



CALL TO ORDER:

Councilman Cory Spotted Bear called the meeting to order at 12:04 PM.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilwoman Monica Mayer, Councilman Fred Fox, & Councilman Robert White. *Quorum established.*

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to approve the agenda. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- **September 29th, 2022 Natural Resource Committee Minutes.**
- **October 27th, 2022 Natural Resource Committee Minutes.**

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to approve the September 29th, 2022 Natural Resource Committee Minutes subject to minor corrections. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to approve the October 27th, 2022 Natural Resource Committee Minutes subject to minor corrections. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Range Unit 40 Request - Delvin Driver, Jr.

Delvin Driver Jr. is requesting to take over his Dad's (Delvin Driver Sr.) Range Unit. Range Unit 40. He must get the approval from the individual land owner. Approval of the new site.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved for approval of the new site. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward to TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

B. Four Bears Community Development:

• **New Community Center**

There is a problem with the location of the facility. Four Bears Community Center, GIS program picture shows this will need to be moved. On part of trust allottee's land and not on tribal land. 549A-C, 549A-F, 549A-E, 549A-D. Councilman Robert White will have a Community Meeting to inform community of the situation, maybe the parking lot could be shifted to the east side to make the adjustments.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved for approval of the new site. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.



Discussion: Texx recommended to designate a Special Use Resolution be in place so this portion of land is dedicated to the new Four Bears Building. Councilman Robert White asked Roger White Owl to draw it up, also tie in that North Unit.

- **Subdivision Development**

Need a Utility Corridor (allotment 594), Texx would like to do a blanket motion (for January) so not to have to keep coming back for the water, electrical power and the roads. Councilman Robert White states, when Amber gets back from Arizona she will work with Texx to bring back. Councilman Robert White will have Amber look into it when she gets back from Arizona and will have ready for the next meeting.

IV. **NATURAL RESOURCE:**

A. **Home Site Resolution**

Three applicants for Home Site Resolution:

- Charles Freeman, a Tribal Member, is requesting a Home Site on Tribal Fee Patent Tract 560008500, City of New Town, Section 18, T. 152 N., R. 92 W., Mountrail County, 5th PM of North Dakota, more or less.
- Edmund Baker, a Tribal Member, is requesting a Home Site on Tribal Fee Patent Tract 560061500, City of New Town, Section 8, T. 152 N., R. 92 W., Mountrail County, 5th PM of North Dakota, more or less.
- Katlyn Fettig, Enrolled Member, requesting a home site on Tribal Trust land – T 3168, Lot 1, Block 7, Van Hook Original Townsite, Section 32, T. 152 N., R. 91 W., Mountrail County, 5th PM of North Dakota, more or less.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward Home Site Resolution to the January 2023 TBC pending Legal review. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

B. **Land Exchange – Matt Mason**

Would like to bring land exchange to January TBC. Approved pending Legal review. Matt proposed to make a dollar-for-dollar trad of 160 acres of fee patent farm land (approximately 144 high-value acres of farmland and the rest to a homestead with electricity and some wetlands) located in Cremerville Township. His land is in Northeast and East Segment. T150N/R89W, Section 20, SE ¼ for lands located at T150/R92, Sections 22 and 23 or their equivalent. Matt would like to consolidate his land. Matt would like to look over more tribal tracts because his land (cost) is more than the tribes. Mr. Mason noted that it was his understanding that the Tribe is desirous of recovering lands taken in the 1910 Homestead Act; the land we propose to trade falls in that category.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward request to January TBC subject to appraisal and pending Legal review. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.



Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to get the land exchanges done for the land in the fee patented area on the North East side. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

ND School Land (*put Jason Kreuger on this too*). Councilwoman Monica Mayer would like to investigate the 240 acres the State owns within our Reservation borders.

C. Mountrail Williams Electric Cooperative – Dialysis Unity Facility

Item deferred.

D. 2023 Agricultural Lease Applications

Nancy Vitko (The totals are 729.25 acres for \$36,583.00)

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward to January TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

Discussion: Anthony Vitko and Luke Spotted Bear are interested in the same land. FF asked if that land can be split up. Mr. Lone Bear said it can be. After discussion, this issue will be brought back to the committee.

E. House/Building for Sale

Mr. Lone Bear stated that TBC has been buying building and not letting them know. This causes them to run into rushing around trying to make deadlines. He asked that if TBC is going to buy buildings to let them know. Mr. Lone Bears stated that it has been mentioned in the past that all purchases go through them but they haven't been doing that. Texx requested to reaffirm the Hidatsa Hills Project and Managing the Project.

Motion: Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to reaffirm Texx Lone Bear to the Hidatsa Hills project and to manage the Hidatsa Hills project. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

V. TRIBAL UTILITIES DEPARTMENT:

A. Parshall Bay Project

This will serve about 26 homes and some homes will be added.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward to TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

B. 4 Bears Sewer Extension

This is for a sewer extension on the north side of Hwy 23.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward to TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

C. Twin Butte's Trailer Park



Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward to TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

D. Twin Buttes (2) & White Shield (5) Lift Stations

They will be installing backup generators at these sites.

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to forward to TBC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

VI. FORT BERTHOLD RURAL WATER:

Item deferred.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Monica Mayer seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:17 PM.




CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Committee Chairperson of The Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Natural Resources Committee is composed of three (3) members and of whom three (3) constitutes a quorum of 4 were present at the meeting thereof duly called, notice, convened and held on the 4th day of January, 2023, 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 4th day of January, 2023.

ATTEST:


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


Committee Chairman, Cory Spotted Bear
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes