

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

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Tribal Health Department, St. Ignatius, MT

Held: June 28, 2019
Approved: July 11, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ronald Trahan, Chairman; Leonard Gray, Vice-Chairman; Anita Matt, Treasurer; Dennis Clairmont; Carole Lankford; Leonard TwoTeeth; and Fred Matt.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Shelly Fyant, Secretary; Myrna DuMontier (Travel to WSU Health Board Meeting); and Charmel Gillin.

OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer Trahan, Recording Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at 8:21 a.m. Quorum established.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Carole Lankford.

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

MOTION by Carole Lankford to approve the agenda with changes. Seconded by Anita Matt. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

Council went into **executive session**.

Council reconvened to **regular session**.

Rick Eneas, Office of Financial Management, requested approval of a resolution for the August Per Capita.

MOTION by Fred Matt to approve by resolution the August Per Capita. Seconded by Anita Matt. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

RESOLUTION 19-149

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REVISION TO THE AUGUST 7, 2019 PER CAPITA DISTRIBUTION (RESOLUTION NO. 19-145) SO THAT THE DISTRIBUTION WILL BE MADE JULY 31, 2019

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

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WHEREAS, The Tribal Council established policy by Resolution 96-83 to make per-capita payments to tribal members three times annually during the months of December, April and August for each fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, said policy states that three equal per capita payments of \$400.00 will be made annually and that one-half (1/2) of each per capita distribution for each minor child enrolled in the Tribes is to be issued to said minor's parent or legal guardian and the other one-half (1/2) is to be placed in a trust account with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to accumulate and earn interest until said minor has reached legal age; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 19-145 previously authorized the distribution of a \$400.00 per capita distribution during the month of August, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council desires to move said distribution from August 7, 2019 to July 31, 2019; and now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes that the Northwest Regional Director is requested to authorize the \$400.00 per capita distribution to be made during the month of July 2019; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Financial Management is directed and authorized to request sufficient tribal monies on deposit in the United States Treasury to be advanced to local status to effect said distribution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent, Flathead Agency, and the Director of Financial Management are authorized to apply these funds to judgments held by Tribal Court, to assignments through Tribal Credit, and voluntary child support and to those accounts under the control of the Superintendent; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the July 31, 2019 per capita distribution will be made to those members enrolled in the Tribes as of July 18, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the deadline for claims to be withheld from individuals' July 31, 2019 per capita for judgments, assignments and IIM holds through the Superintendent and Director of Financial Management shall be no later than July 11, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Delphine Bourdon and **Dave Durgeloh**, Arlee Celebration Committee, presented the 2018 Annual report.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to receive the annual \$40,000. Seconded by Fred Matt. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

MOTION by Anita Matt to receive and sign the MOU with Arlee Celebration Committee. Seconded by Leonard Gray. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

Michael Pierre, Department of Human Resources Development, requested to submit the application for the FDPIR/Commodities Program for FY20.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to approve by resolution the application for the FDPIR/Commodities Program for FY20. Seconded by Dennis Clairmont. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

RESOLUTION 19-150

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SUBMITTAL OF THE FY 2020 APPLICATION FOR THE FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (COMMODITY) PROGRAM

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

WHEREAS, the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes have prepared a budget request for funds to continue to operate the Tribes Commodity Program and,

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has created the Department of Human Resources Development (DHRD) to ensure that families receive the support necessary to achieve self sufficiency including nutritional supports and the Commodity Program provides such supports, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Resources Development is the lead agency for continued operation of the Commodity Program and respectfully requests that the State of Montana, DPHHS, FDPIR, provide funds for continued operation of the program, as requested.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, The Tribal Council Chairman and his designated representative are authorized to negotiate and execute the grant and or contact documents and any amendments thereto, Patricia Courchane and Natalie Kenmille, Department of HRD, requested to submit the new three year plan for the Public Law 477 program and the plans for the programs that are part of 477. Every three years, DHRD must submit plans for the 477 program which includes the programs that are part of the

477 program. This includes TANF, Childcare, Office of Community Services Block Grant (OCS), WIOA, BIA training and NEW.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to approve by resolution the new three year plan for the Public Law 477 program. Seconded by Anita Matt. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

RESOLUTION 19-151

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING Public Law 102-477 Plan to include submittal of the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) Plan, the Child Care & Development Fund Tribal Plan, the Office of Community Services and the Native Employment Works Program (NEW) for the period of October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2022 to be integrated into the approved Public Law 102-477 Plan.

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

WHEREAS, the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes have had an approved Tribal Family Assistance Plan (TFAP) since January 1999 to provide TANF benefits to eligible participants and an approved Public Law 102-477 plan which integrates the TANF program into a comprehensive employment and training plan for integrated services to low income people who are working towards self-sufficiency, and

WHEREAS, the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes receive Child Care Development Funds (CCDF) to administer child care benefits to eligible participants and is integrated into the approved Public Law 102-477 Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes receives Workforce Investment Opportunity Act (WIOA) Adult – DOL funds to administer work activities and work support benefits, and is integrated into the approved Public Law 102-477 Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes receives Supplemental Youth Services Allocation DOL funding to administer work activities and work placement funds, and is integrated into the approved Public Law 102-477 Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes received BIA Job Placement and Training Funds to administer work activities and work placement funds, and is integrated into the approved Public Law 102-477 Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes receives Native Employment Work Program Department of Health and Human Services funds and is integrated into the approved Public Law 102-477 Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes receives General Assistance/cash assistance funds thru the BIA to administer services to single adults, and is integrated into the approved Public Law 102-477 Plan, and

Patricia Courchane, DHRD, requested contracts for employment with the Tribal Social Services Department.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to hire Kenneth Flamand, Foster Care Worker under contract for three year contract. Seconded by Fred Matt. Carried, 6 for 1 opposed Len TwoTeeth.

MOTION by Fred Matt to hire Ashley Wolfback, Foster Care Trainee under three-year contract. Seconded by Dennis Clairmont. Carried, 6 for and 1 opposed Len TwoTeeth.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to hire Heidi Connelly-Bird, Foster Care Trainee under three year contract. Seconded by Fred Matt. Carried, 6 for 1 opposed Len TwoTeeth.

MOTION by Anita Matt to hire Tamberly Wagner, Licensor Trainee under three year contract. Seconded by Fred Matt. Carried, 6 for 1 opposed Len TwoTeeth.

MOTION by Fred Matt to hire Rachel Topsky-Baker, Foster Care Lead Worker from contract position to full-time position. Seconded by Dennis Clairmont. Carried, 6 for 1 opposed Len TwoTeeth.

Joe Durglo, Tribal Health Department, requested a renewal contract for Erika Weber, for a three year contract as a mental health therapist, with negotiated terms.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to approve the renew three year contract with Erika Weber, as a mental health therapist, with negotiated terms. Seconded by Fred Matt. Carried, unanimous (7 present).

Joe Durglo, Tribal Health Department, requested a renewal contract for Sarah Meeks, for a two year contract as Elmo Community worker, with negotiated terms.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to approve two-year contract with Sarah Meeks, as Elmo Community nurse, with negotiated terms. Seconded by Len TwoTeeth. Carried, 6 for and 1 abstention (Anita Matt).

Joe Durglo, Tribal Health Department, requested to approve the Dr. Bernadette Corum contract modification.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to approve Dr. Bernadette Corum contract modification or three year contract and benefits. Seconded by Fred Matt. Carried 6 for; 1 abstention (Anita Matt).

MOTION by Dennis Clairmont to adjourn the meeting.

Council **adjourned** at 9:02 a.m., and is scheduled to meet again on Tuesday, July 2, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.

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Shelly R. Fyant
Tribal Secretary