

MATERIAL RESOURCE COMMITTEE
THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES
TRIBAL BUSINESS CHAMBERS
TRIBAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
February 6, 1985

PRESENT: Gordon Blake, Pete Coffey, Acting Secretary, Ernest Stone

ABSENT: Edmund White Bear and Dennis Huber

OTHERS: Arnie Guimont, Norma Staples, Elmer Wells and Elizabeth Morsette, Recording Secretary

ITEM NO. 1 CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Blake called the meeting to order at 10:55 A.M.

ITEM NO. 2 MINUTES

Acting Secretary Coffey read committee minutes of January 30, 1985

Comments: Gordon - The Tribal Budget will not offset Tribal Program budgets.
Arnie - Have not had chance to talk to Stephen Francis-re: Amoco Beldridge refund.

Motion No. 1 - Moved by Pete Coffey to approve minutes, seconded by Ernest Stone - Vote: unanimous.

ITEM NO. 3 HOUSING INVENTORY

Arnie stated that the Tribe must take inventory of all homes on the reservation. He handed out the housing inventory form. Pete questioned whether the form is the same as CDBG Priority Rating System. Arnie explained how it gives information on the present condition of a home. The form was made up by past housing directors. The BIA requires that this inventory be conducted in order to be eligible for future funding. According to a letter received from Area Director on 12-13-84 the housing inventory must be completed by 5-31-85.

Gordon stated this is a requirement and concerns all housing on the reservation - HUD homes are included.

ITEM NO. 4 HOUSING REHAB. - ALBERT FOX

Albert Fox - well renovation emergency - Gordon Mariner gave cost estimate \$800.00.

Motion No. 2 - Moved by Coffey to approve Albert Fox for well renovation. Check with housing and see if they will keep promise to dig new well, seconded by Ernest Stone - Vote: unanimous, motion carried.

ITEM NO. 5 LIHEAP

Motion No. 3 - Moved by Coffey to approve Clyde Brady; Kathy Whitman and Ron White Owl, seconded by Ernest Stone - Vote: unanimous, motion carried.

ITEM NO. 6 OTHER

Arnie explained budget and salary authorization for Material Resource staff. Gordon questioned why Mark Charging is not up for a raise? Arnie explained. Pete Coffey asked why is Orville getting a raise, when Mark isn't - is Orville under Mark's supervision? Arnie stated he was awarding productivity. This was his recommendation. Pete said this leaves the committee open. Gordon stated he has in the past heard grievances. This is for a cost of living expense. Pete has no problem with the raises requested - Pete said everyone should get a equal percentage raise. Gordon said when he first came up with this request it was not for merit - but for cost of living - Mark can go on - Orville's can't be this high - Orville-20% and Mark-8%, includes director.

Motion No. 4 - Moved by Coffey all employees of Material Resource Department get a cost of living increase, seconded by Ernest Stone, Vote: unanimous, motion carried.

ITEM NO. 7 WEATHERIZATION TRAVEL

Approve travel to Denver for Elizabeth Morsette.

Motion No. 5 - Moved by Coffey for Elizabeth Morsette, seconded by Stone, Vote: unanimous, motion carried.

ITEM NO. 8 UTILITIES COMMISSION

Arnie stated that according to Tribal Finance, the Utilities Commission is over spent. When expenses exceeds income the Tribes T-2 account is charged. Utilities Commission went on record for Material Resource Department to take care of collection. Two Utilities staff members have been layed off. The Utilities Commission is over spent by \$29,000. The Utilities Commission was at the Material Resource Department in the past. Arnie stated management is still under Utilities Commission. The Material Resource Department will only collect water receipts. Pat is still working - Rachael Bell and Jeff Smith are layed off. Arnie stated its only a matter of receiving payment and paying receipt. Pete to Gordon - there may be a problem when Pat needs help. The board can appoint someone for 1 or 2 days. Norma- there is no money in Utilities - if utilities moves to the Commodity warehouse they will not have to pay rent. Commodities will move to the Utilities Commission

ITEM NO. 8 UTILITIES COMMISSION Cont.

Building. The switch will be done in the future.
Motion No. 5 - Moved by Pete Coffey for Utilities Commission to move to Commodity Warehouse, seconded by Ernest Stone. Vote: unanimous, motion carried.

Pete - there is no heat at the Commodity warehouse. The Tribe has to pay for the Commodities whether they freeze or not. Arnie - can space costs be paid to the Utilities Commission. Gordon - no, it has to be paid to the Tribe. Gordon - if Pat can get a hold of another hoist he won't need the hoists at the building. Arnie - if it was possible to have both Utilities/Commodities in the building. Pete to Norma - are you going to bring all.

Arnie - The Board of Commissioners are the ones that will make the decision on who will take care of bills - billings and outside work. Arnie - When it warms up there will be work. Gordon - When Ron White Owl worked there, there was money coming in. Pete - is there a possibility of hiring help to work on Utilities Commission. Pete - do you think staff can handle the Utilities Commission work? Arnie - There will be more work but thinks staff can handle work. Arnie - to cut cost for Utilities Commission, this is the only way. Norma - Think we can try if it doesn't work we can always change back to Utilities Commission.

Motion No. 6 - Moved by Pete Coffey, to have Material Resource Department handle water collection billings and if staff is overloaded then it can go back to Utilities Commission, seconded by Ernest Stone, Vote: unanimous, motion carried.

ITEM NO. 9 CHUCK ROSS APPLICATION

What was done - foundation is crumbling. Pipes are forever having to be repaired. Will bring more information for next meeting.

ITEM NO. 10 FORCE ACCOUNT

Arnie - been handling contracts through bidding process - the lumber yards have not been paid by a few contractors.

Will take on 2 more workers besides Steve - 1 worker - plumbing; 1 worker - electrician - 1 to 2 years will be qualified to work with plumber and electrician, on the job training - Arnie can get trainee through Leo's office - the worker must be skilled to start - possibly get certified.

Steve - the workers will apprentice under certified plumber - electrician - send hours into Bismarck to build up, toward certification. This will be

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just within Material Resource Department - the workers will be a carpenter. Gordon - put on paper for next committee meeting.

ITEM NO. 11 ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Coffey, seconded by Ernest Stone, meeting adjourned at 12:15 P.M.

Ats. *Dawn Hulse*
Secretary, Material Resource Committee

3/13/85
Date

Jale Chasing
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

4-11-85
Date

Alyce Spotted Bear
Chairman, Tribal Business Council

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