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Three Affiliated Tribes • Fort Berthold Indian Reservation

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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

MAY 31, 1996

TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL

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- A. CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING PRAYER.** A Special Meeting of the Three Affiliated Tribes' Tribal Business Council was called to order by Chairman Russell D. Mason, Sr., at 2:45 p.m. in the Tribal Council Chambers. A moment of silent prayer and meditation was held.
- B. ROLL CALL.** Secretary Spotted Bear called roll: All members were present, with the exception of Mr. Johnson and Mr. Fast Dog. Quorum established.
- C. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS.** Mr. Mark N. Fox reported on the North Dakota Indian Gaming Association meeting in Bismarck, and said they had good representation and a good discussion on the campaign against Measure No. 5. Mr. Fox said on the 13th of June, the federal court hearing on the casino lawsuit against the Tribes will be held in the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals. Later, on the same date, a meeting has been scheduled between the Tribal Gaming Attorneys and the Casino management to discuss possible negotiations. On June 25 through June 28, most of the council will be in Washington, D.C. to attend several meetings.

Mr. Austin Gillette stated that the White Shield Community held their memorial services on the traditional day of May 30. There was a good turnout and the Legion Club had been presented with a 36-star flag, which they, in turn, gave to the Old Scouts Society. Chairman Mason commended the Ladies Auxiliary for their good preparation.

Mr. Daylon Spotted Bear said the Open House held for Carroll Smith on his 90th birthday was successful, with a good turn out, and the pendleton blanket had been presented to him from the council. Mr. Spotted Bear thanked his Twin Buttes staffmembers, Cynthia Danks and Wanda Mossette, for their hard work and preparation for this event.

- D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.** MOTION to approve agenda, with additions, made by Mr. Spotted Bear. Second by Mr. Fox. VOTE: 5 in favor, 2 absent. Carried.
- E. NEW BUSINESS.**

01. Resolution for 1996 Cultural and Traditional Activities in Segments. Resolution was introduced by Mr. Spotted Bear for funds for the Twin Buttes 1996 Pow Wow. Discussion by Treasurer Fox that he would support \$12,000 for each segment. Discussion held on

unanticipated low casino revenues, and the projected budget for FY 1997. Mr. Fox also said the computer system in the Finance Department is not doing what it should be doing, and he thought they would be asking for a computer expert and other consultants to come in and help on this. After discussion, **MOTION** to approve the resolution authorizing \$12,000 to each segment for traditional and cultural activities for 1996 was made by Mr. Spotted Bear. Second by Mr. Gillette. Vote: 5 in favor, 2 absent. Carried. R#96-123-DSB.

02. Parshall CDBG Grant Close-Out Work Group. Mr. Fox said a smaller portion of this grant is to renovate and construct offices, classrooms and libraries at their tribal building, as well as a parking lot. He said he had secured Ken Stevenson as temporary/full-time construction supervisor for this project. **MOTION** by Mr. Fox for council to authorize himself as administrator in securing a work force of a couple carpenters and some laborers to carry out the requirements of the CDBG grant. Second by Mr. Gillette. Discussion by Mr. Gillette on necessity of establishing a reservation-wide standardization scale for construction workers. Mr. Fox said this is supposed to be done by TERO. Vote: 5 in favor, 2 absent. Carried.

03. Motion for Executive Committee to Select Summer Student Interns. Mr. Fox said it takes time to get the summer interns on board, and if we wait until the 18th, they probably won't begin work until the end of the month. In order for them to get their eight-week internships in, he suggested that council give approval to the Executive Committee to review the applications, and make the selections and placements. **MOTION** made by Mr. Fox for the Executive Committee to be responsible for the review and placement of the student intern applications. Second by Mr. Hall. Discussion by Mr. Gillette as to how many interns will be selected. Mr. Fox said seven interns will be selected and he would like to see them begin working by the 10th of June. Vote: 4 in favor, 1 opposed, 2 absent. Carried.

04. Advertisement of Credit Officer Position. Mr. Fox reported that, in accordance with the Minutes of April 11, 1996, the Credit Officer position description has been revised and reclassified. This was completed by Mr. David Brendsel, Financial Consultant. This position will be advertised shortly.

05. Solid Waste Program Operator Salary Adjustment. Discussion by Mr. Fox that the salary of one of the solid waste operators is not consistent with the other operators, and he had received a request by the operator for an adjustment. Mr. Gillette stated that the Natural Resources Committee had not been approached on this, and this was the first he was aware of it. After discussion, Mr. Gillette made a **MOTION** for a salary increase for Leland Beston, and to authorize the Treasurer to review the budget of the Solid Waste Program to effect this increase. Salary adjustment to be effective on the next feasible

pay period, after review by Treasurer. Motion seconded by Mr. Fox.
Vote: 5 in favor, 2 absent. Carried.

06. Uniband Resolution on Construction/Renovation of Ralph J. Wells Community Building. Mr. Gillette explained the purpose of this resolution was to reject all bids for renovation of the Ralph J. Wells Memorial Community Center, because they were too high, and to go with a Force Account Contract. Authority would go to Chairman Mason and/or Councilman Gillette to appoint a construction superintendent, and authorize the Chairman to sign the paperwork needed to execute the force account process. **MOTION** by Mr. Gillette to approve the resolution. Second by Mr. Fox. Discussion: Mr. Gillette informed council that the membership of the Uniband board of directors had been completely changed. After discussion off the record, vote was called for. Vote: 5 in favor, 2 absent. Carried. **R#96-124-DSB.**

- F. NEXT MEETING.** Regular Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 18, 1996.
- G. ADJOURNMENT.** **MOTION** to adjourn by Mr. Gillette. Second by Mr. Fox. Vote: 5 in favor, 2 absent. Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES

I, the undersigned, as Executive Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of seven (7) members, of whom five (5) members constitute a quorum.

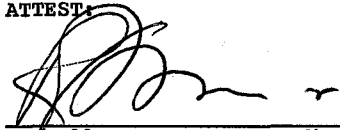
Seven members were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 18th day of June 1996, whereupon the foregoing minutes were presented for approval by the Three Affiliated Tribes Recording Secretary.

Said minutes were duly approved by the affirmative vote of 7 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members absent; and that these minutes have not been amended in any way, except as noted by council when approved.

Dated this 18th day of June 1996.

Daylon Spotted Bear
Daylon Spotted Bear, Executive Secretary
Three Affiliated Tribes

ATTEST:



Russell D. Mason, Sr., Chairman
Tribal Business Council