

CALL TO ORDER:

Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight called the meeting to order at 1:28 PM.

I. <u>ROLL CALL:</u>

Present: Councilman Cory Spotted Bear, Councilwoman V. Judy Brugh, Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight. Quorum established.

II. <u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA:</u>

Motion: Councilwoman V. Judy Brugh moved to approve the agenda. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

III. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</u>

- 3/5/2021 Cultural Committee Minutes
- 5/6/2021 Cultural Committee Minutes
- 6/30/2021 Cultural Committee Minutes

Item deferred.

IV. <u>NEW BUSINESS:</u>

A. Ryan Wilson

Presented a reviewed resolution to address a lease issue with the non-renewal of his building lease on main street in New Town. Ryan's Resolution went to Legal, the jest is who owns the building he is renting. Councilwoman Monica Mayer already viewed the resolution. He is requesting that the TBC through resolution grant him a lease to the building. Ryan Wilson informed the committee that 4 years ago his lease was terminated and against the tribe's code and stated that he would like the contract grandfathered in. He is current with his rent but lost 7 months of sales having to close for COVID. He has the deed and title and states that there is no discrepancies as to the tribe owning the building. It is the Tribe who pays the taxes. Attorney Tyra Wilkinson checked the lease and noted the lease agreement is not with North Segment Property Management but with the Alliance. The Alliance voted unanimously on the lease. He feels this is a personal issue. Mr. Wilson cited the Landlord Tenant code to which Tyra Wilkinson explained had to do with residential.

V. <u>PROGRAM REPORTS:</u>

A. Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO) – Allan Demaray, Director Report submitted for the record. Expanded the THPO Office and changed our Headquarters to the MHA TERO/Energy building 305 4th Ave New Town North Dakota 58763. Most of our Tribal Governmental departments are located at this site. Hired an office manager to streamline the departments responsibilities to provide services. Reviewed our office in Parshall and will redesign the space. Developed team



oriented meetings every week with our staff. Developing upper management team within our departments. Ms. Pemina Yellow Bird is working along with our department as a consultant providing guidance and mentorship. Ms. Baker NAGPRA Special Projects is currently working on repatriation. This first year is redesigning the THPO department to enhance the MHA Nation perspective through its policies. Scope of Work: Identification and repatriation of human remains and artifacts culturally affiliated with the Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara Tribes. Identification, Preservation & registration of MHA Nation traditional cultural Properties and sites. TCP (Tribal Cultural Properties or Sites) surveys in accordance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Servicing the Fort Berthold Reservation proper and outlying traditional/aboriginal Homelands. Completed 74 Compliance Letters for June/July 2021 (37-Home Sites: 28-Companies). -Department attended Recent activities include: BIA Section 106-Internal trainings in Section 106, -NHPA (National Historic Preservation Act) training, -NAGPA (Native American Graves Protection Repatriation) training, -Reviewing Grant Opportunities, -Working on TAT Cultural Resource Management Plan, -Developing policy and procedures for THPO, -Consultation training -Training Monitor.

B. Tourism Dept. - Darrin Morsette, Director

Item deferred.

C. MHA Interpretive Center - Delphine Baker, Director

Item deferred.

D. Culture & Language Department – Tony Lone Fight, Interim Director Report submitted for the record. The Culture & Language Department submitted the emergency ANA grant for languages on July 7. We had not heard about an award, but there may not have been enough time for the agency to get back to our department. I will be starting the larger project of writing an ANA grant proposal for April 2022 for the publication of the Hidatsa Dictionary, website and distribution. We are continuing to provide language books for tribal members and organizations. I think we may need to do one more order before August ends, but that should see us through this school year. Shaundeen Smith has done an excellent job for organizing and shipping these materials to tribal members. We participated in the excellent Immersion conference hosted by the Maagarishda Hidatsa Nest. Our apprentices left the conference re-energized and ready to tackle the tough job of language revitalization. Nora Packineau and her team did a great job of putting this event together. We are hosting a more intensive Sahnish language 8 day "camp" in White Shield. The hope is that students will gain an understanding of the more complex topics of grammar, verb use and word construction so they can all take their language skills further. Our group is new, just a couple of years old. Additionally, TBC separated the Culture & Language Department from the Education Department about



a year and four months ago so we are still creating the infrastructure for the program. We are also developing new language teaching tools and keeping the old ones in print and online. TBC has allocated \$1.563 million for our program in 2021 and we currently have 13 employees.

E. Language Program – Maybella Lone Fight / Aaron Abby August 19 will start classes on zoom for the first group, will zoom with Head Start. There will be 3 sessions of zoom classes. August 15 will be the grand opening for Language Programs new building.

VI. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Motion: Councilwoman V. Judy Brugh moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM.





CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Chairman for the Tribal Business Council's Cultural Committee of the of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council's Cultural Committee is composed of three [3] members of whom [2] constitute a quorum; 4 were present at the Cultural Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 2^{nd} day of September, 2021; that the foregoing Minutes were duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 4 members; 0 members opposed; 0 members abstained; 0 Members not voting.

Dated this 2nd day of September, 2021.

ATTEST:

Cultural Committee Chairwoman, Councilwoman Sherry Turner Lone-Fight Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes

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Executive Secretary, Councilman Fred W. Fox Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes