

# Council Minutes Continued

## MAY 4, 1985

**MEETING:** Special Tribal Council  
**DATE:** May 4, 1985  
**TIME:** 12:00 Noon  
**PLACE:** Tribal Community Center

### COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Delores Pigsley, Chairman; Mary Alice Muncey, Sec./Treas.; Arthur Bensell, Vice-Chairman; Vernon Brown; Frank Simmons; Kristi Martin; Alta Courville; Douglas Brown; Alfred (Bud) Lane

### OTHERS PRESENT:

Judy John, Secretary; Doni White, Human Res. Manager; Phil Rilatos, General Manager; LeRoy Wilder, Attorney

Chairman, Delores Pigsley, called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon. Roll call was taken with all nine Council Members being present. Delores stated that the purpose of this Special meeting was to review and approve submission of the ANA Proposal. She stated that Lynn Engles reviewed the proposal while the delegation was in Washington, D.C. and felt that it was a good proposal. The proposal outlines the establishment of a comprehensive land use plan, studying the possibility of a modular housing construction business, and a foster home recruitment program. The amount requested is \$158,000 to fund these three projects. Doni White said that the budget needs to be looked at because it requires 20 percent in-kind. Council proceeded to review the draft proposal with LeRoy, Delores and Doni answering various questions.

**MOTION #1** — Alta Courville moved to authorize submission of proposal to the Administration for Native Americans. Seconded by Frank Simmons. Motion unanimously approved 9-0-0.

LeRoy Wilder asked if Council had been informed that we have received the supplemental funding for the Roads project. No, have not received the information in writing yet.

Delores Pigsley said that a letter has been received from Martha Yallup, Director of Education for the Yakima Tribe, requesting a resolution of support for adequate funding for Haskell Indian Junior College. Chairman explained the funding process.

**MOTION #2** — Arthur Bensell moved to send resolution of support for Haskell Indian Junior College. Seconded by Mary Alice Muncey. Motion unanimously approved 9-0-0.

Phil Rilatos requested authorization to enter into an agreement with JTPA for transfer of tribal member participants into the Tribal Government workforce following completion of Work Experience and On-The-Job Training. This would require an amendment to Section 617 of the Personnel Manual.

**MOTION #3** — Alta Courville moved to approve amendment to Personnel Manual, Section 617, to include language authorizing the General Manager to enter into an agreement with JTPA for transfer of tribal member participants into the Tribal Government workforce.

Vernon Brown questioned whether this policy discriminates against other Indians. JTPA serves all Native Americans, not only tribal members. LeRoy Wilder said that this is border-line and should be researched before approved.

**MOTION # DIES FOR LACK OF A SECOND.**

Phil then requested an amendment to the Personnel Manual, Section 605, authorizing supervisors to adjust staff work hours to begin at 7:30 a.m., with lunch adjusted accordingly to cover phone calls. A lot of calls are placed to Central Office before 8 a.m. and during the lunch hour.

**MOTION #4** — Kristi Martin moved to approve amendment to Personnel Manual, Section 605, authorizing supervisors to schedule office hours starting at 7:30 a.m. with lunch hour from 11:30 to 12:30. Seconded by Alta Courville. Motion unanimously approved 9-0-0.

Phil reported that EDA has denied our request to modify the EDA budget. He indicated that a trip to Seattle may be warranted to explain our proposed management system. Phil requested travel approval for himself, Doni White and LeRoy Wilder to explain our system to EDA.

**MOTION #5** — Vernon Brown moved to authorize out-of-state travel for Phil Rilatos, Doni White and LeRoy Wilder to Seattle, WA. Seconded by Alta Courville. Motion unanimously approved 9-0-0.

Phil recommended that the Selection Committee meet on Monday to interview for the two job positions. Chairman said that Tuesday would be better. Interviews will be scheduled.

Judy John said that Norman Strong requests that his Revenue Sharing request for work boots be changed to apply to his rent.

**MOTION #6** — Mary Alice Muncey moved to approve adjustment of Norman Strong's Revenue Sharing Emergency Grant request to pay portion of rent. Seconded by Vernon Brown. YES: Delores Pigsley, Arthur Bensell, Kristi Martin, Alta Courville, Mary Alice Muncey, Douglas Brown, Frank Simmons, Vernon Brown. NO: Alfred Lane. Motion approved 8-1-0.

Delores Pigsley read a letter that has been received from Don Bellinger regarding repairs to his mother's home. LeRoy will draft a response.

Meeting adjourned 12:55 p.m.

/s/ Mary Alice Muncey  
 Council Secretary

## MAY 4, 1985

**MEETING:** General Tribal Council  
**DATE:** May 4, 1985  
**TIME:** 1:00 P.M.  
**PLACE:** Tribal Community Center

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Delores Pigsley, Chairman; Arthur Bensell, Vice-Chairman; Mary Alice Muncey, Sec./Treas.; Douglas Brown; Frank Simmons; Alta Courville; Kristi Martin; Alfred (Bud) Lane; Vernon Brown  
 Chairman, Delores Pigsley, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Invocation was delivered by Vernon Brown. Roll call was taken with all nine Council Members being present. Chairman called for approval of the agenda.

**MOTION #1** — Douglas Brown moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Kristi Martin. Motion unanimously approved.

Chairman stated that the minutes of the February General Council meeting have been published in the newsletter. Called for approval of the minutes as published.

**MOTION #2** — Ed Ben moved to approve minutes of February 2, 1985 General Council meeting. Seconded by Denise Wilson. Motion unanimously approved.

**Tribal Members' Concerns** — Ed Ben said that too many times during these meetings, we end up faulting each other and acting non-Indian. Restoration

Doni reported that we have received a letter from Head Start stating that they will renew the Head Start grant for this year, but will attach special conditions that they are not going to let us continue to contract with the Salem Head Start Program after this year. They also do not feel that we need a teacher and full time Coordinator. A meeting has been scheduled for Dee, Phil, Alta and LeRoy while in Washington, D.C. to discuss this matter.

Phil stated that he has appreciated the support received from Council since becoming General Manager.

Doni reported that final allocations have been received from the Bureau for this year. Only received 93 percent of the Indirect and had a 2 percent reduction in programs across the board. The Bureau still has not allocated Indirect for the new contracts, which is Forestry.

**Siletz Men's Softball Team** — Several members of the team entered the meeting. Bud Lane read a letter requesting that the Tribe sponsor the team by purchasing uniforms, paying tournament fees, and paying for phone and postage expenses. Uniforms would become property of the Tribe. This would enable the team to represent the Siletz Tribe, instead of a specific merchant. The Team will be open to any Tribal member, with a roster of 16. Try-outs will be held to select the 16 players.

**MOTION #23** — Douglas Brown moved to sponsor a Siletz Men's Softball Team from Timber Revenue. **MOTION DIES FOR LACK OF A SECOND.**

After discussion, it was decided to reduce the Contract Support line item in the Tribal Government Budget, and create a separate line item for the Men's Softball Team.

**MOTION #24** — Frank Simmons moved to modify Tribal Government Budget, decreasing Contract Support and establishing a \$2,500 line item to sponsor a Siletz Men's Softball Team. Seconded by Bud Lane. Motion unanimously approved 9-0-0.

**Culture Committee Report** — Andy Viles — Andy reported that the Information Gatherers have been selected. Norbert Johnson in Salem, Bonnie Peterson in Springfield, Cindy Viles in Portland and Denise Wilson in Siletz. Will be holding a training session in Corvallis tomorrow. Next Culture Committee meeting will be next Sunday at 11 a.m.

**Revenue Sharing Requests** — 27 Emergency Grant requests were received, with \$1,500 available for distribution. Council instructed the Secretary to make approved payments to the specific vendor instead of paying directly to the person. Limit for the Emergency Grant is \$100. The requests not approved this quarter will be reconsidered in July.

**MOTION #25** — Douglas Brown moved to approve the following Revenue Sharing Emergency Grants: Arthur Betts up to \$100; Leonard Flanary up to \$100; Edward Case up to \$100; Monte Anderson up to \$100; Elen Lash up to \$100; Frederick Hostler up to \$100; Rayna Blacketer up to \$100; Norman Strong up to \$100; William Strong up to \$100; Joella Kline up to \$100; Royce Strong up to \$100; Joel Strong up to \$100; Madge Mason \$44.95; Cynthia Valenzuela up to \$100; Brian Moody up to \$100. Seconded by Bud Lane. Motion unanimously approved 9-0-0.

Delores Pigsley had to leave the meeting at this time, 5:10 p.m. Vice-Chairman, Arthur Bensell, conducted the remainder of the meeting.

Next to be considered were other Revenue Sharing requests.

**MOTION #26** — Douglas Brown moved to approve the following Revenue Sharing requests: Barbara Fisher \$150 from Sports & Recreation; Bob Tom \$250 from Special Projects; Doni White \$200 from Special Projects; Sharon Butler \$200 from Death Benefit; Wilma Strong \$200 from Special Project; Sue Bevins up to \$162 from Special Projects; Bob Tom \$150 from Student Fund. Seconded by Vernon Brown. Motion unanimously approved 8-0-0.

**MOTION #27** — Douglas Brown moved to approve Revenue Sharing Special Project request from Alice Werth for Siletz Ladies Club in the amount of \$450, with stipulation that all Tribal Members be invited. Seconded by Alta Courville. Motion unanimously approved 8-0-0.

**MOTION #28** — Vernon Brown moved to approve Revenue Sharing request from William DePoe for purchase of one jacket in the amount of \$150 from Special Projects. Seconded by Douglas Brown. Motion unanimously approved 8-0-0.

**Travel Requests** —

**MOTION #29** — Mary Alice Muncey moved to approve the following travel requests: Mike Cloughesy, Bud Lane, Frank Simmons and Arthur Bensell to Seattle, WA on April 29-May 3 to attend National Indian Timber Symposium. Mike Cloughesy to Hoquiam, WA on April 22-24 to attend Timber Sale training; Jeff Williams to Seattle, WA on April 30 to attend HUD training. Seconded by Vernon Brown. Motion unanimously approved 8-0-0.

**MOTION #30** — Bud Lane moved to approve travel for four JOM students to Spokane, WA on April 21-25 to attend Education Conference. Seconded by Vernon Brown. Motion unanimously approved 8-0-0.

Kristi Martin requested travel for Arthur Bensell, Delores Pigsley and herself to attend upcoming NCAI meeting in Sparks, NV.

**MOTION #31** — Mary Alice Muncey moved to approve travel to NCAI in Sparks, NV for Arthur Bensell, Delores Pigsley and Kristi Martin on June 3, 4 and 5, 1985. Seconded by Bud Lane. Motion unanimously approved 8-0-0.

Dolly Fisher said that she is a delegate to NCAI and would also like to attend the meeting.

**MOTION #32** — Mary Alice Muncey moved to approve travel for Mary Fisher to attend NCAI in Sparks, NV on June 3, 4 and 5, 1985. Seconded by Douglas Brown. Motion unanimously approved 8-0-0.

Mary Alice Muncey asked if she can go visit the other Area Offices. Yes, on your own. She also asked if Council was going to go to Pi-Um-Sha in June. Have time to approve at next meeting.

LeRoy Wilder said that Dee asked him to bring up a letter that has been received from Gary Butler regarding eye glasses for Allen Kentta. Dee will write a letter to the state authorities.

Alta Courville requested that the next Regular Council Meeting be held at the Salem Area Office on May 18.

**MOTION #33** — Kristi Martin moved that our next Council meeting will be at the Salem Area Office on May 18, 1985. Seconded by Frank Simmons. Motion unanimously approved 8-0-0.

Mary Alice said that the next Health Fair meeting will be on the 24th.

Meeting adjourned 6:30 p.m.

/s/ Mary Alice Muncey  
 Council Secretary



has not turned that around. Ed said that he wanted to honor two men today who have been influential in his life. The first is his father, Archie Ben, who cannot be here today because he is confined to his bed. This is probably the first General meeting he has not attended since restoration. He still thinks of his people though. Ed pointed out a War Bonnet on display, made by Robert Rilatos, Jr. and his wife. Ed said that, because his father will be unable to deliver an opening prayer at the legislature this year, Arthur Bensell will deliver the prayer in honor of Oregon Indian Week. Many times, Art has borrowed Archie's War Bonnet for special occasions. Ed Ben presented Arthur Bensell with the War Bonnet in remembrance of his late brother, Robert Rilatos, Sr., and the Rilatos and Ben families. Art thanked Ed and said that this is the proudest moment in his life.

No other Tribal Member concerns were addressed.

**Superintendent's Report** — Dave Bartels — Dave is representing Nelson Witt, who could not attend today. Dave reported that the Agency and tribes will begin working on the budget process. The Agency is hosting a two-day session in Newport on Monday and Tuesday to review these procedures. The Bureau works two years in advance. Will be starting work on the FY 1987 budget. The Agency has three more tribes under their jurisdiction. Have a new staff member, Ben Picotte, who is the Contract Specialist. Will add another clerical position next month. These new positions have not been open to the public, because the Bureau is in Reduction in Force status. Recently reviewed the tribal programs, all are very satisfactory.

**Chairman's Address** — Delores Pigsley — The Planning Committee has been very busy. Have been working on a land acquisition project to acquire an additional 12,000 acres of timber land. Have recently met with the County Commissioners, staff from Les AuCoin and Mark Hatfield's office. During a recent trip to Washington, D.C. met with representatives from the Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Administration for Native Americans, Head Start, and the White House. Discussion included the land acquisition project, saved the Head Start program, funding proposals and economic development projects. Met the Micronesian delegation, they may come to our area in the near future. Discussion at the Bureau focused on our logging road problem. May be receiving supplemental funding to do a road plan.

**Staff Report** — Phil Rilatos — Phil said that he was hired as General Manager for the Tribe on April 9. Appreciated receiving the full support of the Council. Phil said that one of his projects is to reorganize administration, delegating some authority to supervisors. The reorganization also provides a career ladder for employees. Job Descriptions recognize work experience instead of focusing entirely on education. The Tribe has about 28 projects in the works right now which include an ANA proposal for a shopping mall and road plan, an EDA proposal for an economic development plan, an ANA proposal for a housing construction business, and comfort facilities for the Pow Wow. The comfort facilities will be ready for use by the time the Pow Wow dates arrive. Job Corp will provide the labor, with the Tribe purchasing materials, plumbing and electrical costs. Total cost of the project will be about \$35,000. Other projects in the works right now include the expansion project, expansion of the service area, Tribal Specific Health Plan, Housing HUD Project, Chemawa land acquisition project and administrative staff improvement project. Phil said that he was available if anyone has questions.

Pauline Ricks asked if additional parking will be available for the Pow Wow. Phil responded that with the construction of the comfort facilities, this should add some parking space. The Tribe has also purchased a front-end loader to move some of the dirt piles around the Pow Wow grounds. Shirley Walker suggested that we provide a shuttle down town for short term visitors to the Pow Wow. Phil said that he will look into this.

Betty Unger asked if the administrative reorganization is for all employees, or only tribal members. Phil responded that it was for all employees.

**Announcements** — Chemawa Pow Wow is this weekend. Chemawa graduation is May 31. Chemawa Alumni Gathering is May 31 and June 1. U of O Pow Wow is next weekend. Springfield Indian Education Pow Wow is the following weekend. Jane John reported that the Cultural Information Gatherers have been hired, Denise Wilson in Siletz area, Norbert Johnson in Salem, Cindy Viles in Portland and Bonnie Peterson in Springfield. If you can be of assistance, please contact them. July 20 is the Siletz Cultural Fair.

Meeting adjourned 1:45.

/s/ Mary Alice Muncey  
 Council Secretary

QUESTIONS  
& ANSWERS



**Q. How can I find out where to send my Medicare medical insurance claims?**

A. You can call any Social Security office for that information. The place where you send your claims depends upon the State (and possibly the county) where you received the services, not your resident State. If you are entitled to Medicare under the railroad retirement system, send your medical insurance claims to The Travelers Insurance Company office which serves your region. Regional offices of the Travelers are listed in *Your Medicare Handbook for Railroad Retirement Beneficiaries*, which is available at any railroad retirement office.

**Q. Does Medicare pay for outpatient surgery?**

A. Medicare can pay for certain specified outpatient surgical procedures performed in a Medicare-certified outpatient surgical center. The center can be affiliated with a hospital or it can be independent, but it must provide only outpatient surgery services and must have an agreement with Medicare to do so.

**Q. Where can I apply for SSI?**

A. If you think you may be eligible for SSI, you should apply at a Social Security office. It is to your advantage to apply as soon as possible, since no payments can be made for any day before an application is filed.