

**Spirit Lake Tribal Council
Meeting Minutes
December 5, 2024**



Present: Lonna J. Street, Chairwoman
ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative
Charmayne Bohanon, Secretary Treasurer
Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Representative
Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Representative
Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative

Absent: None

Location: Tribal Conference room

Lonna J. Street, Chairwoman calls the meeting to order at 11:12 a.m.

1. Approval of Agenda:

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to approve December 5, 2024, Tribal Council meeting agenda with additions, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

2. Approval of Minutes:

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve November 15, 2024, Tribal Council meeting minutes with corrections, second by Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

3. Travel

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to approve the following travel for Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Representative: 1.) White House Tribal Leaders Summit in Washington, DC, from 12/8/24-12/11/24; 2.) 43rd Protecting Our Children Conference in Orlando, FL, from 3/30/25-4/2/25; 3.) Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Representative and ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative, travel to 2025 Tribal Self-Governance Conference in Chandler, AZ, from 4/7/25-4/10/25, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

4. Tribal Realty:

a. Marcia Littlewind – one (1) homesite land lease cancellation

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-112** authorizing the **cancellation** of Marcia Littlewind’s homesite land lease as listed:

LEASE NO.	LESSEE	FEE	PROPOSED
2-00150-14-39	Marcia Littlewind	-	-

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303-T-1064-B SE ¼ NW ¼ of Lot 2, Sec. 26, T.152N.,
R.66W., 5th P.M., Benson County, North Dakota
Containing 2.50 acres, more or less.

second by Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

b. Chad & Megan Estenson – one (1) 3-year recreational lease

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-113** authorizing Chad & Megan Estenson’s three-year recreational lease as listed:

LEASE NO.	LESSEE	FEE	PROPOSED
6-00017-25-27 303-911-A	Chad & Megan Estenson LOT 12 of LOT 6, Sec. 15, T.151N., R. 64W., 5 th P.M., Benson County, North Dakota Containing 0.46 acres, more or less for Summer Recreational Site, excluding 1/24 interest in fee status. Lessee is responsible For contacting the fee owners for negotiation of the fee interests Indicated. The BIA does not represent the fee interest. A 3-year Recreational lease.	-	\$3,500.00

second by Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

c. Jonathan Meyers – one (1) 5-year homesite lease

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-114** authorizing Jonathan Meyers five-year homesite lease as listed:

LEASE NO.	LESSEE	FEE	PROPOSED
2-00018-25-29 303-T-2061	Jonathan Meyers Commencing at the SouthEast corner Of Sec. 18, T.152N., R. 65W., 5 th P.M., Benson County, North Dakota, thence S89°59’58” W a distance Of 2,258.15 feet, thence N 00°28’36” E a distance of 960.26 feet To the point of beginning; thence N02°01’38” E a distance of 135.43 feet; thence S88°41’53” W a distance of 158.15 feet; thence S00°47’05” W a distance of 174.89 feet; thence 76°49’39” E a distance Of 57.82 feet; thence N60°28’43” E a distance of 114.25 feet back to The point of beginning, containing .61 acres, more or less for a 5-year homesite lease.	\$10.00	\$25.00

second by Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

d. Cherise Robertson homesite lease and Brady Wolford homesite lease

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- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-115** authorizing the two homesite leases as listed:

LEASE NO.	LESSEE	FEE	PROPOSED
2-00020-25-49 303-T-3035	Cherise Robertson SW ¼ SW ¼ NW ¼ NW ¼ in Sec. 23, T.152N., R 66W; 5 th P.M., Benson County, North Dakota, containing 2.5 acres more or less. A 25-year homesite lease.	\$10.00	\$25.00

LEASE NO.	LESSEE	FEE	PROPOSED
2-00019-25-29 303-T-873-A	Brady Wolford Commencing at the SouthEast corner Of Sec. 20, T.152N., R66W; 5 th P.M., Benson County North Dakota, thence N00°03'06" E a distance of 1,597.75 Feet to the point of beginning; thence S90°00'00" W a distance Of 232.43 feet; thence N22°20'15" E a distance of 264.61 feet; Thence N90°00'00" E a distance of 132.80 feet; thence S00°13'05" W a distance of 244.75 feet back to the point of beginning, containing 1.03 acres, more or less for a 5-year homesite lease.	\$10.00	\$25.00

second by Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

5. Resolution Request:

a. Amend Resolution No. A05-21-360 ICDBG-ARP Imminent Threat Grant

- Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-116a** to amend **Resolution No. A05-21-360** to have the Spirit Lake Tribe be the administrator of the ICDBG-ARP Imminent Threat Grant, second by Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

b. Marcella Knutson Longie – exclusion pass request for Michell Knutson Riger

- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to approve Marcella Knutson-Riger request for an exclusion pass to attend Shannon Buckles funeral services beginning 12/9/24 and 12/10/24 and this pass shall expire at 2 pm, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

6. Procurement:

a. Spirit Lake Roads Department

- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-116** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribal Roads Department to accept Parson’s Electric invoice

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for a light pole and fixture replacement on ND57 in Fort Totten under the Highway Safety Improvement Project in the amount of \$7,750.00, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

b. SLT Home Repair Program – Pedro Meyers proposal for Alfred Thompson’s residence

- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-117** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribe Home Repair Program to accept the sole source bid from Pedro Meyers for materials and labor for repairs at Alfred Thompson’s residence in the amount of \$10,833.21, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

c. Spirit Lake Roads Department – RDO invoices

- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-118** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribal Roads Department to accept invoice RO665409 in the amount of \$10,210.42 for the rental of a road grader from 10/7/24-10/21/24 and invoice RO665509 in the amount of \$7,786.41 for the rental of a road grader from 10/22/24-10/31/24, for the overall total of \$17,996.83, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

d. Spirit Lake Tribal Roads Department – Bert’s Truck Equipment \$85,247.00

- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-119** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribal Roads Department to accept Bert’s Truck Equipment’s Sole Source bid for the 14’ Bonnell Commander MCR Series Stainless Steel Multi-Purpose Dump Body (201 Stainless Steel) in the amount of \$85,247.00, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

e. Spirit Lake Tribal Roads Department – ACME Equipment purchase \$14,379.00

- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-120** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribal Roads Department to accept the sole source bid from ACME Equipment for a JLG 19’ Electric Scissor Lift indoor/outdoor in the amount of \$14,379.00, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

f. Spirit Lake Tribal Roads Department – Visto’s Trailer Sales proposal \$25,999.00

- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-121** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribal Roads Department to accept the sole source bid from Visto’s Trailer Sales for a 2024 midsota equipment trailer in the amount of \$25,999.00, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

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g. Spirit Lake Tribe's Shelter – Yankton Construction bid

- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-122** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribe's Shelter to accept the sole source bid from Yankton's Construction for materials and labor for concrete work at the Shelter in the amount of \$17,500.00, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

7. Other:

a. Christmas Holiday break

The Tribal Council has decided to allow tribal employees administrative leave on 12/24/24, holiday leave on 12/25/24, and administrative leave on 12/26/24, and if the tribal employee donates \$25.00 to the Spirit Lake Tribal Social Services Foster children the employee will be granted administrative leave on 12/27/24.

b. New Years Holiday break

The Tribal Council has decided to allow tribal employees administrative leave on 12/31/24, holiday leave on 1/1/25, and if the tribal employee donates \$25.00 to the Spirit Lake Tribe Community Nourishment Program administrative leave will be granted on 1/2/25.

c. Suicide Prevention Program

- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to table the request from the Suicide Prevention Program until the Directors are present, second by Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

d. Senior Services vehicle repair

The Tribal Council gives a directive to Secretary Treasurer Bohanon to work with the tribal employees and finance for reimbursement of repairs to the Senior Services Program's vehicle repair.

e. Donation Request – Cheyenne River Youth Project

- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to approve a donation of \$250.00 to the Cheyenne River Youth Project for holiday gifts, second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

f. Executive Session

Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., motions to enter executive session at 12:44 p.m.,

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p.m., second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

Mardell Merrick, HR Director, enter the meeting at 12:54 p.m.,

Mardell Merrick, HR Director, exits meeting at 1:11 P.M.,

ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative, exits meeting at 1:15 p.m.,

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to exit executive session at 1:30 p.m., second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative), motion carried.
- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to adjourn at 1:33 p.m., second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative). Motion carried.

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**Charmayne Bohanon
Secretary Treasurer**



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**Lonna J. Street
Tribal Chairwoman**

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Present: Lonna J. Street, Chairwoman
ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative
Charmayne Bohanon, Secretary Treasurer
Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Representative
Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Representative
Koooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative

Absent: None

Location: Tribal Conference room

Lonna J. Street, Chairwoman calls the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

1. Approval of Agenda:

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve December 12, 2024, Tribal Council meeting agenda, second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

2. Approval of Minutes:

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to table November 26, 2024, and December 5, 2024, Tribal Council meeting minutes, second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

3. Tribal Realty:

a. Rene Beauchamp – one (1) 3-year recreational land lease

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to table Rene Beauchamp's request for a three (3) year recreational land lease until the amount of the lease is corrected, second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

4. Resolution Request:

a. SLT submittal of grant application to USDA for Local Food Purchase Assistance 2025 (LFPA25) & Local Food for Schools and Child Care (LFSCC) programs

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-123** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribe Food Distribution Program to submit a grant application to United States Department of Agriculture for Local Food Purchase Assistance 2025 (LFPA25) & Local Food for Schools and Child Care (LFSCC) programs, second by

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Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

b. Helen Bergstrom Ernst Scholarship recipient

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-124** accepting the following individuals to receive the Helen Bergstrom Ernst Scholarship from First United Bank:

Name	Amount	Name	Amount
Hillary Black	\$246.25	Thomas Sullivan	\$246.25
Ruby Snell	\$246.25	Ty Dauphinais	\$246.25
Chloe Redfox	\$246.25	Dalen Leftbear	\$246.25
Julia McKay	\$246.25	Keyshawn St. Pierre	\$246.25
Danae St. Pierre	\$246.25	Brayden Azure	\$246.25
Quinn OneBear	\$246.25	Breana Chaske	\$246.25
Natasha Littlewind	\$375.00	Norma Robertson	\$375.00
Vandis Little	\$375.00	Eric Belgarde	\$375.00
Shania Georgeson	\$375.00	Jason Feather	\$375.00
Aisha IronHawk	\$375.00	Jarissa Thompson	\$375.00
Jacolby Pearson	\$375.00	Riah Littleghost	\$375.00
Vanise Little	\$375.00	Shantel Dubois	\$750.00
Hallee Littlewind	\$750.00	Melissa Swigart Lourens	\$750.00

second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

c. MOU between SLT & U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service on Co-Stewardship of White Horse Hill National Game Preserve

- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-125** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribe to enter into the MOU with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service for Co-Stewardship of White Horse Hill National Game Preserve, second by Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

d. Company policy for accidents

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-126** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribe Motor Vehicle Department to implement the presented accident policy for company vehicles, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

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5. Procurement:

a. Spirit Lake Tribe – Home Repair Program cash & carry Lumber estimate # 13709 & #13723

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-127** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribe Home Repair Program – Woodlake District to accept the sole source bid from Cash & Carry Lumber for estimate # 13709 windows and siding for a mobile home in the amount of \$8,633.64 and estimate # 13723 windows, siding, and doors for army homes in the amount of \$8,689.06, second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Representative, exits meeting at 11:26 a.m.,

b. Food Distribution Program – Rieger, Borgen, Benson Electric Inc. \$45,400.00

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-128** authorizing the Food Distribution Program to provide payment for FY 24 invoices from Rieger, Borgen, Benson Electric Inc., as listed: 1.) 0800353-IN in the amount of \$5,000.00 and 2.) 0800354-IN in the amount of \$40,400.00 for furnishing and installation of electrical repairs for an overall amount of \$45,400.00, second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Representative), motion carried.

c. Food Distribution Program – Bison supplies purchase

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-129** authorizing the Food Distribution Program to provide payment for FY 24 invoices from Bison Supplies in the overall amount of \$22,323.96, second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Representative), motion carried.

Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Representative, enters meeting at 11:29 a.m.,

6. Other:

a. Procurement Process

The Tribal Council gives a directive to Secretary Treasurer Bohanon to have Darwin Brown, Procurement & Contracting Director, provide educational information to all Directors on the importance of following the Procurement Process for Spirit Lake Tribe to remain in compliance with federal regulations for projects.

b. Suicide Prevention Program request

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- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to deny the Spirit Lake Tribe's grant funded Suicide Prevention Program's request to be a standalone program and shall remain under the Spirit Lake Tribal Health Department, second by Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

c. Donation Request for New Years Eve Round Dance Community Event

The Tribal Council will donate candy bags and gift cards for the New Years Eve Round Dance Community Event on December 31, 2024, at the Fort Totten Wellness Center beginning at 7pm until 1am.

d. Executive Session

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to enter executive session at 11:48 a.m., second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

Mardell Merrick, HR Director, Dixie Omen, CEO Spirit Lake Health Center, AJ, Pharmacist, Spirit Lake Health Center, Miranda Belgarde, COO Spirit Lake Health Center enter meeting at 12 p.m.,

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to exit executive session at 1:13 p.m., second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.
- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to recess at 1:13 p.m. until ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative returns, second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative, exits meeting at 1:13 p.m.,

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to reconvene at 1:57 p.m., second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/ Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., exits the meeting at 2:01 p.m.

ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., and Jessica Alberts-Longie, CFO, enter the meeting at 2:06 p.m.

Discussion begins on a tribal program that has caused audit findings for the Spirit Lake Tribe due to not following internal company policies.

Discussion begins to place the Spirit Lake Health Center on the Spirit Lake Tribe's wage scales.

e. Spirit Lake Health Center – Wage Scale

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- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-130** authorizing the Spirit Lake Health Center to be placed on the Spirit Lake Tribe's Wage Scale, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/ Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

Jessica Alberts-Longie, CFO, exits the meeting at 2:30 p.m.,

Mary Greene-Trottier, Food Distribution Program Director, enters the meeting at 2:30 p.m.,

The Tribal Council informs Mary Greene-Trottier, FDP Director, on the importance of following internal company policies to remain in compliance with federal regulations on federal funding which ensures the Spirit Lake Tribe complies for the annual audit.

Mary Greene-Trottier, FDP Director, acknowledges the importance of policy and informs the Tribal Council that her program has been awarded more funding for food purchases within a 400-mile radius.

Mary Greene-Trottier, Food Distribution Program Director, exits the meeting at 3:10 p.m.,

f. EDF Allocation FY 25

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/ Mission District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-130a** to amend **Resolution No. A05-25-052** authorizing the re-allocation of \$425,000.00 to the Spirit Lake Tribe's Law Enforcement positions, second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

Mardell Merrick, HR Director, and Dean Dauphinais, Shelter Program Director, enters meeting at 4:12 p.m.,

Mardell Merrick, HR Director, exits the meeting at 4:19 p.m.,

Dean Dauphinais, Shelter Program Director, exits meeting at 4:29 p.m.,

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/ Mission District Rep., motions to adjourn at 4:37 p.m., second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent. Motion carried.

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Charmayne Bohanon
Secretary Treasurer



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Lonna J. Street
Tribal Chairwoman

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Present: Lonna J. Street, Chairwoman
ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative
Charmayne Bohanon, Secretary Treasurer
Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Representative
Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Representative

Absent: Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative

Location: SLC&R Executive Conference room

Lonna J. Street, Chairwoman calls the meeting to order at 3:20 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda:

- Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., motions to approve December 17, 2024, Tribal Council meeting agenda, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.

2. Approval of Minutes:

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve November 26, 2024, Tribal Council meeting minutes, second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.

3. Tribal Realty:

a. Jason Fee – 3-year recreational lease

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to table Jason Fee 3-year recreational lease, second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.

b. Linda Brusven – 3-year recreational lease

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to table Linda Brusven 3-year recreational lease, second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.

c. Fee Easements application for High Meadows Sewer and Lift Station

- Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-**

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131 for the fee easements application for High Meadows Sewer and Lift station located in Fort Totten, North Dakota, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Koooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.

4. Resolution Request:

a. Amend Resolution No. A05-25-105

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-132** amending **Resolution No. A05-25-105** to include language for the permanent exclusion against Jacqueline Lampert, second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Koooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.

Mark Van Norman, Legal Counsel, enter the meeting via phone at 3:25 p.m.,

b. SLT – Promoting and Implementing the Co-Stewardship of the Black Hills National Forest by USDA Forest Service and the Spirit Lake Tribe and Sister Great Sioux Nation Tribes.

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-133** to accept the agreement for the Co-Stewardship of the Black Hills National Forest by USDA Forest Service and the Spirit Lake Tribe and the Sister Great Sioux Nation Tribes, second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Koooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.

Mark Van Norman, Legal Counsel, exits the meeting via phone at 3:40 p.m.,

c. Correction to UND Dept. of Social Work grant Indigenous Determinants of Prenatal Substance Use.

- Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-134** to amend **Resolution No. A05-25-001** to include the accurate name of Turtle Mountain Naotkamegwanning First Nation in the UND Department of Social Work grant Indigenous Determinants of Prenatal Substance Use study, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Koooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.

d. Western State Bank – Signature Authority for Tara Rogness

- Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-135** authorizing Tara Rogness, SLC&R CFO, signature authority for the loan from Western State Bank for the propane truck purchase, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-

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Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.

5. Other:

a. Spirit Lake Tribe – Support for Proposed Rulemaking on Tribal General Benefits (REG-106851-21)

- Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., motions to Chairwoman Street to sign a letter of support for Proposed Rulemaking on Tribal General Benefits (REG-106851-21) on behalf of the Spirit Lake Tribe, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.

b. Work Plan for Spirit Lake Rural Water System – FY 23 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Aging Infrastructure Extraordinary Maintenance (XM) Program

- Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-136** authorizing the Work Plan for Spirit Lake Rural Water System – FY 23 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Aging Infrastructure Extraordinary Maintenance (XM) Program, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.

c. Spirit Lake Recovery & Wellness Mentor Program Admission Process

The Tribal Council gives a directive to Secretary Treasurer Bohanon to invite Sharon Cooper to the next Tribal Council meeting to present on the Recovery & Wellness mentor Program admission process.

d. NATI – 23rd Annual North Dakota Indian Child Welfare and Wellness Conference 4/22/25 – 4/24/25 at SLC&R.

The Tribal Council gives a directive to Secretary Treasurer Bohanon to inform the Spirit Lake Casino & Resort that the Tribal Council will cover the meal costs for this conference in April 2025.

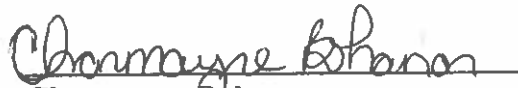
e. Executive Session

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to enter executive session at 3:51 p.m., second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.

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- Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., motions to exit executive session at 4:01 p.m., second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Koopier Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.
- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to adjourn at 4:02 p.m., second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Koopier Longie, Woodlake District Representative), Motion carried.


Charmayne Bohanon
Secretary Treasurer




Lonna J. Street
Tribal Chairwoman

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Present: Lonna J. Street, Chairwoman
Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative
Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Representative
Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Representative

Absent: Charmayne Bohanon, Secretary Treasurer – Medical
ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative - Medical

Location: Chairwoman's Chambers

Lonna J. Street, Chairwoman calls the meeting to order at 9:54 a.m.

1. Approval of Agenda:

- Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., motions to approve Cora Whiteman as the Recording Secretary for December 20, 2024 Tribal Council meeting, second by Kimberly Three Irons District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, two (2) absent (Charmayne Bohanon, Secretary Treasurer and ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative), motion carried.
- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to approve December 20, 2024, Tribal Council meeting agenda, second by Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, two (2) absent (Charmayne Bohanon, Secretary Treasurer and ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative), motion carried.

2. Approval of Minutes:

- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to table December 5, 2024 and December 12, 2024 Tribal Council meeting minutes, second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, two (2) absent (Charmayne Bohanon, Secretary Treasurer and ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative), motion carried.

3. Resolution Request:

a. Joint Venture Resolution for Spirit Lake Health Center

- Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-138** authorizing the submission of an application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service, 2025 Traditional Joint Venture Construction Program for American Indians and Alaska Natives for the Spirit Lake Health Center, second by Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, two (2) absent (Charmayne Bohanon, Secretary Treasurer and ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative), motion carried.

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b. Interagency Agreement for Repository Building

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-139** authorizing the obligation of \$1,724,425.00 for the Spirit Lake Tribe's Repository Building, second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, two (2) absent (Charmayne Bohanon, Secretary Treasurer and ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative), motion carried.

c. Interagency Agreement for Health Clinic

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-140** authorizing the obligation of \$4,723,680.00 for the Spirit Lake Tribe's New Health Clinic, second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, two (2) absent (Charmayne Bohanon, Secretary Treasurer and ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative), motion carried.

d. Interagency Agreement for Wastewater Treatment Facility

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-141** authorizing the obligation of \$6,845,525.00 for the Spirit Lake Tribe's contribution to the Spirit Lake Casino & Resort's Wastewater Treatment Facility, second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, two (2) absent (Charmayne Bohanon, Secretary Treasurer and ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative), motion carried.

e. Interagency Agreement for District Home Repair

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-142** authorizing the obligation of \$518,239.00 for the Spirit Lake Tribe's District Home Repair Program, second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, two (2) absent (Charmayne Bohanon, Secretary Treasurer and ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative), motion carried.

4. Other:

The Tribal Council would like to have a meeting with Vicki Alberts, David Davidson and the Benson County Commission.

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to adjourn at 10:12 a.m., second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, two (2) absent (Charmayne Bohanon, Secretary Treasurer and ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative), motion carried.


Cora Whiteman
Recording Secretary




Lonna J. Street
Tribal Chairwoman

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Present: Lonna J. Street, Chairwoman
Charmayne Bohanon, Secretary Treasurer
ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Representative
Koooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative
Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Representative
Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Representative

Absent: None

Location: Tribal Executive Conference Room

Lonna J. Street, Chairwoman calls the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m.

1. Approval of Agenda:

- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to approve December 30, 2024, Tribal Council meeting agenda, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

2. Approval of Minutes:

- Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., motions to approve December 5, 2024, and December 12, 2024, Tribal Council meeting minutes, second by Koooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

3. Travel:

- Koooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to approve the following travel: 1.) Joe Jetty, WFOS/Director, travel to Great Falls, MT, 1/6/25-1/11/25; 2.) ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., and Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., travel to Sisseton, SD, 1/6/25 – 1/7/25 Chairman’s Inauguration Ceremony; 3.) Lonna J. Street, Tribal Chairwoman, ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., travel to Las Vegas, NV, 1/14/25-1/16/25 to attend Grants Training; and 4.) Lonna J. Street, Tribal Chairwoman, ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., and Mary Greene-Trottier, Food Distribution Program Director, travel to Washington, DC, 2/10/25-2/13/25 to attend NCAI meetings, second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent. Motion carried.

4. Resolution Request:

1.) Spirit Lake Tribe – Amendment to A05-25-062 for Section 17 Charter of the Four Directions Corporation

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- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-143** amending **Resolution No. A05-25-062** to include recommended amendments to the Spirit Lake Tribe Section 17 Charter of the Four Directions Corporation by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

2.) Spirit Lake Health Center – ND State Opioid Response (SOR) Funding

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-144** authorizing the Spirit Lake Health Center to accept the awarded funding from the ND State Opioid Response Funding, second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., exits the meeting at 12:08 p.m.,

3.) Spirit Lake Tribe – BIA additional allocation funding

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-145** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribe to submit a request to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for additional carryover funding from FY 24, second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.

4.) Vocational Rehabilitation Program – US Dept of Education Grant

- Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-146** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribe Vocational Rehabilitation Program to submit a continuous funding grant application the United States Department of Education, second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., three (3) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, one (1) absent (Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative), motion carried.

Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Representative, enters the meeting at 12:11 p.m.,

5.) Employment & Training Program – Transportation Grant

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-147** authorizing the Spirit Lake Employment & Training Program to submit an application to the State of North Dakota for a transportation grant, second by Kimberly Three Irons, Fort Totten District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

6.) Spirit Lake Tribe – DSGW AIA Document for Spirit Lake Health Center and Spirit Lake Repository project

- ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-148** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribe to accept DSGW AIA Document B133 for the

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Health Clinic and the Repository building as proposed, second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

5. Procurement:

1.) Spirit Lake Social Services – Sole Source bid from Devils Lake Cars \$78,384.00

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-149** authorizing the Spirit Lake Social Services Program to accept the sole source bid from Devils Lake Cars for the purchase of a 2024 Ford Expedition Max 4D Wagon Limited 4WD (2KA) Vin # 1FMJK2A85REA92939 with a trade in of a 2015 Chevrolet Equinox 1LT AWD Vin # 1GNFLFEK3FZ105996 and a valued allowance of \$2,200.00 for an overall total of \$78,384.00, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

2.) Spirit Lake Tribal Health – Sole Source bid from Devils Lake Cars \$135,366.00

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to approve **Resolution No. A05-25-150** authorizing the Spirit Lake Tribal Health Program to accept the sole source bid from Devils Lake Cars for the purchase of a 2024 Ford Transit Passenger Wagon vin # 1FBAX9Y81RKB60179 in the amount of \$67,683.00 and a 2024 Ford Transit Passenger Wagon vin # 1FBAX9Y81RKB60179 in the amount of \$67,683.00 for an overall amount of \$135,366.00, second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

6. Other:

1.) Spirit Lake Tribe – Establishment of Tribal Building Code

The Tribal Council will review the proposed Tribal Building Code and provide a copy to the Law-and-Order Committee for input. Once this is reviewed, this Code will need to be read at two general assembly meetings, approved by the Tribal Council for public posting of 30 days and if there are no objections, this Code shall be approved and adopted into the Spirit Lake Tribe's Law and Order Code.

2.) Executive Session

- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to enter executive session at 12:22 p.m., second by ReNa Lohnes, Vice-Chairwoman/Mission District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

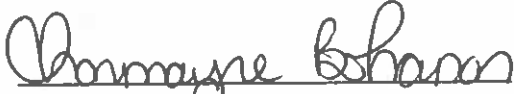
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- Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., motions to exit executive session at 12:27 p.m., second by Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.

The Tribal Council gives a directive to Secretary Treasurer Bohanon to review the Water Resource Program assessment for information regarding the employees to meet certification requirements.

- Darren Walking Eagle, Crow Hill District Rep., motions to adjourn at 12:27 p.m., second by Kooper Longie, Woodlake District Rep., four (4) in favor, none (0) opposed, none (0) abstained, none (0) absent, motion carried.


Charmayne Bohanon
Secretary Treasurer




Lonna J. Street
Tribal Chairwoman