

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Committee Chairman Monica Mayer called the meeting to order at 3:04 pm.

### PRAYER:

The Invocation was offered by Dr. Wayne Fox at the beginning of the Education Meeting.

### ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilwoman Monica Mayer, Member Councilman Fred Fox, Councilman Randy Phelan, Councilman Mervin Packineau. Quorum established.

## I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion: Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to approve the agenda as amended. Councilman Mervin Packineau seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion carried.

## II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

• 1/13/2017 Economic Development Committee minutes.

Motion: Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to approve the minutes of January 13, 2017 Economic Development Committee minutes with corrections. Councilman Mervin Packineau seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion carried.

## III. PROGRAM REPORTS:

#### A. Tourism - Darian Morsette

This item was addressed with submittal of a report of activities such as training, staff, upcoming projects, staff meeting, Emergency Action Plan. Councilwoman Monica Mayer would like to have Tourism involved with the Helen Gough Honoring along with the Museum. Also to bring forward an honoring of outstanding sports person Classic High School Basketball Tournament. Jason Morsette discussed the Traditional Songs of the Upper Missouri project. Ladies Auxiliary budgets and fund raising with the use of the Northern Lights Building for the event. He is requesting \$17,000 for Ladies Auxiliary's Post 253, Post 271 & 9061, Ladies Unit 300. Fund raising is a continuing effort.

**Motion:** Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to forward Traditional Songs of the Upper Missouri project request for \$9000/day under policy to the March 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 TBC. Councilman Mervin Packineau seconded the motion.

# B. MHA Interpretive Center – Delphine Baker

This item was addressed and a report was submitted. Provided a project report with first meeting on Tuesday that determined the old plans can be used with



some design updates ready in about 3 ½ months with no major change orders. Discussion of construction procurement and RFP for Construction Manager and the need for timely acquisition. Will need about \$3 million once construction starts and will working the CFO. Councilwoman Monica Mayer noted that she is the supervisor of the program. Delphine Baker noted the land is above the high water mark and leases the land from the Corps and questioned why we would need this when we own the land. She will work Corps until this issue is settled.

#### C. TERO - Charles Foote

This item was tabled until the next Economic Committee meeting. A report was submitted.

## D. Planning & Grants-Sheila Many Ribs

This item was tabled until the next Economic Committee meeting. A report was submitted.

## E. Tribal Housing - Lawrence Baker

This item was tabled until the next Economic Committee meeting. A report was submitted. Segments are paying labor and submitting invoices for repayment to the Fort Berthold Housing Authority for the over 100 empty HUD homes.

# F. 2017 MSU Graduation Pow-wow Sponsorship - Annette Mennem

Motion: Councilman Mervin Packineau moved to forward to the February 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 TBC. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

## G. Small Loans - Mary Ellen Sun

Will present and overall financial report of the program at the next meeting.

#### H. Business Loans - Toni Starr

This item was addressed by the Administrator informing the Committee members that a request for a Business Loan under \$75,000 can be approved by the committee. Any others loans over \$75,000 has to be brought to the committee. A report was submitted. One of the members reminded her they are looking for data and not so much the names, seeking overall numbers of delinquent loans, number in good standing, how much is out and the return. \$35% are current with 65% are in delinquency. The program is working to develop the collections process with Lane Thompson and the Chairman. Toni Starr noted that almost all the delinquent loans are with oil field business and these are not being deducted from disbursements.

I. TAT Mortgage Program - Whitney Bell - Valerie Mayer

Provided a report of activities such as accounting software program, Loan Policy, budget (\$4.4 million for FY2018). \$4 million in loans in progress leaving only \$400,000 for FY 2018 to work with for new loans. 60 applications at various stages of approval. Discussion of Home Insurance deductibles and negotiations to change policy to individual coverage/home. About 25% delinquency. 10-15 individuals with no payment made on the loans. Collection Policy and review is in place to collect but we are making sure the policy is ready to implement.

J. Proposed Business Licenses - Legal Department

This item was tabled until the next Economic Committee meeting. A report was submitted.

**Motion:** Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to forward Business Licenses to the February 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 TBC with recommendation for approval. Councilman Mervin Packineau seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

MOU presented for Domestic Violence/VAWA grant position.

Motion: Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to forward to the February 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 TBC with recommendation for approval. Councilman Mervin Packineau seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

## IV. <u>NEW BUSINESS:</u>

A. Learn and Lead Program - Laurel Deegan-Fricke

There was no action on this item. Laurel Fricke was directed to work with CEO and Legal regarding the dispute of payment.

B. Home Mortgage Loan - Coulter Werlinger

Tribal member submitted all pertinent documents to obtain a home loan. Valarie Mayer explained that his name is on the waiting list but there are also members who have applied before him that have to be considered. Whitney Bell discussed the process of placement on the list and their point system and selection committee.

No Action.

C. FY2015 SSCDC Audit Report- Laura Bakken, Executive Director



Audit presented to the Committee. Clean opinion with conditions qualified to exclude inventory. \$2.5 million cash on hand, \$3.6 million fixed assets, \$11.1 unrestricted net assets. Spent about \$7.7 million. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear noted the accomplishments made by the Segment including 40 jobs created.

*Motion:* Councilman Mervin Packineau moved to forward Audit Report to the March 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 TBC. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

#### D. MMR - David Williams

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Missouri River Resources, LLC submitted Financial Statement (Draft Audit) for December 31, 2015 and 2014. 5 years unqualified clean audit. Developmental Plans submitted MRR Investment Opportunity FBIR. Currently producing 600 barrels/day. They will be drilling 23 wells with an eventual goal of 80 wells. Met with the North Dakota Industrial Commission to discuss spacing units and leasing the Missouri River bed from the Tribe. Discussion of the Workforce Development Program and classes at the San Juan School of Energy.

## E. 4Bears Casino - Patrick Packineau

This item was tabled until the next Economic Committee meeting. A report was submitted.

- F. NHS College Twyla Baker-Demaray
- G. MEC Clarence O' Berry

Tabled until next Economic Committee

#### H. Thunder Butte - Richard Mayer

This item was tabled until the next Economic Committee meeting. A report was submitted.

### I. Panther Development Investments – Mike List, COO.

Meridian Pacific Ltd is offering the Tribe first option to purchase an apartment development, "Dakota Acres located at 815 College Dr., New Town, North Dakota." The development consists of two phases including a total of 13.acres and 195 units. Phase One is complete with 104 units on 7 acres. Phase two has building plans and building permits for 91 units. Dakota Acres phase two has 6.63 acres of improved lands ready for development. Project cost 18 million to build. Asking for \$16.5 million for the property. \$10.5 million loan with



Cornerstone Bank that can be assumed by the Tribe and the difference. Councilwoman Monica Mayer sees this as a possible dorm for the College.

*Motion:* Councilman Mervin Packineau moved to forward to the March 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 TBC. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

J. "Bail Runners": Film Investment Proposal – Terry Fredericks & Keith Bear & Lynn?

Terry Fredericks, and Bail Runners submitted a business plan requesting a monetary donation from our Tribe or partnership with 20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox. It is an action buddy movie and Moses Whistling-Wolf story meaning it would be the first Hollywood main stream to feature a Native American's actor playing the lead character. The great Wes Studi has expressed interest in playing the lead role and it is being developed as a motion picture for domestic and international markets. Includes the prospect of tribal members interning in production.

Motion: Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to forward to the March 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 TBC with a recommendation to approve funding. Councilman Mervin Packineau seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

#### K. Indian Education Advocacy Resolution

Ryan Wilson, Indian Education Advocate for Bureau of Indian Affairs Indian Education school budgets. He provided viewpoints for a proactive MHA Indian Advocacy agenda and requesting that the MHA Nation adopt action items. This matter was forwarded to the Tribal Business Council on March 8, 2017.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward to the March 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 TBC. Councilman Randy Phelan seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

## V. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>

Motion: Councilman Cory Spotted Bear moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Mervin Packineau seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:32PM.



## **CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, as Chairman for the Tribal Business Council's Economic Development Committee of the of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council's Economic Development Committee is composed of three [3] members of whom [2] constitute a quorum; 4 were present at the Economic Development Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2017; that the foregoing Minutes were duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 3 members; 0 members opposed; 0 members abstained; 0 Members not voting.

Dated this 28th day of March, 2017.

ATTEST:

Economic Development Committee Chairman,

Councilwoman Monica Mayer

Tribal Business Council

Three Affiliated Tribes

Executive Secretary,

Councilman Fred W. Fox

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