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Carlson Goes Ahead

Big Horn:

Valley of the Give Away

Vincent Crooked Arm
Ralph K. Iron
Willie Plainfeather,
Speaker of the House

Dunmore:

Black Lodge

Jared Stewart
Larry Costa
Clem Goes Ahead

Reno:

Center Lodge

Lloyd Hogan
Daniel Old Elk, Sr.
Kennard Real Bird

Lodge Grass:

Valley of the Chief

Eloise Pease
Scott Medicine Horse
Leroy Not Afraid

Wyola:

Mighty Few

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Memorandum

To: Jodi Klind, Finance Director

From: Annie Singer, Office Manager

Date: March 31, 2004

Re: CLB0221 – PERSONNEL POLICY PROCEDURES.

This memo serves to inform you that upon our preparation of materials for you for the audit it has come to our attention that there are a couple of items that have problems or are incomplete in our records.

According to the April 2002 Legislative session, CLB0221-Personnel Policy Procedure was passed then vetoed by executive which the October 2002 session minute's states (see attachments). However, we have not found or located the original documentation of that bill. We will provide you with whatever documentation that we do have available.

**Crow Tribal Council
Legislature Minutes
Tuesday July 9, 2002**

Meeting Called to Order:

Speaker Ben Cloud called meeting to order @ 10:40 a.m.

Invocation: Scott Medicine Horse

Roll Call: Oliver Costa, Vincent Crooked Arm, Willie Plain Feather, Jared Stewart, Victor Passes, Mike Not Afraid, Clem Goes Ahead, Lloyd Hogan, Dan Old Elk, Eloise Pease, Scott Medicine Horse, Angela Russell, JD Stone, **Secretary Ben Cloud, Speaker of the House**

Late: Joseph Bull Tail, Robert Little Light

Absent: Pius Real Bird, Keith Blackhawk

Minutes: Motion to accept made by Willie Plain Feather, Seconded by Scott Medicine Horse. Vote: 13 yes, 0 opposed.

Agenda: Motion to accept made by Victor Passes, Seconded by Dan Old Elk. Vote: 13 yes, 0 opposed.

Agenda:

Rowena Gets Down submitted her resume to the legislature. She stated that she had applied for the Associated Judge position that was advertised in the Billings Gazette. She questioned why she was not a nominee for the position after she had fulfilled all the requirements. Speaker Cloud informed Ms. Gets Down that the legislature did not have an answer but would look into it for her.

Angela Russell informed the legislature that the water level at Lodge Grass Creek was extremely low. Angela said she discussed her concern about the low water level, with Ron Skates of Bozeman MT. And that he informed her that the problem was due to local area ranchers who are excessively irrigating their properties.

July 17 the water commission will sponsor a meeting and according to Representative Russell there is lack of participation from the legislature. Jared Stewart volunteered to be on the commission. Tina Klein was mentioned as a possible candidate who might be interested as well.

Legislative Reports

Speaker Ben Cloud submitted his report. Secretary Stone provided oral report.

A brief discussion was held regarding the executive branches refusal to submit additional Cabinet Head candidates. Possible sanctions or taking the Executive Branch to court were options considered by the legislature. The point was made by Angela Russell that the executives refusal to comply was a constitutional violation according to Article 4 Section 4.a) to implement all laws, resolutions, codes and policies duly adopted by the Legislative Branch;

5.b) Personnel Policy Procedures

The Legislative Attorney Lucy Simpson, reviewed the amendments made to the Personnel Policy submitted by the executive.

Motion to accept: Angela Russell

Seconded: Clem Goes Ahead

12 Yes

0 opposed

Crow Tribal Council
Legislature Minutes
Wednesday October 16, 2002

Meeting Called to Order: Secretary J.D. Stone called the meeting to order at 2:40pm.

Invocation: Joseph Bulltail

Roll Call: 1.)Joseph Bulltail 2.)Oliver Costa 3.)Vincent Crooked Arm 4.)Bob Little Light 5.)Willie Plain Feather 6.)Jared Stewart 7.)Mike Not Afraid 8.)Clem Goes Ahead 9.)Lloyd Hogan 10.)Dan Old Elk 11.)Victor Passes 12.)Eloise Pease 13.)Angela Russell 14.)Keith Blackhawk 15.)J.D. Stone, Secretary.

Absent: 16.)Scott Medicine Horse 17.)Pius Real Bird 18.)Ben Cloud

Secretary Stone announced that Speaker Ben Cloud would be absent for the duration of the October 2002 session. The floor was then opened for nominations for Speaker pro-tem. Jared Stewart nominated Willie Plain Feather seconded by Mike Not Afraid. Keith Blackhawk nominated Dan Old Elk seconded by Lloyd Hogan. Angela Russell motioned to close nominations seconded by Oliver Costa. Vote 13-infavor, 0-opposed. Motion carried.

Results of the election: Willie Plain Feather 8, Dan Old Elk 7.

Agenda: Motion to accept made by Angela Russell, seconded by Mike Not Afraid. Vote: 13-yes, 0-opposed. Motion carried.

Minutes:

Chief Judge Jim Ruegamer provided status report on the Crow Tribal Judicial Branch.
(See attachment)

Vetoed Legislation

Attorney Lucy Simpson provided information to the legislature on status of the Associate Judge position. Currently the number of candidates for the associate position are limited but the bar exam should open up the poll for more candidates. Attorney Simpson recommended placing the item on hold until after the Executives give their report. Representative Lloyd Hogan stated that we need more correspondence with the executive branch and that we should write letters to create a dialogue with them. Attorney Simpson stated that she would write a letter to the executives addressing the concerns brought up. Representative Angela Russell motioned to refer the item to the Judicial Committee seconded by Jared Stewart. Vote: 13-yes, 0-opposed. Motion carried.

Jared Stewart motion to refer all passed resolutions to respective sub-committees for further review. Seconded by Oliver Costa. Vote: 13-yes, 0-opposed. Motion carried.

Personnel Policy Procedures & Election Ordinance

Attorney Simpson recommended that we let the veto stand and review the new Election Ordinance & Personnel Policy Procedures and make changes as necessary.

Discussion on the duties of the legislative and executive branches as outlined in the constitution regarding veto's and delegated responsibilities ensued.

Speaker Willie Plain Feather opened the floor for motion regarding the vetoed items. No motion was made to override so therefore executive veto on the Personnel Policy Procedures and Election Ordinance stands.

Angela Russell talked about the set back vote on the Big Horn river that will take place tomorrow at 10:30am in Hardin.

Representative Russell discussed the possibility of Janice Hudetz writing for the legislature during this session.

Speaker Willie Plain Feather talked about the Big Horn river and stated that he heard that if the river had ever reached a certain level that it would automatically be given back to the tribe. And due to the drought this past summer the water has receded to that level.

Joseph Bulltail motioned to send Dan Old Elk, Angela Russell and Lloyd Hogan to the meeting regarding the Big Horn river tomorrow at 10:00am, seconded by Mike Not Afraid. Vote: 14-infavor, 0-opposed. Motion carried.

Jared Stewart motioned to recess until 1:00pm tomorrow, seconded by Dan Old Elk.

Vote: All infavor

Time: 4:50pm

Acceptance:

Motioned: Clem Goes Ahead

Seconded: Scott Medicine Horse

Vote: 13-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained.