

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

Volume 20 Number 83
Zoom Meeting

Held: August 20, 2020
Approved: August 25, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: Shelly Fyant, Chairwoman; Anita Matt, Vice-Chairwoman; Ellie Bundy McLeod, Secretary; Martin Charlo, Treasurer; Carole Lankford; James “Bing” Matt; Fred Matt; Charmel Gillin; Mike Dolson; and Len TwoTeeth.

OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer Trahan, Council Office Manager; James Steele, Sr., Sergeant at Arms; and Abby Dupuis, Recording Secretary.

The meeting was called to **order** at 9:02 a.m. Quorum established.

The meeting was opened with a **prayer** by Charmel Gillin.

The **Tribal Council Meeting Minutes** for August 18, 2020 were presented for approval.

Len TwoTeeth joined the meeting.

MOTION by Martin Charlo to approve the Tribal Council Meeting Minutes for August 18, 2020, with corrections. Seconded by Ellie Bundy McLeod. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

The **agenda** was presented for approval.

MOTION by Anita Matt to approve the agenda, with changes. Seconded by Ellie Bundy McLeod. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Celina Williams presented a request from her mother, Jeanie Peak, for Randy Peak to be her designated hunter to harvest a second moose permit. Randy has a moose permit and needs permission for him to obtain a second moose permit in Jeanie’s name to hunt for his mother. Jeanie is an elder.

MOTION by Martin Charlo to authorize the disabled hunter assistance for Randy Peak to assist his mother Jeanie Peak. Seconded by Anita Matt. Carried, 9 for; 1 opposed (Fred Matt).

Bing Matt presented a request from Nancy Grant for her son, Lee Grant, to be a designated hunter for her. **Council** directed Nancy to Amanda Bourdon to complete the required form.

MOTION by Anita Matt to approve Lee Grant to be Nancy Grant's designated hunter, contingent upon Nancy filling out the required form. Seconded by Len TwoTeeth. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Mary Jane Inmee Billedeaux requested to meet with council in **executive session** to discuss a personal matter. **Jami Pluff**, Policy Analyst, was present for discussion. **Dana Morales**, Department of Human Resources Development, joined the discussion.

Council reconvened into **regular session**.

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

Bryce Bennett, Secretary of State Candidate, introduced himself to the Tribal Council and discussed issues of importance to him, including the importance of all Montanan's voices being heard in the elections. He has battled voter suppression, and he fought back and won when they prevented tribal identification cards to be used as identification to vote. Mr. Bennett wants to be a partner to Indian country. **Chairwoman Fyant** discussed concerns regarding voter suppression. Shelly will be testifying in the Ballot Interference Protection Act trial on September 8. **Carole Lankford** applauded Mr. Bennett's efforts regarding voter suppression. **Mr. Bennett's** team made a request to Legislative Services to make sure we have a full sense of all legal remedies to push back on eliminating drop-off locations for the mail. Rural states need to have strong Post Offices and people need to be able to submit their ballots. He realizes the benefits of having a friend and advocate in his administration. **Chairwoman Fyant** commented that there will be a training on voter education for the process to get people in active voter status. It is critical we all get out and vote.

Ruth Swaney, Financial Management, requested approval of modification 14 to the fiscal year 2020 Bureau of Indian Affairs Self-Governance Compact Budget. The fiscal year 2020 budget for the DHRD 477 Program was enacted based on estimated levels of funding for all programs; and a revision to the budget for the DHRD 477 Program is required to allocate the total FY 2020 funding awarded for Summer Youth Employment and Adult Comprehensive Services which were enacted \$135,000 and \$265,000, respectively, and awarded \$137,939 and \$272,953, respectively.

MOTION by Martin Charlo to approve by resolution modification 14 to the fiscal year 2020 Bureau of Indian Affairs Self-Governance Compact Budget. Seconded by Anita Matt. Carried, 10 for; 0 opposed; 0 not voting.

RESOLUTION 20-143

RESOLUTION APPROVING MODIFICATION 14 TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BIA SELF-GOVERNANCE COMPACT BUDGET

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

WHEREAS, the FY 2020 budget for the DHRD 477 Program was enacted based on estimated levels of funding for all programs; and

WHEREAS, a revision to the budget for the DHRD 477 Program is required to allocate the total FY 2020 funding awarded for Summer Youth Employment and Adult Comprehensive Services which were enacted \$135,000 and \$265,000, respectively, and awarded \$137,939 and \$272,953, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the budget will be allocated as follows:

Programs, Functions, Services, and Activities	Budget Account	Current FY 2020 Budget Authority	Increase/ (Decrease)	Revised FY 2020 Budget Authority
DHRD 477 Program	13-502-4770	7,058,724.06	10,892	7,069,616.06
Total			10,892	

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes to modify the FY 2020 BIA Self-Governance Compact Budget as reflected above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the FY 2020 BIA Self-Governance Compact Budget is increased from \$49,397,348.49 to \$49,408,240.49; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that prior years' unexpended funds are available to appropriate for budget expenditures pending final obligation of funds.

Rob McDonald, Communications, requested approval of a modification to the contract with the Bozeman Daily Chronicle to print the Char-Koosta News to extend the contract term for 12 months. **Len TwoTeeth** wanted to know what it would take for us to be able to print our own paper. Rob explained it would take a printing press and the knowledge to run it. This has been talked about in the past. The Kalispel Tribe is looking into purchasing a paper manufacturing business. All newspapers are in a state of flux right now. Len would like to know what the cost would be and the number of jobs it would create.

MOTION by Len TwoTeeth to approve a modification to the contract

with the Bozeman Daily Chronicle to print the Char-Koosta News to extend the contract term for 12 months. Seconded by Mike Dolson. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Rob McDonald, Communications, informed council that the Char-Koosta News staff will be moving out of its current location to the Counseling Center at the former Kicking Horse Job Corps Center.

Steve McDonald and **Duane Plant**, Tribal Forestry, requested approval of modification number 1 to the Revais - West Logging Unit contract to extend the term. The Idaho Forest Products shut down the mill for retrofitting and that caused delays.

MOTION by Len TwoTeeth to approve by resolution modification number 1 to the Revais – West Logging Unit to extend the cut and pay date and expiration date on July 21, 2020, from August 1, 2020 and October 31, 2020 to February 15, 2021, without penalty. Seconded by Bing Matt. Carried, 10 for; 0 opposed; 0 not voting.

RESOLUTION 20-144

RESOLUTION APPROVING MODIFICATION #1 REVAIS WEST LOGGING UNIT CONTRACT NO. F203C19007

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

WHEREAS, The Superintendent, Flathead Agency, Pablo, Montana, approved Timber Contract No. F203C19007, Revais West Logging Unit, between the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, the Seller; and Lonepine Logging, the Purchaser; and

WHEREAS, Tribal member owned Lonepine Logging requested an extension of the cut and pay date and expiration date on July 21, 2020, from August 1, 2020 and October 31, 2020 to February 15, 2021. He is requesting an extension because TRL stopped buying timber and IFG is shut down right now; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent and Seller agree with this request which will change Contract Section A5, Contract Dates to February 15, 2021 without penalty; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Section A5 of the Revais West Timber Sale Contract be modified to change Section A5, Contract Dates to February 15, 2021, without penalty; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, it is mutually understood and agreed that except as herein expressly specified, the Timber Contract shall remain in full effect and force, binding upon the parties thereto, and this modification of contract shall become effective upon approval by the Approving Officer.

Patricia Buffalo and **Erika Weber**, Tribal Health Department, requested approval to hire Jeannette Kay Blythe on a three-year contract to fill the Chemical Dependency Counselor - Substance Abuse Disorder Provider position. The vacancy was advertised and there were no qualified tribal member applicants.

MOTION by Anita Matt to authorize the hire of Jeannette Kay Blythe on a three-year contract to fill the Chemical Dependency Counselor - Substance Abuse Disorder Provider position. Seconded by Len TwoTeeth. Carried, 9 for; 1 abstention (Martin Charlo).

Patricia Buffalo and **Erika Weber**, Tribal Health Department, requested approval to hire Logan Thomas Gordon on a three-year contract to fill the Chemical Dependency Counselor - Substance Abuse Disorder Provider position. The vacancy was advertised and there were no qualified tribal member applicants.

MOTION by Len TwoTeeth to approve the hire of Logan Thomas Gordon on a three-year contract to fill the Chemical Dependency Counselor - Substance Abuse Disorder Provider position. Seconded by Ellie Bundy McLeod. Carried, 9 for; 1 abstention (Martin Charlo).

Michelle Mitchell, Tribal Education Department, requested approval of a modification to Shadow Devereaux's contract to increase the amount by \$1,100.00 for the COVID-19 Youth and Community Awareness Campaign and add the recording and mastering the track to reflect his additional efforts. The Pete Sisters created and performed a song. The total amount of the contract would be increased to \$5,100.00.

MOTION by Martin Charlo to approve a modification to Shadow Devereaux's contract to increase the amount by \$1,100.00. Seconded by Ellie Bundy McLeod. Carried, 9 for; 1 abstention (Carole Lankford – due to family relation).

Michelle Mitchell, Tribal Education Department, showed council the new trailer that will be coming out. **Carole Lankford** suggested they be contracted to put out something on the Get Out The Vote efforts.

Greg Wilson, Natural Resources Department, requested approval of change order 2 for Project Management Plan # 14 via Agreement number 16-141 between

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the CSKT and the Bureau of Reclamation Technical Service Center to increase the amount by \$804,761.75. The funding was received from the Bureau of Indian Affairs for this change order.

MOTION by Martin Charlo to approve change order 2 for Project Management Plan # 14 via Agreement number 16-141 between the CSKT and the Bureau of Reclamation Technical Service Center to increase the amount by \$804,761.75. Seconded by Fred Matt. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Seth Makepeace, Natural Resources Department, requested approval of modification number 1 to Contractor Agreement number 20-120 with McMillen Jacobs Associates to increase the amount by \$88,928.00 to complete all NEPA and permitting work for the Jocko K Canal Headwaters project.

MOTION by Bing Matt to approve modification number 1 to Contractor Agreement number 20-120 with McMillen Jacobs Associates to increase the amount by \$88,928.00 to complete all NEPA and permitting work for the Jocko K Canal Headwaters project. Seconded by Anita Matt. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Chairwoman Fyant informed council that she read in the newspaper that Two Eagle River School will be holding their graduation ceremony on their football field this Saturday, August 22, at 2:00 p.m. The Tribes were under a shelter in place order in May. There was a meeting with all the local schools and the Tribal Council encouraged them to hold off on their graduation ceremonies until at least June. Two Eagle River School was the only school that did that. Shelly thanked them for honoring the shelter in place order. **Martin Charlo** commented that he serves on the School Board, and it was a difficult decision to make. The students made that decision. Martin's nephew Josh is one of those students. Martin congratulated all those students who graduated.

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

Jennifer Trahan followed up on a meeting she had with Rick Eneas regarding the Building Monitors. Jim Steele is getting a survey to see what is needed and he is training them on how to answer the doors. Jim is finding out how many monitors will be needed. Nancy Schall did not want to be a monitor, so Tom Johnson will do those duties; therefore, Nancy and Tom will be switching workstations. Jim will serve as the Door Monitor at the old building on Monday and Wednesday and at the new tribal complex building on Tuesday and Thursday. If they can get a front desk worker in the old complex building to do temperature checks, then nobody will need to be hired over there. They will get the surveys back on Monday. **Chairwoman Fyant** commented that the Building Monitors are needed to ensure people wear a mask and answer questions for contact tracing if they enter a tribal building.

Chairwoman Fyant informed council that she just received a message that Montana has reported 117 new COVID-19 cases today.

Jennifer Trahan informed council that she just received the Tribal Health Department contract for Jonathan Owen and sent it to Martin Charlo to put on the shared screen.

Council met in **executive session** to discuss a personnel matter.

Council reconvened into **regular session**.

MOTION by Anita Matt to approve the Tribal Health Department Director contract with Jonathan Owen, as presented. Seconded by Mike Dolson. Carried, 6 for (Shelly Fyant, Mike Dolson, Charmel Gillin, Ellie Bundy McLeod, Anita Matt, and Martin Charlo); 4 opposed (Fred Matt, Len TwoTeeth, Carole Lankford, and Bing Matt).

Fred Matt, for the record, "I am opposed because I have always, for the past few months or maybe a year or so, heard other tribal members that interviewed for this position, and I felt we have a tribal member qualified for this position and don't know why we didn't pursue the tribal member over this nonmember."

Vina Little Owl, Internal Auditor, presented for approval the risk assessment and annual audit plan. There was a work session with the Tribal Council that went through the plan in detail. The plan includes the CARES Act funding. **Chairwoman Fyant** encouraged the council members to attend one of the training sessions on TEAMS scheduled for September 16 & 23.

MOTION by Anita Matt to approve the risk assessment and annual audit plan. Seconded by Len TwoTeeth. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Chuck Reese, Information Technologies, requested approval to enter into a contractor agreement with Scott Miller, IP Routing, for tower fiber network hardware and configuration. There will be towers located at Oliver, Jette, Boulder, and Pistol Creek and the information will report back to Pablo.

MOTION by Charmel Gillin to approve a contractor agreement with Scott Miller, IP Routing, LLC for tower fiber network hardware and configuration. Seconded by Martin Charlo. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Craig Couture and **Louis Fiddler**, Law & Order, requested to meet with council in **executive session** to provide an update on missing persons.

Council reconvened into **regular session**.

Martin Charlo and **Shane Morigeau** discussed a request from Shane Morigeau to allow him to put up signs. Council had approved a request from Craig McClure to get a blanket permit for the democratic candidates to post political campaign signs on tribal lands. Shane is a tribal member and wants to put signs in those approved locations in addition to the locations where tribal council candidate signs are posted.

MOTION by Anita Matt to approve the request for the Shane Morigeau Team to put up Montana State Auditor signs at the same locations as the Tribal Council candidates. Seconded by Martin Charlo. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Shane Morigeau informed council that he will be shooting a video on September 8, 9 & 10. Shane wants to film at The People's Center pavilion and would like permission for his video and camera team to shoot at that location. **Martin Charlo** informed the Facebook audience that he will be volunteering to do some sign work for Shane, and anyone interested in picking up a sign or volunteering are welcome to help him.

MOTION by Anita Matt to allow Shane Morigeau's video to be filmed at The People's Center location. Seconded by Martin Charlo. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Shane Morigeau thanked the Tribal Council for endorsing him. The polls are looking promising to get the first Native American elected to that seat. Shane looks forward to representing Native people.

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

Martin Charlo discussed flu season and encouraged the membership to get their flu shots. The flu shot is one way to protect families. **Anita Matt** would like to work with the Tribal Health Department to see if they can have a clinic like they did in the past. Martin commented that they are planning to do that on a different scale. It will be a drive-through flu shot, which is similar to how the COVID-19 testing was done. It will be held on September 30 at the Salish Kootenai College Joe McDonald parking lot from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Martin will provide updates to council.

Jami Pluff, Policy Analyst; and **Rick Eneas**, Financial Management; gave an update on the community and grassroots organizations and the applications for the COVID Relief funding. The CARES Act funding will provide direct economic support to the organizations and partner with the Tribes to address the pandemic. One of the council priorities for allocation of the CARES Act funding

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is to nonprofit and grassroots organizations. An application to request funding and an award process was developed. There was a screening committee that reviewed the applications. Jami requested approval of the applications that have been received to date. (1) Helping Hands requested funding in the amount of \$29,641.00. Helping Hands does shop and drops, community cradles, and provides support for vouchers for necessities. (2) Lake County Community Support requested funding in the amount of \$50,000.00. (3) Arlee CDC requested funding in the amount of \$39,600.00. They have been working in the Arlee community and are helping the Flathead Reservation Community Action that was newly developed during the pandemic. It has been a fiscal sponsor for that organization. (4) Flathead Reservation Community Action requested funding in the amount of \$50,000.00. Their needs are above that amount. \$50,000.00 was the maximum amount the nonprofit organizations could apply for. The total amount needed for FRCA is \$826,000.00 for processing food distribution in the community. (5) Mission Valley Animal Shelter requested funding in the amount of \$44,463.00. It fits in with the loss of income. The shelter typically receives donations and money from the spay and neuter clinic and a fundraising event that they hold each year, but those events had to be cancelled this year due to COVID-19. One Heart, Never Alone Recovery Center, Nkwusm School, and Salish Kootenai College Community Health & Development have not applied for funding. Notification will be sent to the organizations once their applications are approved. The memorandums of agreement are ready to go once final approval is granted. **Carole Lankford** asked about the Boys & Girls Club and the Food Banks. Jami sent the application to Aric Cooksley at the Boys & Girls Club and is just waiting to get it back. An invite was sent to two Food Banks and she has not heard from them. Carole told her that Hot Springs, St. Ignatius, Polson, and Ronan all have Food Banks. Jami sent Never Alone Recovery an initial request and is waiting for them to submit an application. Financial statements from the organizations and proof of nonprofit status may be required for entities requesting funding due to a loss of revenue. FRCA has not received their nonprofit status yet, but the Arlee CDC is sponsoring them. **Mike Dolson** asked about being a grassroots organization versus a business getting a business grant. Rick clarified that the Economic Development Office is doing the grants for businesses. These applications are for nonprofits. Mike would support the Mission Valley Animal Shelter coming in as a business grant rather than a nonprofit. Rick clarified that the Mission Valley Animal Shelter is a nonprofit organization, and this is the proper forum for them.

MOTION by Martin Charlo to approve the grassroots COVID Relief funding to the five applications identified. Seconded by Fred Matt. Carried, 9 for; 1 opposed (Charmel Gillin).

Charmel Gillin, for the record, *“This category was put into place by my suggestion. I had asked that grassroots be considered for support. I agree that it’s a good neighbor mechanism. I just expected that it would be going toward*

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the grassroots organizations that are helping people get through a tough time right now. It was just unusual to me. I did not anticipate it to be used exactly like that. If we do outreach to other organizations that might do that, I am hearing from Rick and others who know more about the planning and what's available, there must not be other support for nonprofits outside of what the Tribes are doing. I want to be more clear about that. Are there other sources they can appeal to or just the Tribes? I appreciate everyone's work to keep this going."

Renee Joachim, Personnel Department, informed council that effective November 1, 1993, the Tribes went smoke-free inside the tribal complex. Renee received a request from a department to include e-cigs in that policy. She wants to prepare a memorandum for the chairwoman's signature reminding employees of the policy and include e-cigs in the policy.

MOTION by Martin Charlo to amend the 1993 memo to include e-cigarettes and vaping devices in the smoke-free building policy. Seconded by Charmel Gillin. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Renee Joachim clarified that the smoke-free policy was not included in Ordinance 69-C; it was just a Tribal Council policy from a memorandum that was sent to employees in 1993. Then-Chairman Ron Trahan issued a memorandum on March 18, 2014 reaffirming the past council action of the smoke-free building policy. **Carole Lankford** thought putting it in Ordinance 69-C would make it clearer. **Charmel Gillin** asked if there was any policy regarding the tribal facilities and use of facilities by the public. This action only addresses tribal buildings. **Council** directed Renee to look into whether we have a separate building ordinance. That would affect the general public, not just tribal employees. **Renee Joachim** will check with John Neiss next week and report back to council.

Renee Joachim, Personnel Department, requested to meet with council in **executive session** to discuss departmental matters.

Council reconvened into **regular session**.

Renee Joachim, Personnel Department, requested approval to hire Suzanne Palmer on a contract through December 10, 2022 to fill the Personnel Technician position. Suzanne is a first-generation descendant and is in the process of becoming enrolled. The position has been vacant since March and the vacancy will not be advertised.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to go along with the recommendation of the department head and approve the hire of Suzanne Palmer on a contract to fill the Personnel Technician position. Seconded by Len TwoTeeth. Carried, 6 for (Carole Lankford, Len TwoTeeth, Bing Matt, Fred Matt, Mike Dolson, and

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Len TwoTeeth); 4 opposed (Shelly Fyant, Anita Matt, Ellie Bundy McLeod, and Charmel Gillin).

***Anita Matt**, for the record, “I am opposed because it wasn’t advertised. And being it’s a technician position, I think it would have given an opportunity to a tribal member to apply.”*

***Ellie Bundy McLeod**, for the record, “My opposition is similar to Anita’s statement. For the entry level jobs, I think it would be an easy position to get a tribal member into.”*

Chairwoman Fyant commented on the no-smoking policy and clarified we have given Renee direction to research any other building ordinances or policies so we can include this request in that.

Len TwoTeeth left the meeting for the remainder of the day.

Council discussed the action taken on the grassroots applications and proposed changes to the motion by Jami Pluff. **Martin Charlo** had no issue with changing the language since Jami’s changes do not change anything substantial on the action taken. **Chairwoman Fyant** advised the Recording Secretary to leave the action as it is on record.

Jody Perez and **Katie Miller**, Salish Kootenai Housing Authority; **Robin Thorne** and **Lorna Fogg**, Consultants; presented a report on homelessness and a list of action items. Jody needs to know if the Tribes are going to assess indirect costs. **Martin Charlo** thought we would be double-dipping if we assess fees on our own funding. **Request 1**. Can the Indian Preference fee be waived for the homelessness initiative projects? The fee is 3% and a waiver would help with the budget. They would go through the Indian Preference Office as much as possible on the contracts, but those contractors must be able to meet the deadlines in place. **Chairwoman Fyant** could not support the request for a waiver. The fees help sustain the Indian Preference Office and that office provides employment opportunities for tribal member contractors.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to move forward and watch the Indian Preference as closely as possible and waive the fee. Seconded by Mike Dolson. **MOTION NOT CARRIED**, 4 for (Carole Lankford, Mike Dolson, Fred Matt, and Bing Matt); 4 opposed (Shelly Fyant, Charmel Gillin, Ellie Bundy McLeod, and Martin Charlo); 1 abstention (Anita Matt).

Request 2. Approve a memorandum of agreement for the Salish Kootenai Housing Authority to be the general contractor for the Grizzly Bear Homesites. **Chairwoman Fyant** commented that the Tribal Council could not take action to approve it since there is no memorandum of agreement developed for their review

and consideration. Council could come to a consensus to move forward with a memorandum of agreement. Individual development would be put out for bid. There is a pool of six active contractors that the Salish Kootenai Housing Authority uses for their jobs. If those contractors are not available, then they would reach out to other contractors to do the work. It was the **consensus** of council to develop a memorandum of agreement. **Request 3.** Are the Grizzly Bear Homesites going to be for emergency housing or homeownership? **Council** understood it would be for emergency housing needs. **Request 4.** Who owns, manages, and pays expenses for the Grizzly Bear Homesites? The council needs to think about that question. There was a question about purchasing hotels. Purchasing the Starlite Motel would be in addition to what they have been looking at for supportive housing. There is money in the budget to do both.

Martin Charlo left the meeting.

Chairwoman Fyant asked what if we purchase the turnkey properties like Bay View and Starlite Motels if there's renovations that need to happen for those and we did the Grizzly Bear Homesites, how much money would we have left. Robin would need to get quotes for the Grizzly Bear Homesites. The problem with this fund is the timing. The Tribes have complete control over this funding. It is a unique source of funds and there would not be any HUD, tax credit or Rural Development rules associated with this. They need to enter into contracts and agreements within the next week to get the process moving forward. The funds must be spent by the 12/30/20 deadline. SKHA has vouchers for 50 slots per year and uses them locally and extends the program to Missoula and Kalispell for students or for medical reasons. If there was a separate entity set up that ran the supportive housing program, they could use our vouchers. Robin told council that once they have more information, they could provide a standard operating proforma. There are 35 families receiving those vouchers at this time, and the amount of rental assistance provided depends on the family size and income. If the family has an income, they must pay 30% and TBA pays the remainder of the rental payment. **Chairwoman Fyant** would like more information before acting. She is not comfortable with taking action to move forward without the standard operating proforma. Robin commented that rapid decision making needs to take place to get this project done. **Ellie Bundy McLeod** commented that if the council agreed that the two turnkey properties are the most logical decision point and come to an agreement to look at those, maybe that would provide a level of comfort. Robin advised that criteria would be developed for emergency housing. An inspection would need to be done on the motels to identify what the needs are going to be.

Martin Charlo returned to the meeting.

Robin discussed the motel concept. There are choices, but the problem is the deadline to spend this money. Some type of rapid decision-making authority

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needs to be put in place in order to get the projects done. **Martin Charlo** suggested that the motels be used as the emergency housing and the Grizzly Bear Homesites for supportive housing. It is August 20th already and December 30th is fast approaching, so we do not have the luxury of time anymore. We should get the foundation built now and work out everything else. We need to move forward. **Request 5.** Can John Neiss or Don Cline be the Project Manager for the Supportive Housing? **Bing Matt** and **Fred Matt** did not think they would have the time given their other duties. It was recommended that they find a replacement for Janet Camel as the Project Manager. Council wanted to ask them if they are available. **Council** agreed to have John Neiss or Don Cline be the Project Manager, based on their availability. **Request 6.** Can they do a noncompetitive contract with Deep D'Tect for the Supportive Housing? **Request 7.** Can they do a noncompetitive contract with Jackola Engineering and Architectural Services for the Supportive Housing? Either Maintenance, as the Project Manager, or Jackola could do a subcontract with Deep D'Tect. **Council** preferred them to have Jackola do a subcontract. **Request 8.** Can they do a noncompetitive contract for housing units for Support Housing? The manufacturer needs to be determined. indieDwell would need a specific design to get it done by the deadline and modular units are the only option indieDwell can get done due to the time constraints. Nashua Builders is the other option. Nashua can get a price quote within a couple of days. **Request 9.** Authorization to enter into other noncompetitive contracts, as needed, to expedite the projects. They would offer jobs to contractors on the Indian Preference list as much as possible, but they must be available to do the work within the timeline in order to meet the December 30, 2020 deadline. There was a meeting with the Design Build Committee and the consultants came up with some options for supportive housing units and requested quick action in order to meet the December 30, 2020 deadline. Their options included: (1) indieDwell – these are the steel shipping containers. They would be tiny duplexes because we cannot have whole multi-family unit projects done and delivered by December 30. It is possible for materials and some delivered by December 30 for single unit entry. Working to determine how many individual units that they already have designed that can be delivered. (2) GigaCrete – they are still waiting on additional information. (3) Mike Foster/Nashua Builders – this option is essentially modular units stacked together inside a metal arena, kind of hotel-style. (4) Others - Man Camp units out of Missoula – 4 units for \$250,000 each (fully furnished and set on foundation) - Starlite Motel – 16 rooms for \$500,000 + 5% commission - Two (2) supportive housing units from Missoula PHA \$400,000 (fused project – basically a contribution and they house our tribal members). **Council** agreed to give the decision-making authority to the consultants. **Jody Perez** invited council to attend the meetings each Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. if they want to be involved in the project. **Council** directed Jennifer to put that on the council calendar.

Chairwoman Fyant discussed an email from Kenji about where we are with OnBase. He has not heard anything from Enrollment, Accounting or Tribal

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Council. He wanted to do a demo followed by council consultation on August 26th, but that is the same day as the department head meeting.

MOTION by Charmel Gillin to adjourn the meeting.

Council **adjourned** at 5:07 p.m., and is scheduled to meet again on Tuesday, August 25, 2020, at 9:00 a.m.

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Ellie Bundy McLeod
Tribal Secretary