



THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES  
TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL  
SPECIAL HEALTH & HUMAN RESOURCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
APRIL 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 MINUTES  
[CLOSED SESSION CONTENT EXCLUDED]

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Councilman Frank Grady called the meeting to order at 11:00AM.

**PRAYER:**

Prayer by Jane Lockwood

**ROLL CALL:**

*Present:* Councilwoman Monica Mayer, Councilman Fred Fox, Councilman Frank Grady.  
*Quorum established.*

**I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

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

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

*Motion:* Councilman Fred Fox moved to approve the 3/21/2018 Health Committee Minutes subject to corrections. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. *Motion carried.*

**HEALTH**

**III. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Craig Hurkes Life and Limb Request - Mary Ellen Sun (See Closed Session)**

*FTR:* Councilman Cory Spotted Bear joined the meeting at 11:05AM.

**B. Lexi Taft & Delvin Driver-Medical Bills/Life & Limb (See Closed Session)**

**C. June Lockwood Nursing Home Bill**

Wife June has an outstanding bill where she resides at the Knife River Care Center (Nursing Home). Applied for Medicare. Councilwoman Monica Mayer asked that the CEO look into why Boone denied payment before TBC.

*Motion:* Councilman Fred Fox moved to recommend approval for the \$25,000 not 50% forward to the TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. *Motion carried.*

**D. Carlin Rave Jr. Life and Limb Request (See Closed Session)**

**E. Teresa & John Danks Nursing Home Bill**

Representing their parents who are resident at the Good Sheppard Nursing Home in Watford City. Paul has Power of Attorney over finances and Teresa has Power of Attorney over the medical side. Monica of Tribal care noted that they can't bill over 100 days. Councilwoman Monica Mayer recommended a change in Tribal Care for a Senior Choice for Nursing Home care and recommended a work session to address.



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**Motion:** Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward approval of the \$25,000 each for extended nursing home care. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. *Motion carried.*

**F. Lovette Bruer Medical Bill**

Over \$9,000 in bills for emergency surgery that was referred by I.H.S. and ended up in collections. Goes to Sanford for iron infusions and will need these treatments for the rest of her life. Has BC/BS and I.H.S. as payer of last resort. Fawn Packineau (CHS) will work with them to route payment through CHS. Councilwoman Monica Mayer (North Segment) & Councilman Cory Spotted Bear will assist with travel when they go again. CHS & I.H.S. need a work session.

**G. Roberta Krueger Medical Bill**

*Item deferred*

**H. Lord Peter Deegan Jr. Life and Limb Request(Dana Deegan presenter).**

*Item deferred.*

**I. Sonja Berget Medical Bill**

Seeking to get Medicaid. Sarah Risen (Stanley) noted that Sonja's land and minerals interest (inherited from her father) taken and note paid for. The State is trying control her interests and trying to get her off Medicaid because they say has assets. Is receiving payments from the Boone Group & from the Tribe for her Nursing Home care. Owes over \$86k. Councilwoman Monica Mayer recommends legal assistance for this completed case. Melda Lambert (guardian) who was her gift deeded the land to her son David who has since passed on.

**Motion:** Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to forward to the TBC. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. *Motion carried.*

**J. Antonette Halsey Life and Limb Request (See Closed Session)**

**K. Self-Insurance Waiver – Al Nygard**

Language presented concerning of *Indian Health Care Act* that prohibits reimbursements from a self-funded program that would need TBC action to resolve to authorize the health program to do annually. Declaring the TAT as the Payer of Last Resort with Federal Health programs with I.H.S.

**Motion:** Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward to the TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. *Motion carried.*

**Discussion:** Councilwoman Monica Mayer noted that we are supposed to spending our Federal funding first then tribal funds and that this is not happening in our health care systems. The CEO noted that a resolution will be forthcoming to the TBC for approval.



**L. Environmental/Health Issues Update - *Edmund Baker***

The program is progressing toward its monitoring mission with the Energy department MOU. Expressed the need to increase data collection and is seeking approval to collaborate with the college. U.S. EPA does not recognize their data at this time. The Director wants to recognize the work that the college does. Al Nygard presented a history of the Environmental Dept. and expressed the need to provide the Dept. with regulatory powers.

**M. Cleo K. Everette Morgan Medical Request - *Valerie Lindley (See Closed Session)***

**IV. REPORT/PROGRAM UPDATES:**

**A. Acupuncture Treatment & Massage Therapy Clinics/Safe Haven Homes -**

*Marilyn Young Bird*

Emailed report. Pre-Approved Absence

**B. Fitness and Recreation- *Kevin Finley, Director***

*Item deferred.*

**C. Home Health –*Gabriell Petri, Director***

Emailed report. Pre-Approved Absence

**D. Community Health Representative (CHR)- *Jodi Simpson, Director***

Emailed report. Pre-Approved Travel

**E. Diabetes Program Awatii Wellness Center - *Jared Eagle, Director***

Provided a program report that included discussion program needs, recent events, and upcoming events. Councilwoman Monica Mayer recommends hiring a full time diabetes provider.

**F. Elbowoods Memorial Health Clinic (EMHC) - *Kathryn R. Eagle-Williams, MD, MPH, CEO***

Attended the Tribal Self Governance Conference in Albuquerque, NM April 22-25, 2018 to address self-insurance utilizing PRC funds. Requesting support in applying for Planning grant-Grant Application is due June 18, 2018 amount of grant is \$48,000.00 for 12 months-plan to submit resolution for the June TBC. Invited to attend Community School initiative and represent Three Affiliated Tribal Health Care System May 6-8, 2018 in North Carolina. The CEO will be attending with Chairman Fox's Staff and ND Department of Public Instruction. NIHB-Dental Initiative request for a site visit May 8, 2018 Dr. Melland and staff to host and discuss the Dental Aid Program. Currently working with Justice Center work group to modify the EMHC Justice Center MOU. Review of Federal Requirements and currently EMHC is required to follow all Federal guidelines for PRC. If the tribe decided to compact



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EMHC will be able to redesign the health services program. Presented Self-Determination Construction Contract by and between the Three Affiliated Tribes and the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service, Contract Number: 102-18-1-0007 & Project Summary Document for the Design and Construction of New Dental Clinic; Repair by Replacement. The initiative will help support future endeavors. Partnership on Hepatitis C Grant and received grant. Seeking support for mini-conferences for testing. Data would be held in the RPMS system.

**Motion:** Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to forward to TBC subject to resolution. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. *Motion carried.*

Planning Grant resolution for the June TBC

**Motion:** Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward Kraus contract to the May TBC subject to resolution. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0-1 (MM-NV) *Motion carried.*

**N. Circle of Life - Royce Irwin, Director**  
*Item deferred.*

**O. Kidney Dialysis Unit (KDU) - Callie Baker, Director**  
*Item deferred.*

**P. Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) - Wynona Traversie, Director**

Presented a report that included financials, Eligibility Factors, listing of 15 vendors, and the following statistical information; 420 Clients Approved, 10 Applicants denied due to over-income. Out of 392 total clients 25 are Elders.

**FTR:** Councilman Fred Fox joined the meeting.

**Q. Tribal Insurance Update - Daryl Bearstail**

Provided a report. A special case of a woman in Arizona (Confidential in need of laser spine back surgery's at \$22,500 each and requesting Tribal-Care as a secondary. Her BC/BS primary denied the procedure.

**Motion:** Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward the request to the TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. *Motion carried.*

Councilwoman Monica Mayer requested that the amount paid out be to be including in their reports and break down the costs of getting people to treatment to show the benefits of the Tribe's money. Also, requesting a work session before the next TBC.



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Councilwoman Monica Mayer asked that session be more focused than the last. A Vibra Hospital patient has exhausted Medicare extension and they cover through April 10<sup>th</sup> and seeking advice or a plan of action for this patient. Approve Boon Insurance extension for 180 days

**Motion:** Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward Nursing Home Patient/Boone Coverage to TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. *Motion carried.*

**R. Vocational Rehabilitation - Jamie L. Big Crow-Hall, Director**  
*Item deferred.*

**S. Sahnish Safe Haven and Resource Center Update – Kelsey Peltier, Executive Director**

**T. Grants and Donations- Stacey Red Fox**

**Motion:** Councilman Fred Fox moved to approve Life & Limb applications A-H (not C.) for \$3,500 for the (7) presented. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. *Motion carried.*

**HUMAN RESOURCES:**

**V. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. HR Salary Modification Question - Flora Wolf (See Closed Session)**

**VI. REPORTS/PROGRAM UPDATES::**

**A. Social Services - Kathy Felix, Director**

IIM Specialist & GA Worker & CPS Supervisor positions have been filled. Quarterly Parenting Classes offered to families we are working with In Child Welfare. The last parenting class was held Feb. 2018. The next parenting class will be offered May 1-10, 2018. 3 staff members attended the ND ICWA Conference at Spirit Lake, but overall I think they counted about 30 TAT employees who attended the conference, since the registration fee was waived. 3 staff members attended the National ICWA Conference In Alaska, April 16-19, 2018. 3 staff members are planning to attend a training In May 1-3, 2018 In Rapid City, SD regarding legal drugs and opioids. 1 staff member attended the Family Focus Conference In Fargo In April 2018, and he will be presenting Information about ICWA. Weekly CW case Management staffing at Child Welfare conference room. Monthly CPT meetings held at Social Services conference room. Quarterly MDT (Multidisciplinary Team) meetings with staff & PO staff and Justice Center staff. Child Welfare staff have Implemented a Foster Parent Support group on a quarterly basis, with the last support group held Jan. 2018, with the next Foster Parent Support Group set for April 2018. Director Kathy Felix attends the monthly Health & Human services Committee meetings and



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monthly TBC meetings as needed. Director also attends quarterly STEPS meetings with other tribal social service directors and the state human services people. Director will attend another Title IVE meeting May 3 & 4, 2018 with the other 3 tribal directors and the state representatives from Human Services and Casey Family Program staff. CPS has monthly Child Protection Team CPT meeting which involves various other agencies, such as law enforcement, school staff, clinic staff as well as social services staff. The CPT meetings are for updates and staffing of Child Abuse/Neglect cases. The Title IVE Agreement have been completed but we are having one last meeting at Bismarck May 3 & 4, to finalize up some areas In order to have the agreement ready for signatures, by the tribe and the state. We completed work on the Tribal/State IVE agreement In Nov. 2017 and now there is one more Title IVE meeting scheduled May 3 & 4, 2018 to complete process and get the agreement ready for signatures. MOU completed with LSS (Lutheran Social Services) to provide Tele-therapy for children & families here at Social Services, the Tele-therapy is going well with possible expansion Into the Parshall and White Shield Schools getting tele-therapy set up in those communities. This service Is free to the families and children as long as they have some type of Insurance to cover the cost of the Tele-therapy. The IVE agreement will need the States approval and signature and signature in 2018 with TBC approval and signature by 2018. We are currently utilizing the IVE Re-imbusement monies for various needs regarding children's beds, visits, previously monies spent on for Red Berries foster home needs, but now we have approved budget for the Red Berries foster home. Services provided to 76 children .

**B. Aging Services - Polly Chase, Director**  
*Item deferred.*

**C. Infant and Toddler Program – Melissa Young Bird, Acting Director & April Bearstail**

Submitted report referral numbers and breakdown children with disabilities 502 kids 0-2 years. 700 0-5 year olds enrolled the program. Splinting schedules for Twin Buttes & Parshall staff. Three vacant positions.

**VII. CLOSED SESSION:**

**A. Craig Hurkes Life and Limb Request - Mary Ellen Sun**

**B. Lexi Taft & Delvin Driver-Medical Bills/Life & Limb**

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**D. Antonette Halsey Life and Limb Request**

**E. Cleo K. Everette Morgan Medical Request - Valerie Lindley**

**F. HR Salary Modification Question - Flora Wolf**

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT:**



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**Motion:** Councilman Fred Fox moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 2:36PM.





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**CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, as Chairman for the Tribal Business Council 's Health and Human Resource Committee of the of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council's Health and Human Resource Committee is composed of three [3] members of whom [2 ] constitute a quorum; 3 were present at the Health and Human Resource Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2018 ; 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 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2018.

**ATTEST:**

Handwritten signature of Frank Grady in blue ink.

Health and HR Committee Chairman,  
Councilman Frank Grady  
Tribal Business Council  
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Handwritten signature of Fred W. Fox in blue ink.

Executive Secretary,  
Councilman Fred W. Fox  
Tribal Business Council  
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