

**UNAHA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
LAKEWOOD, CO
JULY 20, 2021
HOLIDAY INN**

Meeting called to order by Chairwoman Vogel at 8:47 a.m.

Roll call taken by Secretary. 23 members present. Quorum established.

Opening prayer given by Gene Sorrel- Salish -8:45 a.m.

Approval of Agenda – Lower Brule **made a motion to approve the agenda. 2nd by Rosebud. All in favor.**

Approval of Minutes – Regular Zoom Meeting – April 19, 2021. Lower Brule **made a motion to accept minutes of April 19, 2021 Zoom Meeting. 2nd by Rosebud. All in favor.**

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT- Chairwoman Vogel

Chairwoman Vogel thanked everyone for attending. Chairwoman Vogel acknowledged new Executive Director from Little Shell Housing Authority.

She also thanked and acknowledged Administration and the Executive Officers.

We are in unprecedented times. We are in the 3-R’s

Responsive

Responsibility

Reports

3-R’s

We want our Tribes’ to be aware of the new legislation that has been introduced by bipartisan. Keep them aware, invite them. Be prepared to respond to calls and letters. This is a time for new opportunities. The Occupancy and Maintenance Council met. We try to improve. Support our Associate Members, we need to form new partnerships with state agencies. We need to reach out to old partners, take time to celebrate your successes. Upgrade our equipment.

Thank you for trusting your UNAHA Leadership.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Treasurer Joey Nathan gave UNAHA Treasurer’s report.

We have \$29,449.97 in checking, \$31,615.81 in savings for a total of \$61,065.78 in current assets

We still have outstanding bills of \$3,500. for the tax return. A copy of Treasurers report was available for the membership.

Total Income \$74,502.12

Total Expenses 102603.95

Net Income \$ -28,101.83

Bob- We couldn’t get HUD to approve training funds from ERAP. – This year we have funds coming from AMERIND.

Lower Brule moved to approve Treasurer’s report. 2nd by Northern Arapaho. All in favor.

UNAHA Secretary Discussion -Chairwoman Vogel – At our last meeting we had an unusual situation with our Secretary. Harlan stepped up. Iva was terminated. It was discussed and conveyed that we would put it on the agenda. Do we want to reinstate Iva till her term is up? Discussion- Questions or concern. Executive Committee put it on the agenda. Patrick Goggles- I was the one that made the motion for Harlan. Northern Arapaho-made a

motion to reinstate Iva. 2nd by Salish. Chairwoman Vogel – Thank you. I am turning the meeting over to Bob. We are about 22 minutes ahead of schedule.

Ted Beulow- National Coordinator USDA

Ted – I feel fortunate, but nervous, the pandemic is not over. We're here and we have work to do. I want to hear from you on how we can be of assistance.

Community Facilities Program- Direct Loans – 49 years @ 2.125 interest rate

You can use it for equipment.

CF Grant Program – Technical Assistance and Training Grant

\$500 million ARPA coming later this summer.

30 million in Community Facilities grants

500 million is 10 x more than usual

ARP Appropriation has to be COVID specific

Engage in any other efforts determined to be critical.

Treatment center is eligible. Funding coming out by the end of August.

ARP Appropriations

Grant fund 75% of cost.

Statute allows for pre award costs

Davis Bacon applies to the grant.

State, Tribal or local governments can apply.

It has to be in a community of 50,000 or fewer people.

This year there is 10 million dollars available. Applications due August 2, 2021. 20% match requirement.

Farm Labor Housing – Opens 8/19/21 - Round 2 of the NOFA 9/1/21-11/1/21

Future training opportunities

TDHE's and Tribe's in partnership with UNAHA

Homeownership Opportunities

Heidi Frechette – 9:30

I heard there was 110 at the banquet.

25 Housing Authority's

Due to your hard work and commitment at adapting to going virtual.

CARES Act funding – Housing and rehab

It's wonderful to be here. Thank you Sharon and Officers, the backbone of UNAHA – Bob and Myrna.

In March there is \$700 million in the AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN in the office.

50% of TDHE' still have to submit a plan.

There is the Foreclosure Moratorium and Eviction. It appears that this is a final order.

Dear Tribal Leaders-Joint Webinar on July 27th. ICDBG – ARP is in the final stages. Clearing notice.

280 million is in it's final stages

Training/TA – Background on it- following HIS

ONAP Senior Staff supports your request for in person.

IHBG Cares Act should be out next month. Situation on travel – 1st 100 days regular

Since we last spoke in April – HUD’s Consultation
Secretary Fudge

THRIFT is we are calling it. Standing meeting weekly. Consultation meeting. It sounds like you had a very successful meeting so far.

Randy Akers – 9:50

Randy – I am excited to be invited. Thank you UNAHA. Thank you Heidi for being available and continuing to build the partnership.

I am presenting UNAHA with a plaque from ONAP.

These are unprecedented levels of funding as Sharon stated. The 3 R’s.
Grants Mgmt starting review of the plans. EPIC is being used for formula IHBG. ONAP continues to encourage the 425’s on EPIC. Only formula ICDBG on EPIC. The next quarterly due on 7/30/21.

NPONAP has limited grant management employees. There is the CARES funding. We are authorized to grant extensions on CARES before 12/31. ARP Funding came out March 2021. We have received about ½ of abbreviated IHP in ONAP.

Heidi also mentioned IHP, ICDBG, ARP notice comes out real soon.

Grants Evaluation

APR’s – June 30th

APR’s must be submitted for all the IHBG Programs. EPIC

Competitive and CARES submitted in PDF with macros.

CARES final shows accomplishments and expenditures.

ARP formula funds

Audits are required for more than \$750,000 expenditures. 2CFR Part 200.

We will evaluate the Onsite monitoring.

Of the last T/TA requests, 6 have been completed. Look at our CODETALK website. We welcome any requests for T/TA. Last thing, Heidi talked about environmental reviews, we encourage all of you to use HEROES.

Patrick can you give us a summary on the due dates?

Lorna Fogg – Older ICDBG are on their last year can they get an extension? Randy – We will certainly look at that for any flexibility on the ICDBG.

Break 10:20

10:47- Ted Beulow- We have 2 positions- GS9-11, can go up to GS 13.

Water Infrastructure, Broadband.

Myrna – We will send out the power points.

Ted – You can do both the CF and the RISE.

AMERIND

Bob Dahl – CEO – Thank you for the In person invite.

Power Point on the Executive Summary. AMERIND is in it; 35th year. We have been sustainable, effective and affordable. Update on operational expenses. HUD likes to see a 65% ratio. We are at 88% ratio right now. We have a stop loss policy.

NAHR- Individual Homeowners or Renters 96% last year. 100% this year. Rate increase went into effect I 2020. 60% losses due to fire. NAHASDA performing at 138% with loss from operations 2.953. Diversifying through 2021. 2026 drop to 27%. Property insurance budget at 4%, running 12%.

Patrick- Alternate or Region V- I serve on the Risk Management Committee. 5 cells. AMERIND utilizes cell commissions., We are getting ready to meet next week in Albuquerque. I am on the Finance and Risk Committee.

Jeannie Thompson – Region III Representative – I have no further comments.

NAIHC – Tony Walters- Executive Director

Discussed T/TA

Pathways Home

Legal Symposium – December 6, 7, 8, 2021 in Las Vegas, NV.

NAHASDA Reauthorization- 10 year reauthorization.

Assistant Secretary for Indian Housing

Drug Elimination

Environmental Review

Maximum Rent

Leveraging/ Use of other federal funds for leverage

This is through Senate/ there is no House Companion bill

Freedmen Issue

Section VIII vouchers

Native American Rural Home Owner Improvement Act – S2092

NAIHC recommending

722 million for IHBG formula

150 million for IHBG Competitive

Annual Appropriations

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Bob gave the each of the 14 Associate Members time to speak

Records Management

RT Hawk

Raven Consulting

Morningstar Consulting

HDS

Medicine Wheel Information System

Medicine Wheel discussed the 3 R's- Responsive, Responsibility and Reporting

HDS – One o the quickest ways to increase technology is to upgrade

RT Hawk – Wilbur Red Tomahawk
Robin Thorne – Asset Management
Lorna Fogg – Apply for 5 houses - \$200,000, you can build 20 units

Bob Clooten – Records Solution

Raven Consulting – Fee Accounting Service
Jeff and Jason Clairmont been with 25 years and 15 years. 2019 started compliance training.
Brochures out in hall.

Morningstar Consulting – Bandy Liberty

Native Learning Center

LEGISLATIVE UPATE

Jim/Dave]

Some of the money is caused by the pandemic and some is caused by you.
Pandemic Recovery Funds – 6.145 Billion

ERAP

CARES Act – 2.2 Trillion - \$300 Million is extra money for Indian Housing
Consolidation 2.3 Trillion
Appropriations Act – 1/617 Billion

American Rescue Plan - - 3/11/21 – 1.9 Trillion - Indian Housing – 1.228 Billion

Compromised physical Infrastructure bill- 1.2 Trillion – September
Reconciliation bill – 3.5 Trillion - Indian Housing 2 Billion
Appropriations bill
2022 President’s bill – Indian Housing – 2 Billion
Competitive/ Need/ Capacity grant

Jim – Simply said need Board to pass a resolution for 723 Million through formula
Heidi wanted to consolidate the grants.

NAHASDA Reauthorization – Senate Bill 2264
Discussion on proposed Senate Bill

Dave discussed basketball – 63 registered and 48 competed. This is our 36th year.

Chairwoman Vogel – Do we want to pass a resolution for the for the IHBG grant regular?

Patrick – There is a disparity in TDC between Alaska and our region.

Bob – What happened to Cheyenne River vs. Alaska, the voted in favor of Alaska. 2nd thing, I think we should say yes.

Bob – Section VIII & 515 – 10 or 15 year set aside. Jim – substantial rehab and new construction.

Patrick – rehab current units. Prices of construction have gone up.

Sharon – Why aren’t we building houses infrastructure & site? What’s stopping us?

We need to look at the need. Discussion on census and doing a Tribal census. Separate census for Indian Country.

Plan – 1980 – As you can see from the discussion a work group creating a position paper on the distribution on the 1 Billion \$'s. Have a meeting in Billing or somewhere.

Address our concerns about using outside contractors for scoring our plans. Patrick – Outside contractors, don't understand the need.

Region V needs to fill the AMERIND position.

Recessed @ 4:52 till tomorrow morning.

July 21, 2021 @ 8:02

Jody / Salish made a motion for Rod Trahan for the AMERIND Representative. 2nd by Gene /Salish All for.

We are ready to come back into session. @ 8:45. Jody discussed Rod Trahan new AMERIND Board member. Jeannie Thompson Region III to next AMERIND Board meeting.

Lower Brule made a motion to adjourn. 2nd by Salish. All in favor. Meeting adjourned @ 8:51 a.m.

Iva Grainger
UNAHA Secretary