

Resolution #80-168

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF THE
FORT BERTHOLD RESERVATION

- WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act; and
- WHEREAS, the Constitution and Bylaws of the Three Affiliated Tribes authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities for the welfare and benefit of the tribes and tribal members; and
- WHEREAS, the Tonasket for Congress Committee seeks campaign contributions for Mel Tonasket, Republican for United States Congress, 5th Congressional District; and
- WHEREAS, Mel Tonasket has been active in Indian rights and affairs and for three years Chairman of the National Congress of American Indians;
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Three Affiliated Tribes' Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes \$250.00 toward the Tonasket for Congress Committee.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 11 members of whom 7 constitutes a quorum, _____ were present at a Special Meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 4th day of September, 1980; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members, _____ members opposed, _____ members abstained, _____ members passed and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman voting/not voting.

Dated this 4th day of September, 1980.

SECRETARY: _____
TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL

ATTEST:

CHAIRMAN: _____
TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL

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THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES

REPUBLICAN FOR U.S. CONGRESS
5th Congressional District

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August 08, 1980

Mr. Austin Gillette, Chairman
Fort Berthold Tribal Business Council
P.O. Box #220
New Town, North Dakota 58763

Dear Mr. Gillette and Tribal Business Council;

In the past, we have fought for the cause of Indian rights, and have often been successful. Through the National Congress of American Indians, and through our own tribes, we have won together. Now I'm in another fight and I need to turn to you once again for help.

Let me give you an update on my campaign. Currently, we are involved in a Primary fight with three other candidates; the Primary Election to be held on September 16, 1980. After that we will take on powerful incumbent Tom Foley in the General Election in November.

Financially, we are still in great need. However, a few of our supporters have graciously consented to take out loans in our behalf. Their support is gratifying, but this influx of money won't last long. There is still the General Election to prepare for.

Tom Foley has been in Congress for sixteen years now and with every passing election he is less concerned about his District, and the Fifth District is less convinced of his leadership. In the last election, Tom received less than fifty percent of the vote, with ten percent going to me as an Independent. And again, Tom went back to the Halls of Congress, forgetting all of the promises he made. This time, the people of the Fifth District will end Tom's Congressional career. With your help, the new Congressman will be Mel Tonasket.

I am not good at this, but we have been friends for a long time now and time is short. We need your help. We need the \$250.00 and \$500.00 contributions, but we need the \$25.00 and \$15.00 contributions as well. It seems a small price to pay to return good leadership to the Fifth District and the country.

I hope that we can count on your support and your contribution. Frankly, we will need \$40,000.00 by the end of August.

Sincerely,

Mel Tonasket

Mel Tonasket

Vic Stinger.)

OUTSIDE TESTIMONY ON BIA BUDGET - A letter was received from the Area Director stating that the House Appropriations Committee will be holding "Outside Hearings" or testimony concerning whatever the Tribes want to ask for other than what is in the budget, on February 25 and 26, 1980 in Washington D.C. It was also requested that the name of the representative to present these proposals be sent to Washington D.C. by February 19, 1980.

MOTION by Joe McDonald that the Administration Committee be given the authority to choose the representative to be sent to Washington D.C. and also that they put together a package of proposals to be presented at the hearing. Seconded by Thomas "Bearhead" Swaney. Carried, unanimous. (8 present.)

TRIBAL BINGO GAMES - It has been established that the Tribes retain exclusive jurisdiction in determining the rules to be followed when such games of chance are engaged in. Evelyn Stevenson reported that the County Sheriff had received some complaints concerning minors at Bingo games and that cash prizes were given away rather than merchandise. It was Evelyn's suggestion that the Tribal Council set up guidelines for these types of games. It was the feeling of the Council that the only requirements that should apply would be that the games should be held by a nonprofit organization and not for private gain. It was decided that the Community Services Committee would research this further and come up with some guidelines.

Y.A.C.C. - 4-DAY WORK WEEK - A letter was received from the Director of the YACC asking that the Council consider supporting their attempt to request a 4-day week from the Central Office. The reason for the request is that their budget is very low, and with the cost of gas for transportation, this type of work schedule could cut as much as 20% off their vehicle costs.

MOTION by Thomas "Bearhead" Swaney to support YACC's request for a 4-day work week. Seconded by Vic Stinger. Carried, unanimous. (8 present.)

PABLO SCHOOL - REQUEST - Because of the growth of the school over recent years, the school is requesting that it be allowed to use the land that the ball park is on, which is tribal land, for expansion of the school. Fred Houle suggested that the Tribe give the School a quit claim deed for the land.

MOTION by Vic Stinger to give the Pablo school a quit claim deed on the land, as long as it is used for school purposes and if it is not it will revert back to the Tribe. Seconded by Sonny Morigeau. Carried, unanimous. (8 present.)

RESOLUTION 5765 AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR AND USE OF MASTER CHARGE CREDIT CARDS

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Commodity Program to have a credit card, to be used while operating the Commodity Delivery Truck; and.

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Tribal Office to have a credit card for operating Tribal vehicles on official business, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes that Executive Treasurer be authorized to make application for Master Charge Credit Cards to be used with said vehicles, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the following individuals to use their credit cards for expenses incurred while operating these vehicles on official, authorized travel:

Fred Houle, Jr., Executive Secretary

Vern L. Clairmont, Executive Treasurer

Janice G. McClure, Office Manager

Debra Caye, Receptionist

Alice Vanderburg,

Commodity Clerk

Laura McClure

Commodity Clerk

MOTION by Joe McDonald to approve Resolution 5765. Seconded by Thomas "Bearhead" Swaney. Carried, unanimous. (7 present.)

TED SIAS - THINNING CONTACTS - Mr. Sias came before the Council to ask that they consider directing Forestry to reveal the maximum on thinning blocks before the thinners bid. Mr. Sias stated that this is the same principle as revealing the minimum bid to loggers for logging contracts. Thomas "Bearhead" Swaney stated that if this were done then Forestry could not get as much thinned on the same amount of dollars. It was felt that if the thinners knew the maximum then most of the bids would be at, or near, the maximum bid. It was decided that this would be discussed at the special meeting with

Forestry. Mr. Sias also stated that the blocks are checked on Tuesdays, payment is made on Fridays or Mondays and bidding is not opened again until Wednesdays. Mr. Sias stated that this takes a lot of time away from working and wondered if this could not all be done in one day. Chairman, Tom Pablo stated that they will bring this up at the meeting with Forestry. **BOB FOUTY - LEASE FOR PABLO GRAVEL PIT** - The Council had taken action to cancel Mr. Fouty's lease because he had neglected to pay his lease payments for this year. The Council had been informed that he had done so, and was now present to negotiate a new lease.

MOTION by Vic Stinger to charge Mr. Fouty a \$2,500 royalty for the Pablo pit, and \$.45 per yard over the \$2,500 for the unexpired term of the prior lease. Reports of his accounting to be done by truck slips or sales slips, to be submitted to the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Seconded by Joe McDonald. Carried. (5 for 2 opposed - Thomas "Bearhead" Swaney, and John McClure.)

JUNK VEHICLES - HOMESITE LEASE - Don Brown came before the Council to report that someone was hauling in junk vehicles onto their homesite lease at Turtle Lake, Homesite Lot - 1. The Council stated that commercial businesses are not allowed on homesite leases. The Council directed the BIA to investigate this further.

OPEN HOUSE - DAY CARE - Mary Clairmont presented an invitation to the Councilmen to attend their open house of the new Day Care building in Ronan.

ARLEE RODEO GROUNDS - John McClure reported that the pipes leading to the Rodeo grounds in Arlee from the Pow Wow grounds have frozen and broke. The lessee stated that they would dig the line for the new pipe if the Tribes would provide the pipe. The water should be used only for the duration of the rodeos and then shut off.

MOTION by Thomas "Bearhead" Swaney that the tribes go the expense of putting in the pipe from the Pow Wow grounds to the Rodeo grounds and also repair the toilets at the Rodeo grounds. Seconded by John McClure. Carried, unanimous. (7 present.)

EXECUTIVE SESSION - EDA DIRECTOR - Chairman, Tom Pablo reported that the EDA Director was having some conflicts of interest and data is on file of these conflicts.

MOTION by Thomas "Bearhead" Swaney to investigate further and to ask the EDA Director to resign or he will be dismissed from his position by the Tribe. Seconded by Vic Stinger. Carried, unanimous. (7 present.)

MEL TONASKET CAMPAIGN - Noel Pichette commented that Mel Tonasket is running for Congress from his district in Eastern Washington. The National Congress of American Indians passed action at their Annual Executive Council Meeting that each tribe donate at least \$50.00 to Mel's campaign. Noel suggested that the Tribes donate to this effort.

MOTION by Noel Pichette to donate \$500.00 to Mel Tonasket's Campaign. Seconded by Joe McDonald. Carried, unanimous. (7 present.)

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:00 p.m.

CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES

Fred Houle, Jr.
Executive Secretary

