



CALL TO ORDER:

Councilman Cory Spotted Bear called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilwoman Monica Mayer, Councilman Cory Spotted Bear, Councilwoman Monica Mayer, & Councilman Fred Fox. *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.

FTR: Councilwoman Monica Mayer would like to add Game & Fish on the standing agenda. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear asked to have Natural Resource staff to add to the next agenda as a standing item.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- **November 29th, 2023 Natural Resource Committee Minutes.**

Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to approve November 29th, 2023 Natural Resource Committee Minutes subject to minor corrections. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Edward Hall, Tribal Elder

Item deferred.

B. Hidatsa Hills Access Approval – Councilwoman Monica Mayer

Would like access route to the tribe's land. The Corps of Engineer land and shore have eroded into the lake and lost surface due to it. Would like to do a land exchange. Attorney Pete Bruer is on the line. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear asked Jason Krueger on the line about getting this back years ago as wildlife. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear needs to take action to get this land back. Everything in green south of the Highway needs a legal description and an application. Working on a resolution for it. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear asked, what are the chances to get an access road, seems to think it will go through, Councilwoman Monica states we need make this happen.

Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved in support to get immediate access to get Army Corp of Engineers land back under high priority. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

C. Northern Arizona University Scholarship

Requesting \$5,000 to set up a Native American scholarship program. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear asked how this will assist MHA. Councilwoman Monica Mayer this is a teaching school and could forward to TBC.



Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to forward request to TBC. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

D. Weed Board - James Mossett

Item deferred.

IV. NATURAL RESOURCE:

A. Easements:

1) McKenzie Electric Cooperative
McKenzie in South Segment

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward to TBC subject to Legal review. Replacement of copper wire. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

West Segment

Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to forward to TBC subject to Legal review. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

Four Bears

Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to forward to TBC subject to Legal review. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

2) Mountrail Williams Electric Cooperative

Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to forward to TBC subject to Legal review. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

B. Reserve Status Resolution – Four Bears Segment

Reserve T 608A.

Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to forward to TBC subject to Legal review. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

C. Home Site Applications

Item deferred.

D. 2024 Agricultural Leases:

Applications for the following: Donavon Dixon, Blaine C. Fox, Anthony Vitko, Nancy Vitko, Tevin Dixon, & Kansas Johnson. Will be put on one resolution.



Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward resolution to TBC subject to Legal review. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

Discussion: Committee was informed that Daniel Hall land Exchange and resolution and paperwork was not signed applied and was not done. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear recommended to hand deliver and get it done.

E. Land Sales:

Item deferred.

F. Land Exchanges:

1) Mervin Packineau

Five pieces of property that he owns 50% of with the tribe. He would like to trade value for value. Land Exchange between Mervin Packineau and the Three Affiliated Tribes.

- Allotment Number: 30-490A – Description: SW $\frac{1}{4}$ 35 149 90 11.85 acres – Classification: Grass – Value/Acre: \$2,000.00 – Owner Share: 0.0740740741 – Land Value: \$23,703.70
- Allotment Number: 30-647A - Description: N $\frac{1}{2}$ 20 149 90 - 8.89 acres - Classification: Grass - Value/Acre: \$2,000.00 - Owner Share: 0.0277777778 - Land Value: \$17,777.78
- Allotment Number: 30-651A - Description: N $\frac{1}{2}$ 32 149 92 5.93 acres - Classification: Grass - Value/Acre: \$2,000.00 - Owner Share: 0.0185185185 Land Value: \$11,851.85
- Allotment Number: 30-1432 - Description: E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ 18 148 89 - 1.48 acres - Classification: Farm - Value/Acre: \$2,800.00 - Owner Share: 0.0185185185 - \$4,148.15
- Allotment Number: 301-1857 Description: NW $\frac{1}{4}$ 33 151 94 - 80.00 acres - Classification: Grass - Value/Acre: \$2,000.00 - Owner Share: 0.5000000000 - Land Value: \$160,000.00

Fee Patent

- 70000510009010 - Description: SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ 5 150 90 - 80.00 acres - Grass - Value/Acre: \$2,000.00 - Owner Share: 100% - Land Value: \$160,000.00
- 70000510009010 - Description: E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ 5 150 90 - 20.00 acres - Grass - Value/Acre: \$2,000.00 - Owner Share: 100% - Land Value: \$40,000.00

Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to forward resolution to TBC subject to Legal review. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

2) Betty Hueser

Owns 1/3 interest. She wishes to sell to the tribe. Ms. Hueser is asking for \$3,200 per acre. (107.05 acres) It is appraised at \$2,500 per acre. The committee agreed to negotiate it down to the appraisal price. After negotiations it will be brought back to the committee. \$449,596.00 total asking price. Appraised value of \$267,633.33.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved proceed with negotiations and represent NRC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.



Discussion: Councilman Cory Spotted Bear will work with her on negotiations. Presently the next NRC will be on Jan 31st.

3) Coral Dr LLC Land Sale

This is along highway 1804 by Fox Run Apartments. Original asking price of about \$800,000. At about \$37,000 per acre. That is as close as Texx Lone Bear can get it. \$60,000 per acre.

- #56-0061822, Lot 2 of Sublot A of Outlot 2 W½NW¼, Section 17, T. 152 N., R. 92 W., 5th PM of North Dakota from Tennant Related Company Trusts for \$450,000.

Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to forward resolution to TBC. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

V. GAME & FISH: - *Antoine Smith, Director*

A. Presentation & Office Space

Submitted proposal New Building construction located in North Segment. Proposed locations near EOC building, east of United Prairie, North side of truck bypass route. Toni states the need for a bigger budget and new office space. Councilwoman Monica Mayer reminded the Committee, this was on the books several years ago, bring the Game & Fish budget and request to TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer asked that they also add needed technology to their budget.

Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to forward budget and request to TBC. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

VI. RANGE RIDERS: - *Jesse Baker*

A. Range Units

See Closed Session

VII. FORT BERTHOLD RURAL WATER:

A. Rural Water – *Joe Silveria, Public Work Administrator*

1) Organizational Chart Amendment

Requesting for approval of the organizational chart various departments under his purview. Civil Engineer position added. Councilwoman Monica Mayer noted that 6 positions are vacant under the CMO Office.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved forward amended organizational charts to TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

2) Equipment Purchase

Request to get 2 pay loaders, the equipment is in dire need. Could get GSA pricing. Would have to order these which take 6-8 months to come in. half million needed.

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



Need authorization to approve without council for approval or to suspend or terminate service. Would follow policy to enforce. Councilwoman Monica Mayer suggested to have a memo sent to each house before any applications are sent out. Public Safety building is offered to put a water truck to warm it up before.

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

B. Tribal Utilities - Michael Bintliff, Director

Item deferred.

C. Solid Waste - Kansas Johnson, Director

Item deferred.

VIII. CLOSED SESSION:

- A. UNIT 1 - Domestic Sheep
- B. Range Riders – Jesse Baker
- C. RU 913 Leo Cummings
- D. Range Unit 18

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 2:27 PM.



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 4 were present at the meeting thereof duly called, notice, convened and held on the 31st day of January, 2024, that the foregoing Minutes were duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 4 members; 0 members opposed; 0 members abstained; 0 members not voting.

Dated this 31st day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:

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

Committee Chairman, Cory Spotted Bear
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes