

SPECIAL MEETING

Name of Organization: Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

Place of Meeting : Conference Room  
Tribal Building  
November 29, 1979

Present : Austin Gillette, Chairman; August Little Soldier,  
Vice-Chairman; Tillie Walker, Secretary; Eva Beaks,  
Roy Bird Bear, Theo Bird Bear, Ron Little Owl,  
Willard Yellow Bird.

Absent : Thomas Eagle, Treasurer; Louis Felix, Marie Wells.

Others : Mr. Bauman, Mercer County; Tom Abe, Sue Phelan, Tribal  
Health; Ken Deane, Tribal Planning; Arne Guimont, HUD 701;  
Mr. & Mrs. Sam Meyers, William Hale.

The Chairman called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 1:05 pm to give Mr. Bauman opportunity to present his concerns.

LEWIS & CLARK TRAIL:

Mr. Bauman, Mercer County Commissioner, was called on to speak. He said Mercer County was successful in obtaining grant from Federal Highway funds for the Lewis & Clark Trail from Pick City to Beaver Creek Bay. They could not go further unless there was a recreation site at the end of the road. The additional road would be on the Reservation and they want easements to continue the road. If the road is built to highway standards, the state will blacktop the road.

He was who would control the recreation area after the road is built. He said the road would be a recreational road and that no one had volunteered to run the area.

Yellow Bird arrived at 1:25 pm.

There are 2,600 workers at the power plants in the area now, and they want recreation.

Little Soldier said he wants the road because BIA was to build the road from his place to Twin Buttes and easements are completed past Red Butte Bay. No road is completed yet. He asked if the state will fence on both sides of the road. Mr. Bauman said the State Highway Department must approve the route and would maintain the road.

The Chairman suggested a position paper be completed then meet with the Mercer County Commissioners. He said the Corps of Engineers sold land formerly owned by Indians to non-Indians at Mahto Bay without the knowledge of the Tribe. Beaks asked about the proposed bridge at Charging Eagle Bay and the road to the bridge. Mr. Bauman said there was a plan for the Lewis & Clark Trail which would include the bridge and road. It would take another application to complete and the County would support the Tribe on the application.

MERCER COUNTY Cont.:

The Chairman said the non-Indian community would benefit the development. The Corps of Engineers promised to support the return of recreation areas to the Tribe. Senator Burdick introduced a bill for the return, and the Corps refused to support the bill.

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 1:50 pm.  
Roll call; Quorum present.

PRESENT: Austin Gillette, August Little Soldier, Tillie Walker, Eva Beaks,  
Roy Bird Bear, Theo Bird Bear, Ron Little Owl, Willard Yellow Bird.

MANDAREE WATER LINE:

Bill Hale was called on. He said he wanted to get paid for the Mandaree Water Line contractor to go thru his field. If the road was on a section line, he would have no problem. He asked for \$2,000 for access over his land. If he gets paid, the contractor could have a key to the padlock.

Arne Guimont said if the matter was not resolved by Friday, the contractor would have to cease work and be paid standby time which would cut into the appropriated funds for the project. He reminded the Council that access had been guaranteed with the contract.

Little Soldier moved to authorize payment of \$1,000 from an available account for access and damages to William Hale for use of his road on his property until June, 1980 by contractors of the Mandaree Water Line; second by Yellow Bird.

Vote: Seven (7) in favor, motion carried.

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE:

Sam Meyers asked that there be a transfer of authorization to St. Joesph's for surgery. Darlene Meyers said going to Minneapolis was a hardship on the family. They have a school age son at home and her mother is elderly and needs daily attention. The authorization is for the Veteran's Hospital in Minneapolis.

Little Soldier moved to demand Indian Health Services and Veteran's Administration work out authorization transfer to St. Joesph's Hospital since Veteran's Administration cannot provide service in Minot, and that the two agencies develop a plan whereby any veteran can be sent to Bismarck or Minot where family can be near; second by Walker. Vote: Seven (7) in favor, motion carried.

The Secretary was directed to write the Acting SUD, Minne Tohe Clinic, about this action immediately. The Chairman said since the Council is getting more involved in health problems, the Human Resources Committee should draft issues and policies to assist the Council.

WASHINGTON, D.C. TRIP:

The Chairman reported four Councilmen, Roy Bird Bear, Louis Felix, Willard Yellow Bird, and Austin Gillette would travel to Washington, D.C., on December 2nd for a briefing session with Attorney Charles Hobbs on December 3rd and to testify before the Senate Indian Affairs Committee on the Claims bill on December 4th.

Little Soldier moved to authorize \$75 per diem for the December 2-4 trip to Washington, D.C. trip; second by Roy Bird Bear.  
Vote: Seven (7) in favor, motion carried.

MINUTES:

The Secretary read Minutes of November 2nd.

Little Soldier moved to approve November 2nd Minutes as read;  
second by Theo Bird Bear. Vote: Seven (7) in favor, motion carried.

The Secretary read Minutes of November 6th.

Yellow Bird moved to approve November 6th Minutes as read;  
second by Roy Bird Bear. Vote: Seven (7) in favor, motion carried.

Little Owl arrived at 2:50 pm.

The Secretary read Minutes of November 8th.

Little Soldier moved to approve November 8th Minutes as read;  
second by Little Owl. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried.

CDBG:

Ken Deane, Tribal Planning, asked which communities to include for street improvements in the CDBG proposal to HUD.

Little Soldier moved to propose street improvements at housing projects in Mandaree, Twin Buttes, and White Shield; second by Yellow Bird. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried.

MINUTES:

The Secretary read Minutes of November 16th.

Little Owl moved to approve November 16th Minutes as read;  
second by Little Soldier. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried.

The Secretary read Minutes of November 21st.

Little Owl moved to approve November 21st Minutes as read;  
second by Little Soldier. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried.

MINUTES Cont.:

The Secretary read Natural Resources Committee Minutes of November 26th. The Chairman raised questions about earlier decision to wait on farm leases until there is an equipment inventory. Yellow Bird asked if one of the applicants for lease was over 18 years age. Roy Bird Bear said Paul Howling Wolf had informed them that Tribe had policy not to take any more leases after November.

Theo Bird Bear moved to table November 26th Minutes of the Natural Resources Committee; second by Little Owl. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried.

MEETING:

The Secretary read invitation from United Sioux Tribes to attend meeting on health in Pierre, South Dakota.

Yellow Bird moved to approve travel for the Executive Committee, Chairman of Human Resources, Susan Phelan and Tom Abe to the December 11-12 health meeting in Pierre, South Dakota; second by Little Owl. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried.

The travel for Eva Beaks would be paid by the Tribal Health program budget.

The Chairman reported a national CETA meeting was being on December 3-7 in El Paso, Texas. DINAP staff will attend the meeting.

Yellow Bird moved to authorize travel for Chairman Human Resources Committee to the CETA meeting in El Paso, Texas; second by Little Soldier. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried.

Susan Phelan reported negotiations on Medicaid with Indian Health Service and the State would be held in Bismarck on December 4-5. The State of North Dakota has denied Medicaid reimbursement to Minne Tohe Clinic though eligible to receive payments.

HIGH RISK MOTHERS OR INFANTS:

The Secretary read resolution approving financial agreement with State Department of Health for \$2,000 to pay transportation costs of high risk mothers or infants to perinatal centers in Bismarck, Minot, Fargo or Grand Forks.

Beaks moved to approve agreement for \$2,000 transportation funds for high risk mothers or infants; second by Little Soldier. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried. Resolution #79-370.

FEASIBILITY STUDY:

Susan Phelan reported her office has taken charge of the glasses, denture and hearing aid program for the elderly. She said she was not aware a system had not been set up and they are renegotiating with Indian Health Services and will take about a month to put it in order. Beaks suggested that priority for dentures be given to those elderly over 60 years old, service funds are short and there are many applications.

EDA:

The Secretary read resolution approving proposal for EDA program.

Beaks moved to approve EDA proposal for refunding in FY 1980; second by Little Soldier. Vote: Seven (7) in favor, motion carried. Resolution #79-371.

ONRED:

The Secretary read resolution on funding for rehabilitation of waste water facility systems.

Little Soldier moved to table resolution until further clarification is obtained; second by Walker. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried.

BUDGET:

The Trust Fund budget was presented with questions about items missing. The Chairman suggested tabling the budget until more information is available.

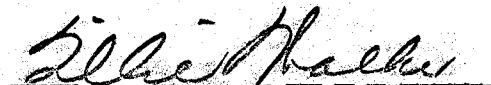
ALCOHOLISM:

The Secretary read resolution approving application for Alcoholism Program funds for FY 1980 to Indian Health Services. It was explained that Indian Health Services in Aberdeen sent the Tribe the wrong forms to complete and the application had to be redone on the proper forms.

Beaks moved to approve Alcoholism Program application to IHS for FY 1980 for \$59,592; second by Little Owl. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried. Resolution #79-373.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 4:25 pm.

APPROVED: 12-13, 1979

  
SECRETARY,  
Tribal Business Council