

CALL TO ORDER:

Councilwoman Monica Mayer called the meeting to order at 2:27 PM.

I. ROLL CALL:

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

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to approve the agenda with additions. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

• December 8th, 2022 Judicial Committee Minutes

Motion: Councilman Fred Fox moved to approve December 8th, 2022 Judicial Committee Minutes subject to minor corrections. Councilman Robert White seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Next Judicial Committee Meeting January 31st, 2023.

V. PROGRAM UPDATES:

A. Public Safety - Philip Packineau, Administrator

The Administrator would like to start the process of developing our own firing range. The place we are using might not be of use anymore. Councilwoman Monica Mayer informed the Committee that there is a little firing range in Little Shell, but it's a small one and not formal. There is enough space to have a nicer firing range in Shell Creek. Need a financial estimate and maybe go through General Fund to get one, all Fort Berthold facilities can use it that require use of firearms. Councilwoman Monica Mayer suggested securing 2 bids and gather an estimate on the building costs. Councilman Fred Fox states, that Corrections is eating up the White Shield Segment budget and would like to have opened it yesterday. Phil requested something for his staff that work on holidays and are out on the road all hours. Would like to make an amendment to the Resolution (05-141-NH) for releasing inmates early due to circumstances, need a person to authorize the release. Sadie Young Bird informed the Committee of a lady who was released and had nowhere to go. Philip Packineau informed the Committee that it was Bob Werlinger who signed off to release her. Councilwoman Monica Mayer suggested informing Tyra Wilkinson in Legal, she can bring it up in Executive Committee.



B. Public Safety Division of Drug Enforcement – Gerald "Chip" White Jr., Chief of Drug Enforcement

Item deferred.

C. TAT Law Enforcement – Nelson Heart Jr., Chief of Police

Nelson Heart spoke with North Segment staff member Nathaniel Mayer about towing vehicles sitting on side of the roads. A&W Towing was towing vehicles off the reservation, even after a resolution was passed to put a stop to working with A&W. The Casino continues to use A&W Towing. The tribe has their own tow truck and is trying to purchase another truck. Committee recommended Blaine Flynn work on putting towing under the Department of Transportation. Councilman Robert White would like to send some of his Security in Four Bear Security to police training. Also, suggests to get with Jay Brugh and do a recruitment, Councilman Robert White states, he will give them a bonus out of Four Bears funds for completing the training. There are 17 TAT Law Enforcement and 22 Four Bears Security officers. Towing issue and Benefits issue, will need to be addressed at the Executive Committee.

FTR: Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight joined the meeting at 2:54PM.

Issue with an officer and his driving record discussed. Recommended the they work with HR and make a policy regarding driver's licenses. Philip Packineau talked to HR and they are working on coming up with a policy, our (TAT LE) insurance requires this. Nelson Heart met with the CFO and a deadline was missed. Councilwoman Monica Mayer asked them to search it out and bring back to committee.

- **D.** Department of Transportation Blaine Flynn, Administrator Report submitted for the record.
- E. TAT Tribal Court Dr. Elizabeth Yellow Bird, Court Administrator
 Contract for Jenean Jessen, she is willing to do transcripts, but needs a contract to
 continue to work for FBDC. Councilwoman Monica Mayer suggests to have Legal
 draft a contract and bring to Executive Committee when reporting.
- **F.** Homeland Security Cliff Whitman, Director

Item deferred.

G. Adult Detention

Item deferred.



H. Juvenile Detention – Mike Young Bird, Administrator

Item deferred.

I. Child Support – Alison Johnson, Director

Bob Woods presented for Ms. Johnson. Mr. Woods read through a statement in regards to the tribe not withholding a percentage of the disbursements of those that owe child support. Mr. Woods stated that the MHA Child Support Program is a model program for other tribal programs. Mr. Woods spoke in regards to issues the Child Support Program is facing. The main issue is they are not receiving any disbursement money from anybody that owes. There is a resolution that states the clients are to have \$500 withheld and given to child support but it is not being given to them. Councilwoman Monica Mayer thanked Mr. Woods for looking out for our MHA children. This issue will be discussed at the next Executive Meeting. Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight stated that many of the clients receive royalties and do not pay child support and feels that should be looked into. Mr. Woods stated that there are Federal Guidelines stating that money can be withheld from royalties for Child Support. Lorie Plenty Chief from the Peoples Fund spoke about the issue. Mr. Whitney Bell advised Ms. Plenty Chief that a resolution needs to be in place for every disbursement. The Committee stated that the resolution in place states to withhold money for Child Support and it is a standing resolution and should be taken out every time.

J. Victim Services - Sadie Young Bird, Director

See Closed Session.

K. TAT Game & Fish – Antoine Smith, Director

Item deferred.

L. MMEIP – Lisa Yellow Bird-Chase, Director

See Closed Session.

M. TAT Legal – Tyra Wilkinson, Lead Attorney

Item deferred.

N. HR Department – *Melissa Brady, Director*Ms. Brady handed out the HR Report to the committee. No action items.

VI. CLOSED SESSION:



- A. Victim Services Sadie Young Bird, Director
- **B.** MMEIP Lisa Yellow Bird-Chase, Director
- **C. Public Safety** *Philip Packineau*, *Administrator*
- **D.** Human Resources (HR) Melissa Brady, Director

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Fred Fox seconded the motion. Adjourned at 5:19 PM.





CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Chairman for the Tribal Business Council's Judicial Committee of the of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council's Judicial Committee is composed of three [3] members of whom [2] constitute a quorum; 3 were present at the Judicial Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 31st day of January, 2023; 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 31st day of January, 2023.

ATTEST:

Judicial Committee Chairman, Councilman Robert White

Tribal Business Council

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Executive Secretary,
Councilman Fred W. Fox
Tribal Business Council

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