

SPECIAL MEETING

Name of Organization: Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes

Place of Meeting : Conference Room
Tribal Building
October 17, 1979

Present : Austin Gillette, Chairman; August Little Soldier,
Vice-Chairman; Tillie Walker, Secretary; Thomas Eagle,
Treasurer; Theo Bird Bear, Roy Bird Bear, Eva Beaks,
Marie Wells, Willard Yellow Bird.

Absent : Louis Felix, Ron Little Owl.

Meeting was called to order.
Roll call; Quorum present.

MINUTES:

The Secretary read Minutes of September 28.

Wells moved for approval of Minutes of September 28 as read; second
by Eagle. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

Mary Baker, Programs Manager, was called on to report. Her office is involved in year end close outs and annual reports are being received. Criminal Justice, Community Planning, 701 Planning, and HIP annual reports are complete. She said she had worked on the annual report for the Fish & Game, but the Director did not complete the report and probably took it with him when he left the job. The year end for Aging Services is October 31, Alcoholism on November 30, and these programs have from 20 to 30 days to close out. There are problems when directors quit their jobs. When they take annual leave then leave the job, the Programs Office is then responsible for closing out and the annual report. Another problem is staff leaving with equipment purchased through the program. If the Tribe does not recover the equipment within a reasonable time, then the funding source, such as BIA, will then become involved. The Programs office has been redoing job descriptions, writing new proposals, review travel requests for programs, see that the program budget is spent properly and is allowable, orient new staff. The health care feasibility study is now the responsibility of the Programs office. Wells pointed out that Tribal Council members receive the most complaints about CHRs. Little Soldier said there are sometimes false reports about visits to the elderly and checks should be made at each segment.

Roy Bird Bear arrived at 2:00 pm.

Yellow Bird asked Mary Baker if she knew what Indian Action does. She pointed out that the Director of the Indian Action Program should know the day-to-day operation. Gillette said when the Programs Manager completes the job description for Indian Action, the Director would be responsible to the Material Resources Committee.

STAFF REPORTS Cont.:

Little Soldier said hunting still continued at Twin Buttes and was a problem. There is need for a game warden in each Segment. Eagle reported he had numerous calls from enrolled members concerned about the furbearers license at \$35 to non-Indians. With a \$35 license from the Tribe, they can make \$5,000 - \$6,000 yearly. It was suggested that the \$35 be returned to the non-Indian and revoke license. The deer season off the reservation is in November. The Chairman requested the Judiciary Committee chairperson to prepare a resolution for consideration by the Tribal Council closing the Reservation to non-member hunters and refund any license.

There was more discussion about the CHR program. Bird Bear said there were complaints about a CHR who did not travel around and does not distribute information. Wells said she sent the Liaison Officer to see a handicapped person after calling the CHR office three times. If CHRs listed where they went. they could be double checked.

Joe Monteau, Comptroller, was called on. He reported he his office is now doing year end close outs ain grants and contracts. They are now closing out the General Ledger, and this is the first time the Tribe has had a General Ledger. There is an audit completed on thw LPW project and Business Council fund will be scheduled for 1977, '78, '79. EDA loans must be audited every three years. He said even if staff was added to the Finance Office, the work would take as long to complete as with current staff. There is a preliminary balance sheet with BIA help on land values to update; the office has set up new bank account because there was an unreconciled balance as of 1979. The FY/80 funds will be deposited into the account until other funds are identified. Centralization will be no problem with Headstart and EDA. Centralization can begin with FY/80 for DINAP and Indian Action and staff can remain while books are being closed out. The Finance Office will check contracts now handled by ONRED. The Audit and Investigation staff will come to negotiate the 1980 Indirect Cost proposal. The Trust Fund bidget is due on November 16, 1979. Mr. Monteau reported that there was definitely deficiencies in Fines and Costs account of the Court.

Eagle moved to request an investigation on Court Costs and Fines;
second by Little Soldier. Vote: Nine (9) in favor, motion carried.

Ken Deane, Director of Planning, reported that the telecommunications project was taking a lot of time. The Tribe was funded for the feasibility study. The transportation plan has been completed and distributed to the Council. There is a tribal census being undertaken. On November 5 and 6 there is a meeting concerning the pre-application process for the Community Development to be held in Denver. The Planning Office is working with the Alcoholism Program on proposal development; is in close contact with the U.S. Census Bureau; the 701 Planner has been working on the Mandaree Water Line and the Census. EDA Planner is involved with the subterranean homes and gasahol project and solar energy. The Community Planning office is doing leg work on Census for the Tribe and has closed out the fuel program for FY/79. The Health Planner will be part of the Planning Office.

STAFF REPORTS Cont.:

Mr. Deane said that Hugh Baker is a planner as well as Director of ONRED, and the proposal for an Agricultural Planner should reflect this. The final decision on the CDBG will be the responsibility of the Council when all community suggestions are in.

MINUTES:

The Secretary read Minutes of October 15 for the Natural Resources Committee.

Yellow Bird moved to approve October 15 Natural Resources Committee Minutes as read; second by Roy Bird Bear. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried.

There was a question raised about reopening land exchange for Vincent Hunts Along. The Tribe owns more land than Vincent Hunts Along on the exchange, and was disapproved by the Council. Vincent Hunts Along must begin the process over again.

CAMPGROUND:

The Secretary read letter from a disgruntled tourist. She wrote that her family came to Four Bears during their vacation and left immediately because of the unkempt campground.

LAND SALES:

The Secretary read resolution authorizing purchase of land from Michael Mason.

Walker moved to authorize purchase of 160 acres of land Allotment 287A from Michael Mason with N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 16 (80 acres) from FmHA funds and S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 16 (80 acres) from Judgement funds for \$67,200; second by Eagle. Vote: Nine (9) in favor, motion carried. Resolution #79-338.

The Secretary read resolution for purchase of land from Dennis Paul Perkins.

Eagle moved to authorize purchase of Allotment 1145, W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 3 T147N, R88W, 5th P.M.N.D., 80 acres with NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ from FmHA funds and SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ from Judgement funds for \$27,200; second by Wells. Vote: Nine (9) in favor, motion carried. Resolution #79-339.

The Secretary read resolution for purchase of land from Waldron Wayne Crows Breast, Sr.

Eagle moved to authorize purchase of Allotment 117, SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 24 T147N R91W, 5th P. M. ND, 160 acres at \$17,600 from Judgement funds; second by Theo Bird Bear. Vote: Nine (9) in favor, motion carried. Resolution #79-340.

LAND SALES Cont.:

The Secretary read resolution for land exchange between the Tribe and Muriel K. Jackson.

Eagle moved to authorize exchange of Allotment 1194, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ 80 acres valued at \$7,200 exclusive of minerals in exchange for Allotment 1001A, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 12, T148N, R95W, 5th P.M. ND, 80 acres, exclusive of mineral valued at \$7,200; second by Theo Bird Bear.
Vote: Nine (9) in favor, motion carried. Resolution #79-341.

Larry Burr was asked to give information on appraisals for land in each Segment. He said farm land in White Shield was approximately \$400-450 per acre; Twin Buttes \$225-300; Mandaree - \$200-250; Shell Creek - \$325-350; Lucky Mound - \$400-450. The grazing lands in White Shield are approximately \$120-150 per acre; Mandaree - \$75-95; Twin Buttes \$75-95; Shell Creek - \$100; Lucky Mound - \$120-150.

MINUTES:

The Secretary read Minutes of October 10 for Human Resources Committee.

Walker moved to approve October 10 Minutes of Human Resources Committee as read; second by Beaks. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried.

The Secretary read Natural Resources Committee Minutes of October 16. Questions were raised about renting the house purchased by the Tribe from Ronnie Rabbit Head in Parshall. The Committee approved renting at \$25 a year for the lot and \$25 per month for the house for a fifteen (15) year period. It was reported that Jerry White said the house would be condemned by the City. Beulah Chase has offered to fix up the house.

Eagle moved to table action on the rental of the tribally owned house in Parshall until further information is acquired; second by Wells. Vote: Six (6) in favor, one (1) opposed, one (1) abstention, motion carried.

MANDAREE WATER LINE:

The request for purchase of culverts for the Mandaree Water Line was considered. The Mandaree Water Line funding was \$833,000 for pipe, treatment plant, sewer, pumps at the lake. In addition there have been other expenses such as the culverts. The landowners want six miles of 5 strand fence and drainages for the road to the pumps. The Tribe promised an access road for the pipeline, and there is need for culverts so road does not wash out. There can be a bridge or culvert at Boggy Creek. There was suggestions that railroad bridges at Huff area be used if available.

Eagle moved to request BIA to purchase culverts for Mandaree Water Line with IMPL funds; second by Walker. Vote: Nine (9) in favor, motion carried.

PROGRAM DIRECTORS:

The Secretary read letter from Alan Smith concerning Gloria Wilkinson hired for Education Officer not being available. Nelrene Yellow Bird now has position at Community College and was not interested. The remaining candidate who received votes at the meeting was Clarice Baker.

Walker moved to hire Clarice Baker as Tribal Education Officer; second by Theo Bird Bear. Vote: Two (2) in favor, five (5) abstentions, Chair not voting, motion carried.

The Secretary read resume of each applicant for Health Director.

Wells moved to accept applications of all candidates for Health Director position: Thomas Abe, Susan Phelan, Dale McGrady, Wanda Driver; second by Walker. Vote: Nine (9) in favor, motion carried.

Secretar ballot vote was taken and tallied as follows: Thomas Abe - 4 votes; Susan Phelan - 5 votes; Dale McGrady - 0 votes; Wandä Driver - 0 votes.

Yellow Bird moved to officially hire Ms. Susan Phelan as Tribal Health Director with Thomas Abe as alternate; second by Wells. Vote: Nine (9) in favor, motion carried.

The salary would be set at \$14,000 for the Health position.

TIME CLOCK:

The Secretary read resolution for a time clock system for the Program Directors not coming to work on time. Eagle suggested that a time clock should be for all employees, not just directors. The Chairman suggested the matter be tabled and taken up at a later date when more information can be available.

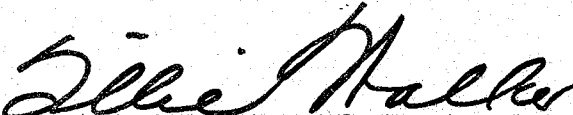
CORPS OF ENGINEERS:

The Secretary reported that the Corps of Engineers staff was concerned because they were not accompanied by a Tribal Council member on October 15. August Little Soldier said he had arrived one half hour late and missed the Corps on their tour of recreation sites. The Corps wishes to have someone designated to go, and August Little Soldier said he would contact the Corps and accompany them on the tour.

RANCHERS MEETING:

The Chairman set meeting with the ranchers at 1:00 pm on Friday, October 19 to discuss grazing fee hike.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned.


SECRETARY, Tribal Business Council

APPROVED: Nov 8, 1979