

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

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Zoom Meeting

Held: April 28, 2020
Approved: May 5, 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; and Abby Dupuis, Recording Secretary.

The meeting was called to **order** at 9:01 a.m. Quorum established.

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

The **Tribal Council Meeting Minutes** for April 21, 2020 were presented for approval.

MOTION by Anita Matt to approve the Tribal Council Meeting Minutes for April 21, 2020, with corrections. Seconded by Martin Charlo. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

The **agenda** was presented for approval.

MOTION by Ellie Bundy McLeod to approve the agenda. Seconded by Martin Charlo. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Father Hightower discussed reopening the St. Ignatius Mission and requested permission to hold mass on Sundays and holy hours on Wednesday. Bishop Vetter was asked, and now he is asking for council permission. There would still be mass online. He would follow the social distancing and sanitization requirements. There would be no sharing of the holy water. He will wear a mask while giving the communion. **Martin Charlo** wants this reconsidered and shut down quickly if things start spiking. Father Hightower would follow the guidance of the tribal council. The church would only be open during the times of mass. **Chairwoman Fyant** would like the church to keep a log of who is attending church services to assist with contact tracing if that becomes an issue. **Charmel Gillin** expressed concern that the opening plan did not include a maximum number of individuals allowed in at one time.

MOTION by Fred Matt to approve the request to open up the Catholic churches for mass on Sundays and holy hours on Wednesday. Seconded by Bing Matt. Carried, 7 for; 3 opposed (Shelly Fyant, Martin Charlo, and Charmel Gillin).

Shelly Fyant, for the record, "I think it's too early for reopening of any kind and I'm pretty sure this is what happened down in the southwest was through ceremony and through gathering, so I just wish you luck."

Jim Steele, Mark Clary, Jean Matt, Greg Gould, Rick Eneas, Rod Couture, Dan McClure, Rob McDonald, and Steve McDonald, Unified Command Team, gave an update. Jim reported that we have reached a plateau. Now that we have flattened the curve, we are on a descending slope of no infections and businesses/communities are going to start to reopen. The motorized traffic has increased. There are more people walking on the streets. We need to look at the possibility of a resurgence of the coronavirus. The data worldwide indicates that it will. The countries that have reopened have experienced a resurgence of the virus. There is no reason to expect we would be any different. The data shows that the virus can be spread in excess of 20 feet. The next alternative will be how much is too much, how do we know what is going to be too much, and define what those decision points are going to be so we can prepare if it does occur. Travelers coming into the state should do the 14-day quarantine. We need to monitor cluster spreads, which is a high-risk method of spreading the virus in areas that have reopened. The national parks have been pressured to reopen. Glacier National Park is a destination resort and Highway 93 leads people to the parks. Montana and Alaska are the only states that have the least infection rate and infections of any of the 50 states. There has been pressure in the state to reopen campgrounds. **Chairwoman Fyant** advised that council would be discussing controlling access to tribal lands.

Mark Clary reported on the soft opening of the courthouse in Polson. Most people were lined up to go to the DMV. For the most part, everyone was doing their due diligence and exercising social distancing. It is not easy to do that in the grocery stores. The more we can do together is the better we will be. He heard good comments about the tribal/county governments working together. **Chairwoman Fyant** commented on the difficulty that has occurred due to Lake County deciding to follow the governor's directive and do phased reopening.

Greg Gould gave an operations report. The team came up with some numbers that are a snapshot based on assumptions. He discussed the analysis that was done based on planning assumptions. 67% of our population are vulnerable and at risk. The at-risk qualifiers include those aged 65 and older and many medical conditions, such as diabetes, cancer, lung disease, heart disease, compromised immune system, transplants, chronic medical conditions, obesity, liver disease, kidney disease or dialysis. Greg reviewed an analysis on medical supplies

needed for a surge (N95, shields, gowns, gloves, and tests). Facilities are doing surge planning. There are 161 tests available. Chairwoman Fyant advised that we worked with MSU and ordered 1,000 tests for the frontline workers. There were many comments on Facebook Live, and Shelly reminded everyone that the CSKT shelter in place order is still in effect.

Ellie Bundy McLeod changed her vote to opposed on reopening churches at this time. **Anita Matt** felt the same way and changed her vote, as well. Abby Dupuis was directed to change the vote count. **MOTION NOT CARRIED**, 5 for (Fred Matt, Bing Matt, Mike Dolson, Carole Lankford, and Len TwoTeeth); 5 opposed (Shelly Fyant, Martin Charlo, Charmel Gillin, Ellie Bundy McLeod, and Anita Matt).

Len TwoTeeth brought up Robert's Rules of Order. The council already took action this morning so they need to wait until another council meeting to take a different action. **Chairwoman Fyant** said the resolution states Robert's Rules can be applied; it is not required. **Mike Dolson** feels it is not appropriate to change the votes in this manner. **Charmel Gillin** thought the council members who made the motion and second would need to agree to reconsider the motion. **Fred Matt** offered to call Father Hightower and let him know the council changed their mind after meeting with the Unified Command Team.

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

Rick Eneas gave an update. Funding obligated so far amounted to \$60,000 for signage at the reservation boundaries and website buildout. Most of the COVID efforts were directed through the Tribal Health Department or Social Services programs. There are a few hours relatively speaking that are dedicated and paid out on the Tribes' side through the ICT, which is primarily for Jim Steele. The rest of the group continues to be paid through their normal channels. On bigger purchases, they are focused on building the case so we can, if at all possible, have those costs eligible for FEMA reimbursement. Decision points for the group are if we want to do something if it is not eligible for FMEA reimbursement. The FEMA funding is not a budget with a cap; it is about eligible expenses to be reimbursed. Regarding the road closures and check points, a budget would be needed for that.

Chairwoman Fyant said because our shelter in place order is still in effect but Lake County decided to follow the governor's directive and open businesses, she wanted to see if council was interested in controlling what we can control, such as our workforce and access to our tribal lands. We have a day-use only for Flathead Reservation residents only, and we are still seeing out of state and out of county plates in our most sacred areas. She wondered if council would entertain the possibility of having check points like we did in 2005 during the fire situation. **Dan McClure** put together all access entry points on the

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reservation and came up with 32 locations. In some areas there is more than one way to access it, so if all entries were included, this list would be much larger. His guys are responding to tribal members calling in out of state and out of county plates. If they do not live within the boundaries, they are removed. As the snow melts, it will get busier. Fish & Game could not do it alone if there were a closure, so we could look at other duties as assigned for the employees at home right now. They could be stationed at the check points. Fish & Game could respond to the people that do not want to listen to the employees at the check points. Rick had told the council they could not use existing employees as doing other duties as assigned in these positions. If council decides to move forward, he would work with Dallas and Personnel to get a list of employees that could be reassigned and work through the components of that. **Len TwoTeeth** thinks this would give tribal members the opportunity to gain employment. Shelly wants to control access through our lands. It is our only option at this point with everything else opening up. If our tribal employees do not want to do the work, then there are tribal members who would be willing to. **Charmel Gillin** was at Twin Lakes on Sunday and there were out-of-state plates up there. She wanted to develop more information before taking any action on this. She wondered if the emergency hire system at Personnel might be utilized for anyone willing to take some of those positions. Shelly advised that emergency hire applications are available on the CSKT website.

With the 32 locations, some are higher traffic areas than others, so Rick said as we think about the total cost for the Tribes and what the alternatives might be and how to staff it, it is important to understand what the council wants to do and what is the scope. That will help him bring back the information on employees, costs, and potential funding sources. It would also help within Lake County and out-of-area traffic. We will see how other areas in the state see a surge for congregating purposes, and he asked the state to support the Tribes as we make wise decisions and help the state as a whole how they manage their recreation areas. He does not know if we will get funding outside our current funding, meaning our current employees to staff these. He would like to look into FEMA and what the governor will be doing down the road. Shelly wants more discussion on this. Jocko Road and Valley Creek are not listed as frequent areas for out of reservation residents, and she sees out of county resident plates in those areas.

Rod Couture had a spreadsheet of the costs from the 2005 fire closures. They had purchased some track phones to help with communications. All individuals had to be drug tested and go through a training. He could send the spreadsheet to everyone to update it with additional costs that would be needed. Chairwoman Fyant commented that we are talking about the public health of our people and she hopes cost is not the main focus. She thinks the costs are manageable. Rod advised that the spreadsheet from the 2005 closures would need to be updated, including the rates of pay. POVs for people using their private vehicles required

those individuals to be insured. They had to be the owner/operator so they couldn't borrow a car from someone. **Rhonda Swaney** suggested that the costs could be manageable by having a daylight closure station. 24/7 may be excessive.

It was the **consensus** of council to continue this conversation and look at it with more information from Rod Couture and Dan McClure.

Rob McDonald discussed the geofencing system. We hired a company to target people entering the reservation with a geomarker in their phone that gives them a message of quarantining or some other message about COVID-19. Rob is still getting reports on that. The messages have been updated. He successfully got the message on his phone. We have until May 7 to decide whether to continue that contract for geofencing. The areas with a bad signal strength were adjusted and moved to stronger strength areas. They can check the signals. 5 entry points of the reservation have reader boards. The messaging was adjusted to reflect our situation. The Evaro location is being moved further south today. The UCC website is up and live. It is prominently featuring a video of Shelly Fyant and Bill Barron. Rob will work with the incident commanders on specific messaging. He will put out a press release on COVID information. Shelly wants to ramp up messaging for educating the youth and their parents. There continues to be kids out in public together at skate parks, basketball courts, etc. Rob said that is a topic area. Shelly said maybe we need to get stories out to the parents, such as when we did ads with the meth campaign. Rob will work on getting more information out. **Charmel Gillin** wondered if it would be helpful to request authorization for a team to work with and under Rob's direction. We have done successful campaigns in the past on meth and tobacco. This is maybe something the policy group could make recommendations to create and push messaging. It is important to incorporate tribal values and heritage in the messaging. **Martin Charlo** commented that the tribal council has constituents they can talk to and it is our obligation as council to assist with getting out the messaging.

Rod Couture had quite a bit more emails coming in for mainly the court system, Prosecutors Office and the Probation Office for more PPE orders. They filled whatever we could, but they are lacking hand sanitizers and no-touch thermometers. They have those supplies on order. **Bing Matt** followed up on the discussion of children being outside on playgrounds and basketball courts. The Arlee School has a physical education requirement the kids have to meet, and that is part of the reason they are playing out there. Bing saw some children jogging at the pow wow grounds and they said it was part of their physical education requirement from school, so maybe we could talk to the schools.

Steve McDonald, Tribal Forestry, presented a request from the Rocky Mountain Research Station for a data collection permit to complete the USDA National

Forest Inventory and Analysis Interior West and Analysis Project. The USDA has collected plot data since 2000 throughout the interior west. There are approximately 100 plots within the reservation. They remeasure approximately ten percent of their plots every year. The tribal council has approved the permits every year since 2000. Data collection is a non-destructive collection. The Big Knife Primitive Area is one of the locations, but Steve told them that plot cannot be visited. They would review six plots. **Charmel Gillin** thought the CFI and timing of contracts were addressed when they spoke about the other advertisements for sale and other things. Steve told her this is a different project. The CFI is our measurement and our plots. These are for the State and they send out their own crew to do that. Steve has sent out the reports in the past. The report provides forest inventory throughout the west. He sent that data to council and a pamphlet on what it is for. It is a national inventory that they use for some kind of national defense type stuff. **Chairwoman Fyant** commented that we are not doing our own inventory, so why should we allow other people to do their inventories. The crew that does this inventory comes from Kalispell.

MOTION by Anita Matt to deny this request for at least 90 days or so until we see how things are going with this pandemic. Seconded by Martin Charlo. Carried, 5 for (Shelly Fyant, Martin Charlo, Ellie Bundy McLeod, Charmel Gillin, and Anita Matt); 3 opposed (Mike Dolson, Carole Lankford and Len TwoTeeth); 2 abstentions (Bing Matt and Fred Matt).

Barb Schott, Tribal Health Department; and **Clayton Matt**, Tribal Services/Tribal Health Department; requested approval of an opioid grant for lifesaving medication for opioid overdoses. **Council** asked if any reports are done. Barb advised that she sends the reports to the Tribal Health Department. There are currently 65 tribal members enrolled in the program. The department provides public education, but it is partially on hold due to the social distancing required by the COVID-19 pandemic. May 4 is the deadline for submission of the grant application. **Clayton Matt** stated that he would make sure reports are sent to the council. **Anita Matt** wanted the motion to include that council receive a copy of this report.

MOTION by Martin Charlo to approve the grant application and include the report to be given to council as soon as possible. Seconded by Len TwoTeeth. Carried, 10 for; 0 opposed; 0 not voting.

RESOLUTION 20-097

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

WHEREAS, the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes have organized and adopted an organizational structure dedicated to health and wellness; and

WHEREAS, on November 25, 2015, the Tribal Council declared the health and wellness of the people the number one priority; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Health Department (TH) manages multiple funding sources to provide a comprehensive array of health care services; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, has requested applications for the Tribal Opioid Response Grants – TOR – TI-20-011; and

WHEREAS, this grant will help gain vital statistical data, will distribute the life-saving Naloxone medication to tribal members, will offer treatment within an established CSKT MAT program, and will expand the number of patients to be treated within the MAT program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribal Council authorizes that the Tribal Council Chairwoman and her designated representative to negotiate and execute the grant award from SAMHSA for the Tribal Health Department and the CSKT and any amendments thereto.

Barb Schott, Tribal Health Department; and **Clayton Matt**, Tribal Services/Tribal Health Department; requested approval to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Montana Department of Health and Human Services to pay for and supply the department with Narcan for community distribution. After the COVID-19 crisis is over, Tribal Health staff would distribute the Narcan to community members to have it on hand. The staff would provide a quick training at community events and then Narcan would be given to community members. It's a harmless medication if people have not overdosed and it can save lives in the event of an overdose.

MOTION by Fred Matt to approve the memorandum of understanding with the Montana Department of Health and Human Services. Seconded by Ellie Bundy McLeod. Carried, 9 for; 1 opposed (Charmel Gillin).

Charmel Gillin, for the record, "I could have easily abstained instead of being opposed, but I'm interested in knowing more about the use and the studies of how that impacts the opioid abuse, which way that goes if it does have an impact. I'm just curious about the evidence that might be available before voting in favor of that."

Chairwoman Fyant directed Clayton to let staff know the council needs more information from Tribal Health. **Clayton Matt** advised that he would get the THD to send reports to council and he will also visit with Barb about some study

information or any information like that for council's better understanding of this and its possible effects.

Patricia Courchane, Department of Human Resources Development, requested approval to extend the employment contract with Dawnelle Sorrell for an additional three years to fill the Child Protection Specialist position. The position was previously advertised three years ago, and the department does not want to open it up for advertisement since she is going a good job in that position.

MOTION by Len to approve a three-year contract with Dawnelle Sorrell to fill the Child Protection Specialist position. Seconded by Bing Matt. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Mike Durglo and **Kevin Askan**, Preservation Office, requested approval to move Kayla Johnson into the Cultural Anthropologist position on an employment contract through September 2022. Kayla meets the qualifications for the position, and she is the only staff member with a master's degree at this time. There is another employee that is working towards obtaining a master's degree, as well. The organizational chart was previously approved to add the position. With Kayla having a master's degree, it allows the department to meet the qualifications of the Army Corps of Engineers for the repository. When Dave Schwab was in that position he was allowed to go after grants, and he brought in millions of dollars because he had the credentials.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to approve the contract to promote Kayla Johnson into the Cultural Anthropologist position. Seconded by Ellie Bundy McLeod. Carried, 8 for; 2 abstentions (Charmel Gillin and Martin Charlo).

Anita Matt asked if the department would be looking at Salish Kootenai College and look at a tribal member getting a master's degree. Kayla went through SKC. **Kevin Askan** responded that Grey Johnson is working on obtaining his master's degree. They do their best to know what kind of folks are coming out of there so they can look at them too. They work close with Dean and Aaron with their program and get interns through their program at SKC.

Rhonda Swaney and **Jordan Thompson**, Legal Department, requested approval of a letter to Trisha Tingle asking for a one-year extension on the Juvenile Wellness Grant.

MOTION by Carole Lankford to approve the letter to Trisha Tingle requesting a one-year extension on the Juvenile Wellness Grant. Seconded by Ellie Bundy McLeod. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Rhonda Swaney and **Daniel Decker**, Legal Department; and **John Neiss**, Facilities Maintenance; discussed the bids for the white house in Ronan to be

moved to Pablo. John requested approval of the bids for dirt work, water and sewer by the laundry mat. John obtained three bids. R&R Construction submitted a bid of \$23,999 which was the low bid.

MOTION by Martin Charlo to accept the bid for R&R Construction to do the prep work for the white house. Seconded by Charmel Gillin. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Martin Charlo informed council that he is doing a community garden in the same lot as where the white house will be moved to in Pablo. He requested approval to use the blue laundry mat as a food processing center. Martin would apply for grant funding to purchase a stove and other items needed. They plan on distributing the food free of charge for community members and elder dinners, and the tribal jail if there's enough fruits and vegetables. There is also a storage shed there he wants to use. **John Neiss** reported that DHRD had that storage shed at one time for a bike shop, but it is cleaned out and is not being used anymore. Martin spoke to the Tribal Lands Department about use of the land and the department kicked it back to Dallas, so he spoke to Dallas about it. **Council** will discuss this again this afternoon when Lands is on the agenda.

Rhonda Swaney, Shane Morigeau, Dan Decker, John Harrison, Jordan Thompson, and **Mary Price**, Legal Department, requested to met with council in **executive session** to discuss legal matters.

Council reconvened into **regular session**.

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

Council **recessed** the regular meeting at 1:03 p.m. to conduct a shareholder meeting.

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Council **reconvened** into the regular meeting at 3:04 p.m.

Rick Eneas, Financial Management, requested approval of resolutions changing signatory authority for the LPL Financial account and TD Ameritrade account due to a staffing change in the Cash Flow/Investment Office.

MOTION by Charmel Gillin to approve by resolution the updated signature authority for the LPL Financial account. Seconded by Fred Matt. Carried, 10 for; 0 opposed; 0 not voting.

RESOLUTION 20-098

RESOLUTION TO UPDATE SIGNATURE AUTHORITY FOR ACCOUNTS AT LPL FINANCIAL INC.

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

WHEREAS, the following accounts held at LPL Financial for investment intended for the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes ("CSKT"), and

LPL BIA Earmarked
LPL BIA S/G
LPL Fed Ct/Gt
LPL IHS Earmarked
LPL IHS S/G

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes previously granted authorization to establish an account with LPL Financial and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes does hereby grant authorization to the Director of Financial Management, Comptroller and Assistant Comptroller to invest the Funds held at LPL Financial in investments that meet the criteria stated in the Investment Policy Manual and Constitution and Bylaws of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, signature authority is given to the following as authorized signatures on behalf of the tribes:

Rick Eneas	Director of Financial Management
Dallas Abbott	Director of Administrative Services
Clayton Matt	Director of Tribal Services
Zachary Conko Camel	Accounting Manager
William Bjarko	Comptroller
Wanda Salomon	Assistant Comptroller

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution shall remain enforceable until written notice of revocation is provided to LPL Financial.

MOTION by Ellie Bundy McLeod to approve by resolution the updated signature authority for the TD Ameritrade accounts. Seconded by Anita Matt. Carried, 10 for; 0 opposed; 0 not voting.

RESOLUTION 20-099

RESOLUTION TO UPDATE SIGNATURE AUTHORITY FOR ACCOUNTS AT TD AMERITRADE INC.

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

WHEREAS, the following accounts held at TD Ameritrade Inc. and/ or TD Ameritrade Clearing, Inc. ("TD Ameritrade") for investment intended for the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes ("CSKT"), and

TDAARCOO&M
TDA Corporate
TDA Dedicated Trust
TDA Economic Dividend Fund
TDAECS
TDA Elders
TDA Enterprise Div Fd
TDA IDC Pool
TDA Investments
TDA KERR FWIS Mitigation
TDA KERR Reintroduction
TDA KERR Restoration
TDA Local Revenue
TDA M&I Reserve
TDA MVP Erner Reserve
TDAPRC
TDA Recreation
TDA Third Party
TDA Tribal Transportation
TDA Water Rights

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes previously granted authorization to establish an account with TD Ameritrade, and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes does hereby grant authorization to the Director of Financial Management, Comptroller and Assistant Comptroller to invest the Funds held at TD Ameritrade in investments that meet the criteria stated in the Investment Policy Manual and Constitution and Bylaws of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation, and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes, agrees that TD Ameritrade has no responsibility to interpret or apply the Investment Policy Manual and Constitution and Bylaws of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation to the actions of the authorized agent(s) on any CSKT account or to monitor for compliance; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes, waives sovereign immunity of the CSKT as it relates to any transactions in, or claims or controversies arising from, accounts maintained at TD Ameritrade.

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes, agrees that any and all disputes relating to any transactions in, or claims or controversies arising from, accounts maintained at TD Ameritrade will be resolved through arbitration before FINRA as set forth in the TD Ameritrade Client Agreement, and agree to the enforcement of arbitration awards in the state courts of Montana or U.S. Federal Court.

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:

Rick Eneas	Director of Financial Management
Dallas Abbott	Director of Administrative Services
Clayton Matt	Director of Tribal Services
Zachary Conko Camel	Accounting Manager
William Bjarko	Comptroller
Wanda Salomon	Assistant Comptroller

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution shall remain enforceable until written notice of revocation is provided to TD Ameritrade.

Mark Couture, Tribal Lands Department, requested to meet with council in **executive session** to discuss a land issue. **Bryon Miller**, S&K Gaming, was present for discussion.

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Council reconvened into **regular session**.

Mark Couture, Tribal Lands Department, presented for approval the 2020 Spring Bid.

MOTION by Anita Matt to go along with the recommendation of the Land Committee and approve the 2020 Spring Bid, as presented. Seconded by Ellie Bundy McLeod. Carried, unanimous (10 present).

Mark Couture, Tribal Lands Department, requested approval of a resolution for grazing permits. Mark requested direction on whether to allow for letters of credit and delete the portion about number 10.

MOTION by Martin Charlo to approve the resolution for grazing permits and leave number 10 in it. Seconded by Fred Matt. Carried, 9 for; 1 opposed (Bing Matt); 0 not voting.

RESOLUTION 20-100

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GRAZING PERMITS FOR PERMIT PERIOD JANUARY 01, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2030

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

WHEREAS, the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes were organized under the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984), and

WHEREAS, all of the Tribal-owned land is not needed for Tribal purposes, and through their governing body and Ordinance 45B, enacted January 5, 1973, the Tribal Council is authorized to advertise or negotiate leases and permits for farming, home sites, business, grazing units, or other purposes, subject to the approval of the Superintendent and in accordance with Title 25, Code of Federal Regulations, and

WHEREAS, the stipulations for Range Unit Allocation and Advertisement for the next permit period have been presented in accordance with Tribal Ordinance 45B and Part 166, Title 25, Code of Federal Regulations, **NOW, THEREFORE**,

BE IT RESOLVED that the following stipulations are hereby approved by the Tribal Council:

1. Allocation of Grazing Permits to individual Tribal members and Grazing Associations whose membership are Tribal members.
2. Permit Period to be ten (10) years, beginning January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2030.
3. Minimum rental for grazing seasons on allocated range units shall be \$5.25 per animal unit month (AUM) during the years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025.
4. Minimum rental for grazing seasons on range units to be advertised shall be \$23.00/AUM during the years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025.
5. Grazing fees to be appraised during 2025 and presented to Tribal Council for fee adjustments for the period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2030.
6. Grazing of cattle and horses will be permitted.
7. No AUM maximum limit, provided there is range available to interested Tribal members, and further provided no existing Tribal member permittee shall be required to reduce his allocation below 750 AUM's or 125 head.
8. Authorized advertisement of surplus range units.
9. Permit fees will be due on March 1st proceeding the forthcoming grazing season.
10. Tribal members may use Power of Attorney for Tribal Dividend Deduction in lieu of Cash Penal Bond.
11. In accordance with Ordinance 45B, Grazing Associations shall provide updated By-Laws for approval of the Tribal Council and an organizational chart identifying the officers of the Association.
12. No later than May 15, 2022, the Tribal Lands Department will assess the grazing fee impact and recommend Tribal Council retain the approved grazing fee schedule or modify it.

Len TwoTeeth left the meeting.

Heather Denny gave a PowerPoint presentation on homelessness. The definition of homelessness is: living in a shelter; unsheltered or in substandard housing; living in hotel/motel; doubled up; and unaccompanied youth living in one of the defined homeless situations. It is important to identify the youth that are homeless. She gave an overview of the areas that received grants and the districts serving native youth. High school dropouts are 4.5 times more likely to experience homelessness. There are grant funds available, such as the Youth Homeless Demonstration Program grant for \$3.4 million for two years and is renewable at \$1.7 million annual after that. It's a statewide grant for homeless youth up to age 24 with an emphasis on native youth, pregnant and parent

youth, and the LGBTQ youth. Grant funded programs can be any of the following: system navigators, diversion or host homes, rapid rehousing or temporary housing, or permanent supportive housing. The deadline to apply is May 27 through the Montana Continuum of Care. **Jody Perez** took notes today and she will share the information with the committee tomorrow. Being in charge of the homelessness on the reservation does not fit into anyone's wheelhouse, but she will tackle this and spearhead it. Shelly Fyant encouraged her to reach out to Rodney Bird at Two Eagle River School. Jody informed council that THD and DHRD have been invited to participate on the committee.

Ellie Bundy McLeod commented that based on information on the church closure, she asked for reconsideration for opening the church.

MOTION by Ellie Bundy McLeod to reconsider the previous action today to allow the church to reopen. Seconded by Anita Matt. Carried, 5 for; 3 opposed (Mike Dolson, Carole Lankford and Bing Matt); 1 abstention (Fred Matt).

Shelly Fyant explained that since the motion to reconsider was passed, we would need action on whether we would grant our blessing for the church to open services at this time. **Charmel Gillin** requested clarification. She thought the council would just need to revote on the original motion that was made this morning. The chairwoman called for Jennifer Trahan to do a roll call vote. Shelly Fyant was opposed; Anita Matt was opposed; Charmel Gillin was opposed; Fred Matt abstained from voting; Carole Lankford voted in favor; Bing Matt voted in favor; Ellie Bundy McLeod was opposed; Martin Charlo was opposed; Mike Dolson voted in favor; and Len TwoTeeth left the meeting. **MOTION DID NOT CARRY**; 3 for (Carole Lankford, Bing Matt and Mike Dolson); 5 opposed (Shelly Fyant, Anita Matt, Charmel Gillin, Ellie Bundy McLeod, and Martin Charlo); 1 abstention (Fred Matt); 1 not voting (Len TwoTeeth out of the room).

Shelly Fyant has received questions regarding the fireworks stands. They need to order their supplies. She thought they would follow the protocols in place for businesses. **Jami Pluff** agreed with Chairwoman Fyant regarding having a big Fireworks show. It most likely wouldn't happen if social distancing measures are still in place by then. She stated that as a Fireworks distributor, we understand that whatever Council decides by July would be what would happen so a decision by today isn't necessarily needed. The issue can be brought forward later as Council monitors the Coronavirus impacts.

Martin Charlo asked council to consider holding council meetings on Thursdays so the Tuesday meetings don't last so long. Jennifer directed to let council know by tomorrow if there are enough requests. Jennifer will send the draft agenda for next week.

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MOTION by Anita Matt to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Carole Lankford. Carried, unanimous (9 present).

Council **adjourned** at 4:46 p.m., and is scheduled to meet again on Tuesday, May 3, 2020, at 9:00 a.m.

CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES

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Ellie Bundy McLeod
Tribal Secretary