



CALL TO ORDER:

Councilwoman Monica Mayer called the meeting to order at 1:35PM.

I. PRAYER:

Tyra Wilkinson

II. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilwoman Monica Mayer, Councilman Robert White, & Councilman Fred Fox (via phone). *Quorum established.*

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to approve the agenda. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

• **September 14th, 2022 Special Judicial Committee Minutes**

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to approve the September 14th, 2022 Special Meeting subject to minor corrections. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

• **November 2nd, 2022 Special Judicial Committee Minutes**

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to approve the November 11th, 2022 Special Meeting subject to minor corrections. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

• **December 8th, 2022 Regular Judicial Committee Minutes**

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to approve the December 8th, 2022 Regular subject to minor corrections. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

• **January 5th, 2023 Regular Judicial Committee Minutes**

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to approve the January 5th, 2023 Regular subject to minor corrections. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Next Committee Meeting

February 22nd, 2023.



B. White Shield Detention Center (WSDC) – Councilman Fred Fox Twila Hawkins

Twila Hawkins has been working on the policy manual for the WSDC that is now completed that follows the GTFJC/638 policies. There will be training in Ward County coming up for the 7 officers and submitted the itinerary. Also, CMT I & II medication distribution class when they return. They have had an inspection and they have passed. Councilman Fred Fox stated that the WSDC is under him but will be transferred under Phil Packineau. Councilman Fred Fox stated that it will be a Tribal jail and is under his budget until it goes under Phil Packineau. It is a temporary hold (72 hours) jail not long term. They will have their own transport officer as well. Councilwoman Monica Mayer stated to keep in mind that we are one entity. Mr. Packineau stated that they are getting funding codes set up for the transition. He also stated that things are going in the right direction. This frees up Officers from having to transport people and keep Officers in the community. Councilman Fred Fox noted that even though East Segment funded the development it will be a tribal program once ready to go.

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to forward to Executive Committee meeting. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

VI. PROGRAM REPORTS:

A. Tribal Code - Jan Morley/Leonika Charging/Sharon Thompson

Ms. Thompson stated she is married to tribal member Lane Thompson and their child is enrolled with the MHA Nation. She works with Circling Eagle Law Firm which is owned by her husband Lane who is also a lawyer. She has been working in Indian Law for six years. Councilwoman Monica Mayer noted the Tribal Code is this Committee's 1st goal, also data collection, and domestic violence training.

FTR: 1:55PM- Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight entered the meeting. 1:56PM- Councilman Fred Fox no longer on the phone.

Ms. Thompson explained to committee what she has been working on in regards to the Code. She has also been working with Tyra Wilkinson in the Legal Department. Councilwoman Monica Mayer asked Tyra to make a list of all Lawyers of the MHA Nation (FTE/Contracted) and list what each one is responsible for. That would be good for the Judicial Committee to have. Jan Morley spoke on the things that she has been working on in regards to the Judicial Code. She stated that Councilman Robert White expressed to her that he would like to have working sessions in regards to the Judicial Code. Ms. Morley stated that MHA Nation should have its own Civil Motor Vehicle Code and be separated from the Judicial Code. Ms. Morley will be meeting with each Department that the Judicial Code will affect. After all of them meetings then that information will be brought to the Work Sessions. Councilwoman Monica Mayer stated that she will make all the arrangements for the Work Sessions. Leonika Charging, she is enrolled member of the MHA Nation and been practicing Law for



almost 20 years. She has done a lot of work throughout Indian Country. She appreciates the tribe updating the Tribal Code. Ms. Charging spoke on issues that she has been working on for the tribe.

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to forward to Executive Committee. Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

B. Public Safety – Phil Packineau, Administrator

- **Bureau Criminal Investigation (BCI) MOU/Resolution**

Lonnie Grabowska from the Bureau Criminal Investigation (BCI) presented with Mr. Packineau. They spoke on MOU issues with the MHA Nation to allow them to operate on the reservation. They currently have one with the Spirit Lake Nation also working on one with Turtle Mountain. They are hoping to start Tasks Forces that would work with reservations within North Dakota. The goal of the program is to assist. Offices in Rolla, Stanley & Carson. They will not be sending officers into reservations to enforce the law without consulting BIA or tribal drug enforcement or trafficking entities. Mr. Packineau stated he would like tribe to approve a resolution to work with BCI.

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to forward Bureau Criminal Investigation (BCI) MOU/Resolution to Executive Committee. Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

Discussion: Tyra Wilkinson will prepare the resolution and present it with Lonnie Grabowska.

- **Shooting Range**

Mr. Packineau spoke on the Shooting Range that they are hoping to have built soon. The maximum range will be 100 yards. This will be built in the Shell Creek area near the FBNAC grounds. This will be operated by the Tribe not North Segment.

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to forward to Executive Committee. Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

- **Early Releases for Inmates**

Submitted a resolution establishing criteria for early releases for inmates. Lists signatures required: Judge, Prosecutor Public Safety Administrator. Also, other good behavior considerations.



Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to forward resolution to Executive Committee. Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

C. Public Safety Division of Drug Enforcement – Gerald "Chip" White Jr., Chief of Drug Enforcement & Supervisory Special Agent Dawn White

Item deferred.

D. TAT Law Enforcement - Nelson Heart Jr.- Chief of Police

Item deferred.

E. Department of Transportation - Blaine Flynn, Director

Item deferred.

F. Fort Berthold District Court (FBDC) - Dr. Elizabeth Yellow Bird, Court Administrator

Item deferred.

G. Homeland Security - Cliff Whitman, Director

Item deferred.

H. GTFJC Adult Detention – Robert Werlinger

Item deferred.

I. GTFJC Juvenile Detention - Mike Young Bird, Administrator
Report submitted for the record.

J. Child Support - Alison Johnson, Director

Item deferred.

K. Victim Services - Sadie Young Bird, Director

Item deferred.

L. TAT Game & Fish - Toni Smith, Director

Item deferred.



M. MMEIP – *Lisa Yellow Bird-Chase, Director*

Item deferred.

N. TAT Legal - *Tyra Wilkinson, Lead Attorney*

Item deferred.

O. HR Department - *Melissa Brady, Director*

Handed out information from MetLife.

VII. CLOSED SESSION:

A. Public Safety – *Phil Packineau, Administrator*

1) **Civil Exclusion Order**

VIII. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:31 PM.



CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Chairman for the Tribal Business Council's Judicial Committee of the of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council's Judicial Committee is composed of three [3] members of whom [2] constitute a quorum; 3 were present at the Judicial Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 29th day of January, 2024; 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 29th day of January 2024.

ATTEST:

Judicial Committee Chairman,
Councilwoman Monica Mayer
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes

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