



CALL TO ORDER:

Councilwoman Monica Mayer called the meeting to order at 1:27 PM.

PRAYER:

Delphine Baker

I. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilwoman Sherry Turner -Lone Fight, Councilman Robert White, Councilwoman Monica Mayer, & Councilman Fred Fox (Not Present). *Quorum established.*

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to approve the agenda with additions. Councilwoman Sherry Turner -Lone Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- 1) **January 31st, 2023 Judicial Committee Meeting Minutes.**
- 2) **July 26th, 2023 Judicial Committee Meeting Minutes**

Items deferred.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Next Committee Meeting

Next Judicial Committee Meeting on October 18th, 2023 (same as Health Committee mtg.)

V. PROGRAM UPDATES:

A. Tribal Code – *Janice M. Morley/Leonika Charging/Sharon Thompson*

Councilwoman Monica Mayer provided an update on the progress of the Title III Criminal Code. 1st & 2nd Readings have been completed. Sept. 20th public comment was taken in Twin Buttes. Sept. 21st will be Parshall, Sept 22nd will be Four Bears Community, Sept. 25th was White Shield, Sept. 26th was New Town with Sept. 27th being Mandaree. They are now being compiled.

B. Public Safety Administrator – *Philip Packineau, Administrator*

Provided an aural report. Informed the committee that his supervisory staff are currently in training and will not be presenting with him today. Have set up a meeting on October 3rd to move forward with the gun range project.

- 1) **Juvenile & Adult Detention Center GTFDC**



Pay Matrix/Scale. Adult and Juvenile side for all positions. Councilwoman Monica Mayer provided a quick update on the land purchase next to the GTFDC

Motion: Councilman Robert White motion to forward pay scale to Executive Committee. Councilwoman Sherry Turner -Lone Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

2) Police Dept. Recording System

Have a bid already, have a bid out there already. This is the best communications system that is out there. Will work this into the budget. Total cost around \$370K. Councilwoman Monica Mayer noted reoccurring costs need to part of the budget.

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to approve the purchase of the presented communications system. Councilwoman Sherry Turner -Lone Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

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

Item deferred.

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

Item deferred.

E. Department of Transportation – Blaine Flynn

Item deferred.

F. TAT Tribal Court (FBDC) – Elizabeth Yellow Bird, Administrator & David Christenson, Chief Judge

Report submitted for the record.

1) Supreme Court Justice Contract Renewal

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to renew the Brahalvda Supreme Court Contract. Councilwoman Sherry Turner -Lone Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

Discussion: David Christenson clarified that he is an Alternate Judge.

2) Peace Makers



Possibility of using Peacemakers in Child Support. Effective in Custody cases.
Using a native base format to mediate.

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to approve the use of Peacemakers in Child Support approval on an as needed basis. Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

Discussion: Estimated cost of \$30-35/hr.

G. Homeland Security – Cliff Whitman

Item deferred.

H. Adult Detention – Robert Werlinger

Item deferred.

I. Juvenile Detention – Mike Young Bird, Administrator

Item deferred.

J. White Shield Detention Center – Twila Hawkins

Item deferred.

K. Child Support – Alison Johnson, Director

Bill Woods states they were going to send to a training for an employee to go to a Child Support Conference. The Federal Programs state they cannot go on travel if it is not in their contract. Did not cancel the registration, and the training place paid \$485.00 registration fee.

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved for approval for reimbursement. Councilwoman Sherry Turner -Lone Fight seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. Motion carried.

Item deferred.

L. Victim Services – Sadie Young Bird, Director

Item deferred.

M. MMEIP – Lissa Yellow Bird-Chase, Director

Admin assistant went on FMLA early. Just returned from a search in Bemidji that involved over 5 other tribal nations. Issue getting a new hire, was told there is a



hiring freeze. Currently have two open positions. CEO told Ms. Yellow Bird there is a freeze on hiring because the program was going to be moved under another dept. Need a program vehicle that can haul an ATV. Need recommendation on a staff issue. Has been working with HR. Councilwoman Monica Mayer recommended that the Director work with the CEO & CFO on their budget.

N. TAT Legal – Tyra Wilkinson, Lead Attorney

Item deferred.

O. HR Department – Melissa Brady, Director

Item deferred.

VI. CLOSED SESSION:

- A. E.G.
- B. M. H.
- C. F.Y.B
- D. L.W.O Family
- E. TAT Legal Department - Tyra Wilkinson, Lead Attorney
- F. Public Safety Administrator – Philip Packineau, Administrator
- G. Jan Morley Contract

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Councilman Robert White moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Sherry Turner-Lone Fight seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 2:47 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 29th day of January, 2024; 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 29th day of January 2024.

ATTEST:

Judicial Committee Chairman,
Councilwoman Monica Mayer
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes

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