# THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL UTTC-BUILDING 61

## Regular Council Meeting September 9, 1993

PRESENT: Wilbur D. Wilkinson, Chairman; Ivan Johnson, Vice

Chairman; John J. Rabbithead, Jr., Secretary;

Roger Bird Bear, Treasurer; Jim Mossett, Council-

member; George Fast Dog, Councilmember and

LaVerne Brady, Recording Secretary.

ABSENT: Austin Gillette in at 12:30PM.

OTHERS: Enrolled Members: Sharon Gravos and Dale Little

Soldier.

Employees: Bernadine Young Bird, Education Administrator; Jeanette Coffey, Comp. Mgmt Director; Glenda Embry, ACT/CDBG Director; Ambrose Hosie,

Credit Officer; Virgil Wilkinson, Economic Development staff; Spencer Wilkinson, CEO; Pat Wilkinson, Economic Development Staff; Calvin

Grinnell, Public Relations Director; Abigail Country, Vice Chairman's Assistant; Tom Bird Bear, Contract Manager; Delores White, Public Relations Assistant; Karen Stevens, Public Relations Staff; Linda Little Soldier, Public Relations Staff; Carol Good Bear, Tribal Liasion and Kevin Finley, Drug &

Alcohol Project Director.

ITEM 01: CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 11:40AM.

ITEM 02: ROLL CALL:

Roll called by Secretary Rabbithead. Quorum established. Reverend Spencer Wilkinson gave the

opening prayer.

ITEM 03: RESOLUTIONS/LANDSALES:

FOR THE RECORD: It was stated that these landsales were approved some months back. Numbers starting with 121, 121A, 121B and etc., be assigned them today and services be expedited.

Chairman Wilkinson entertained motion to approve.

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LANDSALE RESOLUTION (CON'T):
Secretary Rabbithead made motion to approve, seconded by Vice Chairman Johnson.

Vote: 6 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

Landsales were approved for the following:
Arlene Gullickson Claude F. Bad Brave
Alva R. Irwin Edwin Benson
Ella Rita Olson Quentin Beston
Sandra Yocum Belinda Beston
Thelma M. Fox Roxanne Cutler

Glenda Baker-Embry

ITEM 04: RESOLUTION/OIL & GAS SYMPOSIUM: Resolution #93-122.
Resolution read by Secretary Rabbithead.
This resolution pertains to authorizing our Natural Resources Department and the Branch of Energy and Mineral Assistance to conduct and oil & Gas Symposium on the reservation. The Symposium would be used to develop a guidebook to encourage develop ment of oil & gas resources.

Treasurer Bird Bear made motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Fast Dog.

Chairman Wilkinson acknowledged motion and second.

Vote: 6 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 05: RESOLUTION/FBCC LIBRARY SERVICES GRANT: 93-123-JJR. Resolution read by Secretary Rabbithead. This pertains to authorizing the contracting of FY'94 funding to submit applications to continue and expand library services on the Fort Berthold Reservation.

Councilman Mossett made motion to approve, seconded by Vice Chairman Johnson.

Chairman Wilkinson acknowledged motion and second. Vote: 6 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

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ITEM 06: RESOLUTION/MANDAREE COMMUNITY CENTER: Res #93-124:
Resolution read by Secretary Rabbithead.
This resolution pertains to the request of building a new community center in the Western Segment (Mandaree) out of the 1994 CDBG funds as a #1 priority.

Chairman Wilkinson entertains motion to approve.

Vice Chairman Johnson made motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Fast Dog.

Discussion included usually there are three priorities so there was a request for the Twin Buttes Community HeadStart center as the #2 priority.

Motion to be amended to reflect HeadStart Center for the Twin Buttes Community as the #2 priority.

Vote: 6 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 07: RESOLUTION/FORT BERTHOLD COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO OBTAIN A LOAN: Resolution #93-125-JJR. Resolution read by Secretary Rabbithead. This pertains to assuring a guarantee to a selected banking institution for a loan in the amount of \$350,000.00 for FBCC.

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

Chairman Wilkinson acknowledged motion and second.

Discussion: It was stated Comptroller Wells recommended that resolution reflect loan to be paid off by gaming revenue.

Vote: 6 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 08: RESOLUTION/IRRIGATION OF TRIBAL LANDS: #93-126-JJR.
Resolution read by Secretary Rabbithead. This
pertains to requesting the BIA to let the tribe
contract for irrigation.

Chairman Wilkinson entertains motion to approve.

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IRRIGATION RESOLUTION (CON'T):
Vice Chairman Johnson made motion to approve, secon
ded by Councilman Fast Dog.

Vote: 6 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

#### ITEM 09: LAY OFF ISSUE:

Sharon Gravos of Gravos Construction was present and stated they had been working at the Casino, but they have been laid off twice by Joe Friday of the Bruce Lien Company.

All the Supervisors gave them good recommendations. It was questioned if any of the Councilmen were aware of this situation, or if TERO Director Wells had contacted Mr. Friday regarding his position on this. The response was that Mr. Friday stated he would hire them back on but each time he's laid them off again. It was stated there was a meeting with him three times.

Chairman Wilkinson stated he would like to know the reason for the layoff's and also if anything was done in writing.

It was suggested that to get this matter resolved, Chairman Wilkinson himself, Councilman Fast Dog, Mrs. Gravos and other interested parties meet with Mr. Friday.

It was also stated that Lonnie Burr blacklisted the Gravos' from working with LCM. Discussion on the issue of dog kennel and Lonnie blacklisting individuals. Lonnie Burr to be contacted and notified to be at the same meeting with Mr. Friday to be scheduled for 10:00 AM next Wednesday (9/13) at the Tribal conference room. Arrangements to be set up by Councilman Fast Dog.

Mrs. Gravos further stated she has a recommendation from Theresa Price, Dialysis Director, as far as her husband's work with the Dialysis Project.

It was stated to Secretary Rabbithead, as Human Re-

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LAYOFF ISSUE (CON'T):
sources Chairman, regarding two issues: 1)water &
2)electricity to get together with the Dialysis
people to get those issues resolved as soon as
possible.

ITEM 10: CASINO REVENUE FOR EDUCATION DEPARTMENT:

Bernadine Young Bird, Education Administrator was present and explained her concerns and request. She distributed paperwork regarding projected needs and thanked the Tribal Business Council for their support for the Education activities and its' mission.

The requests for consideration included:

- 1). a centralized unit for the headstart offices.
- 2). projected needs for the headstart facilities.
- 3). other areas include needs for Four Bears Daycare, Tracking System, Schools K-12 and Adult Higher Education.

It was explained as of date, there are no financial assistance requests from any schools except a verbal request from the Twin Buttes School Administrator. It was explained that this request was for a deficit.

Mrs. Young Bird further requested the Council to look at the earmarking of the revenue monies. She stated the Higher Education Program services all students nationwide, not just locally. She further stated what this is leading to is we're getting increasing responsibility and we have always had unmet needs but we are not even included in your allocation for revenue and I realize you are going to reconsider in a year, so my purpose today is for you to take a good look at our mission for education as it is not just higher education.

I have no idea the allocation for 10%, that you have in there is earmarked for our higher education program under the direction of the Higher Ed Director. I had a question if that is for the grants to members who come into request for

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT REQUEST (CON'T):
educational assistance from the Council. What concerns me most is it wasn't earmarked for education itself. I guess I'm not too clear about what that is and that we could be determined as an education entity as to what our priorities were, for instance if we could allocate so much to early childhood, etc

She commented also about the curriculum for the Mandan, Hidatsa & Arikara so a lot of their work is just in not one area. It was questioned if the Mandan & Hidatsa submitted their part of the study guide? It was explained by Mrs. Young bird that they were submitted but for the Arikara part, only one sheet was submitted. There was a question regarding the book that was put together by the Sahnish Cultural Committee.

Bernadine was directed to get a copy of minutes of the motion made regarding the guides to be submittee. She was also directed to write a transmittal letter for Council's signature to be sent to White Shield School Board Chairman.

Bernadine further re-emaphasized for reconsideration of the allocation for the education department since this was earmarked for the Higher Education Grant Program but that the department serves all individuals-birth to adult.

The Council felt that when the allocation was made, it was broadbased for overall education department. Treasurer Bird Bear was directed to get together with Bernadine to get this issue resolved.

It was also stated that there was an issue at Twin Buttes HeadStart where it may have to close due to not enough children enrolled. It was explained by Bernadine that they need, at least 15 children but there are only six so it's been proposed that there be a Tribal HeadStart opened as we have thirty days to work up some sort of plan for these six children

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT REQUEST (CON'T):
Discussion on the number of children that should be enrolled in all the districts. It was questioned what efforts have been done to increase the amount of enrollees at Twin Buttes. Response was a number of alternatives were done like recruitment, census check, visits with families and the schools and the Healthy Start Project. It was stated another alternative would be to keep the center in operation would be to incorporate HeadStart with Kindergarten students, if at all possible. Mrs. Young Bird is still in the process of looking into this.

It was questioned what dollar amount is needed to keep this center operating? Response was under \$30,000.00 for the rest of school year to maintain the employees.

It was suggested that a meeting be set up between Catherine Harmon, Alyce Spotted Bear, Jim Mossett and Chairman Wilkinson.

First option to be explored would be if Twin Buttes is included in the 163 count and if we've already received that money, it has to be set aside for Twin Buttes, second is the Integration of HeadStart and Kindergarten and third is for the tribe to provide supplemental funding to keep the center open.

Councilman Mossett made motion to approve, seconded by Vice Chairman Johnson.

Chairman Wilkinson acknowledged motion and second.

Vote: 5 for, 0 opposed, 1 not voting.
Motion Carried.

#### ITEM 11: ENROLLMENT ISSUE:

Edward Packineau was present to explain the situation of his son's enrollment and distributed some supporting documents stating he wanted his son to be enrolled because he wants him to know who he is. He explained his father and father's sister blood degree. He stated most of the documents he got are

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ENROLLMENT ISSUE (CON'T):

from the BIA in New Town, the National Archives in Kansas City MO, the historical society in ND and other places. A resolution was also presented.

Discussion on fathers' blood degree. It was suggested this matter be referred to our enrollment clerk.

Secretary Rabbithead will do some research on this matter and report back to the Tribal Business Council.

Mr. Packineau further stated he had a two hour meeting with Superintendent Walters yesterday with the enrollment clerk present.

### ITEM 12: LITTLE SOLDIER REQUEST:

Mr. Dale Little Soldier presented a proposal to develop a recreation area in the Beulah area to be located in Twin Buttes on the Southeast end of the reservation. He presented a lengthy explanation on this proposal.

Discussion included the location, JTAC Land Recovery issue, correspondence from the Corp of Engineers, licenses, meeting the requirements (line of credit and a business plan).

Mr. Little Soldier stated he will bring back a financial and a business plan at the next scheduled Council Meeting. He further stated this is a worth-while venture for the tribe as it will provide employment. There was also discussion on the Twin Buttes Parks & Recreation.

For the Record: It was stated that the same conditions that we applied to the Four Bears Casino & Lodge will apply to Mr. Little Soldier. Everything will belong to the Three Affiliated Tribes and the tribe to be liable free.

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ITEM 13: DRUG & ALCOHOL ELIMINATION PROJECT UPDATE:
Kevin Finley, Project Director was present. Arnold
Grady is the Recreation Director. The objective of
this project is to eliminate Drugs & Alcohol
through recreational activities.

Plans are being made to form segment leagues and youth activities to include open gym, recreation nights, cultural activities, ice skating, basketball camps. track meets and they are also looking at professional sporting events. Every kid's dream

One or two individuals will be selected from each segment as leaders. They will serve as role models recruiters and training will be provided for these individuals so it will give them an incentive to serve and go against the war on Alcohol & Drugs.

Each community was visited already. School Drug & Alcohol Coordinators have also been contacted. Six activity leaders will be incorporated also as an X amount of dollars will be given to each segment.

Letters have been sent to all Councilmembers and Community Officers. Most importantly, office space is really needed for this project.

These monies are earmarked only for youth but the plan to get adults involved will be through sponsor fees.

ITEM 14: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUEST FOR HOUSEFIRE:
Vice Chairman Johnson made a motion to assist
Emma White Owl in the amount of \$1,000.00, seconded
by Councilman Mossett.

Chairman acknowledged motion and second.

Vote: 7 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

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ITEM 15: ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 12:40PM.

Approved
Secretary, John J. Rabbithead, Jr.

Disapproved

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Date

ATTEST:

Chairman, Wilbur D. Wilkinson

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Date



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### AGENDA

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CHAIRMAN Wilbur D. Wilkinson	01.	Call to Order
VICE CHAIRMAN Ivan Johnson Mandaree (701) 759-3377	02.	Roll Call
	03.	Resolution: Landsales
SECRETARY John "Jack" Rabbithead, Jr. Parshall/Lucky Mound (701) 862-3841	04.	Resolution: Oil & Gas Symposium
TREASURER Roger Bird Bear Four Bears	05.	Resolution: FBCC Library Services Grant
	06.	Resolution: Mandaree Community Center
COUNCIL MEMBER Austin Gillette White Shield (701) 743-4244	07.	Resolution: Fort Berthold Community College to obtain a loan
COUNCIL MEMBERS Jim Mossett Twin Buttes (701) 938-4403  COUNCIL MEMBER leorge Fast Dog New Town / Little Shell (701) 627-3484	08.	Resolution: Irrigation of Tribal Lands
	09.	LayOff Issue
	10.	Casino Revenue for Education Department
	11.	Enrollment Issue
	12.	Little Soldier Request
	13.	Drug & Alcohol Elimination Project Update
	14.	Financial Assistance Request for housefire
	15.	Adjournment