

NATURAL RESOURCE COMMITTEE  
TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL  
APRIL 11, 1983

PRESENT: Alyce Spotted Bear-Chairman, Paul Good Iron, Ernest Stone, Matthew Mason, Gerald White, Roy Bird Bear-Secretary.

ABSENT: Dennis Huber.

OTHERS: Noah Williams, Kyle Baker, Paul Howling Wolf, Rich Schilf, Louie Felix, Ed Danks, Leo Brockie-Bureau of Indian Affairs, Larry Burr-Bureau of Indian Affairs, Frank Henry, Hugh Baker.

The meeting was called to order at 10:20 AM. Matthew Mason was appointed acting secretary. Roll call, quorum present.

RICH SCHILF: Rich Schilf of Natural Resource Dept. reported on his trip to Washington DC. He met with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Land Management in regards to oil and gas agreement with the Tribes and the State. He also met with Doug Richardson of GeoResearch, Inc. concerning the Indian Lands Study mandated by Section 710 of the Surface Mine Control and Reclamation Act to insure continued efforts to get legislation introduced that will give the Tribes full regulatory authority for Title V and VI programs. He also met with Sara Garland, Staff Assistant, and Senator Burdick and talked on a wide variety of topics such as amendments to the Clean Air Act, the Surface Mine Control and Reclamation Act, Minerals Restoration Bill and Senate Concurrent Resolution 4029.

Gerald White came in at 10:32 AM.

G. SHERVEN: Paul Howling Wolf reported that George Sherven was offered \$62,000.00 for his property from his neighbor and that Mr. Sherven was giving him first choice. Discussion followed on the property and the appraised value.

MOTION was made by Paul Good Iron that the Tribes price the George Sherven land at the appraised value of \$45,000.00 and that the Tribes will wait until Monday, April 18, 1983, after which time the Tribes will make a final decision as to whether they are still interested, SECONDED by Ernest Stone.

REMARKS: None. VOTE: All in favor, MOTION CARRIED.

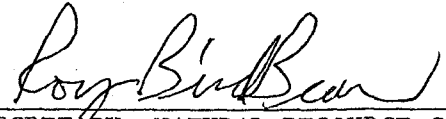
BONDING: Leo Brockie and Larry Burr told the committee members that the Indian operators are having a lot of difficulty in getting bonded. Their main problem being that the bonding companies are turning the operators down because of their income. The bonding companies are requesting the operators assets exceed their liabilities. The Indian operators are requesting that the Tribe waive the bonding requirements on Tribal leases. Discussion followed on the alternatives to this request and the repercussions. It was decided that the Natural Resource Dept. would meet with the Landowners Assoc., Stockman's Association, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs and give their recommendation to the Full Council on Thursday, April 14, 1983.

GRAZING UNITS: Leo Brockie reported that there are 22 grazing units that the Bureau of Indian Affairs is unable to lease. He asked for recommendations or suggestions from the Tribe on what to do in getting these leased. The committee decided that the Natural Resource meet with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and present their suggestions to the full council on April 14, 1983.

LENERTZ STORE: Discussion was had on what the committee wanted to do with the Lenertz store and if they wanted to purchase it in it's entirety or just the building and lot. It was decided that the committee recommend just the purchase of the store building and lots only to the full council on Thursday, April 14, 1983.

L. FELIX: Louie Felix told the committee he wanted to trade his land in Twin Buttes for a parcel of land close to his place in White Shield of which the Tribes own a portion with the other portion being individually owned. He was told this was possible and for him to work with the Bureau of Indian Affairs in getting his land appraised and getting the paperwork started.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 12:15 PM.



SECRETARY, NATURAL RESOURCE COMMITTEE

APPROVED: May 16, 1983  
DATE