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TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING NO. 13

REGULAR MEETING

DATE: July 6, 1998 TIME: 1:00 AM

01. Call to Order, Prayer & Roll Call.

The Regular meeting of July 6, 1988 was called to order by Chairman Russell D. Mason, Sr., at 1:00 pm in the Tribal Council Chambers. A moment of silent prayer was held. Members present for roll call were: Chairman Russell D. Mason, Sr., Vice Chairman Austin Gillette, Treasurer Mark N. Fox, Secretary Daylon Spotted Bear, Councilman Edwin Hall, and Councilman Tex G. Hall. Member absent was Councilman Thomas Bird Bear.

02. Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Ed Hall to approve the agenda with additions, deletions, and changes in order of business. Second by Thomas Bird Bear. Vote: 6 in favor, 1 absent. Motion carried. Agenda Approved.

03. Announcements

Austin Gillette announced that he attended the second annual CERT (Council on Energy Resource Tribes) meeting in Albuquerque, NM on July 1-2, 1998. In the absence of a full quorum, an executive meeting was held. Mr. Gillette informed the Council that in addition to CERT addressing tribal energy resource issues, two other organizations have been developed to address the same issues, thus CERT participation has decreased and is less effective than it had been in the past. He suggested that at the UTETC meeting during the week of the 20th, the Three Affiliated Tribes support a recommendation to combine CERT with the two other organizations to more effectively address tribal energy resource issues on a national level.

Mark Fox announced that he attended a NDIGA (North Dakota Indian Gaming Association) meeting in Bismarck, ND on July 1, 1998. Tribes in attendance were the Three Affiliated Tribes, Turtle Mountain, Standing Rock, Sisseton/Wahpeton, and Spirit Lake. Two primary items were addressed. The first item was the ND Gaming Compact Negotiations in which Standing Rock, Sisseton/Wahpeton, Spirit Lake, and Three Affiliated Tribes agreed to work together to develop a common proposal. Turtle Mountain Tribe would like an expeditious process in place, but could still fall in line with the other tribes' negotiations process. The second item was the Secretarial procedures for gaming and litigation with the States and Attorney Generals. NCAI and NIGA Task Force has scheduled a joint tribal meeting in Denver, CO on July 20, 1998 and the meeting with the Secretary of the Interior is scheduled for July 21, 1998. Most of the

tribes will be in attendance to voice their positions on the 20th. Mr. Fox requested that the Three Affiliated Tribes reschedule their Special Council meeting of July 20, 1998 with the 4 Bears Casino so the Tribe can attend the Denver meeting. The Tribe's meeting with the 4 Bears Casino was rescheduled for July 27, 1998.

Tex Hall announced that he met in Bismarck with the US Forest Service Chief and asked about the religious rights and buffalo grazing rights of the Tribes based upon the 1851 Fort Laramie Treaty. Mr. Hall informed the Council that the US Forest Service Chief reiterated that his agency, as well as other agencies, recognize the Tribe's sovereign rights and will continue to work on a government-to-government basis with the Tribes per executive order. He suggested that any requests of the Tribes be submitted to his agency and they will forward it to OGC (Office of General Council) to further research the 1851 Fort Laramie Treaty. The second item addressed by Mr. Hall was a request for a legal update and the Tribe's position regarding the 40,000 acres of lakeshore lands that may be affected by a recommendation of the JTAC committee to return those excess lands to the Three Affiliated Tribes. Another item was the FSA Loan transfer issue in which a meeting will be scheduled this week with the BIA to discuss transfer on a case-by-case basis. Mr. Hall informed the Council that the Tribes Judicial meeting is scheduled for July 15, 1998 at 10:00 am. A third item addressed was tourism development on Fort Berthold. A 4 Bears Re-enactment was held at Elmer's Point in which a German tourism magazine editor and tourism directors were present. The German Tourism Group agreed to donate up to \$70,000 to further develop authentic Mandan/Hidatsa Villages and historical sites on Fort Berthold to enhance tourism. The fourth item addressed was the West Segment Development Corporation which will be developed in order to enhance economic development, provide jobs and provide Y2K compliance for all participating agencies and organizations.

Ed Hall announced that he met with Dennis Huber in Bismarck to review and finalize a business packet to develop a building to house Commodity coolers in an effort to provide fresh produce ahead of schedule. The packet will be brought before the Tribal Business Council for final approval. Mr. Hall requested a meeting with BIA Law Enforcement, Fort Berthold Housing Authority and the Tribal Business Council to address an incident that had occurred at 4 Bears Housing over the Fourth of July weekend. A third item presented by Mr. Hall was a request to further clarify specific roles and responsibilities of the 4 Bears Casino Gaming Enterprise Board, Casino Management, and the Tribal Business Council in maintaining proper management of funds to repay the Tribal loan to buyout the Casino. Mr. Hall also requested development of a swimming area and provision of proper security at the 4 Bears Marina.

Chairman Russell Mason commented on the Justice Hearings held at UTETC in Bismarck in which Tribes were concerned about Senator Gorton's proposed legislation on Means Testing which would require that 10% of the richest Tribes give to the poorest Tribes.

Mark Fox further reported to the Council that Senator Conrad did state that he will oppose attempts taken by others against tribal sovereignty. Tribes are currently in the

process of compiling facts regarding Tribal Judicial and Law Enforcement Systems prior to the next Justice Hearings so this information can be used to support Tribal sovereignty and due process within Tribal Judicial Systems.

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES

I, the undersigned, as Executive 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 seven (7) members, of whom five (5) members constitute a quorum. _____ members were present at a _____ Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the _____ day of _____, 1998 whereupon the foregoing minutes were presented for approval by the Three Affiliated Tribes Recording Secretary.

Said minutes were duly approved by the affirmative vote of _____ members, and have not been amended in any way, except as noted by council when approved.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 1998.

Daylon Spotted Bear, Executive Secretary
Tribal Business Council, Three Affiliated Tribes

ATTEST:

Russell D. Mason, Sr., Chairman
Tribal Business Council, Three Affiliated Tribes

TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL MEETING NO.

SPECIAL MEETING

DATE: AUGUST 13, 1998 TIME: 9:00 AM

01. Call to Order, Prayer & Roll Call.

The Special meeting of August 13, 1998 was called to order by Chairman Russell D. Mason, Sr., at 1:10 pm in the Tribal council Chambers. A moment of silent prayer was held. Members present for roll call were: Chairman Russell D. Mason, Sr., Vice Chairman Austin Gillette, Treasurer Mark N. Fox, Secretary Daylon Spotted Bear, Councilman Ed Hall, Councilman Tex Hall, and Councilman Thomas Bird Bear. All members present. Quorum established.

02. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings.

Approval of minutes of previous meeting was deferred until the next Tribal Business Council meeting scheduled for August 18, 1998.

03. Announcements.

Tex Hall - Conference in Washington, DC.

Ed Hall – Grand opening on new community center at 4 Bears Community.

Daylon Spotted Bear – Grand opening of Twin Buttes Memorial expansion project.
Washington, DC Books on Conference.

Austin Gillette – Unimed contracts

Mark Fox – Testimony on Congressional Hearing in Washington, DC.
TERO Conference, Denver, CO August 18, 19, 1998
Gaming Commission to come to 4 Bears Casino for Conference.

04. Approval of Agenda

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Tribal Business Council, Three Affiliated Tribes

ATTEST:

Russell D. Mason, Sr., Chairman
Tribal Business Council, Three Affiliated Tribes