

# THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES NATURAL RESOURCE COMMITTEE MEETING 03-11-AS March 1st & 2nd 2011

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Strahs called the meeting to order at 11:33 p.m.

**PRAYER:** Lydia Hale said the invocation

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Chairman Strahs, Councilman Eagle, Councilwoman Brugh is present. A quorum is established with three members present.

- I. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: Deferred until next scheduled Natural Resource Committee
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Councilman Eagle moved to approve the agenda. Councilwoman Brugh seconded the motion.

VOTE: 3 Ayes. Motion carried.

#### III. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: Sadie Youngbird

Directive: Councilwoman Brugh requested Annette Youngbird to look into the old Satermo Hair Salon building that the tribe purchased for Domestic Violence office space.

#### IV. LAND EXCHANGE: Alva Irwin

Councilman Eagle suggested he would set up a meeting with Mr. Jim Dawson.

### V. ACREAGE ISSUES: Lydia Hale & Jodie Brieck

The Three Affiliated Tribes local Bureau of Indian Affairs state that Lydia's land is in fee status. Lydia Hale was married to an enrolled member. Issues are Mrs. Hale has not received any payments for the buffalo land she has here. Lydia also claims both Dunn and McKenzie County indicated that the land is still in trust. The Bureau has not issued fee patents on her interests. Lydia would like for the land to remain in trust on her interest. Lydia's main reason for the land to remain in trust so Lydia can gift deed to her children and retain life estate.

Councilman Eagle motioned to have Director, Annette Young Bird work with Lydia Hale along with both Dunn and McKenzie counties and our local Bureau to check with the existing land status. Councilwoman Brugh seconded the motion.

VOTE: 3 Ayes. Motion carried.

#### VI. ZENERGY: Annette Youngbird

Councilwoman Brugh motioned to put into resolution format a base rate \$15,000.00 fee per drill site, also \$1,200.00 for road right of ways. Councilman Eagle seconded the motion.

VOTE: 3 Ayes. Motion carried.

#### VII. A. MHA ENERGY: Fred Fox & Dave Williams

Councilwoman Brugh motioned to transfer \$150,000.00 from the Exploration Production budget into MHA Resources Budget. Councilman Eagle seconded the motion.

VOTE: 3 Ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting recessed at 4:11 p.m.

Meeting resumed at 4:38 p.m.

# B. Amendment to Oil & Gas Lease of Dakota 3, IMDA, & Spotted Hawk

Spotted Hawk Oil Company has a proposal to swap 18% of acreage in the lake bed involving leases with the Three Tribes Tribe, Dakota 3, under the Indian Mineral Development Act. (IMDA)

Directive: Councilman Strahs gave Energy Director, Fred Fox a directive to take offer back to Spotted Hawk, with the offer of an a existing match of 22.5 %

#### C. Organizational Chart

Councilwoman Brugh motioned to hire a petroleum engineer for the tribe to assist Fred and Energy Department. Councilman Eagle seconded the motion.

VOTE: 3 Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion: Jeff Hunt to assist and draft a position for Environmental Engineer and bring it back next regular Tribal Business Council meeting. Chief Executive Officer Rich Mayer and Tribal Program Analyst, Dennis Fox to work and assist Energy Administrator Fred Fox to create position and details. Councilman Eagle seconded the motion.

Councilwoman Brugh motioned for approval of the organizational chart with the changes to remove Exploration Manager Dave Williams,

Administrative Whitney Rabbithead and Stephanie Howard-Baker. Councilman Eagle seconded the motion.

VOTE: 3 Ayes. Motion carried.

## D. Tribal Energy Department Positions: Dennis Fox

Committee motion to defer until next scheduled NRC.

Councilman Eagle motioned to approve the Energy Department to purchase of three pickups based on availability of funds and follow proper procedures. Councilwoman Brugh seconded the motion.

VOTE: 3 Ayes. Motion carried.

#### E. Orientation to Federal Indian Lands Training:

Councilwoman Brugh motioned to approve the ICC Indian Enterprise training at the Casino March 28<sup>th</sup> - April 4<sup>th</sup> 2011. Councilman Eagle seconded the motion.

VOTE: 3 Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion: Director of Natural Resources, Annette Youngbird and Energy Administrator Fred Fox will meet and decide what individuals and departments need to go from the tribe. Also surrounding tribes and departments attend for cost efficiency.

VOTE: 3 Ayes. Motion carried.

#### F Informational Update: Well Security On New Law

Directive: Councilwoman Brugh suggested next Regular Tribal Business Council meeting to discuss this issue and set up a meeting with departments and committees involved.

#### G. Regional Meeting in Denver: Horace Pipe

Councilman Strahs, Councilman Eagle, and Councilman Whitecalfe plan on attending the Regional meeting in Denver March 8<sup>th</sup> 2011 for a (PTA) potential to amendment.

#### VIII. Roger White owl: Informational Update

Roger White owl gave a report for the upcoming meeting with the Army Corp Of Engineer, March 21-25<sup>th</sup> also the dates of April 11-29<sup>th</sup>. These times are scheduled for Catherine Warren from the Army Corp Of Engineer, Omaha Distribution to meet with the public at Northern Lights for a hearing in April for discussion and input from the communities

with the ACOE regarding the Missouri River Studies ecosystem and restoration plan.

Councilwoman Brugh motioned to recess 6:32 p.m. and reconvene tomorrow March 2nd 2011. Councilman Eagle seconded the motion. 3 Ayes. Motion carried.

Chairman Benson called the meeting to reconvene March 2, 2011 at 2:38 p.m Present: Chairman Strahs, Councilman Benson, Councilwoman Brugh, and Councilman Eagle. A quorum is established with four members present.

#### VIIII. GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT: Fred Poitra

Director Fred Poitra gave a update on non and enrolled member fees. Fred also stated he will set a meeting with the State regarding the MOU Memorandum of Understanding.

#### Jack Rabbit head- Farm Pasture Leases Χ.

#### 1. Verlee Whitecalf-Renewal

Coucilman Benson moved to approve Allot. No. T1441, described as Grass within W 1/2 NE 1/4, E1/2, NW 1/4 Sec 6, T147N R87W, containing 160 pasture acres at 7.50 per acre, for a period of 5 years.

Allot No. T.A #2, described as grass within E ½, SE ½, S ½, SE ¼, NE 1/4 Sec. 8, T147N R 87W, containing 85.0 pasture acres at 7.50 per acre, for a period of 5 years, for a total of \$637.50. Councilwoman Brugh seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4 Ayes. Motion carried.

#### 2. Hollis Blake-Renewal

Councilwoman Brugh moved to approve Allot No. T567A-E, described as Lots 3 & 4 Sec. 30, T152N R 94W containing 69.7 pasture acres at \$7.50 per acre, for a total of \$522.75 annually for a period of 5 years. Councilman Benson seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4 Ayes. Motion carried.

#### 3. Don Bauman-Renewal

Councilman Benson moved to approve Allot No. T813, described as N ½ SW 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 9 T147N, R88W, containing 13.8 cultivated acres at \$44.00 per acre for a total of \$607.20 annually for a period of 5 years. Councilwoman Brugh seconded the motion.

3 Ayes. Motion carried.

VOTE: 4 Ayes. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Brugh motioned to approve Allot No. T719, described as SE ½, NE ¼, Sec. 8 T-147N R88W, containing 29 cultivated acres for 44.00 per acre, for a total of \$1,276.00 for a period of 5 years.

Allot No. T.A, described as N ½ NW ¼ NE ¼ Sec. 17, T147N 88W containing 18.0 cultivated acres for 44.00 per acre at \$792.00 annually for a period of 5 years. Councilman Benson seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4 Ayes. Motion carried.

#### 4. Greta Whitecalfe-Renewal

Councilman Benson moved to approve Allot No. T1758, described as Cropland within NE ¼ SE ¼ Sec. 2, T147N R87W containing 38.0 cultivated acres for \$32.00 per acre for a total of \$1,216.00 for a period of 5 years. Councilwoman Brugh seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4 Ayes. Motion Carried

#### XI. RURAL WATER: Lester Crowsheart

Requesting to hire a temporary file clerk:

Councilman Benson motioned to approve a temporary file clerk not to exceed six months. Councilwoman seconded the motion.

VOTE: 3-0-1 Motion carried.

Discussion: Temporary position not to exceed more than 6 months. Lester status is currently temporary director of rural water.

Councilman Benson motioned to move the status for future permanent hire to full tribal business council. Councilman Eagle seconded the motion.

Councilwoman Brugh expressed her concern for the Four Bears Community water break that has been occurring since November of 2010.

#### XII. ROADS DEPARTMENT: Curt Wells

**Directive:** Chief Executive Officer Richard Mayer gave a directive to Roads Director, Curt Wells to contact companies in Minot N.D for material testing on the gravel.

#### XIII. BUSINESS PLAN: Joy Chapin

Councilman Eagle deferred Joy Chapin's business proposal to rent a building in North Segment, also bring this item back to the next Economic Committee. Councilman Eagle would also like to take request also back to the community board.

#### Temporary Chief Game Warden Position:

Game and Fish Director Fred Poitra advertised the following position. Fred's recommendation is James Baker as acting Chief Game Warden until filled.

Councilwoman Brugh moved to appoint James Baker as temporary appointment for acting Chief Game Warden. Councilman Eagle seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4 Ayes. Motion carried.

#### XIIII. ADJOURNMENT:

Councilwoman Brugh motion to adjourn meeting at 4:43 pm Councilman Eagle seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4 Ayes. Motion carried.

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Natural Resource Committee of the Three Affiliated
Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Natural Resource
Committee is composed of three (3) members of whom (3) constitute a quorum 2 were
present at the Meeting thereof duly called, notice, convened and held on the <b>Z</b> Eday of
July , 2011, that the foregoing Minutes were amended and duly adopted at such
meeting by the affirmative vote of 3 members; 0 members opposed; 0 members
abstained; O Members not voting.

Dated this 4 day of \_

Francine M. White, Recording Secretary Tribal Natural Resource Committee

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ATTEST:

Arnold Strahs, Chairman Tribal Natural Resources Committee

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