

REGULAR MEETING

Name of Organization: Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes

Place of Meeting : Conference Room
Tribal Building
March 14, 1980

The meeting reconvened at 1:15pm with the following present: Austin Gillette, Chairman; August Little Soldier, Vice-Chairman; Thomas Eagle, Treasurer; Eva Beaks, Roy Bird Bear, Theo Bird Bear, Louis Felix, Willard Yellow Bird. Absent: Tillie Walker, Secretary; Ronald Little Owl, Marie Wells. Others: Jim Chase, Mary Little Owl, Sue Phelan, Tribal Health, Leo Cummings, DINAP; Clyde Brady, Sergeant-at-Arms.

QUORUM PRESENT.

TWIN BUTTES:

Jim Chase and Mary Little Owl presented financial request of \$2,000 for development of a boxing club in Twin Buttes for Indian youth. They expressed the Community needs a recreation program to help ease juvenile alcoholism and delinquency.

The funds will be used for boxing equipment, rental space, transportation to and from matches, lodging, etc. Evaluation of the program's activities will be reported monthly at Community meetings. A match is planned for April 12 and funds are needed to pay referee's stipend and mileage.

Mr. Chase and Mrs. Little Owl were requested to return at Monday's meeting with proposal and budget. They were informed financial aid of \$1,000 from Docket 350-F, Parks and Recreation, will be considered.

ATTORNEY FEES:

The Chairman read resolution authorizing payment to Wilkinson, Cragun and Barker for November, 1979, fees and expenses \$6,017.77, and December, 1979, fees and expenses \$609.02.

Beaks moved to approve payment to attorneys Wilkinson, Cragun and Barker for November and December, 1979, fees and expenses totaling \$6,626.97; second by Little Soldier. Vote: Seven (7) in favor, motion carried. Resolution #80-36.

SENATOR KENNEDY:

The Chairman read letter from Senator Edward Kennedy requesting the Three Affiliated Tribes to endorse his 1980 presidential campaign. This issue was tabled and will be considered at a later date.

REVENUE SHARING:

The Chairman reported the Four Bears Motor Lodge is in need of financial assistance or to close the doors. The Manager, Beulah Chase, suggested the Tribe take over operation of the Lodge. Mrs. Chase will be resigning as Manager in the near future.

Operational costs are estimated at \$25,000 per month and during the winter months \$15,000. Expenses include payroll, SBA loan, utilities and maintenance. The Lodge is operating with the original equipment that was installed so there will be an expense for fixtures. Telephone expenses range \$300-400 compared to a previous of \$4,305.

In previous years, the Lodge was supplemented a total of \$300,000 from ANA. In 1979, Resolution #79-68 authorized a loan of \$50,000 to the Lodge for operational costs. Many expenses including several outstanding bills were never paid for from this loan by the previous Manager, Buddine Stewart. In October, 1979, Resolution #79-337 authorized another \$50,000 loan to the Lodge; much of this paid for expenses and bills from the previous.

Little Soldier suggested advertising the Lodge through radio and TV. Advertisements are being made to be erected at the Reservation ports of entry. He also suggested that Council members submit ideas and comments to improve situation. Roy Bird Bear suggested the Lodge be included in the 1981 Tribal budget. He pointed out that the Lodge is the Tribes only enterprise and like any business it will need money to operate. Beaks commented on the poor management of the Lodge by previous Managers.

The Chairman suggested using balance of 1979 Revenue Sharing funds to aid the Motor Lodge. Beaks expressed her dissatisfaction of using Revenue Sharing for this.

\$5,250 of the CDBG funds will be used for renovation of the Lodge, but as of yet word has not been received from HUD concerning funding for Fort Berthold.

Little Soldier moved to approve loan of \$37,000 balance of 1979 Revenue Sharing funds to the Four Bears Motor Lodge; second by Felix. Vote: Six (6) in favor, one (1) opposed, one (1) abstention, motion carried.

The loan will be in a supervised account to insure accountability of the money. The Treasurer was directed to write resolution for disbursement.

DAY CARE CENTER:

At the March 13 Regular Council Meeting, Day Care requested extension of four State CETA funded staff members. Day Care was requested to present financial report of the Center. Monthly income is estimated at \$1,200; groceries \$600; educational supplies \$30, and \$100 for fuel and telephone expenses. \$4,000 was carried over from the original program. Day Care received \$800 from Revenue Sharing for initial costs.

DAY CARE Cont.:

Leo Cummings, DINAP Director, was asked if the positions could be transferred to DINAP. He said the employees are eligible for extension and within DINAP guidelines there is waiver for transfer.

Yellow Bird moved to approve extension and transfer of four (4) Day Care staff positions to DINAP through September, 1980; second by Little Soldier. Vote: Seven (7) in favor, motion carried.

This action will be finalized by resolution form.

SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM:

Leo Cummings presented narrative for the 1980 Summer Youth Program designed for youth between the ages of 14-21. The total program budget is \$84,721. Included are: five (5) week upward bound program; six (6) week classroom training through Argonne II, and a work experience program.

The Chairman suggested the DINAP Director screen applications and the Human Resources Committee make final selection of participants. Many complaints were received last year on the selection of the program participants. Hopefully this will ease the problem and insure that the most severely disadvantaged will be served.

Eagle moved to approve the 1980 Summer Youth Program for \$84,721 and to authorize the Human Resources Committee along with the DINAP Director to make final selection of program participants; second by Little Soldier. Vote: Seven (7) in favor, motion carried.

MINUTES:

The Chairman read Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 14 and 15.

Little Soldier moved to approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 14 and 15 as read; second by Eagle. Vote: Six (6) in favor, one (1) abstention, motion carried.

The Chairman read Special Meeting Minutes of February 29.

Little Soldier moved to approve Special Meeting Minutes of February 29 as read; second by Roy Bird Bear. Vote: Six (6) in favor, one (1) abstention, motion carried.

The Chairman read Material Resources Committee Minutes of March 3, 6, 7, 10 and 14.

Eagle moved to approve Material Resources Committee Minutes of March 3, 6, 7, 10, and 14; second by Little Soldier. Vote: Seven (7) in favor, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 3:40pm.

APPROVED: April 10, 1980.

SECRETARY, Zellie Walker

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