

THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES
TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
TRIBAL CHAMBERS

Natural Resources Meeting
March 27, 1991

- PRESENT: Wilbur D. Wilkinson, Chairman; Titus Hall, Vice-Chairman; John J. Rabbithead, Jr., Secretary; Roger Bird Bear, Treasurer; Jim Mossett, Councilmember and LaVerne Brady, Recording Secretary.
- ABSENT: Austin Gillette and Theodore Lone Fight, III., Councilmembers.
- OTHERS: Edward S. Danks, James Danks, Felicia Felix, M, R, & I Program and Magdaline Young Bear, M, R, & I Program, Donald Morgan, Natural Resources Administrator and Harley T. Lone Bear, Pesticides Control Enforcer, Rick Little Swallow, Fish & Game Director.
- ITEM 01: CALL TO ORDER:
Meeting called to order at 1:55 PM.
- ITEM 02: ROLL CALL:
Secretary called the roll. Quorum established.
- ITEM 03: FISH & GAME PROGRAM:
Rick Little Swallow, Fish & Game Director explained that the Fishing Guide Proclamation to be passed through the committee for 1991 and 1992. Tentative dates were from May 4, 1991 through May 2, 1992. Scheduled changes will be on the walleye size limit and bass size limit. The issue of sending out permits to the elderly without fee was again brought to the attention of the fish & game program.
- Chairman Wilkinson entertained a motion to approve proclamation.
- Councilman Hall made a motion on the condition that the admendments be included on the proclamation, seconded by Councilman Hall.
- Admendments include permits to the elderly, 55 and over to be automatically mailed out to them with the second sheet to be filled out and returned.
- Vote: 5 for, 0 opposed, 1 not voting. Motion Carried.
- ITEM 04: WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST JOB DESCRIPTION:
The Director brought before the committee this

JOB DESCRIPTIONS (CON'T):
job description and other various position descriptions but was directed by the committee to handle this administratively. Marcus Wells/2:00 PM.

ITEM 05: APPOINTMENT AFFIDAVITS:
Affidavit Form read by Fish & Game Director.

Mr. Little Swallow was directed to give a copy of the affidavits to Cheryl White, Personnel Director.

ITEM 06: BUFFALO PROJECT REPORT:
The Fish & Game Director stated he met with the Economic Development Committee to discuss the Bison Project. Mr. Brensdal of First International Bank wants the Three Affiliated Tribes to separate itself from the project and he also wants the project to be placed under the direction of the state outside of the direction of the Tribal Government Organization. Mr. Little Swallow stated that they agreed they should take the proceeds from the sale that is slated for April 11, 1991 to pay off the bank and in addition sell what other buffalo would be needed to pay off the rest and the Natural Resources, in turn, look at other bank contacts to refund it so we can continue with the program.

Copies of the report will be made for each of the Councilmen by Mr. Little Swallow, Fish & Game Director. Parts of the report was read by him and he will discuss this with the Legal Dept.

Discussion was on the provisions added, agreement exceeding the basic requirements, and the overextended dollar amounts. The Natural Resources Department will have to go back and do some research.

Natural Resources Administrator stated we're at a standstill because the dollar amount was overpaid.

Chairman Wilkinson entertained a motion which directed the Natural Resources Program to take whatever action is necessary to get the issues resolved with First International and pay off this loan to get us out of it.

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BUFFALO PROJECT (CON'T):
Councilman Hall made a motion to approve the necessary actions, seconded by Councilman Rabbithead.

Councilman Mossett felt that during the loan negotiation process, the Chairman and the Legal Department should be involved.

The legal question of the added requirements was discussed.

Mr. Morgan stated whatever preliminary work we do, we'll make sure we run it through your office and the rest of the council so you know what's going on

Councilman Bird Bear stated that the additional comments were not added. They were the actual part of the loan agreement to keep operating costs down.

James Danks commented regarding the signed note to determine how much money was borrowed and how much was expended. He stated from what I've known, you council should come out there and look at it. From what I've known, a \$70,000.00 check was made to LCM and when I estimated it, it should have been under \$20,000.00.

Vote: 4 for, 0 opposed, 1 not voting. Motion Carried.

ITEM 07: NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM:
Don Morgan with Harley Lone Bear presents the following: Land exchange, Oil & Gas leases.

Chairman Wilkinson stated before you became the Administrator, Lester Crows Heart had a request that was approved. Please get with your staff and settle this. He asked Mr. Morgan how the Department account for the monies being paid.

Mr. Morgan stated that they are developing procedures for the collection of monies. They will take all these monies into the Finance Department.

ITEM 08: LAND EXCHANGE/MELDA LAMBERT:
Harley explained the location of land exchange.

LAND EXCHANGE (CON'T):

It was explained Melda wants a tribal lot out of city limits and her lot is located within the city. It is a fee lot for a fee lot but neither is in trust. A question was asked why it isn't in trust but the required documents are at the BIA and it is being followed up on. The Council asked the Natural Resources Department for the written documents for their review.

Councilman Hall made a motion to consummate the trade, seconded by Councilman Rabbithead.

Vote: 4 for, 0 opposed, 1 not voting. Motion Carried.

ITEM 09: OIL & GAS LEASES:

Don Morgan introduced Mr. Richard Gravely of Geoliner Exploration. Mr. Gravely explained regarding the Packineau well site. The second process was the grant of the right of way. 51% signatures were needed and that has been established but we desire the Tribal Business Council to be involved. Marcus Wells worked with Mr. Gravely on the Shell-Packineau well.

Mr. Morgan was asked if this request was analyzed. He replied that he did not get a chance as he met with Mr. Gravely only this morning.

Mr. Morgan was directed to get with the staff and properly analyze and present to the committee.

Transcontinental Oil Company: Harley explained this company was the successful bidder on a lease. Again, Mr. Morgan was asked if he analyzed this and is it in our best interests to consummate the lease. The bonus dollar amounts was explained by Harley.

Councilman Mossett made a motion to accept this lease, seconded by Councilman Bird Bear.

Vote: 4 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 10: MCKENZIE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC:

Harley explained this company is requesting for an electric line right of way to go by the highway as Lost Bridge is being moved west 500 feet. Due to this realignment, the lines have to be moved over.

MCKENZIE ELECTRIC REQUEST (CON'T):
Councilman Mossett made a motion for approval,
seconded by Councilman Rabbithead.

Point of Interest: Chairman Wilkinson stated
why are they charging an enrolled member the
amount of \$14,000.00 to put a line to his trailer
when a line is readily available across the road.

Councilman Rabbithead withdrew his second to the
motion. Mr. Morgan and his staff were directed to
find out why they are demanding a large amount of
money from enrolled members of this tribe for in-
stallation of electric lines and if non-Indians are
required to pay these fees also. When this is done
then this can be presented back to the committee.

ITEM 11: OIL & GAS LEASE/30 DAY EXTENSION:
Marcus Wells presented the oil and gas lease from
September, 1988 sale by Exxon. This was finally
excepted by the BIA for their approval and they
need Tribal approval for this.

Chairman Wilkinson entertain a motion to approve
this oil & gas lease.

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

Vote: 4 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 12: HUNTS ALONG BAY AREA OIL & GAS LEASE:
Mr. Morgan asked Mr. Gravely to explain the sus-
pended acreage of the bay as his company would like
to purchase a lease on this. If all the necessary
paperwork is done, the company is willing to pay
\$25.00 an acre for this.

Mr. Gravely was asked if he wanted authorization
from the tribe to negotiate a lease on this property.

Councilman Hall questioned Mr. Morgan if he had a
chance to look this over and Mr. Morgan stated that
if it was approved, he will pursue working on it.

Chairman Wilkinson entertained a motion to
authorize the Natural Resources Department to take
a look at this, review it and if it's in the best
interest to negotiate, begin the negotiating of a
lease on this property.

HUNTS ALONG BAY LEASE (CON'T:
Councilman Hall made a motion to authorize,
seconded by Councilman Rabbithead.

Vote: 5 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 13: LITTLE SOLDIER REDEMPTION:
Councilman Mossett asked Mr. Morgan if he had a chance to talk to the Tribal Attorney? He replied he hadn't but he had made calls as to funding sources. There is no docket funds available but there is FMHA funds. Mr. Morgan questioned if the council was giving him the authority to pursue this as the deadline is April 4 to get the answer to the Attorney in Bismarck. If we make a 15 to 25% payment on this lien to hold this land from going through the sheriff's sale, then the tribe has the first opportunity to acquire the land back. Mr. Morgan was then questioned if he had the documents to support what he was saying and if the liens were paid off, where do the Little Soldiers fit in? Questioned also was if we purchase those liens, does that give us title to the property. Mr. Morgan stated he will work with the tribal attorney on this.

The committee requested that he have a report ready in the next 24 hours.

Councilman Mossett stated he needed a motion for \$12,600.00 to purchase the 3rd junior liens. This needs to be made payable today.

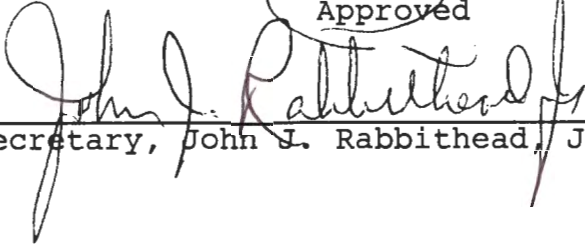
Chairman Wilkinson entertained a motion authorizing \$12,600.00 to consummate the deal contingent upon findings and determinations by the Natural Resource Administrator that it is in the best interest of the tribe to fully consummate the Little Soldier land purchase.

Councilman Mossett made the motion to authorize, seconded by Councilman Hall.

ITEM 14: ADJOURNMENT:
Meeting adjourned at 3:10 PM.

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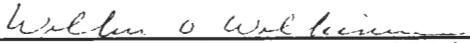
Secretary, John J. Rabbithead, Jr.

Disapproved

4/5/91

Date

ATTEST:



Chairman, Wilbur D. Wilkinson

4/5/91

Date