

THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES  
TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL  
TRIBAL CHAMBERS

Regular Meeting  
March 14, 1991

PRESENT: Wilbur D. Wilkinson, Chairman; Titus Hall, Vice Chairman; John J. Rabbithead, Jr., Secretary; Roger Bird Bear, Treasurer; James Mossett, Austin Gillette, Theodore Lone Fight, III., Councilmembers and LaVerne Brady, Recording Secretary.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS: Carolyn Danks, Growth & Development Director; Myra Snow, Roberta Crows Breast, Domestic Violence Coordinator; Elgin Crows Breast, Historic Preservation Curator; Al Hardy, Mahto Bay Cabin Owners, Myrtle Good Left, Pete Coffey, Jr., KMHA Radio Operator; Robert Bell, Gainus Little Soldier, Gene Jackson, Mahto Bay Cabin Owner; Ken Deane, Tribal Planner; Clarence Sun, KMHA Radio Operator; Jolene Fox, MHA Photographer; Edith McNamara, Enrollment Clerk; Peder Stenslie, Shawn Fredericks, Matthew Mason, Alcoholism Director; Byron Matthews, Dale McGrady, Rhonda Danks, Travis Cox, Janice S. Kerzman, Anson Baker and Viola Schettler.

ITEM 01: CALL TO ORDER:  
Meeting called to order at 10:08 AM.

ITEM 02: ROLL CALL:  
Roll called by Secretary Rabbithead. Quorum established.

ITEM 03: SPECIAL PRAYER: Germaine Fox

ITEM 04: TWIN BUTTES FACILITY PROJECT RESOLUTION---#91-46:  
Resolution read by Secretary.

Discussion: regarding plans for the use of these monies/revenue sharing. Projects have to be completed by a certain date so other monies will not be jeopardized. Ken Deane explained about the carryover money.

Councilman Mossett made a motion for approval on this resolution, seconded by Councilman Rabbithead.

Councilman Mossett stated there will be a Grand Opening when it is completed.  
Vote: 7 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried. Unanimous.

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ITEM 05: RESOLUTION/DAKOTA LEADERS PROJECT-----#47.  
Resolution presented by three members of this committee: Roger Bird Bear, Shawn Fredericks and Peder Stenslie. Resolution read by Secretary.

Discussion: Regarding accomplishment, Councilman Bird Bear explained the project grant eligibility. Shawn passed out information on the budget to the Council. The floor was given to Peder who explained the membership charter, overview structure project and anticipated accomplishments. Discussion included the community garden, hiring a manager and other issues such as individual interest, site location, variety of seeds, youth/elderly interest and fall festival activities.

Each councilman stated they were in support of cultures bridging the gap between the Indian and white community.

Chairman Wilkinson entertained a motion to include statement: subject to the availability of funds.

Discussion on line item and approval.

Councilman Mossett made a motion to approve this resolution for a matching grant, seconded by Councilman Rabbithead.

Vote: 7 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 06: LITTLE SOLDIER REDEMPTION:  
The Tribal Business Council will meet on this at a closed meeting.

ITEM 07: RESOLUTION/LANDSALES-----#47 to #77.  
Secretary Rabbithead presented the landsales that had been approved at the Natural Resources Meeting.

Councilman Lone Fight made a motion to approve all landsales presented, seconded by Councilman Mossett

Discussion on Martin Bell and Mrs. McNamara stated that there is a Martin Bell.

Vote: 7 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 08: RESOLUTION/DUAL ENROLLMENT-----#91-80:  
Resolution presented by Mrs. Edith McNamara.

ENROLLMENT (CON'T):

Councilman Lone Fight made a motion to approve enrollments presented by Enrollment Clerk, seconded by Councilman Mossett.

Vote: 7 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 09: FINANCIAL REQUESTS:

The Fort Berthold Basketball Teams request financial assistance from the Tribal Council presented by Dennis Burr, Chief Executive Officer.

Dennis explained the three different type of budget from basketball teams that will represent Fort Berthold.

Councilman Rabbithead made a motion to approve the financial assistance for the teams.  
Motion failed due to lack of a second.

ITEM 10: RESOLUTION/HISTORIC PRESERVATION-----#91-78:  
Elgin Crows Breast presented and explained his resolution. He needed a signature right away in order to meet his deadline.

Councilman Lone Fight made a motion to approve the Grant Application Resolution, seconded by Councilman Bird Bear.

Vote: 7 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 11: RESOLUTION/FBCC LIBRARY GRANT----#91-79:  
This resolution is to enable FBCC to expand their library services.

Councilman Mossett made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Lone Fight.

Vote: 7 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 12: INDIAN OUTREACH/FARMER-RANCHER PROGRAM RESOLUTION:  
The Tribal Business Council had envisioned using this program through the Credit Program. There needs to be something in place to assist the Farmers and Rancher in Fort Berthold and the intent of the program is to physically get out and work with our people during the cycle which the Farmers and Ranchers operate. We discussed with the FMHA already but at the same time, FBCC was dialoguing

FARMERS/RANCHERS PROGRAM (CON'T):  
this also.

Vote: 3 for, 3 opposed, 1 not voting. Motion Failed

ITEM 13: RESOLUTION/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE---#91-84:  
Secretary Rabbithead read cover letter requesting  
for support to obtain funds.

Councilman Mossett made a motion to approve,  
seconded by Councilman Bird Bear.

Vote: 7 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 14: MAHTO BAY CABIN OWNERS:  
Gene Jackson introduced himself as the President of  
the cabin owners. These people have been working  
very hard on the access road easements to the bay.  
They are here to discuss the status of the easement  
and the only remaining one is the Tribe that  
they need to discuss with. Mr. Hardy is given the  
floor.

Discussion was on the existing route and the situa  
tion with Ms. Lois Little Owl. The cabin owners  
would like to get the matter resolved as soon as  
possible. There was a possibility of a new south  
access also.

Councilman Mossett was directed to set up a meeting  
in the Twin Buttes area since he is familiar with  
it and inform the Council so they can all attend  
this meeting.

ITEM 15: TRAVIS/TROY COX:  
A letter from the above was read by Secretary  
Rabbithead. Travis, who was present introduced  
himself.

Discussion was on Per Capita Payment and other  
benefits they should be entitled to.

Treasurer Bird Bear was directed to get the  
Solicitor's opinion on this as there may be  
others in the same situation.

ITEM 16: TRIBAL MEMBER REQUEST:  
This was a request from Mrs. Ramona Foolish Bear.  
Elgin Crows Breast spoke on her behalf stating

TRIBAL MEMBER REQUEST (CON'T):  
she wishes to sell her 80 acres of minerals. She has applied at the Bureau for fee patent. She wishes to give the tribe a chance to acquire and also wishes to be on the agenda for the next Council meeting. Dennis to follow up on this.

ITEM 17: TRIBAL MEMBER REQUEST:  
Janice Kerzman is requesting to make a loan up to \$45,000.00 to purchase a home and nine acres of land. Her son will cosign. She was ask to present this to the Credit Committee Meeting. It was suggested that Councilman Bird Bear as Treasurer to meet with the Natural Resources Department on this.

ITEM 18: RESOLUTION/GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM-#91-82:  
Resolution presented by Secretary Rabbithead.

This resolution is for prevention of alcohol/drug abuse among the youth of the Reservation prepared by Carolyn Danks.

Councilman Lone Fight made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Rabbithead.

Vote: 7 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 19: AID'S BUDGET:  
This budget needed signature immediately to be mailed which was done at the meeting.

ITEM 20: MANDAREE ELECTRONICS:  
There is a urgent need for the JTPA program to acquire tools amounting up to \$3,500.00 for the Mandaree Electronics Plant.

Councilman Lone Fight made a motion to authorize approval of this request, seconded by Councilman Bird Bear.

Vote: 7 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 21: WEST RIVER TRADING POST:  
Edward Hall and Gainus Little Soldier, Proprietors are requesting a liquor license renewal for this establishment. Mr. Little Soldier stated that they may open up a supper club soon.

WEST RIVER TRADING POST (CON'T):  
Councilman Mossett made a motion to approve  
the renewal pending Chairman's signature,  
seconded by Councilman Gillette.

Vote: 3 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 22: TRIBAL MEMBER REQUEST:  
Councilman Bird Bear presented a request from  
Robert Bell that he wanted to be considered to  
revoke his lease from the tribe and he had worked  
this out with the Natural Resources Department  
already. Diane Johnson has already checked it  
and other programs have approached him to utilize  
this building. He is asking for \$1,800.00 to lease  
this building back to the tribe and the Legal Dept  
is to make sure that all the doors are closed.

Councilman Lone Fight made a motion to approve this  
request, seconded by Councilman Bird Bear.

Vote: 7 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 23: STATE PROGRAMS FOR AGING:  
Anson Baker stated he was on the Governor's Board  
on Aging and he passed some material out for the  
Council's information. He informed that there will  
be an Aging Conference on June 4, 5, & 6 at United  
Tribes. They will be authorizing 15 people to  
attend from this reservation. Meals & one nights  
lodging will be paid and they are personally  
inviting the Tribal Chairman to come and take part.

ITEM 24: RESOLUTION/TAP COMMITTEE----#91-81:  
Secretary Rabbithead read resolution requesting  
for assistance from the BIA and IHS in the preven-  
tion of Alcohol/Drug Abuse prepared by the Tribal  
Action Committee.

Councilman Mossett made a motion to approve this  
resolution, seconded by Councilman Rabbithead.

Vote: 7 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 25: DIRECTIVE:  
Dennis Burr was directed to check all the tribal  
programs to see if any allowable costs could be  
picked up for the expenses for those teams asking  
for financial requests. Dennis is to get back to

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DIRECTIVE (CON'T):  
to Treasurer Bird Bear on this.

ITEM 26: RESOLUTION/LAND & LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION:  
Mrs. Viola Schettler presented the resolution  
requesting to reduce the rates on tribal land to  
\$18.00 an acre.

Discussion on that these adjustments should have  
gone to the Natural Resources Department  
beforehand. It was suggested that the Treasurer  
be allowed time to show full impact on what these  
rates would have on the tribal budget.

Councilman Mossett made a motion to reduce rates,  
seconded by Councilman Rabbithead.

Vote: 4 for, 3 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 27: ADJOURNMENT:  
Meeting adjourned at 1:10 PM.

Approved

Disapproved

John J. Rabbithead Jr.  
Secretary, John J. Rabbithead, Jr.

2/19/91  
Date

ATTEST:

Wilbur D. Wilkinson  
Chairman, Wilbur D. Wilkinson

2/19/91  
Date