

**TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OF THE CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES
OF THE FLATHEAD INDIAN NATION, MONTANA**

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Held: May 14, 2024
Approved: May 23, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Dolson, Chairman; Tom McDonald, Vice-Chairman; Martin Charlo, Secretary; James Steele, Jr., Treasurer; Carole Lankford; Jim Malatare; Danielle Matt; and Len TwoTeeth.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jennifer Finley (Personal Time Off); and James “Bing” Matt (Intertribal Timber Council Meeting).

OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer Trahan, Council Support; Leniece Trahan, Sergeant at Arms; and Abby Dupuis, Recording Secretary.

The meeting was called to **order** at 9:00 a.m. Quorum established.

The meeting was opened with a **prayer** by Tom McDonald.

The **Tribal Council Meeting Minutes** for May 9, 2024 were presented for approval.

MOTION by Tom McDonald to approve the Tribal Council Meeting Minutes for May 9, 2024, with corrections. Seconded by James Steele, Jr. Carried, 7 for; 1 abstention (Jim Malatare).

The **agenda** was presented for approval.

MOTION by Tom McDonald to approve the agenda, with changes. Seconded by Jim Malatare. Carried, unanimous (8 present).

John Wheeler, Tribal Health Department, requested approval to solicit funds in the amount of \$1,500 from Zero to Five with matching funds of \$1,500 to support its effort in creating a sensory-adapted waiting room environment to decrease children’s anxiety prior to dental treatment.

MOTION by Len TwoTeeth to approve by resolution the submission of an application in the amount of \$1,500 from Zero to Five with matching funds of \$1,500 to support its effort in creating a sensory-adapted waiting room

environment to decrease children's anxiety prior to dental treatment. Seconded by Danielle Matt. Carried, 8 for; 0 opposed; 0 not voting.

RESOLUTION 24-081

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SUBMISSION OF THE WEE-PLAY GRANT PROGRAM SPONSORED BY THE ZERO TO FIVE (FRLC) TO SUPPORT CHILD CARE CENTERS WITH PURCHASE OF NEW EQUIPMENT

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES THAT:

WHEREAS, the CSKT Tribal Council is the duly-elected governing body of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes and is authorized to act on behalf of the CSKT Tribes; and the CSKT Tribal Council established the Tribal Health Department pursuant to Public Law 93-638 to administer and manage its healthcare programs and services per CSKT Tribal Ordinance 83; and

WHEREAS, the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes consider the health and wellbeing of tribal children to be one of the most important responsibilities of tribal government; and

WHEREAS, in meeting this responsibility, the Tribal Health Department continues to pursue program growth throughout the Flathead Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Health Dental is soliciting funds in the amount of \$1,500 from Zero to Five (FRLC) with matching funds of \$1,500 to support its effort in creating a sensory-adapted waiting room environment to decrease children's anxiety prior to dental treatment. **NOW, THEREFORE,**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Health Department is authorized and supported by the Tribal Council to submit the Zero to Five (FRLC) Helping Hands Grant proposal, including any necessary updates and revisions, to advance the goals outlined and integrate these efforts into the most recent Tribal Health work plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribal Council authorizes that Tribal Council Chairman the authority to execute any documents and agreements necessary as may be required to give effect to the transaction herein contemplated and to take such other actions as may be hereby necessary and appropriate to carry out the obligations there under; and that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Len TwoTeeth discussed a letter Lake County sent to the Governor's Office. The letter is clearly racial discrimination. The county acknowledged they will refuse services to a race of people. If we did that in our organization we would be in

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court. Once again, the Lake County Commissioners have shown their true colors and they will continue to respond like this. Len does not know why elected leaders would sign off on a letter like that that clearly states they will discriminate against the Tribes. He is tired of the Tribes sitting idle on this issue. Next week is the deadline. Len wants to publicly acknowledge to the membership that this is what we are dealing with and it is frustrating. We are just sitting idle and doing nothing. We are doing a disservice to the membership. It should be brought up at the ACLU level when we are dealing with a race issue like this. Len does not like the Tribes not responding on this matter. **Tom McDonald** appreciated Len's concerns. The letter states a member of a federally recognized tribe that resides within the exterior boundaries of the reservation will be denied coroner services. Those individuals that are paying property taxes to Lake County will not receive coroner services. This is an example of paying taxes for a service that is not being rendered. That is very concerning. Taxing someone and then not providing a service individuals are taxed for is a tremendous concern. **Len TwoTeeth** acknowledged the Tribes are property tax payers also and it is a substantial amount of money, and Lake County has an obligation to provide services. He wanted to know how much property taxes the Tribes are paying to Lake County. **Chairman Dolson** advised the Legal Department will provide a report on the conversation with the Lt. Governor. **Danielle Matt** mentioned this serves as a reminder to our residents to vote; it can change the direction and future of the county we live in. It is important for tribal members to vote in elections. **James Steele, Jr.** followed up by stating we can vote for a review of the Lake County Government every 10 years. The ballot has an option where we can vote for a review, and we should all vote for the review of the Lake County Government.

Ruth Swaney, Financial Management, presented a request from Tribal Health to purchase capital equipment consisting of vending machines for use in the pharmacies for an estimated cost of \$43,000.

MOTION by James Steele, Jr. to approve the purchase of capital equipment consisting of vending machines for use in the Tribal Health pharmacies for an estimated cost of \$43,000. Seconded by Martin Charlo. Carried, unanimous (8 present).

Ruth Swaney, Financial Management, requested approval of modification 8 to the fiscal year 2024 Total Allocations.

MOTION by Martin Charlo to approve by resolution modification 8 to the fiscal year 2024 Total Allocations. Seconded by Tom McDonald. Carried, 8 for; 0 opposed; 0 not voting.

RESOLUTION 24-082

**RESOLUTION APPROVING MODIFICATION 8 TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2024
 TOTAL ALLOCATIONS**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CONFEDERATED
 SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES:**

WHEREAS, awarded funding in the Indian Affairs Compact, increases in Contracts and Grants, and reallocation of General Fund budgets requires modification to the FY 2024 Total Allocations; and

WHEREAS, the revisions by Function and by Fund are reflected below for a net increase of \$6,413,976:

Function	Total Functions Revised Mod 7 4/4/2024	General Fund Increase/ (Decrease)	IA Compact Increase/ (Decrease)	Contracts and Grants Increase/ (Decrease)	Total Increase/ (Decrease)	Total Functions Revised Mod 8 5/14/2024
Government Services	\$22,589,926			\$1,009,504	\$1,009,504	\$23,599,430
Health and Human Services	\$105,503,634	\$28,000		\$3,990,652	\$4,018,652	\$109,522,286
Natural Resources	\$81,014,481		\$820,248	\$545,000	\$1,365,248	\$82,379,729
Government Operating	\$3,696,500	\$20,500			\$20,500	\$3,717,000
Education	\$2,032,474				\$0	\$2,032,474
Administration	\$23,545,366			\$50,000	\$50,000	\$23,595,366
Court/Probation	\$1,827,000				\$0	\$1,827,000
Law Enforcement	\$3,075,159				\$0	\$3,075,159
Legal	\$3,931,906				\$0	\$3,931,906
Forestry	\$9,495,943				\$0	\$9,495,943
Capital	\$3,625,000				\$0	\$3,625,000
Per Capita	\$12,125,000	(\$48,500)			(\$48,500)	\$12,076,500
Indirect Costs	\$4,400,000				\$0	\$4,400,000
Tribal Earmark	\$1,360,609	(\$1,427)			(\$1,427)	\$1,359,182
Total	\$278,222,999	(\$1,427)	\$820,248	\$5,595,156	\$6,413,976	\$284,636,975

Fund	Total Funds Revised Mod 7 4/4/2024	Total Increase/ (Decrease)	Total Funds Revised Mod 8 5/14/2024
General Fund	\$76,644,231	(\$1,427)	\$76,642,804
IHS Compact	\$57,611,490		\$57,611,490
IA Compact	\$48,552,204	\$820,248	\$49,372,452
Contracts and Grants	\$22,968,739	\$5,595,156	\$28,563,894
Third Party	\$18,296,000		\$18,296,000
Settlement Funds	\$4,150,335		\$4,150,335
Water Compact	\$50,000,000		\$50,000,000
Total	\$278,222,999	\$6,413,976	\$284,636,975

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes to approve Modification 8 to the FY 2024 Total Allocations for a net increase of \$6,413,976; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Modification 8 increases the FY 2024 Total Allocations from \$278,222,999 to \$284,636,975; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of Financial Management is delegated authority to revise, reallocate, and correct the amounts for programs, services, functions, and activities within the Total Allocations approved in the aforementioned Funds.

***** **Break** *****

Lynn Ducharme, Natural Resources Department, discussed an offer from Terry Bustemonte to purchase a portion of his allotment containing 85-90 acres, to be purchased with Bonneville Power Administration funding and a cost-share with general funding from CSKT. **Tom McDonald** was interested in purchasing the entire meadow due to future highway plans. The property is located in the river corridor so it has priority. Lynn will explore options and report back.

MOTION by Tom McDonald to show interest in purchasing a portion of the allotment from Terry Bustemonte, to be purchased with Bonneville Power Administration funding and a cost-share with general funding from CSKT, and place the purchase as a priority. Seconded by Danielle Matt. Carried, 7 for; 1 abstention (Mike Dolson).

James Steele, Jr. attended the Montana Budget Policy Center 15th anniversary reception. Jason Smith and legislators were there, and it was a good event. There was discussion about the Center's creation. It serves as a think tank with a goal to influence legislation that benefits lower income folks. Jason Smith will visit with the Tribal Council to seek support for the federal legislation to help Urban Indian Health. They want legislation so the Urban Indian Health funding does not take away from the Tribal Health funding on reservations.

Martin Charlo attended the joint elders meeting regarding Bad Rock Canyon with the Montana Department of Transportation and both Culture Committees. The SQCC meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month and the KCC meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month. The elders asked that council be at those meetings.

James Steele, Jr. would like to draft a letter of support for the St. Ignatius City Council. The city council is applying for a grant from the Montana Coal Endowment Program to work on problems they are having with the city sewer system. There are a number of Tribal and individual trust parcels and tribal

member fee owners in St. Ignatius. James attended their council meeting last week and they talked about having a letter from the Tribes. James recommended preparing a letter of support. **Jordan Thompson** can draft a letter. **Carole Lankford** attended the groundbreaking for the skatepark yesterday. Dream Works has funding if they need it for St. Ignatius. Carole gave the contact information to James.

Patricia Courchane, Department of Human Resources Development, requested approval to submit proposal documents to the Administration on Children, Youth, and Families – Children’s Bureau for the funding opportunity HHS-2024-ACF-ACYF-CT-0056 State-Tribal Partnerships to Implement Best Practices in Indian Child Welfare. The application is due by June 7, 2024. It is a collaborative grant with the State, Tribal Court, and other stakeholders. **Martin Charlo** thought there was going to be an outside entity review of one of the DHRD programs and he wanted to know if that has been completed yet. Martin would like a copy of the assessment. Patricia responded that it was an assessment on Tribal Social Services and was completed by the Child Capacity Center. The outtake was done and they are working on that portion of it. It was a good assessment of the program. She will provide a copy for council review.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to approve by resolution the submission of proposal documents to the Administration on Children, Youth, and Families-Children's Bureau for the funding opportunity HHS-2024-ACF-ACYF-CT-0056 State-Tribal Partnerships to Implement Best Practices in Indian Child Welfare. Seconded by Tom McDonald. Carried 8 for; 0 opposed; 0 not voting.

RESOLUTION 24-083

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS TO THE ADMINISTRATION ON CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES – CHILDREN’S BUREAU FOR THE FUNDING OPPORTUNITY HHS-2024-ACF-ACYF-CT-0056 STATE-TRIBAL PARTNERSHIPS TO IMPLEMENT BEST PRACTICES IN INDIAN CHILD WELFARE DUE BY JUNE 7, 2024

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES THAT:

WHEREAS, the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes (CSKT) are committed to seeking resources for children and families as they work toward healthy lifestyles and stable families; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council and leadership encourages all Tribal Departments to focus on programming that benefits the families and children of the membership; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Human Resources Development is approved to submit funding proposal for up to \$500,000 per year, for a five-year project under the Administration on Children, Youth, and Families-Children's Bureau, to be administered by CSKT, collaborating with stakeholders to assess, implement and evaluate project activities leading to stronger relationships between the State and Tribe for child-welfare families, develop cross-system training, and enhancement to collaboration and practices, policies and procedures as informed by effective practices by tribes. The project will improve collaboration between CSKT's and the State of Montana's child welfare program, the Tribal Court system, and other stakeholders to identify and work towards shared goals improving safety, permanency and well-being of children. **NOW, THEREFORE**,

BE IT RESOLVED, the CSKT Tribal Council authorizes full proposal submission by DHRD, in response to the funding opportunity HHS-2024-ACF-ACYF-CT-0056 State-Tribal Partnerships to Implement Best Practices in Indian Child Welfare on behalf of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes supports the submission of the State-Tribal Partnerships to Implement Best Practices in Indian Child Welfare proposal documents and authorizes the Tribal Chair or his designated representative to negotiate and sign all documents and execute on behalf of the Tribes.

Lisa Shourds, Director of Administrative Services; and **Renee Joachim**, Personnel Department, requested approval to revise the employee service awards program. 5 years of service would be a certificate signed by the Tribal Chairman and sent to the employee through the internal mail system; 10 years of service would be a service award pin; 15 years of service would be a service award ruby pin; 20 years of service would be a service award diamond pin and a \$150.00 gift certificate from Three Chiefs Culture Center or the Bison Range Gift Shop; 25 years of service would be the employee's choice of either a 25-year service award jacket, a \$250 gift certificate, or a \$250.00 payment added to paycheck and be taxed; 30 years of service would be the employee's choice of either a \$500 gift certificate or a \$500 payment added to paycheck and be taxed; 35 years of service would be the employee's choice of either a \$750.00 gift certificate or a \$750.00 payment added to paycheck and be taxed; 40 years of service would be the employee's choice of either a \$1,000.00 gift certificate from Three Chiefs Culture Center or the Bison Range Gift Shop or a \$1,000.00 payment added to paycheck and be taxed; 45 years of service would be the employee's choice of either a \$1,250.00 gift certificate or a \$1,250.00 payment added to paycheck and be taxed; and 50 years of service would be the employee's choice of either a \$1,500.00 gift certificate or a \$1,500.00 payment added to paycheck and be taxed. The cost of the Pendleton blankets are \$290.00, so the gift certificates

would be a cost savings to the department. **Danielle Matt** would like to improve the employee service awards program. The Tribes need to appreciate its employees and it would be a better investment to retain employees rather than continuing to train new employees. She would prefer a review of the budget. **James Steele, Jr.** talked about Eighth Generation. That business sells native blankets and a variety of items that are made by Native artists. He will send that information to Renee as a possible additional option for awards. **Carole Lankford** suggested gifting employees swag that has the CSKT logo on it. **Tom McDonald** would like to gift employees CSKT swag as part of their onboarding and throughout their career with the Tribes. Renee will consider other options and return at a later date.

Martin Charlo commented that the employee/terminations report was helpful to the council and he would like to continue receiving those employee reports. The discussion continued in **executive session**. **Lisa Shourds**, Director of Administrative Services; and **Renee Joachim**, Personnel Department; were present for discussion.

Melissa Schlichting and **Lana Page**, Legal Department; **Brian Hogenson** and **Casey Ryan**, Natural Resources Department; requested to meet with council in **executive session** to discuss a departmental matter. **Katie Jones** and **Chelsea Colwyn**, Legal Department, were present for discussion.

Council reconvened into **regular session**.

MOTION by Len TwoTeeth to authorize Brian Hogenson to serve in Casey Ryan's stead on the CITT during Casey's absence. Seconded by Carole Lankford. Carried, unanimous (8 present).

Melissa Schlichting, **Lana Page**, **Katie Jones**, **Shane Morigeau**, **Zach Zipfel**, and **Chelsea Colwyn**, Legal Department; **Jordan Thompson**, Tribal Executive Office; and **Gwen Lankford**, Consultant; requested to meet with council in **executive session** to discuss legal matters.

Tom McDonald left the meeting for the remainder of the day.

Melissa Schlichting, **Lana Page**, **Katie Jones**, **Shane Morigeau**, **Zach Zipfel**, and **Chelsea Colwyn**, Legal Department, continued to meet with council in **executive session** to discuss legal matters. **Jordan Thompson**, Tribal Executive Office; and **Michelle Mitchell**, Tribal Education Department; were present for discussion.

Council reconvened into **regular session**.

MOTION by Jim Malatare to approve by resolution the submission of an application to apply for Columbia River Basin Restoration funding from the Environmental Protection Agency. Seconded by James Steele, Jr. Carried, 6 for; 0 opposed; 1 not voting (Len TwoTeeth out of the room).

RESOLUTION 24-084

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE 2024 APPLICATION TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) FOR COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN RESTORATION FUNDING

WHEREAS, the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes' ("CSKT" or "Tribes") Tribal Council has the power and duty to protect the health, economy, security, and general welfare of the Tribes, and the power and duty to protect and preserve the tribal property, wildlife, and natural resources of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has identified mining pollution from coal mines in the Elk Valley of British Columbia as a threat to the health, security, and general welfare of the Tribes and to Tribes' hunting and fishing treaty rights in their ancestral territory, particularly in Lake Koocanusa and the Kootenai River in northern Montana and Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the Tribes have been working for more than ten years to address the mining pollution coming from the Elk Valley by advocating for a joint reference from the U.S. and Canada to the International Joint Commission (IJC); and

WHEREAS, in January, 2024, the U.S and Canada issued a joint reference on Transboundary Mining Pollution in the Elk-Kootenai Watershed to the IJC, asking the IJC to create a Governance Body and Study Board to address mining pollution; and

WHEREAS, the Tribes will need to have participants on both the Governance Body and Study Board and to continue dedicating significant resources to monitor, sample, and mitigate the mining pollution in the Elk-Kootenai Watershed; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby approves submission of the grant application to the EPA for Columbia River Basin Restoration funding; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Tribal Council or his designated representatives are authorized to negotiate and execute the application on behalf of the Tribes.

***** **Lunch** *****

Mark Couture, Tammy McCrea, Rachael BigSam, Tara Irvine, and Bradley McCrea, Tribal Lands Department, requested to meet with council in **executive session** to hold a Land Committee meeting. **Kenji Kobayashi**, Information Technologies, joined the discussion.

Council reconvened into **regular session**.

MOTION by Danielle Matt to approve the resolution, with edits, authorizing the purchase of a portion of Allotment 121, creating Allotment 121-C, from Ada Davis. Seconded by Carole Lankford. Carried, 7 for; 0 opposed; 0 not voting.

RESOLUTION 24-085

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A PORTION OF ALLOTMENT 121 CREATING ALLOTMENT 121-C

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES:

WHEREAS, the Tribal Land Acquisition Program was approved by the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984); and the Act of July 18, 1968 (PL90-402);

WHEREAS, Ada Marie Davis, has offered to sell, All Right, Title and Interest in a portion of Allotment 121 creating tract 121-C described as: Tract 2 located in the West ½ of Government Lot 7, Section 6, Township 18 North, Range 19 West, P.M.M., Lake County Montana further described as follows: The point of beginning, being the corner common to Sections 6 & 7 of T. 18 N., R. 19 W., and Sections 1 & 12, T. 18 N., R. 20 W., P.M.M., Lake County, Montana; Thence, Along the West line of said Section 6, N.3°21'59" E 658.00'; Thence, Leaving said Section line, S.86°45'47" E, 656.66' to the East line of the West ½ of Government Lot 7; Thence, Along said line, S.3°23'47" W, 657.75' to the South line of said Section 6; Thence, Along said line, N.86°47'07" W, 656.31' to the point of the beginning, containing 9.91 acres, subject to all reservations, restrictions, and easements, apparent or of record, totaling 9.91 acres, more or less;

WHEREAS, Ada Marie Davis, and the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes have accepted the appraised fair market value.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the above-described property be purchased from Ada Marie Davis, and that the Bureau of Indian Affairs, pursuant to the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984), transfer title to the property to the U.S.A. in trust for the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Tribal Council, or his delegated representative is authorized to execute the transactional documents necessary to complete the land conveyance for Real Property situated in Lake County, Montana.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to approve the purchase of the Al Sloan property on a two-year contract for deed. Seconded by Danielle Matt. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

MOTION by Martin Charlo to accept the bids from Elmo McDonald for Leases 1541 and 1548 to start immediately. Seconded by Danielle Matt. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

MOTION by James Steele, Jr. to allow Alisha Burland to come in at her best bid instead of meeting the high bid for Lease 2271. Seconded by Jim Malatare. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

MOTION by Carole Lankford to accept the late bids from Jamie Courville and Donna Marks for Leases 5774 and 5775. Seconded by Danielle Matt. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

MOTION by Martin Charlo to allow Dan Decker to meet the high bid on Lease 4767. Seconded by Jim Malatare. Carried, 6 for; 1 abstention (James Steele, Jr.).

MOTION by Carole Lankford to approve the 2024 Spring Bids, with the following abstentions from James Steele, Jr. for Dan Decker's bid, Carole Lankford for Danielle Torgison's bid, and Martin Charlo for April Charlo's bid. Seconded by Jim Malatare. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

MOTION by Carole Lankford to approve option 1 and allow Robert Charlo to carve out 1 acre of his agricultural lease #5759 for a homesite. Seconded by Danielle Matt. Carried, 6 for; 1 abstention (Martin Charlo).

MOTION by Danielle Matt to grant Don Coffman a five-acre lease on Tract 4093 on Foothills Road at an annual rental rate of \$100 for a five-year term. Seconded by Danielle Matt. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

MOTION by James Steele, Jr. to grant Victory Gardens a five-year business lease with a five-year renewal option, so long as all leasing requirements are met, including \$0.00 rent, proof of required insurance, payment of the power bill, payment of the water bill, and verification that all weeds are being managed. Seconded by Martin Charlo. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

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MOTION by Jim Malatare to allow DreamWorks Skatepark to use the Arlee Community Center water and maintenance storage container. Seconded by Carole Lankford. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

MOTION by Danielle Matt to pursue DEWR moving forward on the Valley View property. Seconded by James Steele, Jr. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

MOTION by Carole Lankford to continue moving forward with the Pandell discussion to go to the next phase. Seconded by James Steele, Jr. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

Mark Couture asked if any action was taken to move forward with the purchase of Dennis Anderson's tower at Jette. **Carole Lankford** advised council was waiting to receive a report from Greg.

Martin Charlo informed council he was asked about the floating holidays in July.

***** **Break** *****

Lisa Shourds, Director of Administrative Services; **Michael Wheeler**, Legal Department; **Mark Couture**, Tribal Lands Department; **Chuck Sanger**, Information Technologies; and **Jordan Thompson**, Tribal Executive Office; requested to meet with council in **executive session**.

Council reconvened into **regular session**.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to adjourn the meeting.

Council **adjourned** at 4:37 p.m., and is scheduled to meet again on Thursday, May 16, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

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Martin A. Charlo
Tribal Council Secretary