



# **CALL TO ORDER:**

Councilman Fred Fox called the meeting to order at 11:34 AM.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Councilwoman Monica Mayer, Councilman Cory Spotted Bear (conference call), & Councilman Fred Fox. Quorum established.

# I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*Motion:* Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to approve the agenda. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

# II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 Energy Committee Minutes

*Motion:* Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to approve the March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 Energy Committee Minutes subject to minor corrections. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

### III. ENERGY – Councilman Fred Fox

A. Update

Next Energy Committee meeting will be April 26th, 2022 at 10:00AM.

# IV. BIA & BLM UPDATES

- A. Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Spencer Snow
  - 1) Update 14 ROW's have been submitte to BIA date. Four have been completed. Rimrok added 5 additional wells. Arrow-Pipeline 13.878 acres. Oneok has a Modification and Targa has a pipeline. The Agency currenly has 10 ROW's Pending. Arrow has 5. McKenzie has 2 and WPX has 3. The McKenzie Electric Cooperative ROW's were received at the agency in January 2022. The rest of the ROW's came in March 2022 that are pending. The agency is also reviewing Lease Assignments at this time as well.
- B. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Loren Wickstrom, Field Manager
  - 1) Update

Trust APD numbers for February, Received APDs = 5, Processed APDs = 0. Total Trust APD numbers for FY 22 (Oct 1-March 1), Received APDs = 11, Processed APDs = 16, Total Pending APDs = 25. WPX Pennington Pad, WPX is coordinating with the Tribe to relocate the proposed single family home. WPX has submitted 5 (Fee Fee Indian) APDs for a new location called the Pennington Pad. The proposed pad is on the north side of New Town, 0.3 mile from the residence to the southwest, 0.3 mile from an apartment complex to the southeast. WPX anticipates drilling the wells in November of 2022. Attached a pdf map with the proposed location, residence, apartment building and nearby existing oil and gas locations. Slawson Armada Pad 57 APDs, Slawson Exploration Company has two pending APDs called the Armada Federal 3-14-18H and Armada Federal 5-14-18TFH that the NDFO has deferred since 2017 & 2018 due to unleased Army Corps of Engineer minerals. Slawson has recently amended its drilling plans to avoid the unleased minerals. The two proposed APDs would be



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drilled from an existing 6 acre well pad called Pad 57. The pad is located approximately nine miles southeast of New Town, ND and sited in an agricultural field on Fee (private) land, underlain by Fee minerals within the exterior boundary of the FBIR. The pad is over 2000 feet from the water's edge of Lake Sakakawea but within the 1/2 mile setback of Lake Sakakawea and in violation of the tribal resolution. Tribal consultation was previously completed for the pad location in 2018. Slawson Blizzard APD, Slawson Exploration Company has agreed to relocate the pad outside of the 1/2 mile buffer around Lake Sakakawea. Slawson is amending their APD. The well name/location is Blizzard 1-13H/section 24, T152N, R93W. It is a FEE/FEE/FED location, therefore my jurisdiction is limited. The location is about 1/2 mile east of Sanish. Slawson is proposing a 3 foot berm around the pad, and rotoflex pumping unit. The production facilities will be located off-site.

North Dakota RMP, The NDFO is currently incorporating comments from BLM HQs into the administrative draft RMP-EIS. The BLM last provided the Chairman and staff with an overview of the alternatives on December 17<sup>th</sup>. The NDFO is available to answer questions and/or provide a follow up presentation to Tribal Council whenever the tribe has follow up questions. The goal is to have the draft RMP-EIS ready for a 90-day public review in summer of 2022.

WPX Pennington Pad. Update from Brandon Harris. Councilwoman Monica Mayer states, south of the pad that was in discussion, the homeowner has moved the homesite, they resolved this issue. Brandon asked if there is anything else they need to do to resolve, Loren states they do not need anything now that they have a verbal from Councilwoman Monica Mayer. Slawson Armada Pad 57 APD's, this is an existing pad. Slawson Blizzard has been relocated, they are doing surveys. North Dakota RMP, the NDFO is currenly incorporating comments from BLM GQ's into the adminstragtive draft RMP-EIS. The BLM last provided the Chairman and staff with an overview of the alternatives on December 17<sup>th</sup>. The NDFO is avaliable to answer questions and/or provide a a follow up presentation to Tribal Council whenever the tribe has follow up questions. The goal is to have the draft RMP-EIS ready for a 90-day public reiew in summer of 2022.

# V. MHA ENERGY DIVISION

A. Update – Kenny Lyson, Director

34 rigs on the state, 5 on the FBIR. \$108 per barrel are the oil prices today. Training staff. Pads need to be cleaned up. Brandon states they are strating to clean on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Kenny asked if they were paving BIA roads, BIA 10, the state will be working on this road according to Josh Ruffo. Councilman Fred Fox states the CEO needs to look into the roads. Kenny states they received the ATM machine in their Department. Councilwoman Monica Mayer asked where they were at on the development of the Energy Renwable Department, Kenny states Katherine and him are working on the goals of the department, Katherine states they are close to putting together the Department. Councilwoman Monica Mayer states, we need to start using solar energies.

#### VI. <u>OTHER BUSINESS</u>

A. Pipeline Discussion – Travis Hallam

Marvin Two Crow gave an update. They reasched out to Oneok on an incident report, should receive it by April 15<sup>th</sup>.



# **B.** Thunder Butte Energy Update – Bernie Fox

Item deferred.

C. MRR Update – Dave Williams, CEO

Item deferred.

# D. Industry Update – Josh Ruffo

Josh states they are getting pressure from DC to drill more wells. They are working on their wells. Uncompleted wells on the Reservation, Councilman Fred Fox asked, how many they have. Brandon states they have 5 uncompleted wells. Kenny Lyson states there are a lot of wells being worked on now. Josh states finding people to work is hard.

# VII. ROW APPROVALS (CLOSED SESSION)

- A. Operators
  - 1) Lime Rock Resources
    - a. Lease 7420A41830
    - b. Lease 7420A41831
  - 2) Marathon
    - a. Collins USA Pipeline Corridor
  - 3) McKenzie Electric
    - a. Twin Buttes 3ph OP Line

# VIII. ADJOURNMENT

*Motion:* Councilwoman Monica Mayer moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Cory Spotted Bear seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 12:26M.



#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, as Committee Chairperson of The Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Energy Committee is composed of three (3) members and of whom three (3) constitutes a quorum 3 were present at the meeting thereof duly called, notice, convened and held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2022; that the foregoing minutes were duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 3 members; 0 members opposed; 0 members abstained; 0 members not voting.

Dated this 1st day of June, 2022.

ATTEST:

Executive Secretary, Fred W. Fox Tribal Business Council,

Three Affiliated Tribes

Committee Chairman, Fred Fox

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