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BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL MINUTES APPROVED AUGUST 26, 2024 SPECIAL SESSION

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| 1. May 2, 2024 | General Session |
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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
GENERAL SESSION
TRIBAL CONFERENCE ROOM
MAY 2, 2024
9:18 A.M.**

Chairman Iliff Kipp Sr. called the meeting to order and Secretary Patrick Armstrong Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of seven (7) members:

Iliff Kipp Sr.
Thomas Rutherford
Everett Armstrong

Patrick Armstrong Jr.
Shelly Hall

Robert DesRosier
Virgil Last Star

INVOCATION: Wilma Manywhitehorses gave the prayer.

AGENDA: Items were added to the Agenda.

APPROVING 1-16-24 LAND BOARD MINUTES: Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion to approve the January 16, 2024 Land Board Minutes, as presented. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7) Excerpt {#E2024-81}

APPROVING 2-13-24 LAND BOARD MINUTES: Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion to approve the February 13, 2024 Land Board Minutes, as presented. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (7) Excerpt {#E2024-82}

APPROVING 3-12-24 LAND BOARD MINUTES: Everett Armstrong made a motion to approve the March 12, 2024 Land Board Minutes, as presented. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7) Excerpt {#E2024-83}

*****Virgil Last Star entered the meeting at 9:29 A.M. (8)*****

INCLUDING UNOCCUPIED HOMES AROUND ALL CHIEFS PARK TO BE INCLUDED IN SURVEY FOR ALL CHIEFS PARK: Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution to include unoccupied homes around All Chiefs Park to be included in Survey for All Chiefs Park. Second by Marvin Weatherwax Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

BLACKFEET SOLID WASTE OPERATING HOURS: Shelly Hall made a motion to direct Blackfeet Solid Waste to remain open on the first Saturday of every month from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (8)
Excerpt {#E2024-84}

APPROVING CONTRACT WITH SWANK ENTERPRISES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HEART BUTTE ARBOR PENDING HIRE OF INSPECTOR: Virgil Last Star made a motion by Resolution to approve a Contract with Swank Enterprises for the Construction of the Heart Butte Arbor pending the hire of an Inspector for the project. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

APPROVING \$500,000.00 FROM THE ST. MARY'S WATER FUNDING FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE HEART BUTTE ARBOR: Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve \$500,000.00 from the St. Mary's Water funding for construction of the Heart Butte Arbor. Second by Virgil Last Star. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

WATER DEPARTMENT UPDATE: Kwebb Galbreath, Water Department Director, was present at the meeting to update the BTBC on projects within the Department.

AUTHORIZING DOWL TO PROVIDE FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR CHEWING BLACK BONES UNDER THE WATER DEPARTMENT: Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution to authorize DOWL to provide a Feasibility Study for Chewing Black Bones area under the Water Department. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

CONTROLLED BURN UPDATE: Marti Rutherford, Blackfeet Volunteer Fire Department, was present at the meeting to update the BTBC on controlled burns. No action.

HONORARY WOMEN'S COUNCIL: Wilma Manywhitehorses, Annie Vielle, Violet Provic and Rose Wolfchild, Honorary Women's Council, were present at the meeting to discuss election, closed sessions and homelessness.

HONORARY MEN'S COUNCIL: Steve Fenner, George Kipp, Richard "Dick" Bird, Bill Spotted Eagle, Edmund "Wishy" Augare, Kenneth Oscar and Charles DeRoche, Honorary Men's Council, were present at the meeting to discuss healthcare and alcohol issues.

MEDICARE/BANKER'S LIFE: Brian Koster was present at the meeting to discuss Medicare plans for Tribal Members outside of IHS.

Further discussion regarding TSHIP.

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. left the meeting at 11:14 A.M. (7)*****

STEPHANIE IRON SHOOTER/DPHHS: Stephanie Iron Shooter was present at the meeting to introduce herself and discuss projects moving forward.

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. entered the meeting at 11:26 AM. (8)*****

GRACE BARRINS/DATA: Grace Barrins, MT State University Student, was present at the meeting to discuss data. No action.

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. left the meeting at 11:40 A.M. (7)*****

APPROVING ONE (1) ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANT FOR HOME IMPROVEMENT UNDER THE 2022 HIP WORK PLAN CATEGORY B (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by {#336-2024} to approve one (1) eligible participant for Home Improvement under the 2022 HIP Work Plan Category B. Second by Marvin Weatherwax Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

*****Shelly Hall left the meeting at 11:43 A.M. (6)*****

HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM APPLICANTS: Discussion regarding HIP applicants.

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. entered the meeting at 11:50 A.M. (7)*****

VETERAN'S WALL: Discussion regarding the veteran's wall tiles. No action.

RECESS: The meeting recessed at 12:08 P.M. (7)

RECONVENE: The meeting reconvened at 1:15 P.M. with the following members to constitute seven (7) members:

Iloff Kipp Sr.

Thomas Rutherford Jr.

Everett Armstrong

Robert DesRosier

Shelly Hall

Patrick Armstrong Jr.

Virgil Last Star

GENERAL SESSION TO REMAIN OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Shelly Hall made a motion to declare that all BTBC General Session Meetings are to remain open to the public, all Closed Sessions will be held at a separate meeting. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7) Excerpt {#E2024-85}

HOUSING ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding a housing issue.

CONFIDENTIAL EXCERPT (CLOSED SESSION): Excerpt {#E2024-86}

TRIBAL CREDIT DEPARTMENT (CLOSED SESSION): Tenneill Tatsey, Tribal Credit Director, was present at the meeting to request BTBC action.

APPROVING FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE BLACKFEET CREDIT DEPARTMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, REGARDING GARNISHMENT OF PER CAPITA PAYMENT FOR DELINQUENT LOANS (2024) (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#366-2024} to approve the First Amendment to the Blackfeet Credit Department Policies and Procedures, regarding Garnishment of Per Capita payments for delinquent loans. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried with a vote of five (5) FOR; two (2) OPPOSED, Robert DesRosier & Shelly Hall. (5-2) (7)

TRIBAL CREDIT DEPARTMENT BUDGET (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion. No action.

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): A confidential personnel action was taken.

APPROVING TEMPORARY TOUR OF DUTY FOR THE BLACKFEET TRIBE (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#341-2024} to approve the following temporary Tour of Duty for the Blackfeet Tribe for all Tribal Departments:

Monday through Thursday 7:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. June 1, 2024 – September 1, 2024.
Tribal Directors are to assign separate Tour of Duty for all essential personnel.

Second by Virgil Last Star. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

ENROLLMENT ACTIONS (CLOSED SESSION): Confidential Enrollment Actions were taken, and the Minutes are completed separately.

BEO DIRECTOR TO ATTEND EACH SCHEDULED LAND BOARD MEETING (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion to direct the Blackfeet Environmental Director to attend each scheduled Land Board Meeting. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (7) Excerpt {#E2024-87}

BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding abandoned buildings, litter and junk cars. Further discussions will be held in the beautification project meetings.

APPROVING AUTHORIZATION FORM TO INITIATE DISBURSEMENTS AND RECEIVE INFORMATION ON TRIBAL ACCOUNTS WITH THE BUREAU OF TRUST FUNDS ADMINISTRATION (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution {#338-2024} to approve the Authorization Form to initiate disbursements and receive information on Tribal Accounts with the Bureau of Trust Funds Administration. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE 2024 TRIBAL ELECTION BOARD (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#339-2024} to approve a budget amendment for the 2024 Tribal Election Board in the amount of \$30,000.00 from the Buildings and General budget. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE BLACKFEET LEGAL DEPARTMENT (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve a budget amendment for the Blackfeet Legal Department in the amount of \$22,000.00 from the Buildings and General budget. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

PROPERTY PURCHASE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding a property purchase. No action, further discussion will be held.

APPROVING PAYMENT TO WOODROW "JAY" WELLS (CLOSED SESSION): Virgil Last Star made a motion to approve payment in the amount of \$8,500.00 from the Buildings and General budget to Woodrow "Jay" Wells for one (1) grazing season. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7) Excerpt {#E2024-88}

APPROVING CONTRACT WITH EDWARDS CONSTRUCTION TO COMPLETE PHASE II OF THE HEART BUTTE SENIOR CENTER (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve a Contract with Edwards Construction to complete Phase II of the Heart Butte Senior Center. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00 FOR STAGELINE PIZZA (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution {#389-2024} to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$50,000.00 for Stageline Pizza. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

WATER DEPARTMENT UPDATE (CLOSED SESSION): KWebb Galbreath, Water Department Director, was present at the meeting to update the BTBC. No action.

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. left the meeting at 3:59 P.M. (6)*****

APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF THE ADULT HEALING TO WELLNESS COURT GRANT FY 2024 (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution {#362-2024} to approve the submission of the Adult Healing to Wellness Court grant for fiscal year 2024. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

*****Everett Armstrong left the meeting at 4:05 P.M. (5)*****

LEGAL ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Derek Kline, Special Counsel, was present at the meeting to discuss a legal issue.

*****Everett Armstrong entered the meeting at 4:13 P.M. (6)*****

CONFIDENTIAL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): A Confidential Legal action was taken.

NEW SECURITY SYSTEM (CLOSED SESSION): Donna YellowOwl, Facilities Director, was present at the meeting to update the BTBC on the new camera/security system. No action.

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. entered the meeting at 4:38 P.M. (7)*****

*****Virgil Last Star left the meeting at 4:44 P.M. (6)*****

CONFIDENTIAL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): A Confidential Personnel action was taken.

APPROVING A CONTINUED SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT FOR PROJECT COORDINATION SERVICES TO THE BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL, FOR THE BLACKFEET WELLNESS CENTER AND OTHER SPECIAL PROJECTS (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#359-2024} to approve a continued Sole Source Contract for Project Coordination Services to the BTBC for the Blackfeet Wellness Center and other special projects. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

*****Virgil Last Star entered the meeting at 4:45 P.M. (7)*****

APPROVING ALLOCATION OF \$60,806.65 FROM JUUL SETTLEMENT TO FUND TOBACCO YOUTH WARRIOR SUMMIT (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#361-2024} to approve an allocation of \$60,806.65 from JUUL Settlement to fund Tobacco Youth Warrior Summit. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE UPDATE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion. No action.

PROHIBITING TRANSACTIONS WITH FOREIGN ADVERSARIES TO THE UNITED STATES ON THE BLACKFEET RESERVATION (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#342-2024} to prohibit transactions with Foreign Adversaries to the United States on the Blackfeet Reservation. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

*****Robert DesRosier left the meeting at 5:10 P.M. (6)*****

APPROVING AMENDMENT TO PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES (2024) RATING OF DIRECTOR APPLICATIONS SHALL BE DONE BY THREE PEOPLE (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution to approve amendment to the Personnel Policies and Procedures to include rating of Director applications shall be done by three people. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

SUPPORTING ROCKY MOUNTAIN TRIBAL LEADERSHIP IN SUPPORT OF TRIBAL EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTERS APPLICATION TITLED "TRIBAL HEALTH MEASURES" TO THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN TRIBAL INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#360-2024} to support Rocky Mountain Tribal Leadership in support of Tribal Epidemiology Centers application titled "Tribal Health Measures" to the Rocky Mountain Tribal Institutional Review Board. Second by Marvin Weatherwax Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

ESTABLISHING DOMESTIC ANIMAL COMMITTEE (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution to approve the establishment of a Domestic Animal Committee, with positions to be advertised. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

CONFIDENTIAL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#372-2024}

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#415-2024}

APPROVING WAGE FOR ASSISTANT AGRICULTURE DIRECTOR (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution to approve the wage for the Assistant Agriculture Director at the rate of \$22.00 an hour. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (7)


MISTY LAPLANT/CONTRACT SERVICES (CLOSED SESSION): Misty Laplant was present at the meeting to discuss renewal of a contract with the Blackfoot Tribe. No action.

LAND ISSUE/ (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding a land issue. The issue will be addressed by the Legal Department.

ADJOURNMENT: Virgil Last Star made a Motion to Adjourn. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (7) The Meeting Adjourned at 6:43 P.M.

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APPROVED:



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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION
TRIBAL CONFERENCE ROOM
MAY 15, 2024
9:26 A.M.**

Chairman Iliff Kipp Sr. called the meeting to order and Secretary Patrick Armstrong Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of seven (7) members:

Iliff Kipp Sr.
Shelly Hall
Virgil Last Star

Patrick Armstrong Jr.
Everett Armstrong

Thomas Rutherford Jr.
Robert DesRosier

INVOCATION: Everett Armstrong gave the prayer.

AGENDA: Items were added to the agenda.

TAX INCREASES: Discussion regarding increases on Land Taxes.
Further discussion will be held.

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. entered the meeting at 9:39 A.M. (8)*****

*****Everett Armstrong left the meeting at 9:40 A.M. (7)*****

RECOMMENDING SARAH WOLFTAIL AND LEA WETZEL AS THE BLACKFEET REPRESENTATIVES FOR MMIP (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#381-2024} to recommend Sarah Wolftail and Lea Wetzel as the Blackfeet Representatives for MMIP. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

*****Everett Armstrong entered the meeting at 9:41 A.M. (8)*****

AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 165-2024 UPDATING THE OCCUPANCY AGREEMENT WITH BLACKFEET MMIP FOR THE BLACKFEET HERITAGE CENTER (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#165-2024A} to amend Resolution No. 165-2024 updating the Occupancy Agreement with Blackfeet MMIP for the Blackfeet Heritage Center. Second by Virgil Last Star. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

AGENDA: Items were added to the agenda.

TRANSIT (CLOSED SESSION): Warren Blackman, Blackfeet Transit Director, was present at the meeting.

AUTHORIZING THE BLACKFEET TRANSIT PROGRAM TO APPLY FOR A GRANT THROUGH THE STATE OF MONTANA ENTITLED "TRANSIT 5311 OPERATING GRANT" FY 2025: Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution to authorize the Blackfeet Transit Program to apply for a Grant through the State of Montana entitled "Transit 5311 Operating Grant" FY 2025. Second by Virgil Last Star. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

*****Robert DesRosier left the meeting at 9:55 A.M. (6)*****

APPROVING STANDARD FORM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR (STIPULATED SUM) WITH SWANK FOR THE BLACKFEET TRANSIT FACILITY ADDITION (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#413-2024} to approve a Standard Form of Agreement between Owner and Contractor (stipulated sum) with Swank for the Blackfeet Transit facility addition. Second by Virgil Last Star. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

*****Robert DesRosier entered the meeting at 9:55 A.M. (7)*****

*****Everett Armstrong entered the meeting at 9:56 A.M. (8)*****

APPROVING SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT FOR EDWARD KENNEDY AND ASSOCIATES FOR EVENT STAGE AND LANDSCAPING (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve a Sole Source Contract for Edward Kennedy and Associates for event stage and landscaping. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried with a vote of five (5) FOR; three (3) OPPOSED, Shelly Hall, Virgil Last Star & Thomas Rutherford Jr. (5-3) (8)

APPROVAL OF BTBC MINUTES (CLOSED SESSION): Presented to the BTBC were the April 3, 2024 Special Session Minutes; the April 3, 2024 Enrollment Minutes; the April 4, 2024 General Session Minutes; the April 10, 2024 Special Session Minutes; the April 10, 2024 Executive Session Minutes; the April 17, 2024 Special Session Minutes; and the April 29, 2024 Special Session Minutes.

Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion to approve the Minutes, as presented. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

MOTION TO RESCIND RESOLUTION NO. 295-2024 “DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY REGARDING PROSECUTIONS OF CRIME, CHILD WELFARE MATTERS, & ESTABLISHING AN AD HOC OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion to Rescind Resolution No. 295-2024 “Declaring a State of Emergency Regarding Prosecutions of Crime, Child Welfare Matters & Establishing an Ad Hoc Office of the Attorney General. Second by Robert DesRosier.

Discussion with the Legal Department regarding the Administrative mod, case dismissals and child removals.

Shelly Hall WITHDREW her motion. Robert DesRosier WITHDREW his second.

*****Robert DesRosier left the meeting at 10:28 A.M. (7)*****

TRIBAL COURT/PERSONNEL ISSUES (CLOSED SESSION): Marshalene Last Star was present at the meeting to discuss personnel issues.

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#382-2024}

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. left the meeting at 11:24 A.M. (7)*****

ALL CONTRACTS AND WAGE INCREASE REQUESTS TO BE PRESENTED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion to direct all new/amended Contracts and Wage Increase requests to be presented to the Finance Committee first. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)
Excerpt {#E2024-89}

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. entered the meeting at 11:26 A.M. (8)*****

SWEARING IN/BLACKFEET TRIBAL COURT CHIEF JUDGE (CLOSED SESSION):
Chairman Iliff Kipp Sr. swore in Bryan Dupois as the Blackfeet Tribal Court Chief Judge.

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. left the meeting at 11:42 A.M. (7)*****

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. left the meeting at 11:42 A.M. (6)*****

MISTY LAPLANT/CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Misty Laplant presented a proposed budget and contract for Opioid Response.

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. entered the meeting at 11:49 A.M. (7)*****

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. entered the meeting at 11:50 A.M. (8)*****

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. left the meeting at 11:51 A.M. (7)*****

APPROVING FY 2024 BUDGET FOR OPIOID RESPONSE PILOT PROGRAM (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#402-2024} to approve a FY 2024 budget not to exceed \$300,000.00 and any remainder to be approved for the FY 2025 budget upon review of the project by September 30, 2024. Second by Everett Armstrong.

Robert DesRosier AMENDED his motion to include a Contract for Misty Laplant to administer the budget. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried with a vote of six (6) FOR; one (1) ABSTAIN, Thomas Rutherford Jr. (6-0-1) (7)

STUDENT ATHLETES (CLOSED SESSION): Various student athletes were recognized and honored for sports and academics.

OFFICE CLOSURE/2024 TRIBAL ELECTIONS (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion to approve the following office closures for the 2024 Tribal Elections:

June 3, 2024 – Roland Kennerly Building to close at noon

June 4, 2024 – ALL Tribal Offices to be closed all day

June 24, 2024 – Roland Kennerly Building to close at noon

June 25, 2024 – ALL Tribal Offices to be closed all day.

Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (8) Excerpt {#E2024-90}

PAPERLESS FINANCE PROCESS (CLOSED SESSION): Lionel Kennerly, Treasurer, was present at the meeting to discuss the transition to paperless payments. No action.

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. left the meeting at 1:33 P.M. (7)*****

*****Robert DesRosier left the meeting at 1:37 P.M. (6)*****

APPROVING CONTRACT WITH EDWARDS CONSTRUCTION TO COMPLETE PHASE II OF THE HEART BUTTE SENIOR CENTER (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve a Contract with Edwards Construction to complete Phase II of the Heart Butte Senior Center. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING PAYMENT TO GLOBAL GAMING & HOSPITALITY CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC FOR ADDITIONAL EXPENSES INCURRED TO BE PAID BY SIYEH CORPORATION (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#414-2024} to approve payment to Global Gaming & Hospitality Capital Advisors, LLC for additional expenses incurred to be paid by Siyeh Corporation. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried with a vote of five (5) FOR; one (1) OPPOSED, Shelly Hall. (5-1) (6)

APPROVING PAYMENT FOR MANPOWER TRAINING (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve payment for the Manpower Training. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

*****Robert DesRosier entered the meeting at 2:00 P.M. (7)*****

HONORARY COUNCIL MEETINGS (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution to limit the number of Honorary Council Meetings (paid) to two (2) meetings per month. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

BUDGET/STAGELINE PIZZA (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion. No action.

SPECIAL PROJECTS (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding the special projects program. No action.

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#415-2024}

GRANT WRITING (CLOSED SESSION): Dorothy Still Smoking and Debbie Bullshoe were present at the meeting to discuss a Grant Writing Center.

Discussion with the Planning Department. No action.

APPROVING SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT WITH BLACKTOP SOLUTIONS FOR NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN DAYS (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution to approve a Sole Source Contract with Blacktop Solutions for North American Indian Days. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

APPROVING SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT WITH RICK HOYT FOR NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN DAYS SECURITY (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution to approve a Sole Source Contract with Rick Hoyt for North American Indian Days Security. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

AUTHORIZING THE TRIBAL HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#449-2024} to authorize the Tribal Homeland Security Grant Application to the United States Department of Homeland Security. Second by Marvin Weatherwax Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

APPROVING PAYOFF QUOTE FOR PROPERTY CONTRACT FOR DEED (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#394-2024} to approve the Payoff Quote for property Contract for Deed. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried with a vote of seven (7) FOR; one (1) ABSTAIN, Shelly Hall. (7-0-1) (8)

DISCLAIMER AND RELINQUISHMENT OF INHERITANCE OF TRUST OR RESTRICTED LAND WHICH ARE UNDER 5% FROM ESTATE (CLOSED SESSION): Marvin Weatherwax Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#383-2024} to approve a disclaimer and relinquishment of inheritance of Trust or Restricted lands which are under 5% from an Estate. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

APPROVING REGISTRATION AUTHORITY AGREEMENT WITH FTI TO PROVIDE DIGITAL IDENTITY CREDENTIALS TO THE BLACKFEET TRIBE (CLOSED SESSION): Marvin Weatherwax Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#416-2024} to approve a Registration Authority Agreement with the Foundation of Trusted Identity to provide digital identity credentials to the Blackfeet Tribe. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. left the meeting at 4:26 P.M. (7)*****

HOUSING ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding a housing issue. No action.

*****Virgil Last Star left the meeting at 4:34 P.M. (6)*****

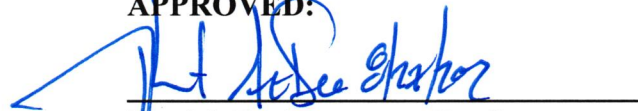
ALL FINANCIAL REQUESTS TO BE PRESENTED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion to direct all financial requests to be presented to the Finance Committee. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6) Excerpt {#E2024-91}

ENROLLMENT ACTIONS: Confidential Enrollment Actions were taken, and the Minutes are completed separately.

RECESS: The meeting recessed at 4:40 P.M. (6)

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APPROVED:



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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION
TRIBAL CONFERENCE ROOM
MAY 16, 2024
9:19 A.M.**

Chairman Iliff Kipp Sr. called the meeting to order and acting Secretary Thomas Rutherford Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of seven (7) members:

**Iliff Kipp Sr.
Shelly Hall
Virgil Last Star**

**Thomas Rutherford Jr.
Marvin Weatherwax Jr.**

**Robert DesRosier
Everett Armstrong**

INVOCATION: Robert Crawford gave the prayer.

APPROVING ADVERTISEMENT OF BID FOR THE PO'KA RANCH FIELD (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion to bid out the Po'Ka Ranch field for five years at a \$12.00 an acre minimum and lessor will need to complete fencing. Second by Shelly Hall.

Thomas Rutherford Jr. AMENDED his motion to include public access for sweet grass harvesting. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried unanimously. (7) Excerpt {#E2024-98}

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. entered the meeting at 9:28 A.M. (8)*****

CONFIDENTIAL EXCERPT (CLOSED SESSION): Excerpt {#E2024-99}

CONFIDENTIAL LAND ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding a land issue.

CONFIDENTIAL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): {#393-2024}

CONFIDENTIAL LAND ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding a land issue.

APPROVING CERTIFICATION OF 2024 BTBC CANDIDATES (CLOSED SESSION):

Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion to approve the fifty-three (53) Blackfeet Tribal Business Council Candidates, as presented, based upon the recommendation of the 2024 Blackfeet Tribal Election Board. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried with a vote of six (6) FOR; one (1) ABSTAIN, Virgil Last Star (6-0-1) (7) Excerpt {#E2024-92}

*****Robert DesRosier left the meeting at 10:49 A.M. (6)*****

REQUESTING STATUS OF PROPERTIES NEAR BLACKFEET TRIBAL OFFICE (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution to request the Status of the land of properties near the Blackfeet Tribal Office from the BIA. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING 4-9-24 LAND BOARD MINUTES (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion to approve the April 9, 2024 Land Board Minutes, as presented. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6) Excerpt {#E2024-95}

APPROVING DEMOLITION OF BUILDING LOCATED AT 33 MONTANA AVE, EAST GLACIER MONTANA (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution {#417-2024} to approve demolition of building located at 33 Montana Ave, East Glacier Montana. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. entered the meeting at 11:42 A.M. (7)*****

*****Virgil Last Star left the meeting at 11:47 A.M. (6)*****

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. left the meeting at 11:48 A.M. (5)*****

STAGELINE PIZZA UPDATE (CLOSED SESSION): William Edwards was present at the meeting to provide an update on Stageline Pizza.

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. entered the meeting at 12:10 P.M. (6)*****

APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR STAGELINE PIZZA (2024) (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution {#389-2024} to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$75,000.00 from the buildings and general budget. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried with a vote of five (5) FOR; one (1) OPPOSED, Thomas Rutherford Jr. (5-1) (6)

*****Everett Armstrong left the meeting at 12:55 P.M. (5)*****

SIYEH COMMUNICATIONS (CLOSED SESSION): Jodi Carlson, Siyeh Communications, was present at the meeting to request BTBC action.

*****Everett Armstrong entered the meeting at 1:05 P.M. (6)*****

APPROVING CONSENT FOR BROAD BAND IMPLEMENTATION ON TRIBAL LANDS (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#384-2024} to approve consent for broad band implementation on Tribal lands. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried with a vote of five (5) FOR; one (1) ABSTAIN, Everett Armstrong. (5-0-1) (6)

*****Virgil Last Star entered the meeting at 1:12 P.M. (7)*****

APPROVING FENCING CREW TO BE ADVERTISED AND PLACED UNDER THE AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution to advertise and place a four (4) man fencing crew under the Agriculture Department. Second by Virgil Last Star. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING 2024 CLEAN-UP DATES (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion to approve the Blackfeet Reservation Clean-Up for June 3, 2024 to June 22, 2024. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (7) Excerpt {#E2024-93}

APPROVING SEVERANCE PAY FOR OUTGOING BTBC MEMBERS (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve severance pay for the outgoing BTBC Members. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

SOLID WASTE (CLOSED SESSION): Susie Lamere-Gervais, Solid Waste Director, was present at the meeting to request BTBC actions.

APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR SOLID WASTE (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution {#404-2024} to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$250,000.00. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried with a vote of five (5) FOR; one (1) OPPOSED, Thomas Rutherford Jr. (5-1) (6)

APPROVING OVERTIME FOR SOLID WASTE EMPLOYEES DURING CLEAN-UP (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion to approve the Overtime for Blackfeet Solid Waste employees working during the 2024 Blackfeet Reservation Clean-Up June 3, 2024 to June 22, 2024. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried with a vote of four (4) FOR; two (2) OPPOSED, Everett Armstrong & Thomas Rutherford Jr. (4-2) (6) Excerpt {#E2024-94}

APPROVING TASK ORDER #2311-01191-5 AMENDMENT #01 FOR THE ADDITIONAL 6+ MILES OF THE PSE FOR BIA CORRIDOR, TASK ORDER #2311-01682-5 BROWNING STREET LIGHTING DESIGN AND TASK ORDER #2411-00383-5 2024 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS – PAVING PROJECTS BETWEEN THE BLACKFEET TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT AND KLJ ENGINEERING, LLC UNDER THE IDIQ AGREEMENT (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#390-2024} to approve Task Order #2311-01191-5 Amendment #01 for the additional 6+ miles of the PSE for BIA Corridor, Task Order #2311-01682-5 Browning Street Lighting design and Task Order #2411-00383-5 2024 construction projects – paving projects between the Blackfeet Transportation Department and KLJ Engineering, LLC under the IDIQ Agreement. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING MODIFICATION #8 AGREEMENT BETWEEN ROCKY MOUNTAIN TRIBAL LEADERS AND BLACKFEET TRIBAL HEALTH (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#391-2024} to approve Modification #8 Agreement between Rocky Mountain Tribal Leaders and Blackfeet Tribal Health. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FY 2024 BLACKFEET HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE DAILY COMPLIANCE RATES (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#392-2024} to approve FY 2024 Blackfeet Historic Preservation Office daily Compliance Rates. Second by Marvin Weatherwax Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE WITH NORTH STAR EQUIPMENT FOR THE FOREST MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#395-2024} to approve a Sole Source Purchase with North Star Equipment for the Forest Management Program. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE WITH HIGH MOUNTAIN FORESTRY FOR THE FOREST MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#396-2024} to approve a Sole Source Purchase with High Mountain Forestry for the Forest Management Program. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

AUTHORIZING ADDING CLAIMS IN OPIOID LITIGATION AGAINST PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGERS, EXPRESS SCRIPTS AND OPTUMRX (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#397-2024} to authorize adding claims in Opioid Litigation against Pharmacy Benefit Managers, Express Scripts and OptumRx. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING AMENDMENT TO PROCESS FOR REACHING AGREEMENT ON THE LIST OF EXISTING USES OF THE TRIBAL WATER RIGHT (CLOSED SESSION):

Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#398-2024} to approve an Amendment to the process for reaching Agreement on the list of existing uses of the Tribal Water Right. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

SUPPORTING FILM "TINTED WINDOWS" WITH TROY ENTERTAINMENT

(CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#399-2024} to support the film "Tinted Windows" with Troy Entertainment. Second by Marvin Weatherwax Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

PERSONNEL/TRIBAL HEALTH (CLOSED SESSION): A Confidential personnel action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT: Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a Motion to Adjourn. Second by Patrick Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (6) The Meeting a Adjourned at 3:38 P.M.

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APPROVED:



Patrick D. Armstrong Jr., Secretary
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SPECIAL SESSION
TRIBAL CONFERENCE ROOM
MAY 23, 2024
1:45 P.M.**

Chairman Iliff Kipp Sr. called the meeting to order and Secretary Patrick Armstrong Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of seven (7) members:

**Iliff Kipp Sr.
Shelly Hall
Everett Armstrong**

**Patrick Armstrong Jr.
Marvin Weatherwax Jr.**

**Robert DesRosier
Virgil Last Star**

INVOCATION: Patrick Armstrong Jr. gave the prayer.

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. entered the meeting at 1:47 P.M. (8)*****

WAIVER/48-HOUR NOTICE OF MEETING (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion to waive the 48-Hour Notice of Meeting. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

*****Shelly Hall left the meeting at 1:54 P.M. (7)*****

STICK GAME BUILDING (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding the stick game building. No action.

OPIOID RESPONSE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding the Opioid Response Pilot Program.

APPROVING A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT FOR DIRECTOR OF OPIOID RESPONSE FOR THE BLACKFEET TRIBE (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#403-2024} to approve a Sole Source Contract for the Director of Opioid Response for the Blackfeet Tribe. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried with a vote of seven (7) FOR; one (1) ABSTAIN, Thomas Rutherford Jr. (7-0-1) (8)

STICK GAME ARBOR (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding the stick game arbor. No action.

WATER DEPARTMENT (CLOSED SESSION): KWebb Galbreath, Water Department Director, was present at the meeting to request BTBC action.

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding a personnel issue.

APPROVING CONTRACT FOR ADMINISTRATION OF PIVOT GRANT UNDER THE WATER DEPARTMENT (CLOSED SESSION): Marvin Weatherwax Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve a Contract for administration of Pivot Grant under the Water Department. Second by Virgil Last Star. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

APPROVING 5-21-24 LAND BOARD MINUTES (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion to approve the May 21, 2024 Land Board Minutes, as presented. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (8) Excerpt {#E2024-96}

RECESS: The meeting recessed at 2:50 P.M. (8)

RECONVENE: The meeting reconvened at 4:00 p.m. with the following members present to constitute a quorum of six (6) members:

Iliff Kipp Sr.

Robert DesRosier

Shelly Hall

Thomas Rutherford Jr.

Everett Armstrong

Virgil Last Star

APPROVING PAYMENT FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF ST. MICHAEL'S AND EAST GLACIER CEMETERIES (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution {#401-2024} to approve payment for the maintenance of St. Michael's and East Glacier Cemeteries not to exceed \$5,000.00. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH EDWARDS CONSTRUCTION FOR PHASE II OF THE HEART BUTTE SENIOR CENTER (CLOSED SESSION):

Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#405-2024} to approve a Construction Contract with Edwards Construction for Phase II of the Heart Butte Senior Center. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. entered the meeting at 4:08 P.M. (7)*****

ESTABLISHING REGULATION FOR CATTLE TRUCKS ENTERING AND LEAVING THE BLACKFEET RESERVATION (CLOSED SESSION):

Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#418-2024} to establish regulation for cattle trucks entering and leaving the Blackfeet Reservation. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

*****Everett Armstrong left the meeting at 4:13 P.M. (6)*****

APPROVING JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE LEAD PROSECUTOR, PROSECUTOR II AND FAMILY COURT PRESENTING OFFICER (CLOSED SESSION):

Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#406-2024} to approve job descriptions for the Lead Prosecutor, Prosecutor II and Family Court Presenting Officer. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

*****Everett Armstrong entered the meeting at 4:15 P.M. (7)*****

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#421-2024}

SIGNS FOR CLEAN-UP DATES (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding the purchase of signs for the Reservation Clean-Up. No action.

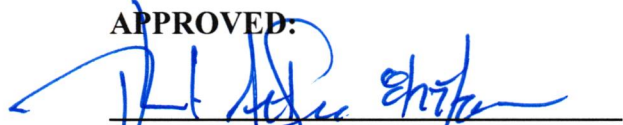
BIRCH CREEK RODEO ARENA (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion. No action.

SECTION 17 CORPORATE CHARTER (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve a Section 17 Corporate Charter. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion FAILED with a vote of two (2) FOR Patrick Armstrong Jr., Everett Armstrong; four (4) OPPOSED Iliff Kipp Sr., Virgil Last Star, Shelly Hall, Robert DesRosier; and one (1) ABSTAIN, Thomas Rutherford Jr. (2-4-1) (7)

RECESS: The meeting recessed at 4:56 P.M. (6)

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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE SESSION
CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE
MAY 24, 2024
11:07 A.M.**

Chairman Iliff Kipp Sr. called the meeting to order and Secretary Patrick Armstrong Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of three (3) Executive members:

Iliff Kipp Sr.

Robert DesRosier

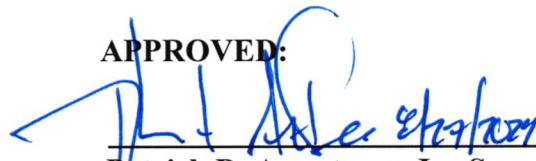
Patrick Armstrong Jr.

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL ACTION: A Confidential personnel action was taken, to be reaffirmed at the next Session.

ADJOURNMENT: Robert DesRosier made a Motion to Adjourn. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (3) The Meeting Adjourned at 11:24 A.M.

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APPROVED:



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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION
TRIBAL CONFERENCE ROOM
MAY 31, 2024
9:19 A.M.**

Chairman Iliff Kipp Sr. called the meeting to order and Secretary Patrick Armstrong Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of six (6) members:

Iliff Kipp Sr.	Robert DesRosier	Patrick Armstrong Jr.
Thomas Rutherford Jr.	Shelly Hall	Virgil Last Star

INVOCATION: Iliff Kipp Sr. gave the prayer.

FACILITIES DEPARTMENT UPDATE: Donna YellowOwl, Facilities Director, was present at the meeting to update the BTBC on Community Clean-Up and to request BTBC action on Staff Appreciation Day.

WAIVER/48-HOUR NOTICE: Robert DesRosier made a motion to waive the 48-Hour Notice of Meeting. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FY 2024 BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR TRIBAL EMPLOYEE

RECOGNITION DAY: Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#406-2024} to approve a fiscal year 2024 budget amendment in the amount of \$36,360.00 from the buildings and general budget for Tribal Employee Recognition Day. Second by Virgil Last Star. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

FLOOD MEMORIAL HOLIDAY (CLOSED SESSION): discussion regarding Flood Memorial Day. No action.

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. entered the meeting at 10:31 A.M. (7)*****

AUTHORIZING THE BLACKFEET WATER DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR FOR APPLY FOR FSA SUBSIDIES FOR BLACKFEET BUFFALO (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution to authorize the Blackfeet Water Department Director to apply for FSA Subsidies for Blackfeet Buffalo. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

CHARGING HOME STAMPEDE PARK: Tylee Wellman was present at the meeting to request BTBC action regarding the Charging Home Stampede Park.

APPROVING 2024 NAID CHARGING HOME STAMPEDE PARK SOLE SOURCE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS WITH FOUR (4) INDIVIDUALS: Marvin Weatherwax Jr. made a motion by separate Resolutions to approve 2024 North American Indian Days Charging Home Stampede Park Sole Source Professional Service Contracts with the following four (4) individuals for various services. Second by Virgil Last Star. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. entered the meeting at 10:55 A.M. (7)*****

APPROVING ADVERTISEMENT OF CHARGING HOME STAMPEDE PARK MANAGER POSITION: Shelly Hall made a motion to advertise the Charging Home Stampede Park Manager position. Second by Marvin Weatherwax Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

LEGAL DEPARTMENT UPDATE (CLOSED SESSION): Derek Kline, Special Counsel, was present at the meeting to update the BTBC on a legal issue.

*****Robert DesRosier left the meeting at 11:30 A.M. (6)*****

LEGAL ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): A legal action was taken.

DIRECTING THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR THE EAGLE BEAR CAMPGROUND (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion to direct the Legal Department (along with other appropriate Departments/Programs) to develop a plan for the Eagle Bear Campground. Second by Marvin Weatherwax Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

*****Virgil Last Star left the meeting at 12:05 P.M. (6)*****

APPROVING GRAND MASTER KEY FOR ACTING IT DIRECTOR (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion to assign Tim McKay, Acting IT Director, a grand master key. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

VERIZON BILL: Discussion regarding the Tribe's Verizon bill.

CONFIDENTIAL LAND ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): A confidential land action was taken.

APPROVING PAYMENT TO VERIZON FOR OUTSTANDING BILL (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion to approve payment to Verizon in the amount of \$4,000.00 for outstanding bill. Second by Marvin Weatherwax Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6) Excerpt {#E2024-101}

*****Virgil Last Star entered the meeting at 12:50 P.M. (7)*****

EMPLOYEE ADVOCATE POSITION (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding the Employee Advocate position. No action.

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. left the meeting at 1:04 P.M. (6)*****

PERSONNEL ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding a personnel issue.

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. entered the meeting at 1:15 P.M. (7)*****

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): A confidential personnel action was taken.

APPROVING PROPOSAL WITH MOUNTAIN PACIFIC QUALITY HEALTH FOUNDATION FOR BLACKFEET TRIBE STRATEGIC HEALTH PLANNING (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#419-2024} to approve a Proposal with Mountain Pacific Quality Health Foundation for Blackfeet Tribe Strategic Health Planning. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

CONFIDENTIAL LEGAL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#420-2024}

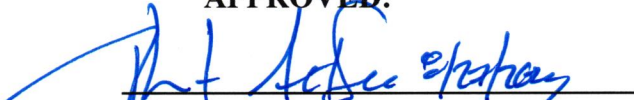
DIRECTING THE BLACKFEET WATER DEPARTMENT TO LEAD ACTIVITIES RELATED TO GRAVEL PRODUCTION FOR THE BLACKFEET TRIBE (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution to direct the Blackfeet Water Department to lead activities related to gravel production for the Blackfeet Tribe. Second by Marvin Weatherwax Jr. Motion carried with a vote of five (5) FOR; one (1) OPPOSED, Shelly Hall. (5-1) (6)

CONFIDENTIAL/ELECTION ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding an Election issue. No action.

ADJOURNMENT: Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a Motion to Adjourn. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6) The Meeting a Adjourned at 2:28 P.M.

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APPROVED:



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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
GENERAL SESSION
TRIBAL CONFERENCE ROOM
JUNE 13, 2024
9:27 A.M.**

Chairman Iliff Kipp Sr. called the meeting to order and Secretary Patrick Armstrong Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of seven (7) members:

**Iliff Kipp Sr.
Robert DesRosier
Everett Armstrong**

**Patrick Armstrong Jr.
Marvin Weatherwax Jr.**

**Thomas Rutherford Jr.
Virgil Last Star**

INVOCATION: Wilma Manywhitehorses gave the prayer.

AGENDA: Items were added to the Agenda.

*****Shelly Hall entered the meeting at 9:41 A.M. (8)*****

HONORARY WOMEN'S COUNCIL: Wilma Manywhitehorses and Annie Vielle, Honorary Women's Council Members, were present at the meeting to discuss the beautification project and Community Clean-Up.

HONORARY MEN'S COUNCIL: Edmund "Wishy" Augare, George Kipp, Richard "Dick" Bird, Charles DeRoche, Kenneth Oscar, Bruce Schildt and Steve Fenner, Honorary Men's Council Members, were present at the meeting to discuss land, NAID, TSHIP and an Election Rally.

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. left the meeting at 10:10 A.M. (7)*****

HONORARY COUNCIL (CON'T.): Discussion regarding the Honorary Council budget.

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. entered the meeting at 10:21 A.M. (8)*****

NAID SECURITY: Everett Armstrong stated the Tribe needs additional security for NAID.

Kenneth Bird, B.I.A. Superintendent, stated there will need to be an email sent to the Regional B.I.A. Office requesting additional support.

No action.

ELECTION BOARD: Steve Fenner, Election Board Chairman, stated the Board is requesting to utilize the Multipurpose Building for the 2024 Inauguration on July 11, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

It was the consensus of the BTBC to hold the 2024 Inauguration Ceremony at the Multipurpose Building.

BCC: Betty Mathews, Blackfeet Community College, was present at the meeting to request BTBC action.

AUTHORIZING BETTY MATTHEWS OF THE BLACKFEET COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NATIVE AMERICAN CENTER FOR HEALTH (NARCH): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution {#451-2024} to authorize Betty Mathews of the Blackfeet Community College to submit a Grant Application to the Native American Center for Health (NARCH). Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

DAVID ROUNDINE/BUFFALO HIDE HORSEMANSHIP: David Roundine, Buffalo Hide Horsemanship, was present at the meeting to request financial assistance for portable corrals.

Iliff Kipp Sr. stated the BTBC is unable to make decisions on Financial Requests until after Inauguration.

Shelly Hall requested Mr. Roundine be placed on the next Finance Committee Meeting Agenda.

Paulette Butterfly, Planning Director, stated Behavioral Health received a large Grant pertaining to Equestrian Therapy and encouraged Mr. Roundine to reach out to the Program.

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. left the meeting at 10:50 A.M. (7)*****

CULTURE & HOPE: Amber Williamson, Culture & Hope, was present at the meeting to discuss the scheduling of the Crisis Coalition Meetings. No action.

WATER DEPT. UPDATE: KWebb Galbreath, Water Department Director, was present at the meeting to update the BTBC. No action.

RECESS: The meeting recessed at 11:36 A.M.

RECONVENE: The meeting reconvened at 12:39 P.M. with the following members present to constitute a quorum of six (6) members:

Iliff Kipp Sr.
Shelly Hall

Patrick Armstrong Jr.
Marvin Weatherwax Jr.

Robert DesRosier
Everett Armstrong

CONFIDENTIAL LEGAL ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): A confidential legal action was taken.

*****Virgil Last Star entered the meeting at 1:00 P.M. (7)*****

HONORARY COUNCIL BUDGET (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion. No action.

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. entered the meeting at 1:07 P.M. (8)*****

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. left the meeting at 1:10 P.M. (7)*****

TRIBAL HEALTH UPDATE (CLOSED SESSION): Garland Stiffarm, Tribal Health CEO, was present at the meeting to update the BTBC. No action.

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. entered the meeting at 1:28 P.M. (8)*****

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#454-2024}

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#437-2024}

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#438-2024}

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#439-2024}

*****Everett Armstrong left the meeting at 2:14 P.M. (7)*****

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#501-2024}

*****Everett Armstrong entered the meeting at 2:17 P.M. (8)*****

AMENDING ACTION TAKEN ON MAY 16, 2024 APPROVING SEVERANCE PAY FOR OUTGOING BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL MEMBERS 2024 (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#444-2024} to amend Action taken on May 16, 2024 to approve a Severance Pay for each outgoing Council Member, to be paid out of Buildings and General. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried with a vote of five (5) FOR; three (3) ABSTAIN, Marvin Weatherwax Jr., Virgil Last Star and Robert DesRosier. (5-0-3) (8)

RECESS: The meeting recessed at 2:25 P.M. (8)

RECONVENE: The meeting reconvened at 3:40 P.M. with the following members present to constitute a quorum of seven (7) members:

Iliff Kipp Sr.
Thomas Rutherford Jr.
Everett Armstrong

Patrick Armstrong Jr.
Shelly Hall

Robert DesRosier
Virgil Last Star

APPROVING SOLE SOURCE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT WITH OUTLAW FENCING FOR CHARGING HOME STAMPEDE PARK (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. reads the Resolution.

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. entered the meeting at 3:45 P.M. (8)*****

Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution {#432-2024} to approve a Sole Source Professional Service Contract with Outlaw Fencing for Charging Home Stampede Park. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR 2024 HEART BUTTE INDIAN DAYS (CLOSED SESSION): Virgil Last Star made a motion by Resolution {#500-2024} to approve a budget amendment for the 2024 Heart Butte Indian Days in the amount of \$105,000.00 to be paid out of Buildings and General. Second by Patrick Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

APPROVING PROPOSAL WITH ADP TO PROVIDE PAYROLL SERVICES FOR THE BLACKFEET TRIBE (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#442-2024} to approve a Proposal with ADP to provide Payroll Services for the Blackfeet Tribe. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

PERSONNEL ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding a personnel issue. No action.

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#443-2024A}

CONFIDENTIAL LAND ACTION (CLOSED SESSION): A confidential land action was taken.

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APPROVING 6-3-24 LAND BOARD MINUTES (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion to approve the June 3, 2024 Land Board Minutes; with the amendment of a Commercial Lease. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried with a vote of five (5) FOR; two (2) ABSTAIN, Patrick Armstrong Jr., Everett Armstrong; and, one (1) OPPOSED, Robert DesRosier. (5-2-1) (8) Excerpt {#E2024-97}

AMENDING RESOLUTION NOS. 375-2024 AND 492-2023 INCREASING CONSTRUCTION BUDGET FOR THE HEART BUTTE ARBOR TO INCLUDE THE TERO AND BEO EXPENSES TO THE BLACKFEET TRIBE (CLOSED SESSION): Virgil Last Star made a motion by Resolution {#375-2024A} to amend Resolution numbers 375-2024 & 492-2023 to increase the construction budget for the Heart Butte Arbor to include the TERO & BEO expenses to the Blackfeet Tribe. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

*****Robert DesRosier entered the meeting at 4:44 P.M. (8)*****

AUTHORIZING THE BLACKFEET PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR A GRANT ENTITLED “NATIVE PUBLIC HEALTH RESILIENCE” (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution {#440-2024} to authorize the Blackfeet Public Health Service Department to apply for a Grant entitled “Native Public Health Resilience”. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

APPROVING SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT WITH MOUNTAIN PACIFIC QUALITY HEALTH FOUNDATION FOR BLACKFEET TRIBE STRATEGIC HEALTH PLANNING (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve a Sole Source Contract with Mountain Pacific Quality Health Foundation for Blackfeet Tribe Strategic Health Planning. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 149-2024 UPDATING TERMS TO THE WILDERNESS MEDICAL STAFFING FOR BLACKFEET TRIBAL HEALTH

(CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#149-2024A} to update the Terms to the Wilderness Medical Staffing for Blackfeet Tribal Health. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

APPROVING RESIDENTIAL LEASE WITH BC RENTALS FOR HOUSING FOR ROTATING MEDICAL PROVIDERS FOR SOUTHERN PIEGAN HEALTH FACILITY

(CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#435-2024} to approve a Residential Lease with BC Rentals for housing for rotating medical providers for Southern Piegan Health Facility. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

APPROVING TITLE VI PLAN FOR THE BLACKFEET TRANSIT PROGRAM

(CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution {#445-2024} to approve the Title VI Plan for the Blackfeet Transit Program. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

APPROVING SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE WITH ADVANCED TELEMETRY SYSTEMS FOR BUFFALO COLLARS FOR THE BLACKFEET FISH AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT UNDER THE GUARDIANS PROJECT (CLOSED SESSION):

Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve a Sole Source Purchase with Advanced Telemetry Systems for buffalo collars for the Blackfeet Fish and Wildlife Department under the Guardians Project. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

APPROVING SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE WITH RECONYX, INC. FOR WILDLIFE CAMERA SYSTEM FOR THE MOOSE STUDY UNDER BLACKFEET FISH AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT (CLOSED SESSION):

Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#447-2024} to approve a Sole Source Purchase with Reconyx, Inc. for wildlife camera system for the moose study under the Blackfeet Fish and Wildlife Department. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

APPROVING SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT WITH GILHAM CONSTRUCTION FOR BABB HEAD START CENTER FOR BUILDING REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE

(CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#434-2024} to approve a Sole Source Contract with Gilham Construction for Babb Head Start Center for building repairs and maintenance. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried unanimously. (8)

*****Virgil Last Star left the meeting at 5:05 P.M. (7)*****

APPROVING SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT FOR VENDOR K12 MONTANA TO INSTALL SECURITY SYSTEM AT BLACKFEET EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#436-2024} to approve a Sole Source Contract for vendor K12 Montana to install a Security System at Blackfeet Early Childhood Center. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

TRIBAL INSURANCE POLICY (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion. No action.

*****Everett Armstrong left the meeting at 5:13 P.M. (6)*****

APPROVING SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT FOR THE BUFFALO BULL LODGE CONSTRUCTION WITH ED KENNEDY AND ASSOCIATES, LLC (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#441-2024} to approve a Sole Source Contract for the Buffalo Bull Lodge construction with Ed Kennedy and Associates, LLC. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried with a vote of four (4) FOR; two (2) OPPOSED, Thomas Rutherford Jr. & Shelly Hall. (4-2) (6)

APPROVING PROJECT MANAGER FOR MONTANA HISTORICAL PRESERVATION GRANT MT-MHPG-CG-25-043 (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#448-2024} to approve the Project Manager for Montana Historical Preservation Grant. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

PROSECUTION UPDATE (CLOSED SESSION): Dawn Gray, Attorney General, provided an update regarding prosecution. No action.

PERSONNEL ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding personnel issues.

APPROVING LEASE AGREEMENT FOR BLACKFEET MANPOWER TO LEASE BUILDING FROM NEIL AND APRIL BARTELSON FOR YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAM (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve a Lease Agreement for Blackfeet ManPower to lease a building from Neil and April Bartelson for Youth Services Program. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#499-2024}

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. left the meeting at 5:50 P.M. (6)*****

EFFORTS IN WASHINGTON D.C. (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding the continuation of Tribal efforts in Washington D.C. No action.

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. entered the meeting at 6:13 P.M. (7)*****

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS (CLOSED SESSION): A confidential personnel action was taken.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT FINANCE MONITOR (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion to appoint the Planning Department Finance Monitor.


Discussion.

Shelly Hall WITHDREW her motion.

ADJOURNMENT: Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion to Adjourn. Second by Marvin Weatherwax Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7) The meeting Adjourned at 6:47 P.M.

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APPROVED:



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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION
TRIBAL CONFERENCE ROOM
JULY 1, 2024
9:53 A.M.**

Acting Vice-Chairman Robert DesRosier called the meeting to order and Secretary Patrick Armstrong Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of six (6) members:

Robert DesRosier
Shelly Hall

Patrick Armstrong Jr.
Marvin Weatherwax Jr.

Thomas Rutherford Jr.
Everett Armstrong

INVOCATION: Patrick Armstrong Jr. gave the prayer.

MT INDIAN VOTE: Patrick Yawakie, Montana Indian Vote Senior Advisor, Tyanna Bostwick and Derek Meneike were present at the meeting.

Patrick Yawakie provided an update regarding voting. No action.

*****Iliff Kipp Sr. entered the meeting at 10:10 A.M. (7)*****

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#457-2024}

APPROVING A \$20,000.00 REIMBURSEMENT FOR INII DAYS TO THE BUFFALO PROGRAM (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#458-2024} to approve a \$20,000.00 reimbursement for Inii Days to the Buffalo Program. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING TRIBAL FUNDS FOR MMIP BUILDING (HERITAGE CENTER) REPAIRS (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution to approve \$12,000.00 for the MMIP Building (Heritage Center) repairs. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING TRIBAL FUNDS FOR OLD EAGLE SHIELDS BUILDING REPAIRS (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution to approve \$45,000.00 for the Old Eagle Shields building repairs. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR INTERNAL AFFAIRS (2024): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#459-2024} to approve a Budget Amendment in the amount of \$51,000.00, to be determined by the Treasurer. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried with a vote of six (6) FOR; one (1) OPPOSED. (6-1) (7)

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#460-2024}

HEART BUTTE STORE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding the construction of the Heart Butte Store. No action.

SOFT BALL FIELD (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding the Soft Ball Field. No action.

APPROVING A FY 2024 BUDGET FOR CARNIVAL FEES FOR YOUTH DURING NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN DAYS (CLOSED SESSION): Marvin Weatherwax Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#461-2024} to approve a Budget in the amount of \$35,000.00 from the buildings and general budget for Carnival Fees for youth during North American Indian Days. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING PURCHASE OF CIVIC CASE AND CIVIC DOCS SYSTEMS FOR PROSECUTION SERVICES (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve the purchase in the amount of \$40,000.00 for start up costs and an annual amount of \$9,600.00 to be paid from buildings and general. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#463-2024}

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. left the meeting at 11:00 A.M. (6)*****

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#443-2024A}

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL ACTION (CLOSED SESSION): A personnel action was taken.

RISING WOLF OUTFITTERS (CLOSED SESSION): Nicole Edwards, Rising Wolf Outfitters, was present at the meeting to discuss issues regarding Tribal Programs.

Kalsey Carlson, Tribal Administrator, stated there will be a meeting set up with Ms. Edwards and the appropriate Tribal Programs.

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. entered the meeting at 11:37 A.M. (7)*****

NAID COMMITTEE (CLOSED SESSION): Tylee Wellman and Rose Bird Rattler, NAID Committee, were present at the meeting to request BTBC action.

APPROVING SOLE SOURCE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR HEAVY DUTY LIVESTOCK PANELS FOR CHARGING HOME STAMPEDE PARK (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#464-2024} to approve a Sole Source Professional Service Contract for heavy duty livestock panels for Charging Home Stampede Park. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF BLACKFEET LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES: UNIFORM POLICE, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND DISPATCH P.L. 93-638 SELF-DETERMINATION CONTRACT FISCAL YEAR 2025 A22AV00074 (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#465-2024} to authorize the renewal of Blackfeet Law Enforcement Services: Uniform Police, Telecommunications and Dispatch P.L. 93-638 Self Determination Contract FY 2025. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. left the meeting at 12:02 P.M. (6)*****

APPROVING THE FY 2025 RESOURCE AND INVENTORY MONITORING PROGRAM P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#466-2024} to approve the Fiscal Year 2025 Resource and Inventory Monitoring Program P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING THE FY 2025 BLACKFEET BEAR CONFLICT PREVENTION PROJECT P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution {#467-2024} to approve the Fiscal Year 2025 Blackfeet Bear Conflict Prevention Project P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FY 2025 OPERATIONS, MAINTENANCE AND FUNCTIONS FOR THE BLACKFEET BOARDING DORMITORY (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution {#468-2024} to approve the Fiscal Year 2025 Operations, Maintenance and Functions for the Blackfeet Boarding Dormitory. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FY 2025 CHIEF MOUNTAIN HOT SHOT PROGRAM P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#469-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Chief Mountain Hot Shot Program P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FY 2025 COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution {#470-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Community Fire Protection P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FY 2025 BLACKFEET TRIBAL COURT OF APPEALS P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution {#471-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Blackfeet Tribal Court of Appeals P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FY 2025 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution {#472-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Economic Development P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FY 2025 BLACKFEET FISH AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#473-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Blackfeet Fish and Wildlife Management Program P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FY 2025 FIRE MANAGEMENT P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#474-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Fire Management P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FY 2025 FOREST MANAGEMENT P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#475-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Forest Management P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. entered the meeting at 12:17 P.M. (7)*****

APPROVING FY 2025 HIGHER EDUCATION P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#476-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Higher Education P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING FY 2025 HOME IMPROVEMENT P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#477-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Home Improvement P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. left the meeting at 12:20 P.M. (6)*****

APPROVING FY 2025 JOHNSON-O'MALLEY PROGRAM P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#478-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Johnson-O'Malley Program P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. entered the meeting at 12:23 P.M. (7)*****

APPROVING FY 2025 BLACKFEET NATIVE FISH ASSESSMENT AND RECOVERY PROJECT P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#479-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Blackfeet Native Fish Assessment and Recovery Project P.L. 93-638. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING FY 2025 BLACKFEET TRIBAL COURT P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#506-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Blackfeet Tribal Court P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. left the meeting at 12:27 P.M. (6)*****

APPROVING FY 2025 BLACKFEET TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE TO SUBMIT A P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT FOR THE BLACKFEET REGISTRY OF TRIBAL CULTURAL PROPERTIES AND GIS MAPPING OF REGISTRY FINDS (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution {#480-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Blackfeet Tribal Historic Preservation Office to submit a P.L. 93-638 Contract for the Blackfeet Registry of Tribal Cultural Properties and GIS mapping of Registry Finds. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FY 2025 BLACKFEET THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES PROGRAM P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#481-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Blackfeet Threatened and Endangered Species Program P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. entered the meeting at 12:29 P.M. (7)*****

APPROVING FY 2025 BLACKFEET TRIBAL YOUTH TRADITIONAL HARVEST PROJECT P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution {#482-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Blackfeet Tribal Youth Traditional Harvest Project P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING FY 2025 WATER RESOURCES P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#483-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Water Resources P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING FY 2025 WATER MEASUREMENT (HYDROLOGY) P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#484-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Water Measurement (Hydrology) P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING FY 2025 WATER RIGHTS NEGOTIATION P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#485-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Water Rights Negotiation P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING FY 2025 SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAM P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#486-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Social Services Program P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FY 2025 NURTURING CENTER PROGRAM P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#487-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Nurturing Center Program P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FY 2025 ICWA P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#488-2024} to approve the FY 2025 ICWA P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FY 2025 METH INITIATIVE PROGRAM P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#489-2024} to approve the FY 2025 Meth Initiative Program P.L. 93-638 Contract. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR WITH K BAR K TRUCKING & CONSTRUCTION, LLC FOR THE HEART BUTTE WATER TANK (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#505-2024} to approve an Agreement between Owner and Contractor with K Bar K Trucking & Construction, LLC for the Heart Butte Water Tank. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING TASK ORDER #2024-02 FOR THE “BROWNING LAGOON UPGRADES” BETWEEN THE BLACKFEET WATER DEPARTMENT AND HDR ENGINEERING (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#490-2024} to approve Task Order #2024-02 for the “Browning Lagoon Upgrades” between the Blackfeet Water Department and HDR Engineering. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING TASK ORDER NUMBER 24-11-1-02-021-0 FOR THE TRIBAL HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#491-2024} to approve Task Order Number 24-11-1-02-021-0 for the Tribal Health Improvement Program. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#492-2024}

APPROVING GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLYING TO BLACKFEET TRIBAL MEMBERS PREFERENTIAL RIGHT TO MEET OR EXCEED HIGH BID ON ALLOTTED TRACTS PURSUANT TO BLACKFEET TRIBAL RESOLUTION NO. 341-2022 BLACKFEET AGRICULTURE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN (ARMP) (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution {#493-2024} to approve General Provisions applying to Blackfeet Tribal Members Preferential Right to meet or exceed high bid on Allotted Tracts pursuant to Blackfeet Tribal Resolution No. 341-2022 Blackfeet Agriculture Resource Management Plan (ARMP). Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING 4E TASK ORDER FOR BLACKFEET FAMILY SERVICES (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution to approve a 4E Task Order for Blackfeet Family Services. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

PLACING TRIBAL RETIREMENT PLANS UNDER JOHN HANCOCK (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution to place Tribal Retirement Plans under John Hancock. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

AMENDING ORDINANCE #73 REGULATION AND CONTROL OF LIQUOR, REGARDING RETAIL HOURS DURING K-12 SCHOOL YEAR (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution {#504-2024} to Amend Ordinance #73 Regulation and Control of Liquor regarding Retail Hours during K-12 School Year.

From 8:00 A.M. to 5 P.M. of each day of the K-12 school year within the Blackfeet Reservation.

Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. left the meeting at 2:10 P.M. (5)*****

PERSONNEL ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding a personnel issue. No action.

LAND PURCHASES (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion. No action.

ADJOURNMENT: The Meeting Adjourned at 2:35 P.M. (5)

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APPROVED:



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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION
TRIBAL CONFERENCE ROOM
JULY 2, 2024
12:58 P.M.**

Acting Vice-Chairman Robert DesRosier called the meeting to order and Secretary Patrick Armstrong Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of six (6) members:

Robert DesRosier
Shelly Hall

Patrick Armstrong Jr.
Marvin Weatherwax Jr.

Thomas Rutherford Jr.
Everett Armstrong

WAIVER/48-HOUR NOTICE (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion to Waive the 48-Hour Notice of Meeting. Second by Marvin Weatherwax Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING EQUAL WAGE RATE FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS UNDER P.L. 93-638 CONTRACTS TO BE SET AT A BASE RATE (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve an equal Wage Rate for all Administrative Assistants under P.L. 93-638 Contracts to begin at a Tribal Grade of 14, beginning Fiscal Year 2025. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

ASSIGNING THE STICK GAME ARBOR FOR NOVEMBER 5, 2024 ELECTIONS (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion to assign the Stick Game Arbor for November 5, 2024 Elections. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

ASSIGNING THE WHITE BUFFALO HOME FACILITY TO THE BLACKFEET FAMILY COURTS (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion to assign the White Buffalo Home Facility to the Blackfeet Family Courts and the utilities shall continue to be paid until the Programs are able to properly budget for such costs. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

LAUNDROMAT LEASE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding the Laundromat Lease. The issue will be addressed in the next Land Board Meeting.

LAND ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding a land issue. No action.

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. left the meeting at 1:40 P.M. (5)*****

*****Everett Armstrong left the meeting at 1:40 P.M. (4)*****

ADJOURNMENT: The Meeting a Adjourned at 1:41 P.M.

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APPROVED:



Patrick D. Armstrong Jr., Secretary
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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION
TRIBAL CONFERENCE ROOM
JULY 8, 2024
11:26 A.M.**

Chairman Iliff Kipp Sr. called the meeting to order and Secretary Patrick Armstrong Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of six (6) members:

**Iliff Kipp Sr.
Robert DesRosier**

**Patrick Armstrong Jr.
Shelly Hall**

**Thomas Rutherford Jr.
Everett Armstrong**

INVOCATION: John Murray gave the prayer.

DECLARING STATE OF EMERGENCY ON THE BLACKFEET RESERVATION DUE TO THE ST. MARY'S WATER SIPHON BREAK (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution to declare a State of Emergency on the Blackfeet Reservation due to the St. Mary's Water Siphon Break. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING AMENDMENT TO PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES REGARDING NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN DAYS AND HEART BUTTE INDIAN DAYS HOLIDAYS (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#509-2024} to approve Amendment to the Blackfeet Tribal Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual by including Monday for North American Indian Days and Heart Butte Indian Days closures:

**North American Indian Days (2nd Thursday of July through Monday)
Heart Butte Indian Days (2nd Thursday of August through Monday)**

Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL AND GLACIER COUNTY SHERIFF AND GLACIER COUNTY DEPUTIES AS POLICE OFFICERS OF THE BLACKFEET TRIBE DURING NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN DAYS AND HEART BUTTE INDIAN DAYS POWWOWS (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution to approve the submission of Memorandum of Agreement between the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council and Glacier County Sheriff and Glacier County Deputies as Police Officers of the Blackfeet Tribe during North American Indian Days and Heart Butte Indian Days Powwows. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. entered the meeting at 12:05 P.M. (7)*****

TRIBAL HISTORICAL PRESERVATION OFFICE/CHIEF MOUNTAIN (CLOSED SESSION): John Murray, THPO Director and Gheri Hall, THPO Deputy Director, were present at the meeting to Chief Mountain access.

Lengthy discussion.

*****Marvin Weatherwax Jr. left the meeting at 1:00 P.M. (6)*****

TEMPORARILY CLOSING CHIEF MOUNTAIN UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution {#510-2024} to temporarily close Chief Mountain until regulations are approved; and, THPO shall have the authority to authorize persons to utilize the area for cultural/traditional/ceremonial purposes during the temporary closure. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried with a vote of four (4) FOR; two (2) OPPOSED, Thomas Rutherford Jr. & Shelly Hall. (4-2) (6)

APPROVING OFFICE SPACE FOR BLACKFOOT CONFEDERACY (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion by Resolution to approve office space for the Blackfoot Confederacy in the Buffalo Bull Lodge. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING OFFICE SPACE FOR ECO-KNOWLEDGE (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution to approve office space for Eco-Knowledge in the Buffalo Bull Lodge. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

REQUESTING GLACIER NATIONAL PARK TO CLOSE ACCESS TO CHIEF MOUNTAIN FROM THE PARK BOUNDARY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution to request Glacier National Park to close access to Chief Mountain from the Park boundary until further notice. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF 4H LIVESTOCK DURING 2024 NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN DAYS (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution to approve \$15,000.00 for the purchase of 4H livestock during 2024 North American Indian Days. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (6)
REVENUE UPDATE (CLOSED SESSION): Lydia Spotted Eagle, Revenue Department Director, was present at the meeting to update the BTBC. No action.

AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 269-2024 CLARIFYING BUDGET START DATE FOR SERGEANT AT ARMS FOR FY 2024 ON OCTOBER 1, 2023 (CLOSED SESSION): Robert DesRosier made a motion by Resolution to Amend Resolution No. 269-2024 to clarify budget start day for Sergeant at Arms for FY 2024 on October 1, 2023. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING COMMERCIAL LEASE (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution to approve a Commercial Lease. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

AMENDING ACTION TAKEN ON JULY 1, 2024 AMENDING ORDINANCE #73 REGULATION AND CONTROL OF LIQUOR TO INCLUDE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATIONS, HIGH SCHOOL PROMS AND BLACKFEET COMMUNITY COLLEGE GRADUATION (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution to amend action taken on July 1, 2024 Amending Ordinance #73 Regulation and Control of Liquor to include closure of alcohol sales from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 A.M. (all day) on High School Graduations, High School Proms and Blackfeet Community College Graduation. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING COMMERCIAL LEASE WITH SWEET GRASS PROPERTY SOLUTIONS, LLC FOR SOUTHERN PIEGAN HEALTH CENTER (CLOSED SESSION): Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution to approve a Commercial Lease with Sweet Grass Property Solutions, LLC for Southern Piegan Health Center. Second by Robert DesRosier. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING BAN OF FIREWORKS AFTER THE FOURTH OF JULY (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution to ban Fireworks on the Blackfeet Reservation after the Fourth of July, beginning in 2025. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

ADJOURNMENT: Robert DesRosier made a Motion to Adjourn. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6) The Meeting at Adjourned at 2:09 P.M.

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APPROVED:



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**MINUTES OF THE
45th
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
INAUGURATION
SPECIAL SESSION
MULTIPURPOSE BUILDING
JULY 11, 2024
10:20 A.M.**

Master of Ceremony (MC) is Kevin Kicking Women.

Procession into the Multipurpose Building by Blackfeet Veteran Honor Guard brings in outgoing, present and incoming Blackfeet Tribal Business Council members and singing/drumming was performed by Young Grey Horse.

The Invocation was delivered by Father Rod Ermatinger and a traditional Invocation was delivered by Blackfeet Elder Marvin Weatherwax Sr.

Kevin Kicking Women introduced Outgoing, Ongoing and Incoming BTBC Members.

Comments were made by each Council Member.

Chairman Iliiff Kipp Sr. officially declared the 2022-2024 Term ended.

Kevin Kicking Women introduced the 2024 Election Board Members; Steve Fenner, Vera Weaselhead, Karen Davis, Gabriel "Sam" Grant and Gerald "Chee Chee" Whiteman Sr.

OATH: Kevin Kicking Women introduced Mistee Ridesatthedoor, Blackfeet Tribal Court Judge, who administered the Oath of Office to Rodney "Minnow" Gervais Jr., Cleo Main, Kristy Salway Bullshoe & Michael Comes at Night. The Election Board Members witnessed the signing of the Oath of Office.

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN: Kevin Kicking Women called the Special Session Meeting to order and called for nominations for Chairman. Kristy Salway Bullshoe nominated Cleo Main, Everett Armstrong Nominated Patrick Armstrong Jr. and Shelly Hall Nominated Rodney Gervais Jr. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Votes were cast by secret ballot. There was a revote due to ties. **Rodney “Minnow” Gervais Jr. is the Chairman of the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council.**

OFFICE OF THE VICE-CHAIRMAN: Michael Comes At Night, Everett Armstrong and Shelly Hall were nominated for Vice-Chairman. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Votes were cast by secret ballot. There was a revote due to ties. **Shelly Hall is the Vice-Chairman of the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council.**

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY: Patrick Armstrong Jr., Thomas Rutherford Jr., Kristy Salway Bullshoe and Michael Comes At Night were nominated for Secretary. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. **Patrick Armstrong Jr. is the Secretary of the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council.**

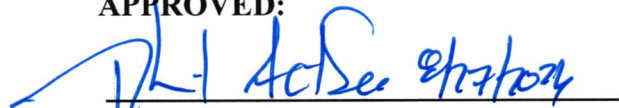
Rodney “Minnow” Gervais Jr. called for a motion to Certify the 2024-2028 Election and Officers.

Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution {#515-2024} to approve the Certification for the 45th Term of the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (9)

ADJOURNMENT: The Meeting at Adjourned at 11:11 A.M.

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APPROVED:



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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION
GLACIER PEAKS CASINO
CONFERENCE ROOM
JULY 16, 2024
2:35 P.M.**

Chairman Rodney Gervais Jr. called the meeting to order and Secretary Patrick Armstrong Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of six (6) members:

Rodney Gervais Jr.
Thomas Rutherford Jr.
Everett Armstrong

Shelly Hall
Iliff Kipp Sr.
Kristy Bullshoe

Patrick Armstrong Jr.
Cleo Main
Michael Comes At Night

WAIVER/48-HOUR NOTICE (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion to Waive the 48-Hour Notice of Meeting. Second by Kristy Bullshoe. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPOINTING COUNCIL COMMITTEES LIST AND OUTSIDE ORGANIZATION APPOINTMENTS FOR THE 45TH TERM OF THE BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL (CLOSED SESSION): Kristy Bullshoe made a motion by Resolution {#516-2024} to appoint the Council Committees List and Outside Organization Appointments for the 45th Term of the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council. Second by Michael Comes At Night. (6)

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS (CLOSED SESSION): Confidential personnel actions were taken.

APARTMENT FIRE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding an apartment fire. No action.

APPROVING SIGNATORY AUTHORITY OF THE 45TH BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR TRIBAL BANK ACCOUNTS (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by separate Resolutions to approve Signatory Authority of the 45th BTBC Executive Committee for Native American Bank, First Interstate Bank and Stockman Bank. Second by Michael Comes At Night. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING SIGNATORY AUTHORITY OF THE 45TH BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR THE BLACKFEET TRIBE'S SELF INSURANCE ACCOUNTS AT NATIVE AMERICAN BANK (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#524-2024} to approve Signatory Authority of the 45th BTBC Executive Committee for the Blackfeet Tribe's Self Insurance Accounts at Native American Bank. Second by Kristy Bullshoe. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

ORIENTATION (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion. No action.

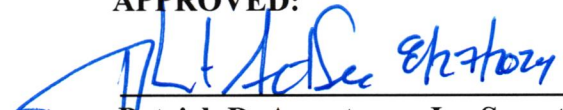
SMITH RANCH (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion. No action.

APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR IT DEPARTMENT (CLOSED SESSION): Kristy Bullshoe made a motion by Resolution {#521-2024} to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$30,000.00 from the buildings and general budget for the IT Department. Second by Michael Comes At Night. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

ADJOURNMENT: Cleo Main made a Motion to Adjourn. Second by Kristy Bullshoe. Motion carried unanimously. (6) The Meeting at Adjourned at 4:07 P.M.

erc

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Michael J. Comes at Night

**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION
TRIBAL CONFERENCE ROOM
JULY 17, 2024
3:53 P.M.**

Chairman Rodney Gervais Jr. called the meeting to order and Acting Secretary Thomas Rutherford Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of seven (7) members:

Rodney Gervais Jr.
Iloff Kipp Sr.

Shelly Hall
Michael Comes At Night

Thomas Rutherford Jr.
Cleo Main

48-HOUR NOTICE: Kristy Bullshoe made a motion to Waive the 48-Hour Notice of Meeting. Second by Michael Comes At Night. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#525-2024}

REFFIRMING/AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 269-2024 CLARIFYING SERGEANT AT ARMS BUDGET START DATE FOR FY 2024 ON OCTOBER 1, 2023 (CLOSED SESSION): Iliff Kipp Sr. made a motion by Resolution {#269-2024A} to Amend Resolution No. 269-2024 clarifying Sergeant at Arms budget start date for FY 2024 on October 1, 2023. Second by Cleo Main. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

APPROVING AUTHORIZATION FORM TO INITIATE DISBURSEMENTS AND RECEIVE INFORMATION ON TRIBAL ACCOUNTS WITH THE BUREAU OF TRUST FUNDS ADMINISTRATION (2024) (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#527-2024} to approve the Authorization Form to initiate Disbursements and receive information on Tribal Accounts with the Bureau of Trust Funds Administration. Second by Michael Comes at Night. Motion carried unanimously. (7)

*****Cleo Main left the meeting at 4:15 P.M. (6)*****

LAW ENFORCEMENT UPDATE (CLOSED SESSION): Misty Keller, BLES Chief of Police; and Maurice Redhorn Sr., Glacier County Sheriff, were present at the meeting to update the BTBC. No action.

*****Cleo Main entered the meeting at 4:30 P.M. (7)*****

LAW ENFORCEMENT (CON'T.) (CLOSED SESSION): Further discussion. **No action.**

*****Iliff Kipp Sr. left the meeting at 4:41 P.M. (6)*****

BLACKFEET TRIBAL COURT (CLOSED SESSION): Bryan Dupois, Tribal Court Chief Judge and Sampson Juneau, Family Court Judge were present at the meeting to update the BTBC. No action.

RECESS: The meeting recessed at 5:20 P.M.

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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION
TRIBAL CONFERENCE ROOM
JULY 18, 2024
2:53**

The following were present to constitute a quorum of six (6) members:

Rodney Gervais Jr.
Kristy Bullshoe

Shelly Hall
Michael Comes At Night

Thomas Rutherford Jr.
Cleo Main

APPROVING PROPERTY INSURANCE COVERAGE WITH AMERIND RISK FOR 2024-2025 (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution {#526-2024} to approve Property Insurance Coverage with Amerind Risk for 2024-2025. Second by Cleo Main. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

REZ MONKEYS (CLOSED SESSION): discussion. No action.

*****Thomas Rutherford Jr. left the meeting at 3:24 P.M. (5)*****

RECESS: The meeting recessed at 3:25 P.M. (5)

erc

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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION
TRIBAL CONFERENCE ROOM
JULY 19, 2024
9:21 A.M.**

Chairman Rodney Gervais Jr. called the meeting to order and Acting Secretary Thomas Rutherford Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of six (6) members:

**Rodney Gervais Jr.
Kristy Bullshoe**

**Shelly Hall
Michael Comes At Night**

**Thomas Rutherford Jr.
Cleo Main**

INVOCATION: Kristy Bullshoe gave the prayer.

LAND DEPARTMENT (CLOSED SESSION): Bill Old Chief, Land Department Director; Shonnie Gilham, and Robert Crawford were present at the meeting to update the BTBC.

APPROVING P.L. 93-638 CONTRACT PROPOSAL FOR PROSECUTION (CLOSED SESSION): Michael Comes At Night made a motion by Resolution to approve a P.L. 93-638 Contract Proposal for Prosecution. Second by Thomas Rutherford Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

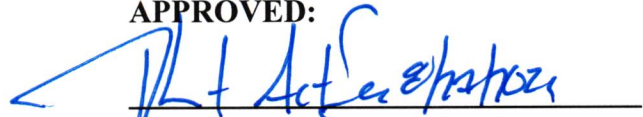
APPROVING OWNER'S USE (CLOSED SESSION): Resolution {#528-2024}

JUNE 15, 2024 LAND BOARD MINUTES (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion. No action.

ADJOURNMENT: Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a Motion to Adjourn. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried unanimously. (6) The Meeting at Adjourned at 10:44 A.M.

erc

APPROVED:



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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION
TRIBAL CONFERENCE ROOM
JULY 23, 2024
1:37 P.M.**

Chairman Rodney Gervais Jr. called the meeting to order and Acting Secretary Thomas Rutherford Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of six (6) members:

**Rodney Gervais Jr.
Iloff Kipp Sr.**

**Shelly Hall
Kristy Bullshoe**

**Thomas Rutherford Jr.
Everett Armstrong**

WAIVER/48-HOUR NOTICE (CLOSED SESSION): Iliff Kipp Sr. made a motion to Waive the 48-Hour Notice of Meeting. Second by Kristy Bullshoe. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

AUTHORIZING THE AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR A USDA PLANT PEST DISEASE MANAGEMENT GRANT (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion by Resolution to approve the Agriculture Department to apply for a USDA Plant Pest Disease Management Grant. Second by Kristy Bullshoe. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

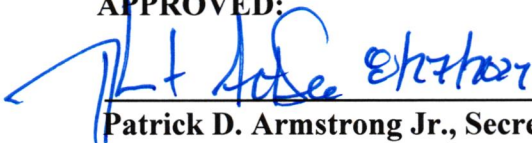
APPOINTING REPRESENTATIVES TO THE NORTHERN PLAINS TRIBAL SOLAR FOR ALL COALITION (CLOSED SESSION): Thomas Rutherford Jr. made a motion by Resolution to appoint Gerald Wagner and Termaine Edmo to the Northern Plains Tribal Solar of All Coalition. Second by Everett Armstrong. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

PERSONNEL EXCERPT (CLOSED SESSION): Excerpt {#E2024-102}

ADJOURNMENT: Kristy Bullshoe made a Motion to Adjourn. Second by Iliff Kipp Sr. Motion carried unanimously. (6) The Meeting at Adjourned at 2:00 P.M.

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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
GENERAL SESSION
TRIBAL CONFERENCE ROOM
AUGUST 1, 2024
9:33 A.M.**

Chairman Rodney Gervais Jr. called the meeting to order and Secretary Patrick Armstrong Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of seven (7) members:

**Rodney Gervais Jr.
Cleo Main
Michael Comes At Night**

**Shelly Hall
Kristy Bullshoe**

**Patrick Armstrong Jr.
Everett Armstrong**

INVOCATION: Wilma Manywhitehorses gave the prayer.

CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE: Rodney Gervais Jr. stated there has been \$13.9-\$14 million invested in the Multipurpose Building (Arbor) and construction will not be completed until November, a thorough expenditure report will be distributed to the public.

There will be a new timekeeping system implemented within Tribal Programs, ADP, which will be utilized in approximately two months.

The Medicine Bear Shelter has been having issues with the building and repairs will be made.

The Tribe received over \$2 million from the Opioid Litigation and discussion will be held as to where the funding will be utilized.

There will be a Tyler Childers concert and all ticket proceeds will be donated to Non-Profit Organizations on the Blackfeet Reservation.

BTBC UPDATES: Shelly Hall stated the Council approved a Resolution for an Annual Reservation cleanup and a fall cleanup will be scheduled.

Kristy Bullshoe, Law & Order Chair, stated there have been discussions to discuss how to combat the drug and alcohol problem on the Reservation. Programs will be collectively assisting BLES in regards to drug dealers.

Michael Comes At Night stated he has attended various meetings regarding the Wastewater Compact. Representative Zinke testified on a Bill sent to the Senate for \$250 million for wastewater management.

There was a Manpower Training for each Department to report on progress and areas for improvement.

There are efforts being made to open the Blackfeet Boarding Dorm 7 days a week. The Tribe will need to lobby the Bureau of Indian Education for funding.

Requests have been made to the Bureau of Indian Affairs to renovate the Corrections Facility. A new facility groundbreaking is scheduled for 2027.

Financial assistance for death and medical will be made accordingly and equally.

Cleo Main, HESS Vice-Chair, attended a meeting at the IHS to discuss issues regarding Contracts and the health of the Blackfeet people.

A walkthrough was done at the White Buffalo Home Facility, funding requests will be made to update the building to hold juveniles.

Everett Armstrong stated there will be a playground cleanup in Seville on August 2, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.

There will be new playground equipment placed in Communities on the Blackfeet Reservation.

The Splash Pad and playground equipment will be installed at All Chiefs Park soon.

Patrick Armstrong Jr. stated there has been discussions with the Blackfoot Confederacy regarding border crossing. Enhanced Photo ID's will soon improve border crossings.

Indian Relay will be a recognized sport in Canada, Mr. Armstrong would like Indian Relay to become a recognized sport in Montana.

During the 2024 North American Days, a traditional Split Horn warbonnet was returned to the Blackfeet People. The warbonnet was transferred to Craig Falcon.

BTBC UPDATES (CON'T.): Heart Butte Indian Days will be held in the old location, the new arbor will be utilized in 2025.

*****Iliff Kipp Sr. entered the meeting at 10:00 A.M. (8)*****

BTBC UPDATES (CON'T.): Iliff Kipp Sr. inquired if the BTBC appointed Committees. Rodney Gervais Jr. stated the list has been approved, but can be revisited.

Rodney Gervais Jr. stated the Land Department will be implementing a new database for all Tribal Land records.

HONORARY WOMEN'S COUNCIL: Wilma Manywhitehorses; Annie Vielle and Violet Provic, were present at the meeting to discuss representatives to attend Confederacy meetings, issues with camping spots at NAID (the Honorary Council recommended a Committee be appointed to address the issues), and issues with housing/roads.

Wilma Manywhitehorses inquired if there will be more Liquor Ordinance meetings. Everett Armstrong replied the BTBC approved amendments to Ordinance #73 that will be effective August 18th for alcohol closures from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for the K-12 school year.

There will also be further discussions to ban malt liquor (steel reserve drinks) on the Blackfeet Reservation.

HONORARY MEN'S COUNCIL: Bill Spotted Eagle; Bruce Schildt; Charles DeRoche and Kenneth Oscar, Honorary Men's Council Members, were present at the meeting to discuss an event for Economic Development.

Larry Reevis, Tribal Member, spoke more about the event.

RECOGNITION/TRIBAL EMPLOYEES: Various employees were given a Certification of Appreciation for efforts on the 4th of July Veteran's Powwow and NAID.

MADPLUME/BURD FAMILY-SUICIDE PREVENTION: The Burd/Madplume family was present at the meeting to discuss suicide prevention efforts, crisis intervention, the commitment order, IHS services, Tribal Court and BLES.

A meeting will be held on August 6th, 2024 at the Stick Game Arbor with all appropriate programs, community members and the BTBC to discuss suicide prevention and services offered.

*****Everett Armstrong left the meeting at 11:55 A.M. (7)*****

DAVID ROUNDINE/LAND ISSUE: David Roundine was present at the meeting to discuss utilization of an area near the water tower for equine therapy.

*****Everett Armstrong entered the meeting at 12:06 P.M. (8)*****

*****Iliff Kipp Sr. left the meeting at 12:13 P.M. (7)*****

DAVID ROUNDINE (CON'T.): further discussion with the Land Department. Mr. Roundine will be placed on the Land Board Meeting Agenda.

RECESS: The meeting recessed at 12:20 P.M. (7)

RECONVENE: The meeting reconvened at 1:03 P.M. with the following present to constitute a quorum of seven (7) members:

Rodney Gervais Jr.

Shelly Hall

Patrick Armstrong Jr.

Kristy Bullshoe

Everett Armstrong

Cleo Main

Mike Comes At Night

CAROL & GABRIEL "SAM" GRANT/NAID CAMPGROUNDS: Carol Grant, Gabriel "Sam" Grant, Leatha Kipp and Barbara Daychief were present at the meeting.

Barbara Daychief requested a special session meeting with the BTBC to discuss Enrollment.

Carol Grant stated construction of the new Multipurpose Building has affected existing family campsites, tipis and the grass.

Carol Grant there is an issue with a complaint being delivered to the Court. It was stated the complaint was delivered on August 7, 2024.

Rodney Gervais Jr. requested a written statement to be submitted to the BTBC regarding the placement of tipis and landscaping.

*****Iliff Kipp Sr. entered the meeting at 2:03 P.M. (8)*****

*****Rodney Gervais Jr. left the meeting at 2:07 P.M. (7)*****

BTBC MINUTES: Presented to the BTBC were the May, June and July Minutes.

The Minutes were TABLED, pending review.

ECO-KNOWLEDGE: Emmett Dusty Bull, Eco-Knowledge, was present at the meeting to invite the BTBC to a meeting at the Stick Game Arbor with the U.S Fish and Wildlife on August 26-30. Location will be determined at a later date.

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. left the meeting at 2:30 P.M. (6)*****

DEBBIE WHITEGRASS/BILLBOARD PICTURE: Debbie Whitegrass was present at the meeting to request permission to use the picture of a billboard for the Seven Directions Tool Kit.

Ms. Whitegrass was directed to speak with the Legal Department.

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. entered the meeting at 2:43 P.M. (7)**

SIYEH COMM: Jodi Carlson, Brian DeMarco and Dennis Fitzpatrick, Siy Comm, were present at the meeting to update the BTBC on construction of the fiber optic project. No action.

LAND ACQUISITIONS: Roberta Arnoux and Jessica Edwards, Land Acquisitions Program, were present at the meeting to present four (4) Resolutions.

The Resolutions will need to be reviewed by the Legal Department.

BILLBOARD PICTURE: Terydon Hall, Legal Assistant, stated use of the Billboard picture mentioned earlier in the meeting can be allowed by a Letter from the Chairman's Office as it is Public Domain.

*****Rodney Gervais Jr. entered the meeting at 3:49 P.M. (8)*****

HOMELAND SECURITY: Sarah Wolftail, Terrance Melton, Brittney Wolftail and Erica Edwards, Homeland Security Employees, were present at the meeting to provide an update to the BTBC. No action.

HONORING/CHERYL "KITTY" GOBERT FENNER: Cheryl "Kitty" Gobert Fenner was honored for years of service to the Tribe and retirement.

*****Iloff Kipp Sr. left the meeting at 4:40 P.M. (7)*****

*****Cleo Main left the meeting at 4:45 P.M. (6)*****

APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR CANCER FUND: Everett Armstrong made a motion by Resolution {#530-2024} to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$55,000.00 with funds to be determined by the Treasurer for the Cancer Fund. Second by Kristy Bullshoe. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

APPROVING COMMUNITY ACTIVITY FUNDING: Michael Comes At Night made a motion by Resolution {#531-2024} to approve \$20,000.00 with funds to be determined by the Treasurer for Community Activities with the following regulations;

- a. One Time per year for each individual event
- b. That the sponsors of events must fundraise half of the amount needed for the event
- c. Youth events shall have priority
- d. The sponsors must submit a request to the Finance Committee
- e. The team sponsorships shall be \$250.00 per individual or \$500.00 per team
- f. All events must be drug and alcohol free

Second by Kristy Bullshoe. Motion carried unanimously. (6)

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTION: Resolution {#532-2024}

FINANCIAL REQUEST/GEORGE AIMSBACK MEMORIAL STICK GAME TOURNAMENT (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion to approve \$5,000.00 (50% of the total cost) for the George Aimsback Memorial Stick Game Tournament. Second by Michael Comes At Night. Motion carried unanimously. (6)
Excerpt {#E2024-103}

PERSONNEL ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding a personnel issue. No action.

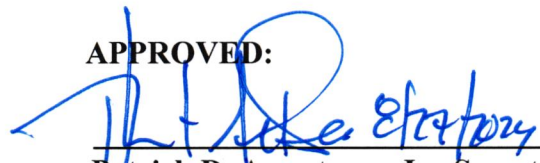
COMMUNITY PLAYGROUNDS/BEO & TERO FEES (CLOSED SESSION): Terydon Hall, Legal Assistant, stated the Planning Department is requesting to waive the BEO and TERO fees for the construction of the community play grounds. No action.

PERSONNEL ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding a personnel issue. No action.

ADJOURNMENT: Kristy Bullshoe made a Motion to Adjourn. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (6) The Meeting at Adjourned at 5:59 P.M.

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APPROVED:



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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE SESSION
LEGAL CONFERENCE ROOM
AUGUST 5, 2024
12:47 P.M.**

Acting Chairman Shelly Hall called the meeting to order and Secretary Patrick Armstrong Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of (2) Executive members:

Shelly Hall

Patrick Armstrong Jr.

WAIVING BUSINESS LICENSE FEES FOR LOCAL VENDORS FOR 2024 HEART BUTTE INDIAN DAYS (CLOSED SESSION): Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a motion to waive the Business License Fees for local Vendors for the 2024 Heart Butte Indian Days. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried unanimously. (2) {EX2024-104}

{This Action is to be reaffirmed at the next Special Session.}

ADJOURNMENT: Patrick Armstrong Jr. made a Motion to Adjourn. Second by Shelly Hall. Motion carried unanimously. (2) The Meeting at Adjourned at 12:49 P.M.

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**MINUTES OF THE
BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE SESSION
LEGAL CONFERENCE ROOM
AUGUST 7, 2024
2:49 P.M.**

**Chairman Rodney Gervais Jr. called the meeting to order and Secretary Patrick Armstrong Jr. called roll with the following present to constitute a Quorum of (5)
Executive members:**

Rodney Gervais Jr.

Shelly Hall

Patrick Armstrong Jr.

Thomas Rutherford Jr.

Kristy Bullshoe

CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS: Discussion with Dawn Gray, Tribal Managing Attorney, regarding Constitutional rights.

CONFIDENTIAL EXCERPT (CLOSED SESSION):

Excerpt {#EX2024-105}

LEGAL ISSUE (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion with Derek Kline, Special Counsel, regarding a legal issue.

CONFIDENTIAL EXCERPT (CLOSED SESSION):

Excerpt {#EX2024-106}

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. left the meeting at 3:26 P.M. (4)*****

EAGLE BEAR KOA CAMPGROUND (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding the Eagle Bear KOA Campground operations.

*****Patrick Armstrong Jr. entered the meeting at 3:42 P.M. (5)*****

FESTIVAL (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion with Derek Kline, Special Counsel, regarding the Festival to take place in 2025.

No action, further discussions will be held.

THUNDER RADIO EXPANSION PROJECT (CLOSED SESSION): Discussion regarding a liaison for the National Park Service for the Thunder Radio Expansion Project.

It was the Consensus of the BTBC to nominate Thomas Rutherford Jr. as the Liaison.

ALLOCATION COMMITTEE VACANCY (CLOSED SESSION): Shelly Hall made a motion to direct the Personnel Department to advertise the Allocation Committee vacant position. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr.

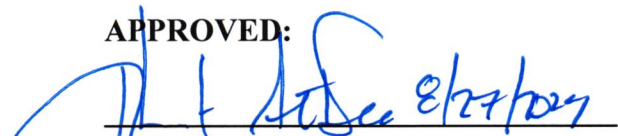
Discussion.

The action was TABLED until the next Special Session.

ADJOURNMENT: Shelly Hall made a Motion to Adjourn. Second by Patrick Armstrong Jr. Motion carried unanimously. (5) The Meeting at Adjourned at 4:04 P.M.

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APPROVED:


Patrick D. Armstrong Jr., Secretary
Blackfeet Tribal Business Council