

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

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Held: April 3, 2018
Approved: April 10, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ronald Trahan, Chairman; Leonard Gray, Vice-Chairman; Troy Felsman, Secretary; Anita Matt, Treasurer; Dennis Clairmont; Shelly Fyant; Charmel Gillin; James Steele, Jr.; and Carole Lankford.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Leonard TwoTeeth (Border Crossing Meeting).

OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer Trahan, Council Office Manager; Bill Kehoe, Sergeant at Arms; and Abby Dupuis, Recording Secretary.

The meeting was called to **order** at 9:08 a.m. Quorum established.

The meeting was opened with a **prayer** by Anita Matt.

The **Tribal Council Meeting Minutes** for March 27, 2018 were presented for approval.

MOTION by Charmel Gillin to approve the Tribal Council Meeting Minutes for March 27, 2018, with corrections. Seconded by Anita Matt. Carried, 8 for; 1 abstention (Ron Trahan).

The **agenda** was presented for approval. No conflicts of interest were identified. Additions were made to the agenda.

MOTION by Anita Matt to approve the agenda, with changes. Seconded by Dennis Clairmont. Carried, unanimous (9 present).

Jason Adams, Salish Kootenai Housing Authority, informed council that on February 2 we received notice that HUD initiated a process for comments for developing regulations for the HUD 184 program. Since that time Jason has drafted comments and has a packet for the chairman's signature. HUD has held some listening sessions. The Salish Kootenai Housing Board of Commissioners had a conference call and received notice from HUD that they wanted to change their agenda time with the board for their report so they could have a listening session; the board granted that request. HUD requested that the listening session be changed to a tribal consultation. HUD is fast-

tracking the process. **James Steele, Jr.** provided the history of the National Indian Gaming Commission's lack of consultation with the Tribes in terms of Class II gaming. **Shelly Fyant** questioned HUD's policy on consultation.

MOTION by James Steele, Jr. to designate Jason Adams as our representative at the tribal consultation session with HUD at Region 8. Seconded by Carole Lankford. Carried, unanimous (9 present).

Vern Clairmont, Zachary Camel and **John Whitworth**, Financial Management, requested approval of a resolution adopting Investment Policy – C as an extension of the General Investment Policy. Moving forward with any investments would require council action.

MOTION by Troy Felsman to approve by resolution the adoption of Investment Policy – C as an extension of the General Investment Policy. Seconded by James Steele, Jr. Carried, 9 for; 0 opposed; 0 not voting.

RESOLUTION 18-111

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AND ADOPT INVESTMENT POLICY-C AS AN EXTENSION TO GENERAL INVESTMENT POLICY

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

WHEREAS, the Investment Policy-C will become an extension of the General Investment Policy for which Non-Federal Tribal Funds can be invested for the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes ("CSKT"); and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes, must authorize quantities of Non-Federal Tribal funds that can be invested under the Investment Policy-C; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes, authorization is hereby granted to Director of Financial Management, Cash Flow/ Investment Manager, and the Central Accounting Manager to direct investments of approved Non-Federal Tribal Funds in a way that meet the criteria stated in the Investment Policy-C Manual an extension of the General Investment Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes, represents that all necessary consents, approvals, or authorizations have been given to effectuate the waivers, agreements, and resolutions granted above;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, signature authority is given to the

following as authorized signatures on behalf of the tribes:

Vern L. Clairmont	Director of Financial Management
Jane Clairmont	Director of Administrative Services
Clayton Matt	Director of Tribal Services
Zachary Conko Camel	Accounting Manager
John Whitworth	Cash Flow/Investment Manager

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution shall continue forth and when delivered to said institution will continue until written notice to the contrary is duly served on said bank.

Council would like additional information and training on investments. **Vern Clairmont** will work on a narrative to provide step-by-step instructions on how to move forward with the investments.

Marie Torosian, The People's Center, requested approval of an application to apply for a \$10,000 Potlatch Fund Grant. The funding would be used to teach and share the knowledge and cultures of our tribes through activities, public events and family engagement. The People's Center developed a summer program called Living History Days. An in-kind match of staff time is required for the grant.

MOTION by Anita Matt to approve by resolution the application to apply for a \$10,000 Potlatch Fund Grant. Seconded by Dennis Clairmont. Carried, 8 for; 0 opposed; 1 not voting (Carole Lankford out of the room).

RESOLUTION 18-112

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS TO THE POTLATCH FUND GRANT FOR TEACHING TRADITIONAL DANCE OUTFIT CONSTRUCTION WITH TRADITIONAL LIVING CAMP

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

WHEREAS, the People's Center was established to provide public education on aspects of traditional lifestyles and histories of the Salish, Kootenai and Pend d'Oreille people as sanctioned by tribal Elders and the Culture Committees; and

WHEREAS, the People's Center, as part of its effort to provide education, will develop a traditional Salish, Pend d'Oreille and Kootenai Tribes Living History Days that includes, Salish & Kootenai language instruction, flint knapping, outfit construction, hide tanning and plant identification to all interested tribal

communities; and

WHEREAS, the People's Center is soliciting funding in the amount of \$10,000 to host classes to teach traditional lifeways, cultures and histories of the Salish, Pend d'Oreille and Kootenai people through a 6 week Living History Days project to enhance cultural awareness on the Flathead Reservation;
NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, the People's Center is authorized to submit Potlatch Fund proposal documents with its updates and revisions to further carry out the purposes of the funds request, and to integrate and implement its most recent cultural education work plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes supports the submission of the teaching traditional lifestyles and histories of the Salish, Pend d'Oreille and Kootenai people through a Living Histories Days Project proposal documents and authorizes the Tribal Chair and his designated representative to negotiate and sign all documents and execute this contract on behalf of the Tribes.

Renee Joachim, Personnel Department, requested approval to add the Tribal Health Department Pharmacy positions to the random drug testing list to be tested at least once a year to comply with the DEA directive and have those positions tested within the next 60 days. The positions to be added are: Lead Pharmacist, Pharmacy Division Director, Pharmacist, Pharmacy Technician, Relief Pharmacist, Pharmacy Clerk, Pharmacy Technician/Administrative Assistant, and Pharmacy Technician in Training.

MOTION by Anita Matt to add the Tribal Health Department Pharmacy positions consisting of the Lead Pharmacist, Pharmacy Division Director, Pharmacist, Pharmacy Technician, Relief Pharmacist, Pharmacy Clerk, Pharmacy Technician/Administrative Assistant, and Pharmacy Technician in Training to the random drug testing list to be tested at least once a year to comply with the DEA directive, and have those positions tested within the next 60 days. Seconded by Charmel Gillin. Carried, unanimous (8 present – Carole Lankford out of the room).

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

Chairman Trahan presented a request from Jason Adams to approve a letter addressed to Heidi Frechette, Deputy Assistant Secretary for HUD, regarding proposed regulations for the Section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program.

MOTION by James Steele, Jr. to approve the letter to Heidi

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Frechette, Deputy Assistant Secretary for HUD. Seconded by Troy Felsman. Carried, unanimous (9 present).

Mark Couture, Tribal Lands Department, requested approval of a letter requesting the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Plant Protection and Quarantine to provide survey, technical assistance and, if needed, grasshopper and Mormon cricket suppression programs on the Flathead Reservation in 2018.

MOTION by Anita Matt to approve the letter requesting the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Plant Protection and Quarantine to provide survey, technical assistance and, if needed, grasshopper and Mormon cricket suppression programs on the Flathead Reservation in 2018. Seconded by Carole Lankford. Carried, unanimous (9 present).

Mark Couture, Tribal Lands Department, requested approval to advertise the 2018 Spring Bid packet. There are 70 tribal leases and 17 allotted tracts that will be advertised. **Dennis Clairmont** requested that in the future the percentage of tribal ownership on the allotments be reflected in the packet.

MOTION by Troy Felsman to advertise the 2018 Spring Bid packet, with the identified corrections. Seconded by Dennis Clairmont. Carried, unanimous (9 present).

Carolee Wenderoth, Tribal Lands Department, was told by Clayton Matt that the council requested a list of the commercial properties managed by the Lands Department by Wednesday, including maps. She requested clarification of what type of information council is wanting. **Shelly Fyant** wanted an inventory of all tribal properties, including residential properties, so the tribal council could look at the best and highest use of those properties. **Anita Matt** wants to know the current use and the amount we are getting for those properties. She also wants the dates the property was acquired and the dates the leases/permits will expire. Carolee can provide council a list of the commercial properties and a map of the vacant properties by tomorrow, but she was not sure she would be able to obtain an all-inclusive list of properties on the reservation. As far as residential properties, she can provide information on all the homesites we have. She may not be able to provide a map of all those properties by tomorrow, since the GIS program produces the maps. **James Steele, Jr.** wanted to know the status of the former Decker & Desjarlais Law Office space in St. Ignatius. Carolee reported that Mervyn Camel was contracted to do some remediation and the Lands staff is doing the cleanup. The building and property needs a lot of repairs and maintenance. The property might be a temporary relief to hold church services that are currently being held on a homesite. Another option was for it to be a temporary respite space for individuals. No proposals have been received yet for use of that

building/property.

Carolee Wenderoth, Tribal Lands Department, was asked for the hard numbers for the S&K Gaming fence. Carolee presented those numbers yesterday. The fencing crew could do this project if council authorized it. It would save a substantial amount of money. S&K Gaming was required to obtain the bids as part of the process. S&K Gaming will be paying for the fence. The Tribal Lands Department has the necessary equipment to build the fence, and it would take about 2 weeks for the crew to build it. The materials would be purchased at cost and there would be no charge for the labor. **Troy Felsman** was concerned about whether it was beneficial to take the fencing crew away from their other duties to construct the fence. **Chairman Trahan** raised concern about the project being advertised for bids already. **Troy Felsman** commented that this is a Gaming Board issue.

MOTION by Troy Felsman to relocate the fence at the Gray Wolf Peak Casino property. Seconded by Charmel Gillin. Carried, 7 for; 1 opposed (Shelly Fyant); 1 abstention (Leonard Gray).

Shelly Fyant, for the record, "I'm opposed because I do not understand the need to move the wildlife fence."

Mike Durglo, Preservation Department, requested approval to apply for funding from the North Central Climate Science Center in the amount of \$30,000 to provide funding to hold a North Regional Climate Workshop 2.0 next June. **Leonard Gray** and **Troy Felsman** wanted to know if the information was provided to Willie Keenan, since council thought this should come from the Natural Resources Department instead of the Preservation Department. **Council** requested that Willie be included in this process. **Charmel Gillin** wanted to make sure that NRD had knowledge of Mike seeking this funding opportunity since that is part of the work plan for NRD. Mike commented that our natural resources and cultural resources are one in the same. There is a group of individuals that works on climate change and Mike does include the NRD staff in this process. **Council** did not object to Mike continuing to work on climate change, but they do want Willie Keenan provided the information.

MOTION by Anita Matt to approve submission of an application for funding from the North Central Climate Science Center in the amount of \$30,000 to provide funding to hold a North Regional Climate Workshop 2.0 next June. Seconded by Shelly Fyant. Carried, 8 for; 1 opposed (Charmel Gillin).

Charmel Gillin, for the record, "I am opposed based on the comments I made about collaborating with the Natural Resources Department. I

would like to know NRD is aware of the request and is not competing for the funds.”

Mike Durglo, Preservation Department; and **Rhonda Swaney**, Legal Department; discussed bills introduced by Senator Daines and Representative Gianforte that could potentially have an impact on aboriginal lands in the state of Montana. They introduced three bills to Congress that seek to remove existing protection from 34 of Montana’s 44 wilderness study areas on more than 800,000 acres of land that are currently protected. This issue was previously presented to council and the Legal Department recommended that the council take no action.

Mike Durglo and **Kyle Felsman**, Preservation Department; **Rhonda Swaney** and **Shane Morigeau**, Legal Department; gave an update on the directive for Preservation to meet with Legal to come up with a preferred alternative regarding the artifacts at Salish Kootenai College. Mike requested that a letter be sent to the Army Corps of Engineers and the Forest Service requesting formal consultation. The current contract expired on the 31st, so there is no contract in place at this time. The Army Corps of Engineers stated that they were willing to pay for storage only of those items for 60 days, but we have nothing in writing. There has been no discussion about extending or renewing the contract. The last word Mike received was that those items would be moved to St. Louis. No formal agency action has been taken, so filing an injunction is not an option at this point. **Leonard Gray** discussed past action to hire a grant writer that was not followed through on. We are making efforts to have our own repository. Rhonda informed council that there is \$425,000 available in grants for a repository and a potential site has already been identified. **Charmel Gillin** requested further council discussion before proceeding with the purchase of the potential real estate.

MOTION by Charmel Gillin to approve the drafting of a letter to the Army Corps of Engineers and the Forest Service requesting consultation with the Tribes. Seconded by Anita Matt. Carried, unanimous (9 present).

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

Jean Matt, Mission Valley Power, presented MVP’s carbon footprint report. Copy paper usage from 2012-2018 dropped by 36 percent. 2,000 pounds of materials have been recycled. Over the past five years, sensitive material documents amounting to 16,814 pounds were shredded. MVP recycles about 3,200 pounds of materials at zero cost to the company. Since 2012, there were 474 pounds of batteries that were recycled. Every three years, MVP contracts with a metal recycler who pays the company for steel, aluminum, brass, and copper. In the past five years, this has added to the general fund \$97,090.64 for a total weight of 213,704 pounds of mixed metals. MVP purchases earth

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friendly compostable drinking cups, eating utensils and trash liners; uses paper plates and napkins; and uses coreless toilet paper rolls. The company donates its outdated and damaged company cell phones to nonprofit organizations. MVP repurposes used power poles, cross arms and wooden cable spools to area ranchers and farmers. MVP burns recycled motor oil to heat the shop areas during the winter months. As a tribal entity, MVP tries to represent the stewardship ways of the traditional teachings and take care as best they can of each other, the Earth, and its resources for now and future generations. They hope their example becomes infectious and spreads reservation-wide and state-wide.

Daniel J. Decker and **Rhonda Swaney**, Legal Department, provided an update on the Ronan Urban project. The technical design committee holds regular meetings in Missoula to discuss technical issues. There is a technical design committee meeting scheduled for next Thursday, and after that meeting the staff will discuss the counteroffer with the Montana Department of Transportation.

Stu Levit and **Rhonda Swaney**, Legal Department, gave a report on the Bi-Op litigation. The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled against the federal government. That decision does not affect CSKT's interests or what we are doing. A request for rehearing en banc may be filed. Stu will email the council members a copy of the opinion.

Stu Levit, Legal Department, informed council that a meeting in Washington, DC by the CSKT on the Columbia River Treaty would be useful. Stu would arrange the meeting if council was interested.

John Harrison, **Rhonda Swaney** and **Mary Price**, Legal Department, reviewed the draft agenda for the meeting with the Environment Protection Agency Region 8 and the Montana Department of Environmental Quality that is scheduled for April 9, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., in the council chambers. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss Smurfit Stone. They would like to have a council member offer the opening remarks. They want to talk to EPA about continuing to schedule quarterly agency conference calls. **Shelly Fyant** suggested having a field trip for the tribal council and tribal people. She would like Jen Harrington to be invited to this meeting on Monday. Shelly reported that Peter Neilson is retiring and his retirement party is on April 12, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. She thinks it would be appropriate for the Tribes to gift him. Shelly will provide the opening remarks.

Rhonda Swaney, Legal Department, informed council that some of the attorneys from the Legal Department will be travelling to Denver next week for a meeting; and then the following week they are going to Washington, DC to meet with the working group and have congressional meetings. Council was

invited to go to the meetings.

Troy Felsman followed up on Frank Pierre and his mother coming into council several times regarding an incomplete construction issue at Mary's house in Arlee. The original builder let Troy know that it was a situation where the foundation was not set, so the fix would be to put in gravel. Frank requested assistance in the amount of \$50 to get the gravel transported to his mother's house. **No action taken.** Chairman Trahan requested additional information.

James Steele, Jr. gave a report on a meeting he attended on Friday with the Washington State University Native American Advisory Council. The Director of Native American Programs will be retiring next January after 30 years of being in that position; the position description will be reviewed. When the position is advertised they want to hire someone who is familiar with the northwest tribes. James talked to the Director of the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Education Department at the meeting. The next meeting will take place in November. We are included in the in-state tuition that was approved by the legislature in 1994.

Troy Felsman informed council that Paula Webster's daughter, Amerra Webster, was selected to be a Udall Foundation Congressional Intern for 2018 and will be going to Washington, DC this session. Amerra is a tribal member.

Shelly Fyant discussed her request for a retirement gift for Peter Neilson, the Environmental Health Supervisor for the Missoula Valley Water District. He was very instrumental in the work for the Milltown Dam restoration with the Tribes.

Shelly Fyant wanted to know the status of the request from Erica Shelby and Patrick Yawakie to have internships. **Council** will discuss later today. Their supervisor needs to be identified.

Shelly Fyant gave a report on the State-Tribal Economic Development Commission meeting last week. There is funding for a tourism director, so that position will be filled. Our tourism efforts can take off state-wide through this commission.

Charmel Gillin gave a report on the Polson District Meeting that took place on March 28. The meeting was well attended. There was a presentation by the Infant/Toddler Language program that provides daycare through the Early Childhood Services program on brain development and the effects of language learning and dual language learners. Their workshop was originally presented at the Celebrating Salish Conference last month. Everyone gave positive feedback on what they learned and dispelled myths about language learning. Daniel Stiffarm, Kootenai Culture Committee, gave a presentation on the

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Kootenai language initiatives. Jordan Thompson, Legal Department, gave a presentation on the density map regulations and the status of Public Law 280. During the open dialogue session, Charmel circulated a tablet to have the people write down what they wanted brought up. Issues that were brought up were they talked about having an employee time clock at the tribal offices; a fitness center being established in the Polson community; a request that council consider time matching for language learning in Ordinance 69C (CSKT offers fitness time matching); talked about why “Flathead” is still used on our reservation signs, and wondered why SKQ or Salish and Kootenai is not used instead; discussed off-reservation vehicles tearing up lands; a suggestion that we appoint speakers and have a rally at the next Lake County density map regulations meeting on May 24; there was a question whether or not we require damaged or abandoned homes to be cleaned up or taken care of. Charmel will follow up on that. There was a request for council to consider modifying our approach to executive sessions. It was suggested that executive sessions be changed to off the record discussions and allow the audience to remain in the room to listen to the issues. It was mentioned that the Personnel Department does not always send letters notifying people that they were not selected for a job, such as one of the Sergeant at Arms applicants was never notified that he was not selected. Another comment was that the council should keep in mind that the Kicking Horse Job Corps Center facility is a great place for a treatment facility. The next Polson district meeting is scheduled for April 25. Jordan Thompson will provide an update on the Probate Code review, and then the remainder of the meeting will be an open floor session for brainstorming ideas. It was recommended that Daniel Stiffarm make a formal presentation to the tribal council.

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

Carole Lankford left the meeting for the remainder of the day.

Arlene Templer, Carmelita Matt and **Kelly Parker**, Department of Human Resources Development; and **Renee Joachim**, Personnel Department; followed up on last week’s request to approve a revised organizational chart to add 1 Shift Worker position for Second Circle. One of the boxes was eliminated during the past several years. It most likely occurred because the box had names, and when an employee left the position one of the boxes was eliminated. The last approved organizational chart did not reflect that position. The department has had an employee on medical leave for over a year, so that needs to be addressed because it is causing the department to be short-staffed. One of the employees was moved into an Acting Manager capacity during this time. **Council** advised that only the tribal council can make changes to organizational charts, so if the box was never officially removed then no action is required. Renee was not aware that the employee has been off work. If the employee has been on extended medical leave the employee should apply for

disability. DHRD has been unable to locate the organizational chart that has the position on it. If approved, there will be a total of 6 Shift Worker positions.

MOTION by Troy Felsman to approve the revised organizational chart for the Department of Human Resources Development to add 1 Second Circle Shift Worker position. Seconded by James Steele, Jr. Carried, 5 for; 3 opposed (Charmel Gillin, Leonard Gray and Ron Trahan); 1 not voting (Carole Lankford out of the room).

Arlene Templer, Carmelita Matt and Kelly Parker, Department of Human Resources Development; and **Renee Joachim**, Personnel Department; followed up on last week's request to approve a revised organizational chart to reclassify and change the title of the IV-E Analyst position to a IV-E Program Manager position and to eliminate the IV-E Second Circle position. The program name changed and the duties of that position changed. The position was reclassified which resulted in an increase in the rate of pay.

MOTION by James Steele, Jr. to approve the revised organizational chart for the Department of Human Resources Development to reclassify and change the title of the IV-E Analyst position to a IV-E Program Manager; and eliminate the IV-E Second Circle position. Seconded by Dennis Clairmont. Carried, 7 for; 1 opposed (Charmel Gillin); 1 not voting (Carole Lankford out of the room).

Charmel Gillin, for the record, *"The reason for my opposition is that DHRD was given direction at the chairman's meeting that I felt was not followed."*

Arlene Templer, Carmelita Matt and Kelly Parker, Department of Human Resources Development, requested approval to submit an application to the Administration on Children, Youth, and Families-Children's Bureau Tribal Court Improvement Program in the amount of \$150,000 per year for a five-year period. Contracts & Grants reviewed the grant application. If awarded, the funding cycle will be from September 30, 2018 through September 29, 2023.

MOTION by Troy Felsman to approve by resolution submission of an application to the Administration on Children, Youth, and Families-Children's Bureau Tribal Court Improvement Program in the amount of \$150,000 per year for a five-year period, with corrections to the resolution. Seconded by Dennis Clairmont. Carried, 5 for; 3 opposed (Charmel Gillin, Shelly Fyant and James Steele, Jr.); 1 not voting (Carole Lankford out of the room).

Shelly Fyant, for the record, *"I think the resolution needs to be corrected on the wording about the chairman and his designed representative"*

being authorized to negotiate and execute membership and appointments.”

RESOLUTION 18- 113

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE ADMINISTRATION ON CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES – CHILDREN’S BUREAU TRIBAL COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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

WHEREAS, The Confederated Salish and 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 has directed all Tribal Departments to work on revenue diversification for the benefit of the Tribal government and the membership; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has asked that revenue enhancement activities include opportunities where the membership may benefit including seeking additional resources to assist families in their daily living; and

WHEREAS, DHRD is currently operating a Tribal Court Improvement Program which will collaborate with various stakeholders to implement project activities, including a court assessment, enhancement of court data collection infrastructure, cross-system training, and enhancements to practices, policies, and procedures. The project will improve the effectiveness of the Tribal Court’s child welfare practices; and improve collaboration between DHRD’s child welfare program, the Tribal Court system, and other key stakeholders to identify and work towards shared goals that improve the safety, permanency, and well-being of children in the child welfare system.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council Chairman and his designated representative are authorized to negotiate and execute the grant and or contract documents and any amendments thereto.

Arlene Templer, Department of Human Resources Development, discussed the need for office space. She had been previously directed to not apply for additional grants if there is no space for the staff. Arlene would like to get the Teen Parent grant back because it was very successful, but it requires space for five employees.

Brian Upton, Legal Department; and **Les Evarts**, Natural Resources Department; requested approval to enter into negotiations with Bonneville

Power Administration to renew a three-year agreement for Hungry Horse resident fish mitigation. The secure and restore funding will run out this year.

MOTION by Troy Felsman to renew the memorandum of understanding with Bonneville Power Administration for resident fish mitigation. Seconded by Charmel Gillin. Carried, unanimous (8 present – Carole Lankford out of the room).

Council **recessed** the regular meeting to conduct a Native Fish Keepers, Inc. membership representative meeting.

Council **reconvened** into the regular meeting.

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

Leonard Gray left the meeting for the remainder of the day.

Dan Lozar, Casey Ryan, Greg Wilson, Gabe Johnson, and **Seth Makepeace**, Natural Resources Department, provided orientation on the Natural Resources Department Division of Water. There are currently 33 employees in the division.

Council discussed the agenda for the April quarterly council meeting.

Chairman Trahan informed council that the Sanders County Commissioners want to meet with the tribal council on April 17.

Shelly Fyant discussed the internship requests from Erica Shelby and Patrick Yawakie. **Council** will discuss the request at the next chairman's meeting.

MOTION by Troy Felsman to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Charmel Gillin. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

Council **adjourned** at 4:08 p.m., and is scheduled to meet again on Thursday, April 5, 2018, at 9:00 a.m.

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Troy Felsman
Tribal Secretary