

**CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE
JUNE 1ST, 2020 SPECIAL SESSION**

LR No. 20- 08

Introduced by the Infrastructure Committee

A Legislative Resolution titled:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE TO CONFIRM AND
DELEGATE THE AUTHORITY TO COMPLETE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS
AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS FOR LAND TRANSACTIONS ON
THE CROW RESERVATION TO QUALIFIED STAFF OF THE APSAALOOKE
NATION HOUSING AUTHORITY**

Legislative Findings:

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2(a) of the Crow Tribal Constitution vests the Crow Tribal Legislature (hereinafter “Legislature”) with the power and duty to promulgate and adopt resolutions in accordance with the Crow Tribal Constitution and federal law for the governance of the Crow Tribe; and

WHEREAS, numerous members of the Tribe have expressed concern to their representatives that there is a lack of alternatives on reservation to obtain environmental reviews and assessments necessary to construct homes and businesses, especially where financing is utilized, and this problem has caused significant delays in building homes or businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Apsaalooke Nation Housing Authority has now, in the person of its Acting Director, Lafe Haugen, and periodically in the past, had staff with the appropriate training and qualifications to complete environmental reviews and assessments, and if made available and confirmed as a proper means for completion of these tasks, would provide a reasonable alternative for these tasks to be completed; and

WHEREAS, the Infrastructure Committee of this body has reviewed this alternative on May 26th, 2020 and has found that recognizing and delegating authority therefore to the Apsaalooke Nation Housing Authority’s Acting Director, Lafe Haugen, will benefit the enrolled membership, utilizing existing resources to accomplish tasks that are otherwise causing the delay of construction, land, business and housing transactions; and

WHEREAS, the full Legislature on June 1st, 2020 voted to affirm the approval of the Infrastructure Committee’s recommendation to approve the Acting Director of the Apsaalooke Nation Housing Authority, Lafe Haugen, as long as he serves in his current capacity and maintains appropriate certifications, to assist individuals and others of the Crow Tribe to complete environmental reviews and assessments for land transactions, provided, he also, through his duties at the Housing Authority, assists in training an enrolled member(s) to enable

completion of these tasks in the future, and/or identifies enrolled members already trained therefore, and establishes a referral process for their retention for services by those in need thereof, effective immediately,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE,
MEETING IN SPECIAL SESSION:**

Section 1. Affirms the approval of the Infrastructure Committee's recommendation approving the Acting Director of the Apsaalooke Nation Housing Authority, Lafe Haugen, as long as he serves in his current capacity and maintains appropriate certifications, to assist individuals and others of the Crow Tribe to complete environmental reviews and assessments for land transactions, provided, he also, through his duties at the Housing Authority, assists in training an enrolled member(s) to enable completion of these tasks in the future, and/or identifies enrolled members already trained therefore, and establishes a referral process for their retention for services by those in need thereof.

Section 2. Effective Date and Authority to Sign Further Documents. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage by the Full Legislature. That the Speaker and Secretary are hereby authorized to sign this Resolution and any documents in furtherance of this Resolution, including the assessment on behalf of the Crow Tribal Legislature.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that this Legislative Resolution titled **A RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE TO CONFIRM AND DELEGATE THE AUTHORITY TO COMPLETE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS FOR LAND TRANSACTIONS ON THE CROW RESERVATION TO QUALIFIED STAFF OF THE APSAALOOKE NATION HOUSING AUTHORITY** was duly enacted by the Crow Tribal Legislature with a vote of 13 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining and that a quorum was present on this 1st day of June, 2020.



Senator Thomas Yellowtail
Speaker of the House
Crow Tribal Legislature

ATTEST:



Senator Brandon Good Luck
Secretary of the House
Crow Tribal Legislature



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QUALIFIED STAFF OF THE APSAALOOKE NATION HOUSING AUTHORITY**

Bill or Resolution: LR 20-08

Introduced by: Infrastructure Committee

Date of Vote 6/1/2020

REPRESENTATIVE:	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
M. White Clay	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
D. Spotted	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
F. Whiteclay	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Y. Little Light	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
L. Hogan	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
B. Brown	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
H. Small	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
T. Gros Ventre	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
M. Not Afraid	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
G. Bouyer	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
T. Plainfeather	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
L. DeCrane	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
S. DeCrane	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
B. Hugs	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
N. Old Crow	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
H. Male Bear-Stone, Jr	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
T. Yellowtail	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<i>Speaker of the House</i>			
B. Good Luck	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<i>Secretary of the House</i>			
TOTAL	<u>13</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Result of Vote: Passed Not Passed Tabled Veto-Override

Thomas Yellowtail 6-1-20
 Senator Thomas Yellowtail Date
 Speaker of the House
 Crow Tribal Legislative Branch

Brandon Good Luck 6/2/20
 Senator Brandon Good Luck Date
 Secretary of the House
 Crow Tribal Legislative Branch