



Council Chairman's Report

Delores Pigsley

All of us recognize the numerous social, economic and political difficulties that face Indian people in today's world. As the Chairman of your Tribal Government I have pledged to devote my time and effort to seek ways our Tribal Government can assist all Tribal Members in achieving a better quality of life. As I am sure you are aware, we presently do not have the economic or political strength to affect immediate, significant improvements in the daily lives of our Tribal Members. I am optimistic that in the long run, with sound planning and administration, our Tribal Government will be equipped economically and politically to respond better to the needs of its membership.

In the meantime, I think you have an opportunity and a responsibility to do what we can to make us a more effective influence in our relations with the federal, state and local government. In that way, we can ensure these governments meet their responsibilities to Indians. I want to urge each of you to register and vote in the upcoming election.

Historically, Indians have not been an effective voting block and have failed to capitalize on opportunities to influence elections at all levels of government. This has had significant impact on the nature and extent of the political influence Tribal leaders can bring to bear on the problems of their people. It has allowed government, especially local government, to escape accountability to Indian people.

As your Tribal Chairman I am going to encourage our Tribal Council to do what it can to reverse this situation. We hope to identify volunteers to gather and disseminate information on issues critical to our Tribal Membership. I encourage each of you to actively seek out political information and to discuss among yourselves, the issues important to you.

If we can develop the ability to speak in a singular voice on issues important to us, we can do more to make our lives better. We need to become a more effective political voice on issues which affect us generally as Indian people. This is especially true at the local level. For example, Tribal Members of Siletz undoubtedly can achieve stronger representation on the Siletz City Council if our membership takes an active and unified roll in that election. I urge all of you to join me in seeking that kind of result.

Delores Pigsley
Chairman

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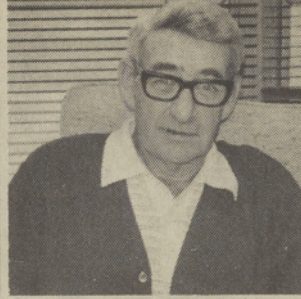
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General Manager's Report

Bob Lockyear

We've been working on obtaining an Economic Development Administration (EDA) Grant to help put our comprehensive plan into effect. EDA Grant advised us that they had 3 million dollars for existing EDA grants to Indians for Fiscal Year 1985 (FY 85). There was not enough money to go around for new grants.

We have been informed by Washington, D.C. that the Siletz are the first in line for a new EDA Grant. They will be reviewing our grant sometime in June 1984 for possible funding.

We have also been looking into a new telephone system for the Siletz area, but at the present time the cost is too high. There may be more competition in the field of telephone equipment which could force the price to come down. We may be able to have a new system installed at a later date.

I have asked the BIA for an appraisal on the Dundas Property here in the Siletz and Logsdan area. This property has been offered to the Tribe. The Shell Service Station also offered the Siletz Tribe the purchase of its property.

At the present time we have taken applications for a Tribal Comptroller. We hope to have this position filled by mid-May 1984.

We are bringing in a technical person who is a CPA and has a computer background. He is very familiar with the DEC computer that the Tribe has. He can help our Accounting Department put the system on line, so that we can start to use the computer. At the present time what is on the computer has to come off and we must start from ground zero.

The Human Resource Manager (Doni White), Tina Jones and I have been working closely with Harold Culbertson, the tribal CPN in Seattle, to put together the indirect cost budget for the Tribe's FY 84 budget. This should be presented for approval within the next ten days.

During the past two months several of the staff members have attended various seminars to improve their skills and become more professional. These seminars consisted of secretarial skills, note taking, report writing, and so forth. We hope to continue these types of services to the tribal employees and staff to keep them up to date on various new methods of performance.

As most tribal members and the community of Siletz know, the Tribal Council approved the budget for tribal security guards. We now have two tribal employees hired. Their job requires them to check the tribal buildings in order to prevent vandalism, fire, and theft. At the present time this program is working well. We hope it continues to do so. There is a possibility that we may be able to hire a part-time employee. This will give the present employees weekends and holidays off.

I have been here for approximately nine months as the Tribe's General Manager. It has been very gratifying to have fine staff to work with. They perform their duties and tasks well. I feel that the staff the Tribal Council now has, can well operate the Tribal Government and the running of its programs. They do a very fine job. I would like to pass on my appreciation to them, without them this job and position would be very difficult.

Bob Lockyear

Cemetery Project



Shirley Strickler and Mitzi Brown are currently mapping and plotting the Paul Washington Cemetery. A copy of the map will be posted in the Central Office for the Memorial Day celebrations. Any corrections or additions to the map can be made then. Any corrections will be appreciated in order to properly record all gravesites. For further information, contact Shirley at the Siletz Area office (Phone: 444-2536).

Fish And Meat Distributed



The Hunting and Fishing distribution took place Saturday May 5th from 10 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. 94 requests were made for meat and fish. Approximately 180 packs of venison and elk hamburger were distributed.

Bids Open May 24 On 25 Unit Project

The Housing Authority of Lincoln County would like to alert all interested contractors and sub-contractors, particularly those owned by minorities, such as Native Americans, that bids are now being sought for the construction of a 25-unit public housing project in the city of Newport.

Bids will be opened Thursday, May 24, at 11 a.m. at Ocean Spray Community Center, Newport.

Funding is being provided by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The 25 units will include one-, two-, and three-bedroom units and will be scattered on four sites.

The plans and specifications may be examined at the following locations: Housing Authority office, 1039 N.W. Nye St., Newport, Oregon; William Wilson, Architect, 1919 S.W. Nebraska, Portland, Oregon 97201; Bay Area Plans Exchange, 2744 Woodland Dr., Coos Bay, Oregon; Builders Exchange Plan Center, 1125 S.E. Madison, Room 200, Portland; Central Oregon Builders' Exchange, 707 N.W. Hill St., Bend; Construction Data Plan Center, 925 N.W. 12th Ave., Portland; Corvallis Plan Center, 687 S.W. 15th St., Corvallis, Eugene Builders Exchange, 145 E. 29th St., Eugene; Impact Business Consultants, 8959 S.W. Barbur Blvd., Suite 102, Portland; Josephine County Builders Exchange, 105 S.W. 4th St., Grants Pass; Northwest Plan Center, 901 S.E. Oak St., Suite 207, Portland; Oregon Builders Exchange, 555 S.E. Main, Roseburg; and Salem Contractors' Exchange, 2256 Judson St. S.E., Salem.

Further information may be obtained from Connie Hoffman, Executive Director of the Housing Authority, whose office is located at Ocean Spray Community Center, 1039 N.W. Nye St., Newport. She can be reached by phone at 265-5326.

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