

## Executive Secretary L. Kenneth Hall

### MHA Nation Tribal Business Council

Hidatsa, Knife Clan ~ North Segment Representative

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#### UPCOMING TBC MEETINGS & NORTH SEGMENT EVENTS

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| TBA                    | Executive Committee Meeting  |
| April 6, 2016 10 AM    | TBC Budget Meeting   |
| April 7, 2016 10 AM    | Education Committee  |
| April 7, 2016 1 PM     | Economic Development Committee   |
| April 12, 2016 10 AM   | Natural Resources Committee  |
| April 12, 2016 1PM     | Judicial Committee   |
| April 13, 2016 10 AM   | Natural Resources Committee - Oil & Gas Meeting  |
| April 13, 2016 11 to 4 | Learn and Lead Program—meeting   |
| April 14, 2016 10 AM   | <b>Tribal Business Council Regular Meeting</b>   |
| April 21, 2016 10 AM   | Federal Partners - Denver, Colorado  |
| April 22, 2016 9 to 4  | North Segment Clean-Up Day (Earth day) 9:00 am<br>(starting at NHSC College parking lot) |

All meetings of Council are held in the Tribal Chambers unless otherwise listed.

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# North Segment News

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*Greetings Everyone,*

Our schedule continues to be very demanding so our office works to make sure our time is focused on key areas so we are always working to meet the needs of the people.

As you know, recently I had the opportunity, along with our Intergovernmental Affairs Office staff, to attend the National Tribal Leaders Summit hosted by the Casey Family Foundation in Washington, D.C. March 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Some of the invited guest speakers were former Senator Byron Dorgan, Former Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs Kevin Washburn, Acting Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs Larry Roberts and Senator Heidi Heidkamp to name a few. The focus of the summit was to address the current status of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) and how the new guidelines for ICWA are being challenged by the National



Council of Adoption vs. Jewell. While in Washington, D.C. we made time to visit with the U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers at the Pentagon to get an update on the Land Transfer or the Excess Lands which is around 30,000 plus acres. An MOU has been signed and the Corp. is working on the budget and work plan. Also we discussed the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the bypass which is west of hi-way 1804 which the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> options of the route would cross Army Corp. land and would need approval from the Corp.

Also while in D.C. we made a visit to the hill to meet with Congressman Kevin Kramer where we discussed a number of items which included continued support of the NAHASDA Re-Authorization, Appropriations needed for Energy for the Service Center in Denver, Colorado, Continued support for the Tribal Law and Order Act and support of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA). While in Washington, D.C. we heard from our lawyers that the Western Energy Alliance sued the Department of the Interior over the Bureau of Indian Affairs new regulations for Rights of Ways and is currently in a stay position and has been extended to April 21, 2016.

The Tribal Business Council took a hard stance on this issue and are going to intervene along with the Ute Tribe which has already intervened and showed their disapproval. Some of the Oil Companies operating on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation are members of the Western Energy Alliance and on March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 at our Natural Resource Committee Oil & Gas Meeting Chairman Mark Fox addressed the Oil Companies that were present and voiced his disappointment and disapproval of the lawsuit. We have been very generous to the Oil Industry to welcome them to our homelands and for them to be able to extract our valuable resources, but we have said from the beginning we want Responsible Development to safe guard and protect our water, air, land and people. When the Companies start to disrespect the people and the land then it is time to push back because Respect is a two way street. The Natural Resource Committee did not approve any ROW's at the March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 meeting to show solidarity by the Council until those companies bring back to us documentation from their respective companies that they are not members of the Western Energy Alliance. We will keep you posted on all the latest developments on these very important issues as we move forward. We want to invite all of the people to take pride in our community and be a part of our annual cleanup day scheduled in conjunction with this year's Earth Day April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016. We encourage you to get the latest update on our North Segment Facebook page and also by attending our next Town Hall Meeting.

*Thank You and God Bless, Secretary Ken Hall, MHA Nation Tribal Councilman*

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE MHA TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL

*Chairman Mark Fox, Vice Chairman Randy Phelan,*

*Executive Secretary Lewis Kenneth Hall, Treasurer Mervyn Packineau*

#### STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE MHA TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL

*Councilman L. Ken Hall, Executive Secretary, North Segment Representative, Chairman Economic Development Committee*

**Member:** Education, Health & Human Services, Natural Resources,

*Councilman Randy Phelan, Vice Chairman, Mandaree Segment Representative, Chairman Natural Resources Committee, Member: Judicial*

*Councilman Frank Grady, Four Bears Segment Representative, Chairman Health & Human Services, Member: Judicial*

*Councilman Cory Spotted Bear, Twin Buttes Segment Representative, Chairman Education Committee,*

**Member:** Economic Development, Health & Human Services

*Councilman Fred Fox, White Shield Segment Representative, Chairman Judicial Committee*

**Member:** Natural Resources, Economic Development

#### STEPS TO BE PLACED ON TO THE FULL TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL—REGULAR MEETING—AGENDA

The process for a Tribal member, individual, or organization to present in front of the full Tribal Business Council begins with presenting first to one of the five standing committees. The committee of jurisdiction depends on the nature of the request. Tribal Council Committees are composed of 3 Tribal Council members with one elected as Committee Chairman. Each standing committee sets their own meetings & agenda each month, in which they address/review issues and agenda items, followed by consideration on whether to forward said item to the full Tribal Business Council meeting for further action. Once a recommendation is passed by a committee it's then forwarded to the Executive Secretary's office to be placed on the agenda for the Full Tribal Council to address. This process has been set by the Tribal Business Council to streamline the vetting process for issues and concerns for more efficient Council meetings. By vetting items in committees in advance, more issues and parties can be addressed and heard by the full Tribal Business Council.

1. Identify which committee of jurisdiction the item/concern/other matter falls under.
2. Contact either the chairman or a member of the committee or their staff to find out when the next committee meeting will take place and how to add your item to the agenda.
3. Prepare any necessary items to present in front of the committee (i.e. providing any and all relevant documentation to explain the issue and/or inviting additional parties who can further explain your issue).
4. Provide all necessary items that are part of your presentation in advance to the committee to ensure your issue is fully vetted and addressed given the limited time you will have to present during the committee meeting.
5. If your item is recommended by the committee for consideration by the full Tribal Business Council, prepare to present before the full tribal business council as well make sure to follow up with any additional recommendations the committee provides to you prior to presenting to the full Tribal Business Council.
6. Follow up with the Executive Secretary's Office no later than 1 week prior to the next scheduled Tribal Business Council meeting to ensure your item is on the agenda and if any additional items/documents are requested for your presentation.



## North Segment Community Development Corporation - 350 East Avenue, Lot A21, New Town, N.D. 58763

The Tribal Business Council, in accordance with their Constitutional Authority, established the North Segment Community Development Corporation, by Resolution #03-160-DSB on April 28, 2003. Following the election of Tribal Councilman Ken Hall as the North Segment Representative, Councilman Hall directed an official election of the Board of Directors which was held at the Northern Lights Community Center in Spring 2013. Since that time, the Corporation has been fully operational and has fulfilled its mandate described in the Tribal Business Council Resolution, the Articles of Incorporation, and within the Bylaws and Charter. The Corporation works in close cooperation with the Office of the North Segment Tribal Business Council Representative in meeting the needs of the community members.

The Corporation Projects owned and managed, include: Wooden Bowl Estates, Cottonwood Court, Golden Manor Mobile Home Park on Highway 1804, the old North Segment building, and 3 commercial properties on Main Street in New Town. The old North Segment building on Highway 23 has been renovated into a dormitory for Nueta Hidatsa Sahnish College students. Additionally, the three commercial buildings on Main Street are leased by Native American Entrepreneurs. For leasing information on any of the aforementioned properties, please stop by the NSCDC office at 350 East Avenue, Lot A21 in New Town. Prospective tenants are encouraged to fill out an application as there is a waiting list for housing.

The NSCDC's **Red Hawk Estates Apartment project** is progressing within schedule and within budget. This project includes the construction of two 36 unit apartment buildings: a total of 73 units. The buildings will feature spacious 1, 2, and 3 bedroom apartments. There will be community rooms in each building for tenant use. The three level buildings will feature interior hallways, elevators, and each unit will have its own climate control system offering fresh air year round. Completion is expected to be October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. Applications should be submitted to the CDC Business Office for review and approval.



Red Hawk Estates - three level 36 unit apartments. 2016 Completion.



Transforming & Building Our North Segment Community. Northern Lights Community

The Northern Lights continues to be transformed to create greater operational efficiencies in the spaces, and to maximize the use of the facility, while maintaining a high standard of maintenance.

Work continues on the design and fundraising for the **Golden Eagle Park**. The Park will have an outdoor recreational area for the whole family: a professionally designed skate park, a childrens playground, a sand pit, barbeque pits, gazebo covered picnic tables & benches, with walk ways and enclosure. The Golden Eagle Park will be across the street to the east of the Red Hawk Apartments and will be a public park for the entire community.

All of their business development have been established with strict accounting and transparency standards. They have been on time & under budget, and high quality product output. The CDC mandate is consistent with the Nation Building Principles; promoting Economic Development. The mandate clearly states they shall promote Economic Development & create Business Development for the North Segment. The CDC has created a model corporation that is working toward becoming self sustainable.

The Corporation President, Elgin Crowsbreast, with the Board of Directors, Marc Bluestone, Treasurer, Tom Hale, Secretary, and Tribal Councilman Hall; are open for business if you would like to meet with the Board. President Crowsbreast can be reached at 701.421.8400 or in the CDC Offices at 701.627.3270, P.O. Box #579, New Town, N.D. 58763

After a series of meetings, resolutions and Tribal Council Minutes, North Segment Office was able to procure additional Housing for North Segment residents. The priority is Elders, Essential Staff and residents of North Segment. There have been 23 houses acquired from surplus housing the Elbowoods Memorial Health Center did not fill, some houses had been empty for 3 years. The homes have been allocated according to the waiting list, with the Elders, the essential staff and North Segment residents. Some of the homes needed repairs and are currently being renovated to become inhabitable. To date, there are 9 homes allocated to Elders, 5 homes to essential staff of North Segment, and 4 homes to law enforcement/legal department, 5 homes to North Segment residents (enrolled). Unfortunately, there is still a waiting list, and in the event North Segment is able to procure more homes, we will be able to accommodate the requests.



Just a friendly reminder for anyone seeking financial assistance there are additional services available apart from the MHA Tribal Grants & Donations Program, through: Mountrail County Social Services, available at the Elbowoods Memorial Health Center, every 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month from 9:30am-3:30pm. Emergency Fuel Assistance office number is 701-627-8210, Veterans Program can be contacted at 701-627-2247, and Tribal HIP (Home Improvement Program) Program can be contacted at 701-627-3832. Additionally, there are a number of local Churches who may be able to assist.

## NORTH SEGMENT POLICE RESOURCE OFFICER

Sterling Reed has completed the administrative functions needed to begin patrolling and is expected to begin patrol duties May 2016. Officer Reed will be responsible for day to day police functions within North Segment, which include: responding to calls for service, patrolling, conducting traffic stops, conducting investigations, responding to accidents and

medical emergencies, attending community functions / activities, and promoting the proactive role of community policing. Officer Reed will work alongside the TAT Police in providing police services to tribal members. The Resource Officer serves as an integral member of law enforcement created by Councilman Hall to enhance the safety of our community & protect the members. Contact Information: Sterling Reed – Police Officer Cell: 421-0461.



## North Segment Community Clean-Up Day set for Friday April 22, 2016.

For the last four years the Staff from the Office of Councilman Hall have scheduled a Segment Community Clean up day in conjunction with Earth Day and with Partners. This year we will clean up our community on Friday April 22nd, 2016 starting at **9:00 am and ending at 4:00 pm.**

The New Town Middle School and High School kids will clean up by the school, and will be bussed to the other locations they will be cleaning. The other participants will **check in at the Nueta, Hidatsa, Sahnish College** and get garbage bags and gloves. So far, our partners are: the Nueta, Hidatsa, Sahnish College; New Town High School and Middle School; North Dakota Petroleum Council; New Town Chamber of Commerce; MHA Emergency Management Office; and MHA Solid Waste Office. We are waiting on confirmation from a couple more offices at MHA Nation for participation. Each office/organization who participates will have their logo on the back of the t-shirts.

North Segment Office will be providing **lunch and t-shirts** for all participants. If you have any questions, please contact the North Segment Office at 701-627-8127 & 701-627-3456.

## NORTH SEGMENT OFFICE SPECIAL PROJECTS

The **MHA Education Trust Fund** concept has been developed over the last 3 years with extensive research conducted by the Office of Councilman Hall staff & is currently being supervised by Barbara Miller.

The purpose of the Education Trust Fund is to support enrolled members to pursue higher education/vocational training. **“To inspire our communities to become life-long learners by achieving success in their learning to become responsible, productive citizens.”** It is, to encourage tribal members to seek higher education or vocational training beyond high school

Formal presentations have been made to the Tribal Business Council Education Committee & Tribal Business Council. Both committees were in agreement this is a project they wish to continue pursuing. The TBC Education Commit-

tee invited monthly reports on the progress and have gone on record to commit \$1 Million dollars towards the MHA Nation Education Trust Fund.

The expected approval/implementation dates are pending. The TBC will be reviewing the FY16 Budget before making any financial decisions concerning the Trust Fund.

Research of other alternatives for developing the scholarship component is being done; through possible revenue sharing, investment opportunities, donations, partnerships, etc., from tribal businesses.

The **MHA Nation Economic Impact Study** to provide hard data of positive and negative impacts the oil and gas industry has on our Tribe. Additionally, the study shows the Tribe's Economic Strengths and contributions to the State and Nations economies. A draft of the Economic Impact Analysis study has been completed and presented to the TBC Economic Development Committee and to the entire Tribal Council. All of the Council have received a copy of the report. The TBC have had an opportunity to review the information, and possibly contribute any other data or statistics that might be significant to the economic study of the MHA Nation.



*"It's one thing to make decisions, it's another to implement them effectively" "It is up to the tribal administration to ensure that tribal operations are conducted in ways that serve the nation's interests and satisfy its citizens: in short, move from decisions to effective implementation."*

*Dr. Stephen Cornell & Dr. Miriam Jorgensen  
Rebuilding Native Nations*

## **NORTH SEGMENT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE—INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS**

### **HIGHWAY 23B Truck Bypass - Phase 2 - Update**

A conference call update was provided on March 3<sup>rd</sup> by the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT). Two draft Environmental Impact reports are being finalized to send to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers & the Federal Highways Department for review. The review will determine whether the proposed routes are approved to proceed forward on construction and completion. In addition, following the review, the MHA Tribe will then have the opportunity to weigh in on proposed routes to complete the bypass. A Tribal project manager and/or a point of contact also still needs to be identified.

### **WASHINGTON, D.C. – Casey Family Programs ICWA National Tribal Leaders Meeting USACE, and, US House Representative Kevin Cramer**

Councilman Hall was invited to the Casey Family Programs National Tribal Leaders Meeting in Washington, D.C., which took place March 16-17<sup>th</sup>. The trip was sponsored by the Casey Family Programs. The meeting largely focused on strategizing ways to protect the 1978 Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) and to promote its positive impacts the landmark law has had for Indian children, families, and tribes over the last 40 years. In recent years, the law has come under heavy critique both in federal courts and in the national media by adoption agencies and conservative think tanks such as the Goldwater Institute. Presenters at the event included: Former U.S. Senator Byron Dorgan (D-ND), former Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs, Kevin Washburn, ICWA experts from the two law firms of Dentons Law Firm and Hobbs, Straus, Dean and Walker Law Firm, U.S. Senator Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND), current Acting Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs, Larry Roberts, the Commissioner of the Administration of Children, Youth and Families Rafael Lopez, and many others. Councilman Hall was invited to provide an introduction for Senator Heitkamp to the general assembly who delivered a video message to the meeting.

Also during the two-day session, Councilman Hall had the opportunity to engage directly with the current Acting Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs, Larry Roberts on the issues of the "riverbed minerals belonging to the tribe" and the "returning of the excess lands" from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers back to the U.S. Department of the Interior. Earlier this year during the NCAI Winter Session, he raised this same issue as called upon the Assistant Secretary to support the MHA Nation on these key issues.

Finally, Councilman Hall also met with North Dakota Representative Kevin Cramer at his office on Capitol Hill. Topics that were discussed included the need for full funding appropriations for the Indian Energy Service Center, support for reauthorization of the Tribal Law and Order Act (TLOA) and the Native American Housing and Self Determination Act (NAHASDA), the need for funding and completing an irrigation project – which was promised during the Garrison Dam flooding, and support of the "Comprehensive Addiction & Recovery Act" (H.R. 953). Representative Kramer directed his Chief of Staff to give immediate attention to these matters and follow up with the Tribe.

**The 2016 Election Year** has MHA Tribal Nation representation with three Tribal Enrolled members seeking offices. **DENISE JUNEAU** is running for **US CONGRESS** for the State of Montana. <http://denisejuneau.com/> **Laurel Deegan Fricke** is running for **North Carolina State Senate** <http://www.laurelfornc.com/> **Cesar Alvarez** is running for **North Dakota House of Representatives** <https://secure.actblue.com/contribute/page/cesaralvarez16>. From the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, Attorney, **Chase Iron Eyes**, is running for **US Congress for North Dakota**, and **Dr. Dave Gipp** is running for **North Dakota State Senate**.



## **North Segment Administration & Executive Secretary Staff**

**Thomasina Mandan, Chief of Staff to Secretary L. Kenneth Hall, Tribal Business Councilman, North Segment**

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| Arthur Tom Mandan   | Tribal Liasion/Elder Liasion       | Cesareo Alvarez Jr | Deputy Intergovernmental Affairs |
| Roger White Owl Sr. | Intergovernmental Affairs          | Judith R. Danks    | Office Operations                |
| Sterling Reed       | NS Resource Officer                | Sylvia L. Hall     | Office Operations                |
| Enos Baker          | Facilities Manager                 | Ethel Baker        | Admin Assistant Northern Lights  |
| Kwame Amoako        | Maintenance (Part Time)            | Jariah Danks       | Admin Assistant Northern Lights  |
| Louden Smith        | Maintenance                        | Talina Moore       | Admin Assistant Northern Lights  |
| Devon Davis         | Maintenance                        | Kasey Old Crow     | Admin Assistant Tribal Admin.    |
| Eric Smith Jr       | Maintenance                        | Shauna Cameron     | College Intern [temp]            |
| Alex Baker          | Water Hauler/Maintenance           | Keanu L. Fox       | Surveillance                     |
| Marlon Mason        | Director of North Segment Security | Bernadine Stevens  | Surveillance                     |
| Shane Buerkle       | Security                           | Katelynn Demery    | Surveillance                     |
| Thomas Mandan       | Security                           | Richard Finley Jr. | Security                         |
| Josh Kirkaldie      | Security                           | Duke L. Driver     | College Intern [temp]            |
| William Stevens     | Security                           | Douglas McGrady    | Security                         |
| Markeith Wheeler    | Security                           |                    |                                  |

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| Michael W. Stevens | Office of Executive Secretary        | Records Manager /Information Technology |
| Ardel Jean Baker   | Office of the Executive Secretary    | Recording Secretary 1 (part-time)       |
| Crystal Hallam     | Office of the Executive Secretary/NS | Recording Secretary 1                   |



## **NORTHERN LIGHTS COMMUNITY WELLNESS CENTER**

**NEW OFFICES** at the Lights are completed & occupied by NS Office Operations Staff: Judith Danks & Sylvia Hall. The new conference room, office, supply room, and new lower level weight room are on schedule for completion in May 2016.

The Lights is **OPEN DAILY from 6:00 am to 10:00 pm**, doors lock at 9:00 pm: building closes at 10:00 pm on weekdays and 6:00 pm on weekends.

**As a SPORT & MULTI PURPOSE CENTER we have a minimal charge which applies to everyone.**

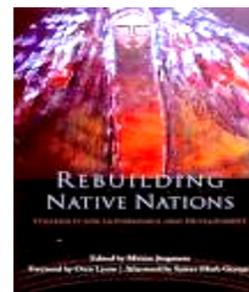
**FACILITY USER FEES \$1.00** Students, Tribal Elders, Veterans **\$2.00** NS Tribal Members / NS Community Members with Identification **\$10.00** Non NS Community Members / **\$20.00** Without Identification. At the dis-

cretion of the staff on call, hardship will be taken into consideration and fees waived. **MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP FEES are available for \$25.00 for Individual Tribal member, community member \$30.00 for Family Tribal Enrolled & NS community members. \$60.00 for non Tribal Enrolled, non community families.**

**EXERCISE & WORKOUT FACILITIES:** Aerobics & Fitness Room with equipment, Cardiovascular Machine Room, Weight Room, Cardio Machines on Balcony, Gymnasium, Steam Rooms, Showers, Lockers, Therapy Pools, Cafeteria. Sports Equipment for use. We operate 7 days a week & offer Facility Rental & Use and an application and booking is done through the North Segment Staff in the Northern Lights front office.

**NORTH SEGMENT SECURITY & Camera Surveillance are present and operating at all times. Call 701.627.3456 for information. In all cases of Emergency call 911.**

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***GETTING THINGS DONE FOR THE NATION,***  
*Strategically build infrastructure, develop necessary expertise, enact gradual assertion of self governance, "understand that the ability to establish priorities, set goals, and address economic and cultural needs of citizens through effective and efficient management is indispensable to the fullest possible exercise of tribal sovereignty."*

*N.S. Staff Retreat with Dr. Reyes & Councilman Hall*



Dr. Raymond F. Reyes currently serves as the Associate Academic Vice President & Chief Diversity Officer for Gonzaga University in Spokane, WA. He also served as the Interim Director of Gonzaga University's Center for Global Engagement. Prior to these administrative appointments he was an Assistant Professor in the School of Education at GU. He had a joint appointment teaching classes at both the undergraduate and graduate level for the department of Teacher Education & the Department of Administration, Curriculum & Instruction (ACI). He has taught graduate leadership classes in the School of Professional Studies.



*The Servant-Leader, is servant first.*  
 It begins with the natural feeling that one wants to serve.  
 Then, conscious choice, brings one to aspire to lead.  
 The best test is: do those served grow as persons; do they, while being served, become healthier, wiser, freer, more autonomous, more likely themselves to become servants?  
 — Robert K. Greenleaf.

