

SPECIAL MEETING

Name of Organization: Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes

Place of Meeting : Conference Room
Tribal Building
March 18, 1980

Present : Austin Gillette, Chairman; Tillie Walker, Secretary;
Thomas Eagle, Treasurer; Eva Beaks, Roy Bird Bear,
Theo Bird Bear, Louis Felix, Marie Wells.

Absent : August Little Soldier, Vice-Chairman; Ronald Little Owl,
Willard Yellow Bird.

Others : Harrison Fields, Jim Quackenbush, Larry Burr, BIA;
Adrian Bird Bear, Tribal Court; Clyde Brady, Sergeant-at-Arms.

The meeting was called to order at 3:35pm.
Roll call; Quorum present.

COURT:

The Chairman reported the Tribe and BIA were scheduled to appear in U.S. District Court on Wednesday, March 19, at 2:30pm in a lawsuit brought by fourteen (14) ranchers. Harrison Fields explained that BIA had planned to advertise the land since some of the ranchers had refused to pay the lease. These ranchers want to get a restraining order to prevent BIA from advertising. Jim Quackenbush said there were over 2,000 individual landowners who are affected by the ranchers refusal to pay on 60% of the land leased.

Beaks moved to authorize Council members to attend the District Court hearing in Minot; second by Little Soldier.
Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried.

ACCESS ROAD:

The Secretary read resolution on access road to Charging Eagle Bay.

Eagle moved to approve request to BIA to place as priority road construction project an all-purpose year round access road to Charging Eagle Bay pursuant to February 15, 1980 opinion authorizing action; second by Wells. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried.
Resolution #80-33.

WILLISTON BASIN:

The Secretary read resolution designating Willard Yellow Bird to the Williston Basin Regional Council.

Wells moved to designate Willard Yellow Bird to represent the Three Affiliated Tribes to the Williston Basin Regional Council; second by Roy Bird Bear. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried. Resolution #80-34.

FLOWERS:

The Secretary read resolution approving payment for flowers for Ben Kirkaldie funeral.

Wells moved to authorize payment of \$30 to Elaine's Floral Boutique for floral arrangement for Ben Kirkaldie funeral; second by Roy Bird Bear. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried. Resolution #80-35.

LOAN:

Thomas Eagle requested action on his loan application of \$500. He explained that since he is Chairman of the Credit Committee, the request cannot be acted on by the Committee and must be referred to the full Council.

Beaks moved to approve \$500 loan to Thomas Eagle, Jr.,; second by Wells. Vote: Seven (7) in favor, one (1) abstention, motion carried.

TRIBAL COURT:

Adrian Bird Bear, Court Administrator, was called on. He expressed concern about the jobs of Bonnie Fredericks, prosecutor, and Diane Stone, public defender, coming to an end. He wanted the positions extended.

Walker moved to authorize the Chairman and Treasurer to work out the transfer of Diane Stone and Bonnie Fredericks through DINAP; second by Wells. Vote: Eight (8) in favor, motion carried.

Wells reported that two months salary was withheld from Cletus Medicine Crow salary as Magistrate Judge. He has been unavailable, but is now interested in continuing. Wells recommended Cletus Medicine Crow be retained.

OIL LEASE:

The Secretary read resolution accepting the August bids for tribal land.

Beaks moved to approve the August 28, 1979, oil and gas lease bids on tribal land totaling \$37,288.84; second by Eagle.

Discussion was open on whether or not to approve the August 28, 1979 lease. It was pointed out that these leases are for five (5) years and \$1.25 per acre rent. The Council had changed the leases to three (3) years and \$5.00 per acre rent.

Beaks rescinded motion; Eagle withdrew second.

Wells moved to disapprove the August 28, 1979, oil and gas lease bids on tribal land; second by Roy Bird Bear. Vote: Six (6) in favor, one (1) opposed, one (1) abstained, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 4:38pm.

APPROVED: April 10, 1980.

SECRETARY, Elle Walker
Tribal Business Council