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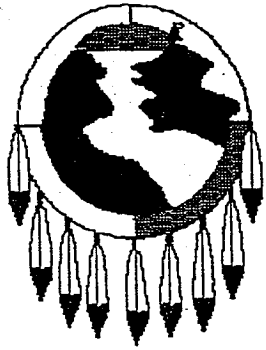
TRIBAL COUNCIL WORK SESSION SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 1997

The agenda items listed below are the things that will be discussed at this work session:

A. Historic Preservation Fund Grant Resolution. This was tabled from the last Tribal Council meeting. It was discussed that this resolution needed to have some changes and would be brought back to the work session so that action could be taken by the Council to pass it. This resolution is to be included with the grant application that is to be submitted by January 31st.

B. Land Reservation Restoration Plan. At the last Tribal Council meeting these two plans were looked at (one was from Bill Brooks and the other one was from the Land Acquisition Committee). It was discussed that these drafts would be revised and brought back to the work session for the Council to review.

C. Natural Resource Conservation Codes. This was tabled from the last Tribal Council meeting. The NR Commission wanted to revise some of the language of the codes but Bill Brooks wanted to look into this more and come back with a revised plan to be worked on at this work session.



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HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND GRANT RESOLUTION. Bob Guenthardt asked if anyone had any questions regarding the resolution. Bill Memberto asked a question pertaining to signatures on the resolution. Bill asked if we are still having the Chairperson and Secretary sign the resolutions. Bill Brooks said we could because it doesn't really matter in some instances. Bill M. led a discussion on why the resolution was tabled last time but no sudden changes were made. Moved by Bill M, seconded by Kathy Berentsen, to support Resolution 97-0126-01, all in favor, 1, (0) opposed. Motion carried.

LAND RESERVATION RESTORATION PLAN. Bill Brooks stated that his plan dealt with documentation of historical and legislative history in a legal basis while the Land Acquisition Committee's was more of an identification of the uses for the land. It was asked that the two plans be combined into one. Bill B. said he reworked his plan to have the history and legal basis support the restoration plan. The Land Use Committee has not had a chance to review the plan at this time. Bill B. talked about how he talked to Mariana Shulstead with the Grand Traverse Band and why he felt that the plan needed the historical and legislative history included in the plan. He said that if we have the history in the plan it will show that the Tribe has a historical purpose for what they are doing. He has talked to the Housing Committee as to where they want to go since the Tribe needs to be thinking how they plan to use the land economically (housing, community center, etc.). Bill M. questioned about what are we doing with both of the plans that are prepared. Jay Sam discussed the housing issue of the restoration plan. It is suggested that the housing be involved in the Reservation Restoration Plan, but it has not been decided as to exactly where the housing will be yet. Discussion was led on how the plan should be worded -- with or without detail of specific areas. Bill B. stated that Mariana Shulstead said that if specifics are known, state them in the plan. Bill M. brought up the issue that plans should be more complete before they are brought to the Council. He feels all parties involved in the plan should meet and put ideas together before putting it to the Council. Jay said that a meeting did not occur because of various reasons. It was asked if the plan has to be turned in by a certain date. Bill B.

said no, but it is a good idea to get it turned in fairly quickly. He also said he suggests putting any specifics that we know of that would take place within the next 5-15 years in the plan. It was brought up that an outline should be made, but Bill B. said that it would almost be like making a list and that would not be efficient. Bob asked if Bill B. and the committee involved could meet and rewrite a plan. Bill B. and the committee said "yes" and discussed a time to meet.

NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION CODES. Bill B. stated that the current Ordinance limits tribal members to a certain area as to who can receive permits. He also mentioned that tribal members who purchase licenses and get caught expect the Tribe to defend them, which we are not ready to do yet. Those who do this and get caught are actually breaking the Tribe's Ordinance. Bill B. came up with a different wording for the Ordinance based on a discussion he had with Mark Sloan who deals with tribal hunting/fishing rights. One area to specify is that when a tribal member receives a license, they must comply with the provisions of the Tribe's Natural Resource Codes. Another area deals with the licensing of members through the state, but they still need to comply with the Tribe's Ordinance. Bill B. suggested that we somehow find out how many tribal members hunt/fish with or without state licenses and monitor harvests. Bill then discussed the differences with the tribal issued licenses, state licenses and hunting/fishing with no license at all. Discussion was lead as to which laws (tribal or state) are members supposed to follow because in one instance, they can fish the Manistee River only until a certain time while the other says a different date. It was mentioned to revise our code so it agrees with certain areas of the state laws. Bill M. then questioned overfishing of certain rivers or areas within regards to our Natural Resource Codes. Bill B. talked about how Bay Mills and Grand Traverse Band is handling this issue in their tribes. The issuance of citations (state and tribal) was then discussed concerning the use of licenses. Moved by Steve, seconded by Bill M., to accept Resolution #97-0126-02 dealing with the Natural Resource Codes, all in favor, 1, (0) opposed. Motion carried.

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