of a desk for their secretary.

HEALTH SERVICES

Marie Wells explained that the bridges washed out and road damage between Parshall and White Shield made it difficult for residents of White Shield to come to Minne Tohe Clinic.

Wells moved that White Shield area residents be authorized to go to the Garrison Clinic during the time the roads are bad; second by Little Owl. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, Chairman voting, motion carried.

ATTORNEY FEES

The Secretary read the resolution authorizing payment to Ron Reichert, former tribal attorney.

Eagle moved to authorize payment of \$1,446.24 to Ron Reichert for services and expenses in September 1978; second by Little Owl. Vote: Six (6) in favor, one (1) abstention, Chairman not voting, motion carried. Resolution No. 79-105.

Blake moved to authorize payment of \$803.00 to Ron Reichert for services and expenses in October 1978; second by Eagle. Vote: Five (5) in favor, two (2) abstentions, Chairman not voting, motion carried. Resolution No. 79-106.

Eagle moved to authorize payment of \$357.00 to Ron Reichert for services and expenses in November 1978; second by Blake. Vote: Five (5) in favor, two (2) abstentions, Chairman not voting, motion carried. Resolution No. 79-107.

DOCKET FUNDS

Secretary read resolution authorizing withdrawal of \$330,000 from Docket F for land purchase.

Yellow Bird moved to authorize withdrawal of \$330,000, the balance of Docket F for land purchase; second by Wells. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, Chairman voting, motion carried. Resolution No. 79-108.

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH - IHS

Secretary read resolution requesting an evaluation of the IHS Project Engineer for Fort Berthold, and giving responsibility for decisions on wells, springs, and sewers development to HIP and IHS Construction Inspector.

Eagle moved to approve request to IHS for evaluation of IHS Project Engineer and give HIP and IHS Construction Inspector authority for decisions on wells, springs, and sewer development; second by Blake. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, Chairman voting, motion carried.
Resolution No. 79-109.

Discussion followed on the poor relationships with Richard Melton, IHS Project Engineer for Fort Berthold, that decisions on well, spring and sewer development are made by Mr. Melton and payment by HIP funds. Mr. Melton has approved only three springs for development during summer, 1979. Gainus Little Soldier read the letter from Richard Melton terminating him as Construction Inspector on 20 April 1979. It was pointed out that when IHS closes down positions, we lose two positions.

Beaks moved that the Secretary write a letter of support for Gainus Little Soldier that he remain on the job until he knows why he was removed; second by Wells. Vote: Seven (7) in favor, Chairman not voting, motion carried.

Austin Gillette arrived at 4:05 PM, and chaired remainder of meeting. August Little Soldier was excused.

CONSULTANT AGREEMENT

Secretary read resolution authorizing use of consultant agreement and claim statement.

Eagle moved for approval of the Consultant Agreement; second by Walker. Vote: Seven (7) in favor, one (1) abstention, Chairman voting, motion carried.
Resolution No. 79-110.

JUVENILE CODE

Secretary read resolution approving the Juvenile Code. Wells reported the Judiciary Committee had reviewed the Juvenile Code with Karol Parker, Director, Child Welfare Program, and John Holm, Tribal Attorney, and were recommending approval.

Wells moved for approval of the Juvenile Code and Procedures of the Three Affiliated Tribes; second by Walker. Roll Call Vote: Yellow Bird, Eagle, Wells, Beaks, Gillette, Walker - YES; Blake, Little Owl - NO; Six (6) in favor, two (2) opposed, Chairman voting, motion carried. Resolution No. 79-111.

JUVENILE CODE Cont.

Hazel Blake said there should be community meetings explaining the Code before it is passed.

KNIFE RIVER VILLAGES

Secretary read resolution opposing any building on burial sites at the Knife River Village Historic Site near Stanton, North Dakota. Clay Alderson of National Park Service had come to meet with the Council on April 12 about the proposed building program of the National Park Service at the historic site.

Beaks moved to oppose any building development on burial site at the Hidatsa and Mandan villages at the Knife River Historic Site; second by Eagle. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, Chairman voting, motion carried. Resolution No. 79-112.

SEISMIC PERMIT

Secretary read resolution concerning seismic permit. The resolution was tabled till more information was available.

MEETINGS

The Corps of Engineers, Riverdale Office, have requested a meeting with the Tribal Business Council and will be accompanied by Omaha staff. The Corps will be invited to meet on May 16.

Beaks presented a letter authorizing Tom Abe to represent Fort Berthold at the INMED Advisory Committee meeting.

Walker moved that Thomas Abe attend the INMED Advisory Committee meeting in Grand Forks representing the Fort Berthold Reservation; second by Beaks. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, Chairman voting, motion carried.

The North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission will meet at Fort Yates on April 25. Austin Gillette and Tillie Walker will attend the meeting.

Roger Lonnevik, head of Aberdeen Area Social Services, will be in New Town on April 25 to discuss the Indian Child Welfare Act with the Council.

Yellow Bird moved that the Human Resources Committee meet with Roger Lonnevik on April 25; second by Wells. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, Chairman voting, motion carried.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Thomas Ewing, former tribal judge, had sent bills for April for payment. The bills were tabled until reviewed and approved by Court Administrator Evan Burr..

Little Owl left at 4:45 PM.

ELECTION APPEAL


The Secretary read letter to Acting Superintendent from Robert J. Snyder, Attorney, requesting on behalf of his clients, Rose Crow Flies High and Ronald Little Owl, that BIA withdraw recognition of Tribal Chairman Austin Gillette. Harrison Fields reported their appeals to Washington was not made within the 30 day period in accordance with the CFR.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

The Chairman reported there is difficulty with the CDBG proposal although the Fort Berthold request was one of the best among Tribes in the region. Fort Berthold lost \$300,000 CDBG funds each year over four years totaling \$1,200,000 as a result of Tribal Council inaction on the Mandaree Water Line. The problem for this year's CDBG funding is the result of no start on the Mandaree Water Line. The Indian Health Service has now redesigned the Water Line and bids will be let in mid-May. The funds now available from IHS and CDBG from previous budgeted funds may not cover the total cost, and the Tribal Business Council may have to explore applying for a low-interest loan from FHA for water development. The current Tribal Council has been penalized not for our actions, but for the inaction of the previous Council.

Eagle moved authorizing letters be written to Senator Burdick and Young and Representative Andrews concerning support for the CDBG 1979 proposal and the Mandaree Water Line; second by Yellow Bird. Vote: Six (6) in favor, Chairman not voting, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM.


Secretary, Tribal Business Council