



CALL TO ORDER:

Councilman Randy Phelan called the meeting to order at 1:25PM.

PRAYER:

Prayer by Councilman Fred Fox.

I. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilman Randy Phelan, Councilman Fred W. Fox, Councilwoman Monica Mayer. *Quorum established.*

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to approve the agenda. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- **February 22nd, 2017 NRC Meeting Minutes**

Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to approve February 22nd, 2017 minutes. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

FTR: Councilman Randy Phelan mentioned the Clyde Smith Pow-wow and that the Council members present agreed to assist.

IV. TEXX LONE BEAR

A. Maxine Buffalo Land Exchange

Seeking a land exchange for allotment 2101-B. Appraisals have returned and the land is appraised at \$680/acre for \$67,150 for 40 acres of property near the Mandaree Pow-wow grounds. She has been waiting 32 years for the land exchange. Keith White Owl home site was approved in a section of the land she is requesting so Texx Lone Bear found another 2.5 acres adjoining her home site to the north to bring it up to 40 acres. Rural water line runs through the property and she is willing to sign an easement to allow access for maintenance.

Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to forward to the April 19th, 2017 TBC with resolution. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

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B. Veronica Serdahl Land Exchange

Has 40 acres (3 tracks) worth \$32,400 at \$810/acre for exchange. Would like to trade for land closer to the road, on top, and to the west near her son's land.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward to the April 19th, 2017 TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

Discussion: The \$25 difference to be paid to Maxine Bolman and automatically give elders the difference in cash for the future.

FTR: Councilman Fred Fox assumed Chair of the meeting to avoid a conflict of interest.

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C. Nancy Fox Land Exchange.

Property appraised and Nancy Fox has yet to decide on what property she would want. Discussion of value differences between White Shield and Mandaree.

Motion: Councilman Randy Phelan moved to forward to the April 19th, 2017 TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 2-0-1. (FF-Abstained) Motion carried.

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D. Donavon Dixon

Donovan Dixon joined the meeting via phone to discuss his concern that he has been overlooked for a grazing lease. He found out that Tom Bruer had the lease on the land that he had submitted his application for. Councilman Randy Phelan asked Ardel Jean Baker to look it up in the minutes from a prior NRC. Councilman Fred Fox recommended acquiring Howard Wilkinson's old leases. Texx Lone Bear will get the leases done by April 19th council meeting. Almit Bruer is exchanging farm land that Donovan Dixon may be interested when it comes available.

E. Section 17 – Water Pipeline¹

Item deferred.

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F. BIA/Tribal Capital Building – Al Nygard, CEO

A&E completed with an access road near the existing building near the roping area. RFP going out in 10 days. Seeking assistance from USDA. Two designs with the first being with the B.I.A. having an entire floor and the second being with separate building but connected. Basement area would be utilized for records archives that are now sitting in the pods. Also to digitally



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archive these records. The purpose of the building on the tribal side would be for all the Administrative and Executive offices. Councilman Randy Phelan recommended a helicopter landing pad that could be put on the roof or next to the building. Al Nygard informed the Committee that once the bids come back we will have the Council decide how they want it. Additionally, we would like to add another office building just to the west that should be completed by the end of the fiscal year in September that would have space for 20 offices. It would cost the Tribe about a million and a half dollars to upgrade this current tribal building and it is not feasible.

G. Myron Good Bird (Ruff) Home Site – Valerie Hosie

Awarded a home site on T897-A. Was told he was in trespass and moved his trailer. No lease document has been found and he is trying to get a home site and is seeking to return to the site. Valerie Hosie will research the land to insure the property is not leased already and verify it is available.

Item tabled.

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H. Cynthia Good Bird Home Site – Valerie Mayer

Seeking a home site in Mandaree. Councilman Randy Phelan informed that committee that the area around the pow-wow grounds needs to be zone out development and he won't be approving any home site in the area.

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I. Land Buy Back – Caleb Dogeagle

Caleb Dogeagle provided a summary of the Land Buy-Back training/meetings. The program is set to start next spring of 2018. Informational meetings and other events will take place to publicize the program. In prior meetings the most common questions were; "How do we do the buyback program?" and "Do we have to sell our own lands?" The answer of course is No. Councilman Randy Phelan would like to see the program expedited so the tribe does not miss out on the amount allocated. Councilman Randy Phelan believes the \$56 million allocation is way too low for Fort Berthold lands due to the oil boom. The program has assured the Tribe that the appraisals will be above fair market value.

FTR: April 4th next Oil and Gas Meeting 1:00PM.

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J. Medicine Lodge Confederacy Lodge Funding

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to approve funding for the FY2017 and forward to the April 19th, 2017 TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.



V. **CLOSED SESSION:**

VI. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion: Councilman Fred W. Fox moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 3:10PM.



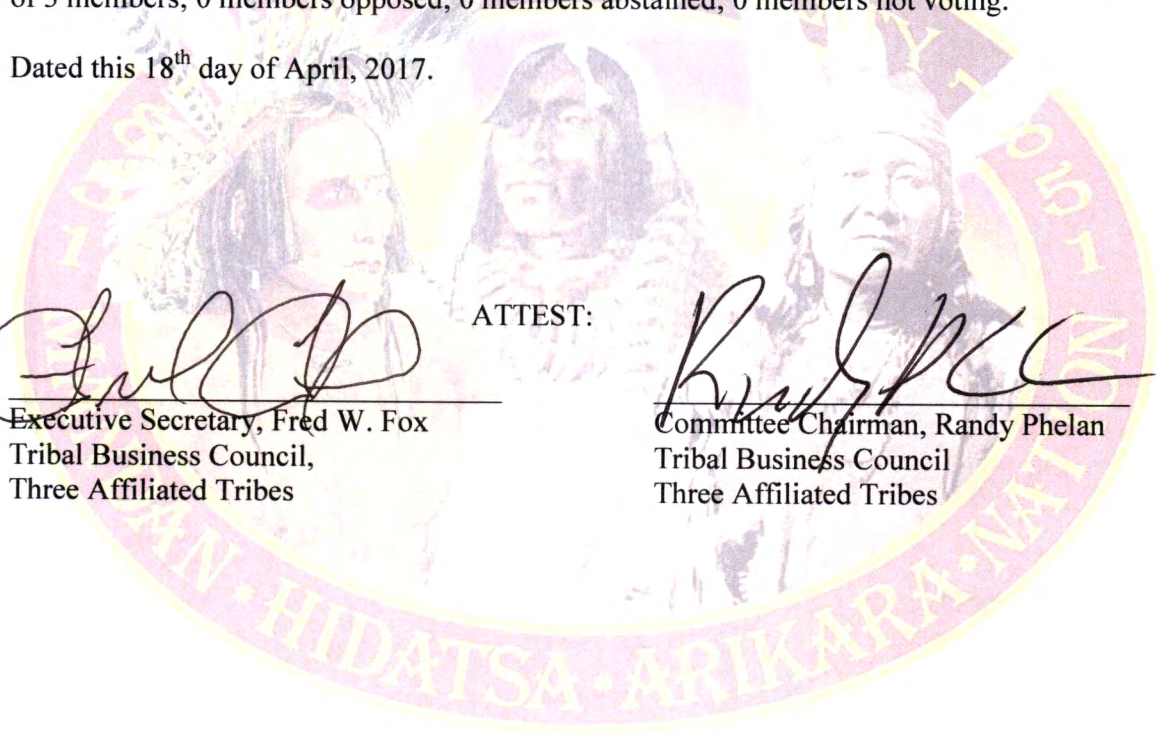


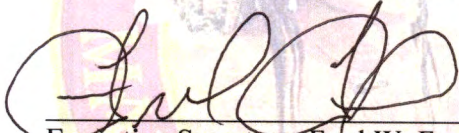
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CERTIFICATION


I, the undersigned, as Committee Chairperson of The Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Natural Resources Committee is composed of three (3) members and of whom three (3) constitutes a quorum of 3 were present at the meeting thereof duly called, notice, convened and held on the 18th day of April, 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 18th day of April, 2017.




Executive Secretary, Fred W. Fox
Tribal Business Council,
Three Affiliated Tribes

ATTEST:


Committee Chairman, Randy Phelan
Tribal Business Council
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