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“Mandaree Segment Elects Nathan Hale and White Shield Segment Elects Frank White Calfe

From the Desk of Marcus Wells, Jr., Four Bears Council Representative of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation.

The November 2004 Tribal Election is done and over with now, however the Four Bears Representative felt it necessary for the Four Bears Segment to get a brief interview from each of the three (3) elected council members, and so Ms. Jennifer Mann, the Four Bears Council Representative’s staff member interviewed the duly elected Mandaree Segment Representative Mr. Nathan Hale, North Segment Representative Mr. Malcolm Wolf and White Shield Representative Mr. Frank Whitecalfe. Therefore on pages 2, 3 & 4 please find the interviews as prepared by Ms. Jennifer Mann, Four Bears Segment Staff.

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*“MHA Nation
Fort Berthold Reservation
Certification of Results
The November 2nd, 2004 General
Election in part is found below:*

Pursuant to Part VIII, Section 5 of the

Election Ordinance and Article IV, Section 3(c) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes, the Tribal Election Board hereby formally certifies the official results of the November 2nd, 2004 General Election of the MHA Nation as follows:

<i>Mandaree Segment Representative Candidate</i>	<i>Votes</i>
<i>Nathan Hale</i>	<i>256</i>
<i>Jude R. Phelan (Randy)</i>	<i>179</i>
<i>Total Votes</i>	<i>435</i>

<i>New Town/Little Shell Segment Rep. Candidate</i>	<i>Votes</i>
<i>Robert White</i>	<i>322</i>
<i>Malcolm D. Wolf</i>	<i>326</i>
<i>Total Votes</i>	<i>648</i>

<i>White Shield Segment Representative Candidate</i>	<i>Votes</i>
<i>Claire P. Fox</i>	<i>123</i>
<i>Frank Whitecalfe</i>	<i>192</i>
<i>Total Votes</i>	<i>315</i>

Dated this 2nd day of November, 2004.

TRIBAL ELECTION BOARD

Duly Signed:

/s/ Pete Coffey, Jr. Chairman

Jennifer Mann Interviews of the duly Elected Mandaree, North Segment and White Shield Representatives on November 2, 2004—Continued

Jennifer Mann Interviews Continued:

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Interview with North Segment Rep. Mr. Malcolm Wolf
January 19, 2005— By Jennifer Mann, FB Staff.

When asked what goals or accomplishments Councilman Wolf would like to see for his new term he replied:

Health issues, education, preservation of our native culture and cultural sites, further economic development for employment purposes and increased revenue for our tribe which include communities. In mentioning these areas he would like to state the importance in not just the general term of the word but in all aspects. Mr. Wolf went further into detail in addressing each area.

First of all, regarding the health issues, he stated that “Long ago we didn’t have the illnesses that we have today and we need to work on bettering the health of our people young and old.” In his new term he would like to work closely with getting the new hospital that the reservation will be receiving set up and the development going to enable the members of the Three Affiliated Tribes the immediate access, proper care, and medical treatment that they deserve.

In the area of education, he felt that this topic plays a large role in our people today. Mr. Wolf commented that, “Now days, more than ever, we need that College degree before we can get anywhere, and without the proper schooling we have a hard time reaching that goal and as students, parents and educators alike, we all know this. We need to be more active in our youth and college student’s education, to further our people so that we don’t get left behind.” Mr. Wolf felt that the area most critical is after high school graduation, and before college. “This is a crucial time for these young ladies and gentleman and we need to further encourage them to push ahead and get that degree to better their lives for themselves and the people at home.”

On a cultural point, Mr. Wolf further stated it is his belief that, “We need to know who we are as native people—where we came from and where we are going, in all aspects to function as a race of people. We need to know ourselves before we can do anything.” The short side of it, we need to educate our children and each other about our culture, our history, who we were and are as people and share our native beliefs, stories and cultural ways with the younger generations so that we don’t lose our heritage as many races have done.

Councilman Wolf felt very strongly about the need for economic development that would increase the employment for the people as well as boost the revenue for the communities and not just the tribe. He also mentioned that the North Segment has attained 501 (c) 3 status and will be working on grants to progress the development of these ar-

eas.

When asked how he felt the communication is between the membership and the tribe over all, Mr. Wolf stated that, “It’s not healthy. We have too many assumptions and gossip and not enough sharing of information. We are all at fault of that even the (TAT) Council. It happens everywhere. It can and should be better.”

When asked what made Mr. Wolf run for a second term as the North Segment Representative, he replied, “I chose to represent my segment again due to the needs of the people, because what we need and have hasn’t quite been done yet. To do everything that a person envisions to do for and with their communities and the overall tribal membership you need more than just four years to get these things accomplished. With this term I would like to finish what I have started because these things can be done. That is why I chose to run again for the North Segment Representative.”

Councilman Wolf further stated that, “As a Councilman and Community Representative, I have an opportunity to better what we have for our people. We have a lot of people, many whom will be our future leaders. We need to cultivate their mind and spirit to prepare them and to set precedence so to speak, of honesty and truthfulness by walking a good road. If I can be of any influence to that then I feel good because that is what brought us this far.” Mr. Wolf went on to say that, “It is hard to be an honest leader, but that is what we teach. We are under criticism all the time. We can never know everything, but share what we know and help each other when we need it, and not go do something for someone to get something back in return. A thank you is always good enough for me and that’s how it should be, but it isn’t always that way.”

In closing we would like to Congratulate Councilman Wolf on his re-election as the North Segment Representative and wish him and his staff the best of wishes. We look forward to working with him in his new term, and thank him for his time and contribution to the **Four Bears News Letter**.



“Malcolm Wolf, North Segment Repre-

Jennifer Mann Interviews of the duly Elected Mandaree, North Segment and White Shield Representatives on November 2, 2004—Continued

Jennifer Mann Interviews Continued:

Four Bears News Letter November 2004 edition
Interview with East Segment Rep. Frank Whitecalfe
January 28, 2004 by Jennifer Mann, FB Staff.

When asked what Councilman Whitecalfe's priorities are for his segment with his new term, he replied, "I would like to have more self-sustaining economic development that would increase the employment as well as the services for the segment members." The White Shield segment is one of the more outlying segments within the reservation, and a lot of commuting is done for much of the employment as well as the services needed by the residents. Providing better economic development and services would greatly reduce the amount of travel needed by the members residing in this district.

Another important issue relating to the services and health care for the segment that Councilman Whitecalfe commented on is the emergencies of the people. Mr. Whitecalfe said, "When someone is sick or in need of medical treatment they have to travel to the Garrison hospital or the other outlying towns to receive medical services when we should be able to provide it. We also need an ambulance and fire services in our segment. We don't have that—instead we depend on the outside services when we shouldn't have to."

Mr. Whitecalfe further commented that he would like to see—possibly through grant writing—is Good Samaritan homes in each community for the elders. Currently our Elder enrolled members in need of Nursing Home care are being cared for at the Rock View Good Samaritan Home located in Parshall or off the reservation. He stated, "Having our elders transferred to nursing homes outside their communities limits the visits and causes hardship for the elders and the family members."

In talking about the communication between the tribe and its members, Mr. Whitecalfe felt that we need to be more open and create better communication because the lack of it creates a lot of deception and animosity towards one another and people can become territorial. Councilman Whitecalfe is the current Treasurer of the Three Affiliated Tribes and has recently put out a Treasurer's report. Each of the Segment Representatives have been given copies to share with their

respective communities.

In taking the position as the White Shield Segment Councilman, Mr. Whitecalfe would like to try to better the people's attitude towards one another. One way of doing this is he did not change any staff within his segment; everyone working under the previous administration was kept. Mr. Whitecalfe stated, "We need to work like the three musketeers, all for one and one for all and give people that chance to make things work for the better and each other."

Mr. Whitecalfe is a long time businessman, and in making his decision to run for Council, he felt that his knowledge as a businessman would be an asset for the Tribe. "One of my main concerns is economic development and keeping or making the entities of the Tribe successful and self-sufficient. We need to evaluate these entities and I guess, using the term, have them 'sink or swim'. We need to have more accountability for the Tribe to function as a business. The Tribe has come a long way from past to present and we need to guarantee that for the future." One way Mr. Whitecalfe thought to make that possible is to down size, start from the bottom and come back with better work ethics.

In closing, Councilman Whitecalfe thought that in all of the years around the Council he feels that this administration is one of the best working Councils and thinks it will do a lot of good for the people.

The Four Bears News Letter would like to Congratulate Councilman Whitecalfe on his election as the New White Shield Segment Representative and we look forward to working with you and your staff. Thank you for your time and contribution to the **Four**



"Frank Whitecalfe, White Shield Segment"

Jennifer Mann Interviews of the duly Elected Mandaree, North Segment and White Shield Representatives on November 2, 2004—Continued

Jennifer Mann Interviews Continued:

Four Bears News Letter November 2004 Edition
Interview with West Segment Rep. Nathan Hale
January 12, 2005
by Jennifer Mann, FB Staff.

When asked what made Mr. Hale decide to run for the West Segment Representative he replied; “Number one, I guess the overall accountability of the tribe. Number two, we need to increase the revenue. Number three, we need to develop a new or revised edition of the TAT Constitution and most importantly we need to give the power back to the people and let them be more a part of what the tribe does.”

In going a little further into detail with Councilman Hale on his deciding factors, with accountability being number one, Councilman Hale stated that, “The Tribe needs to be more accountable from travel to all areas of spending the federal and general fund dollars.” The accountability he spoke of also touches on the tribal deficit and balancing of the budget. “We need to balance the budget and bring spending back in line. This will take some effort by everyone, but it’s possible and can be done.” Relating to work issues, Councilman Hale thought being where you are supposed to be and doing what you are supposed to be doing from the (TAT) Council on down to the program directors and their staff will provide better services and assistance to the people.

Councilman Hale’s ideas on increasing the revenues for the tribe are that we need to bring in more self-sustaining programs that can generate the income for the tribe and better meet the needs and services of the people by not becoming dependant on the tribe as some of the developments have.

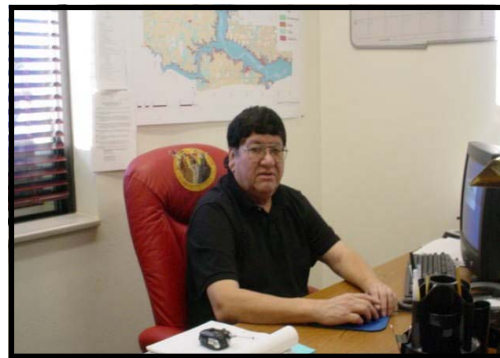
In speaking about the revision of the Tribal Constitution, Mr. Hale stated, “This is something that is long overdue and the changes need to be done

with the needs of the people kept in mind.” This is what the current Constitution Revision Committee is now working on and hopes to do.

When asked what some of the goals or accomplishments Councilman Hale would like to see done in his segment during his term as West Segment Representative he stated, “I would like to have more economic development and services for the West Segment.” Increasing these areas of services and economic development in the community would open up more jobs and programs to the segments residents, reducing travel to the tribal headquarters, work stations outside the community and other programs that are not currently available in the West Segment.

Mr. Hale stated, "I am very proud and excited to be working for and with our tribe and the overall Tribal Membership. My door is always open. Feel free to stop in and see us in the Executive Secretary Office, or the segment office."

The Four Bears Councilman and Staff would like to congratulate Councilman Hale on his 2004 West Segment election and we wish him and his staff the very best. We look forward to working with all of you. Thank you for your time and contribution to the **Four Bears News Letter.**"



“Nathan Hale, Mandaree Segment Repre-

**Tribal Business Council of Three Affiliated Tribes the Fort Berthold Reservation
November 5 & 10, 2004 Tribal Business Council Action**

TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL CONVENES MEETING PER THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES ON NOVEMBER 5, 2004

The newly elected Tribal Business Council Members were duly sworn as mandated by the Constitution and Bylaws on November 5, 2004 (within three (3) days of the duly held Tribal Election); Mr. Nathan Hale, newly elected Mandaree Segment Representative was sworn in by Adam “Tony” Mandan, Mr. Malcolm Wolf re-elected North Segment Representative was sworn in by Dr. Byron Baker and Mr. Frank Whitecalfe, newly elected White Shield Representative by John Danks Sr.

Upon completion of the ceremonies and short speeches, Treasurer Wells convened the inaugural meeting; however, the Chairman did not attend. Such Resolution was entertained for Approval by Acting Chairman Wells, which read in part as follows:

“ WHEREAS, Article III, Section 5 of the Tribal Constitution and Bylaws provides that within three (3) days after the installation of the successful candidates for Council positions, the new Tribal Business Council shall meet and elect a Vice-Chairman, a Secretary, and a Treasurer from among its members; and”

Therefore, this meeting took action to appoint the Executive Officers of Vice Chairman – Marcus Wells, Jr., Secretary – Nathan Hale and Treasurer – Frank Whitecalfe pursuant to Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-01-NH. Motion by Frank Whitecalfe, Second by Nathan Hale, Vote: 4 for 2 opposed. Resolution passed.

TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL CONVENES MEETING ON NOVEMBER 10, 2004 AND RE-VOTES ON THE NOVEMBER 5, 2004 TBC ACTION

Once again the newly elected Tribal Business

Council Members were duly sworn in except for Mr. Nathan Hale, newly elected Mandaree Segment Representative as he stated that this was already done on November 5, 2004.

The Chairman opened the discussion up to the general assembly on the issue of whether the Election Board being the only legal body to Swear in elected Tribal Business Council Members or elders. Due to past precedence, elders have sworn in elected candidates not necessarily election board members. Nonetheless, it appeared to be a push to sway the public into believing that November 5, 2004 actions were in doubt.

The Chairman then opened up the floor to the public and allowed them to speak out on their political views and/or position, which included Tribal Employees.

At any rate, Chairman Hall did attend this November 10, 2004 meeting (on November 5, 2004 he did not). Chairman Hall presented his Resolution to the Council for Executive Officers. No motion was made which was called for three (3) times.

No action taken.

Therefore, once again the Tribal Business Council took action to re-affirm the appointment of the Executive officers of Vice Chairman – Marcus Wells, Jr., Secretary – Nathan Hale and Treasurer – Frank Whitecalfe pursuant to Tribal Council Resolution No. 04-01-NH. Motion by Marcus Wells, Jr., Second by Daylon Spotted Bear Roll Call Vote: 5 for; Marcus Wells Jr., Daylon Spotted Bear, Nathan Hale, Malcolm Wolf and Frank Whitecalfe, 2 opposed; Tex Hall and Mervin Packineau. Resolution Passed.

THE TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL DULY PASSED THE ORDER OF BUSINESS RESOLUTION NO. 04-02-NH FOR THE NOVEMBER 2004 ADMINISTRATION.

The Tribal Business Council duly passed the “Order of Business – November 2004 pursuant to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Fort Berthold Reservation” which states in part the following:

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November 10, 2004 Tribal Business Council Action**

THE TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL DULY PASSED THE ORDER OF BUSINESS RESOLUTION NO. 04-02-NH FOR THE NOVEMBER 2004 ADMINISTRATION

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“WHEREAS, Article III, Section 5., of the Bylaws of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation states that at the first meeting of the newly elected Tribal Business Council, it shall establish by resolution a regular order of business; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Tribal Business Council hereby confirms the following:

- 1) That Regular Meetings shall be the second Thursday of each Month and shall be called to order at 10:00 a.m. and shall be adjourned at 5:00 p.m., and if needed, shall be reconvened on the following Friday at 10:00 a.m. or the next special meeting and shall be adjourned at 3:00 p.m.
- 2) That the Minutes shall be duly approved and signed at the next Regular Tribal Business Council Meeting; and
- 3) That all adopted Resolutions shall be signed and approved by the end of that days meeting or as soon as prepared.
- 4) That the Tribal Secretary of the Tribal Business Council shall honor Tribal Elders and Youth and prioritize their respective requests to be placed at the beginning of the agenda of a Regular Meeting or Special Meeting.
- 5) That the Tribal Requests of the Tribal Business Council convene Special Meetings to take up only emergency issues or items that cannot be deferred until the next Regular Meeting and that a Special Meeting will be dedicated solely to five (5) agenda items.”

THE TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL DULY PASSED - TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP INPUT ON THE FY 2005 GENERAL FUND PER RESOLUTION NO. 04-03-NH

The Tribal Business Council duly passed the “Balanced FY 2005 General Fund Budget with Provision for Tribal Membership Input.” Which states in part the following:

“WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 5., of the Bylaws of the Three Affiliated Tribes specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to administer funds within the exclusive control of the Tribes and to make expenditures from available funds for the public purpose of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council fully believes that the Tribal Membership should be involved in the budgeting process and the financial management of the General Fund of the Three Affiliated Tribes; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Treasurer is willing to ensure that a draft balanced General Fund budget for FY 2005 is presented to each segment for review and to obtain recommendations from each segment...; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Treasurer shall introduce the resulting budget for approval at the Regular Meeting of the Tribal Business Council in December 2004 or as such time as needed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, the Treasurer is also directed to ensure that the balanced General Fund Budget with incorporated recommendations from the communities...;”

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council, upon approval of this Resolution, places the Three Affiliated Tribes under Continuing Resolution until such time as the Tribal Business Council formally adopts a balanced FY 2005 General Fund Budget.”

**Tribal Business Council of Three Affiliated Tribes the Fort Berthold Reservation
November 10, 2004 Tribal Business Council Action**

**TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL ACCEPTS
THE RESIGNATION OF THE CHIEF FI-
NANCIAL OFFICER STEVE SALVESON
EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 10, 2004**

The Tribal Business Council accepted the resignation submitted by Mr. Steve Salvesson which read as follows in the open session of the November 10, 2004 TBC Meeting:

“ November 10, 2004

Council Members:

After many discussions with my family the past several weeks, I have decided to resign and pursue another opportunity. My daughters have told me time and again that I need to be in town and that I am never around. One thing that I have learned working for the Three Affiliated Tribes is the importance of family which I have a great respect for. As a result, I need to make a change. My last day will be December 10, 2004 to comply with the 30 day notice requirement in my contract. I thank the Tribal Business Council for the opportunity I have been given and I will miss the many friends I have made here.

Sincerely,

/s/ Steve D. Salvesson”

Discussion was had with him in regards to his recommendations for the improvements and future of the Finance Department of the Three Affiliated Tribes and was thanked for his hard work on behalf of the Tribe. Thereafter a motion was made to accept his resignation with proper close out procedures with the Personnel Department of TAT.

**TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL APPROVES
RESOLUTION NO. 04-04-NH APPROVING
THE LOAN OF \$300,000 TO SMALL LOANS
DEPARTMENT**

The Tribal Business Council duly approved the funding of a internal loan to the Small Loans Department to take care of the immediate backlog of

approved loans. Such internal loan would be transferred to Small Loans in two amounts of \$150,000 each. The first to be taken care of November 2004 within FY 2004 budget and February 2005 within the FY 2005 General Fund Budget.

**TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL APPROVES
OF THE TRUST SETTLEMENT; THREE
AFFILIATED TRIBES V. NORTON IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$10,000,000 BY TRIBAL
RESOLUTION NO. 04-11-NH**

The Tribal Business Council duly approved the Tribal Resolution entitled “Settlement of Federal Tribal Trust Responsibility Case- Three Affiliated Tribes v. Norton, Civil Action No. 02-cv-00253 (RC) (U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia)”

Such Resolution No. 04-11-NH, which states in part the following:

“WHEREAS, In early 2002, the Three Affiliated Tribes engaged the services of a law firm, Conlon, Frantz, Phelan & Pires, LLP, to consider filing a case in Federal court against the Department of Interior and possibly others, alleging that the Department of Interior had mismanaged the funds and resources of the Three Affiliated Tribes held in trust by the Department of Interior, with the understanding that, if successful, the firm would be paid 10% of those funds recovered from the Department of Interior. The agreement also provides that the Tribes would pay the litigation expenses, including the cost of experts; and

WHEREAS, On or about February 10, 2002, as authorized by the Three Affiliated Tribes Resolution No. 02-12-MWJR, passed by the Tribal Business Council on January 11, 2002, a lawsuit was filed on behalf of the Three Affiliated Tribes against the Secretary of the Department of the Interior and other officials of the United States government in U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, Civil Action No. 02-cv—253-RCL, alleging among other things, that the United States

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November 10, 2004 & November 22, 2004 Tribal Council Action**

**TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL APPROVES
OF THE TRUST SETTLEMENT; THREE
AFFILIATED TRIBES V. NORTON IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$10,000,000 BY TRIBAL
RESOLUTION NO. 04-11-NH**

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had mismanaged resources of the Three Affiliated Tribes at least from 1947 to the date of the filing of the Complaint, and asking for an appropriate accounting of the funds and resources managed on behalf of the Three Affiliated Tribes by the Department of Interior; and

WHEREAS, ...2. The monetary amount off the settlement is Ten Million Dollars

(\$10,000,000.00) with no restriction on the use of the funds except as set forth in 3a. below.

...3.a. Proceeds from investment of the trust fund or distributions from the corpus of the trust may be used for any or all of the following purposes by the Tribes, to be determined in its sole discretion: (i) education; (ii) supplemental income payments to Tribal elders (the class of Tribal elders shall be defined by the Tribes); (iii) business or economic development; (iv) youth; and (v) other programs for the benefit of the Tribes and its members.

3.b. No more than 10% of the corpus of the trust fund may be made available to the Tribes in any one calendar year, but the Tribes may utilize the corpus or income of the trust as collateral for any loan obtained by the Tribes, provided that the proceeds of the loan are to be used for the purposes specified above.”

FOUR BEARS COMMUNITY CONVENIENCE STORE PROJECT CHALLENGED BY THE FOUR BEARS BRIDGE MEDALLION COMMITTEE AND THE MUSEUM BOARD

The Tribal Business Council was presented with an issue by Chairman Hall in regards to the loca-

tion of the new Four Bears Convenience Store project which was approved in October 2003 by Tribal Resolution #03-281-RP which afforded the Four Bears Council Representative the full authority to administer the project.

However the issue of the day which was deliberated for about two hours was the location of the economic development within the Four Bears Segment of the Fort Berthold Reservation. Much was said regarding the C-Store blocking the view of the Museum and the inconvenience of the visitors to the Museum. However, the underlying issues appeared to be that the Medallion Committee of the New Four Bears Bridge project were proposing to install a Rest Area – Plaza that would provide a history of the new Bridge, even though the State of North Dakota already determined the location of such Rest Area-Plaza would be near the New Bridge site. After about two (2) hours, the Chairman entertained a motion to relocate the Convenience store however, he did not receive any motions three (3) times.

Upon conclusion of that persuasive effort to relocate, the Tribal Business Council took a motion to request that the Four Bears Community Board be afforded an opportunity to hear out the Medallion Committee and the Museum Board regarding their position on the proposed economic development adjacent to the Three Affiliated Tribes Museum.

**TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL AMENDS
THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT ROTATION FOR THE FY
2005 TO FY 2010 APPLICATIONS FOR THE
SIX SEGMENTS OF THE FORT BERTHOLD RESERVATION**

The Tribal Business Council has amended the Previous Resolution No. 02-073-MWJR with Resolution No. 04-14-NH which would provide the Mandaree Segment the opportunity to be allowed an opportunity to re-apply for the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) with the

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2005 TO FY 2010 APPLICATIONS FOR THE
SIX SEGMENTS OF THE FORT BER-
THOLD RESERVATION**

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HUD (Department Housing and Urban Development). The Four Bears Segment would share the Grant Applications for the FY 2005 and FY 2006 Grant applications with the Mandaree Segment for the best interests of both Segments of Mandaree and Four Bears Segment. Thereafter FY 2007 – Twin Buttes Segment, FY 2008 - Parshall Segment, FY 2009 – New Town/Little Shell and FY 2010 – White Shield Segment. The Four Bears Segment Representative would provide this opportunity to the Mandaree Segment in turn for support for the full funding of the Four Bears Convenience Store for the FY 2004/05 Budget Years with a budget of \$530,000.

**TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL ADDRESSES
THE ISSUE OF THE PROTOCOL AND
CLARIFICATION OF ORDER DURING
FORMAL TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
MEETINGS IN REGARDS TO INSUBORDI-
NATION**

The Four Bears Council Representative requested clarification from Bonnie Moran, Federal Programs Manager in regards to her behavior during the November 10, 2004 Tribal Business Council Meeting. Wherein it appeared to be blatant insubordination in regards to the supervision of the Tribal Business Council. Simply put, what the Four Bears Representative felt was that her behavior was not administration but political in nature. By Constitution and bylaws the Tribal Business Council makes the determination of whom the appointment of executive officers shall be. Perhaps in the preparation of the FY 2005 General Fund Budget such behavior would be allowable but

probably not. The Tribal Business Council provided notice to the Chief Executive Officer that any Tribal Personnel addressing Agenda Items would be required to be in full adherence to the Personnel Policies and Procedures of the Three Affiliated Tribes and that insubordination simply not acceptable.

**TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL APPROVES
THE COMMITTEES FOR NOVEMBER 2004
PER THE TRIBAL RESOLUTION NO. 04-18-
NH**

The Tribal Business Council duly passed Tribal Resolution No. 04-18-NH, entitled “*Appointment of the Tribal Business Council Committees November 2004*”; which duly appointed the Tribal Council Committees for November 2004 and which states in part as follows:

“**WHEREAS**, The Tribal Business Council duly appoints the membership of the Natural Resources, Health, Human & Education, Judicial Committees of the Tribal Business Council of the Fort Berthold Reservation; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That, the following are the respective appointments:

Health, Human Resources & Education Committee of TBC

Nathan Hale, Chairman
Malcolm Wolf, Member
Marcus Wells, Jr., Member

Judicial Committee of TBC

Mervin Packineau, Chairman
Daylon Spotted Bear, Member
Frank Whitecalfe, Member

Natural Resources Committee of TBC

Daylon Spotted Bear, Chairman
Malcolm Wolf, Member
Frank Whitecalfe”

**Tribal Business Council of Three Affiliated Tribes the Fort Berthold Reservation
November 24, 2004 Tribal Council Action**

THE TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL APPROVED THE TRANSFER OF THE SERGEANT OF ARMS TO THE FOUR BEARS SEGMENT COPS FAST POLICE OFFICER

The Tribal Business Council approved the request of the Four Bears Segment Representative and the Sergeant of Arms – Mr. Vernon Young Bear to be transferred to the Four Bears Segment – Cops Fast Police Officer. Mr. Young Bear duly served the Tribal Business Council as Sergeant of Arms since November 1998 and expressed interest in serving the Tribe as Tribal Police Officer for the Three Affiliated on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation. The CEO – Richard Mayer thanked Vernon Young Bear for his six years of dedicated service to the Tribal Business Council. Thank You Vernon.

TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL APPROVES THE BACKLOG OF TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Tribal Business Council duly approved the Tribal Business Council Meeting minutes for the May 21, 2004, June 29, 2004, July 8, 2004, August 31, 2004, September 1, 2004, November 10, 2004 and November 22, 2004 minutes will be submitted to the MHA Nation official website and the MHA Times for publication.

TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL APPROVES THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE MANDAREE AND FOUR BEARS SEGMENT FY 2005 GRANT APPLICATION

Tribal Business Council duly approved the Resolution entitled “Indian Community Development Block Grant Matching funds” Resolution No. 04-23-NH, which states in part the following:
“WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 5 (c) authorizes the Tribal Business Council to administer any property or funds within the exclusive control of

the Tribes and to make expenditures from available tribal funds for public purposes for the Tribes; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has made funds available through the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) for FY-2005 in the amount of \$900,000 per Tribe; and WHEREAS, The HUD ICDBG requires a cash match to receive a maximum rating, and Tribal Business Council Resolution 03-254-RP establishes that 25% in matching funds be set aside per the annual ICDBG grant application; and NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes that 25% cash match of \$225,000 from the Tribes FY 2005 General Fund be designated for the Four Bears and Mandaree Communities for this year’s grant application to HUD’s ICDBG.”

TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL APPROVES THE ENROLLMENT OF SIXTY – EIGHT (68) MEMBERS TO THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES-RESO. NO. 04-24-NH

The Tribal Business Council formally approved the applications of sixty-eight (68) applicants seeking enrollment to the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation. Pursuant to the Tribal Business Council Resolution, which states in part the following:

“WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act; and

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes generally authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities on behalf of and in the interest of the welfare and benefit of the enrolled members thereof; and

WHEREAS, According to the Article II, Section I: Membership: The membership of The Three Affiliated Tribes shall consist of:

- A. All persons whose names appear on the membership of the Tribe as of October 2, 1974.

**Tribal Business Council of Three Affiliated Tribes the Fort Berthold Reservation
November 24, 2004 Tribal Council Action**

**TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL APPROVES
THE ENROLLMENT OF SIXTY – EIGHT
(68) MEMBERS TO THE THREE AFFILI-
ATED TRIBES-RESO. NO. 04-24-NH**

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B. Any person born before the effective date of the amendment and to any member of the Tribe who was a resident of the reservation at the time of birth of said person.

C. All persons of at least 1/4 degree Indian blood of a federally recognized tribe, provided that at least 1/8 be of the Hidatsa, Mandan, or Arikara Tribe.

WHEREAS, On November 24, 2004 the Tribal Business Council reviewed a Resolution for eligible participants for enrollment with the Three Affiliated Tribes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council duly and officially approves the enrollment of the following 68 applicants.”

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kaitleigh Brynn 2. Darcy Nicole Bushman 3. Angelica Starr Corrales 4. Carmen Star Corrales 5. Sandra Finley 6. Sweet Medicine Finley 7. Carol Lee Four Cloud 8. Asa Gye Fox 9. Emma Jo Fox 10. Masosa Francine Good Bird 11. Myah Paige Good Bird 12. Maggie Lorraine Hale 13. Angelica Lynn Henderson 14. Victoria Lincoln 15. Ruby Roselynn Lone Bear 16. Lise Marie Luxem 17. Veroncia Tekala Meade 18. Autumn Evonne Meyers 19. Susan Elizabeth Mitchell 20. Summer Rose Nelson 21. Danica Victory Paul 22. Vivica Morning Blessing Paul 23. Jacquelyn Amalia Perez 24. Kamaya Erin Perkins 25. Allison Paige Pohl 26. Leota M. Prouty | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 27. Shaundeen Nizohni Smith 28. Stacey Olivia Stearns 29. Sammie Jo White 30. Sharyden Alfreda Young Bird 31. Badger Ray Belgarde 32. Maynard Bull Jr. 33. Samuel Quinn Burr 34. Feryl Lynn Conklin 35. Farrell K. Dorsey 36. Jameson Gait Driver 37. Anthony Jay Finley 38. Lakota Two Arrows Finley 39. Sundown Finley 40. Maynard T. Fox Jr. 41. Michael Maurice Fox 42. Landen James Garcia 43. Jesse Terrell Gillette 44. Eddie Nicolas Gonzalez 45. Abenicio Bove Good Bird 46. Desmond Kai Good Bird 47. Ediburt Lyndsey Good Bird 48. Kyle Dwight Grinnell 49. Codie Eugene Kirkaldie 50. Conrad Leslie Mahto 51. Stephen Ray Meyers 52. Vines Albert Mitchell 53. Ryan Mathew Moon-Oneill 54. Michael Kole Nelson 55. Trinity James Nelson 56. Alberto Rosando Perez 57. Jordan Perkins 58. Dontae James Peterson 59. Tate Keiser Phillips-Youngbird 60. Ygnacia Mac Clyde Quarry 61. Ian Paul Sieler 62. Saul Jeigh Sieler 63. James Starr 64. Juan Starr 65. Anthony s. Uren Jr. 66. Jared Thomas Wilkie 67. Josiah Ray Wilkie 68. David France Young” |
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Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes
Financial Information—Tribal Account Balances as of January 26, 2005

ECONOMIC RECOVERY, INDIVIDUAL INDIAN MONIES FUND AND DOCKET FUNDS BUREAU OF INDIANS AFFAIRS & OFFICE OF TRUST FUNDS MANAGEMENT

The Three Affiliated Tribes account balances with the JTAC Account is as follows:

Account #EC5197016

JTAC Account Principal	\$149,760,584.01	
JTAC Interest	<u>\$24,629,440.12</u>	
Sub-Total JTAC or ERF		\$174,390,024.13

Williston National Bank	Debt Reserve Accounts	\$521,924.00
BNC Bank in Bismarck	Line of Credit Reserve	<u>\$5,000,000.00</u>
Total JTAC or ERF		\$179,911,948.13

SPECIAL IIM ACCOUNTS WITH BIA/OST SUMMARY:

Account #301S000700- TAT Land Development	\$ 102,842.85	
Account #301S000701- TAT Reserve	\$ 33,769.68	
Account #301S000702- TAT Debt Service	\$ 763.32	
Account #301S000703- TAT Operating Funds	\$ 0.00	
Account #302S000706- TAT Small Loan Prog.	\$ 999.69	
PL 7228700	<u>\$ 351,814.01</u>	
Total IIM Funds		\$490,189.55

The Three Affiliated Tribes account balance for all the Docket Accounts are as follows:

Account #JA9009216

Docket 350C/D, Judgment Award, June 1, 1976	\$ 1,957,932.95	
Docket 350C/D - Interest	<u>\$29,433.89</u>	
Total Principal & Interest		\$1,987,366.84

Account #JA9006212

Docket 350F, Judgment Award, June 12, 1975	\$ 206,785.82	
Docket 350F - Interest	<u>\$ 5,428.35</u>	
Total Principal & Interest		\$212,214.17

Account #JA9028216

Docket 350G, Judgment Award, June 9, 1981	\$6,906,303.27	
Docket 350G - Interest	<u>\$103,222.16</u>	
Total Principal & Interest		\$7,009,525.43

Grand Total All Dockets		<u>\$9,209,106.44</u>
Total All Funds with/OST		\$189,611,244.12

Note: Financial Information received from Frank Henry, Acting CFO & Dean Webb-Office of the Special Trustee—Aberdeen Area Office, South Dakota. MWJR.



“COYOTE COMMENTS OF THE FOUR BEARS SEGMENT”

**MARCUS D. WELLS, JR. “MO-ZAH”
FOUR BEARS SEGMENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
OF THE MANDAN, HIDATSA & ARIKARA**

“Elections are over and done; now is the time to work towards progress for the next two years and beyond”

The Federal, State, Tribal, County elections are now history and it is time for the elected leadership to take on the duties and responsibilities to get the job done! When the issues come to their attention the leader must make the efforts to get the answers to the questions and a sense of direction for the overall benefit of their respective voters locally and abroad.

During the month of November the Three Affiliated Tribes completed four (4) Tribal Business Council Meetings to start in a direction to get business done for the best interest of the Tribe although there was debate regarding the change made in the appointment of Executive Officers and interpretation of such transition from the old to the new per the Tribal Constitution and Bylaws.

I believe that the Tribal Business Council is in the best position to work together for the next two (2) years and even beyond that. We might have a few differences in opinion in regards to budget and administration , but this can be worked out. Regardless of who voted for whom, we need to look toward the future instead of falling back on the past.

I would like to congratulate the re-elected Tribal Council Representative Mr. Malcolm Wolf in the New Town/Little Shell Segment, the newly elected Tribal Council Representatives: Mr. Frank Whitecalfe, White Shield Segment and Mr. Nathan Hale, Mandaree Segment Representative! I would like to wish them a productive and successful four years ahead of them!

“Tribal Business Council Appoints Committees for November 2004”

*The members were appointed for the Natural Resources Committee, Health Human & Education Committee and Judicial Committee. These committees can be utilized for the brunt of the debate and discussion for the necessary action items that must be moved on to full Tribal Business Council for formal approval. This is the opportune time for Tribal Programs, Enterprises and Tribal Employees to address proposed action items. I believe that this will be done. The Chairman for the Natural Resources Committee is Mr. Daylon Spotted Bear. He can be reached at 701-898-1144. The Chairman for the Health, Human & Education is Mr. Nathan Hale. He can be reached at 701-421-0125. And the Chairman for the Judicial Committee is Mr. Mervin Packineau. He can be reached at 701-421-0076. **The Coyote Commentary is the personal opinion of the Four Bears Representative and should not be taken as the official position of the Tribal Business Council. “Mod-zi-gidaz” - “Mo-zah”.***

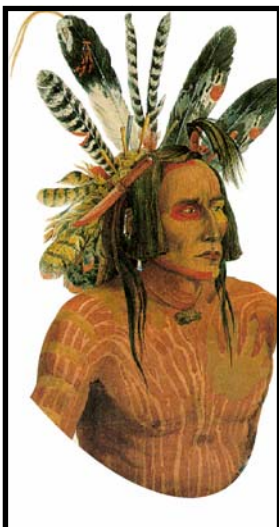
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**Four Bears Segment
Representative**

**“Representation for
Today, preparing for our
Future”**



**Four Bears Council Representative
of the Three Affiliated Tribes
of the Fort Berthold Reservation
Directory of Staff**

The Telephone numbers of Segment Staff are below:

Kathy White Tail, Admin. Assist.	627-3155
Charlie Conklin, Facility Manager	627-3155
Debbie Chase, Head Cook	627-3155
Angela Young Bird, Temp/Assistant Cook	627-3155
Brian White Tail, Recreation Coordinator	627-3155
Hollis Blake, Water Truck Driver Home:	627-3670
Ferryl Conklin, 477 Employee	627-3155

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V. Judy Brugh, Admin. Assistant	627-4781
Barbara Baker, Admin. Assistant	627-4781
Jennifer Mann, Four Bears Daycare Director	627-3397

Purpose of the Four Bears News Letter:

The Four Bears Segment Representative utilizes this “Four Bears News” to report to you, the membership of the Four Bears Segment, of the official actions taken and recorded in Minutes and Resolutions of the Tribal Business Council during Regular, Special and Committee Meetings.

If you do not receive this in your mail box and you are from Four Bears Segment, please give me your address and we will get it to you each month. Or, if you need any further information or assistance from the Four Bears Segment or the Tribe, just give me or my staff a telephone call and we will do the best we can to get your question answered or assist if possible.

Closing Comments:

If, you have any questions or need any assistance, please give me a call. I can be reached by telephone at home 627-3495 at the office 627-4781 or on my cell phone which is a local call at 421-1442. For those of you who have e-mail, you can e-mail me at fourbears@mhanation.com. Or if you would like me to come to your home to visit with you, I can do that also.

“Mod-zi-gidaz” - Thank You.

Marcus Wells, Jr. “Mo-zah”

Four Bears Segment Representative of TAT