



**CALL TO ORDER:**

Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight called the meeting to order at 2:10 PM.

**I. ROLL CALL:**

*Present:* Councilwoman Monica Mayer, Councilman Cory Spotted Bear, Councilman Fred Fox, & Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight. *Quorum established.*

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

*Motion:* Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to approve the agenda. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion carried.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- **March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Cultural Committee Minutes.**

*Motion:* Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to approve March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Cultural Committee Minutes subject to minor corrections. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion carried.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Next meeting date.**  
May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**V. PROGRAM REPORTS:**

- A. Tribal Historic Preservation Office – Allan Demaray, Director**

*Item deferred*

- B. Tourism – Darian Morsette, Director**

Report submitted for the record. Keira Fox gave report for Tourism Department. Currently replacing the big earth lodge. Researching augmented reality to visitors can scan a QR code and get a virtual tour. Found a grant through the National Endowment of the Humanities. Would be looking for a company to come in. No budget at this time. Tony Lone Fight noted that with all technology to be sure they train our people. Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight recommended collaborate with other depts. Councilwoman Monica Mayer recommended bringing it back when she has more. Have a lot of entries for the Mural at the Earth Lodge Village. Provided pictures of the earth lodge construction. Gary Snow updated the committee on upcoming updates and building projects that they have coming up at the Earth Lodge Village. Provided information on upcoming tours visiting the site. Keira Fox provided brief summary of activities such as the Elbowoods Basketball Classic and Trade Show.



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**FTR:** Councilman Cory Spotted Bear left the meeting at 2:32 PM.

**C. Interpretive Center – Delphine Baker, Director**

*Item deferred*

**D. MHA Culture & Language Department – Tony Lone Fight, Director**

The Director introduced Thomas Plenty Chief Jr. as Sahnish Mentor. The Director provided an update of what he has been doing with the Arikara Language students. Presented daily learning & travel schedules and added cultural activities. Described the curriculum and noted that it was adopted from the Arikara Cultural Center created by Dancing Eagle Perkins from the Salish model. Described their beginning two volumes of learning books and practices to engage learning. Recent cultural activities included watching the movie “*Revenant*” & historical discussion about the time period. Tony Lone fight described the assessment process to evaluate the mentor’s progress. Barrie & Elijah are doing classes in New Town, more in White Shield & Mandaree. Deon Bolman is teaching language at the Good Road Recovery Center is doing really well. Having staff working in schools is difficult. Councilman Fred Fox noted that White Shield is being sued from one of MHA Culture & Language staff. Councilman Fred Fox, need to define where who this person is working for and who is paying them, the school, the tribe or the Dept. Amber put together a list of employees working in Language at the moment. Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight noted that Vivian is doing a survey tomorrow evening. There is a payroll issue, Tony was told to work with the CEO and Payroll. Tony is working with Songs of the Arikara Program and doing a traditional garden again this year. Councilwoman Monica Mayer noted discrepancies in their budget numbers and they need find out why their budget went down. 16 out of 25 positions and has over a million dollars to cut and will bring it up at the next budget meeting for the Dept. The Committee commended them on their work.

**E. Maagarishda Nest – Nora Packineau**

*Item deferred*

**VI. CLOSED SESSION:**

**A. Pete Coffee Jr.**

**B. Antelope Society – Jerome Dancing Bull & Dennis Fox**

**VII. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion:** Councilman Robert White moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 3:12 PM.



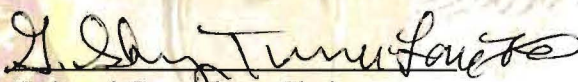


**CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, as Chairman for the Tribal Business Council's Cultural Committee of the of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council's Cultural Committee is composed of three [3] members of whom [ 2 ] constitute a quorum; 3 were present at the Cultural Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of February, 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 26<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.

**ATTEST:**

  
Cultural Committee Chairwoman,  
Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

  
Executive Secretary,  
Councilman Fred W. Fox  
Tribal Business Council  
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