

Coquille Indian Tribal Code

Chapter 180

CHIEF KEN TANNER MEMORIAL FUND

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180.010 Fund Name: Chief Ken Tanner Memorial Fund

180.020 Fund Purpose: The intent of the Tribal Council in establishing the Chief Ken Tanner Memorial Fund (the “Fund”) is to provide resources for the acquisition, preservation, protection, and maintenance of Coquille artifacts and historic materials. The Coquille Tribal Council has determined that the preservation of our cultural patrimony is of utmost importance to the Tribe and, that through the acquisition and care of our historic materials, we are doing the good work expected of us by those that have come before us. The Tribal Council established the Fund with the intent that it will provide resources in perpetuity to help support this purpose.

180.030 Fund Description: The Coquille Tribal Council created the Fund to honor Chief Ken Tanner, who was Chief of the Coquille Indian Tribe for 22 years. Ken Tanner was a teacher, musician, artist, friend, father, military veteran, Oregon State University alumni, athlete, and therapist.

When the Coquille Tribe was re-recognized as a sovereign government by the U.S. on June 28, 1989, Ken was asked to run for election on the Tribe’s governing body. He was elected as representative in 1991. After his father, Chief Tony Tanner, passed in 1992, Ken was asked to run for position of Chief. Chief Tanner was always proud of his heritage and always supportive of the Tribe’s work. During this time Chief Tanner was part of many, many projects that strengthened the Tribe in the fields of education, culture, traditions, and economic development.

Amongst his accomplishments were helping to develop the Tribe’s Cultural Resources Program, organizing the blessing of forest land returned to the Tribe, representing the Coquille Economic Development Corporation as a spokesperson, and publicly supporting the Tribe’s marriage laws that consider all marriages between two people as equal. Chief Tanner will be remembered for his heart, passion, and love for his people. We will always hear in our heart: “And always leave something for the others.”

180.040 Fund Authorization: The Tribal Council authorizes the Chief Ken Tanner Memorial Fund pursuant to CITC 160.200.3 for the specific purpose and uses established by this Ordinance. The Fund shall be accounted for as a permanent fund type in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles as promulgated by the Government Accounting Standards Board.

180.050 Fund Contributions: Contributions to the Fund shall be by appropriation of resources available from Tribal revenues and thereafter will grow through further Tribal contributions and the addition of unexpended annual investment earnings. The Tribe may accept private donations to the Fund, provided that such donations require no specific actions on the part of the Tribe other than to be used for the purpose authorized by this Ordinance.

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180.060 Fund Custody: Contributions, assets and earnings of the Fund shall be held in a bank account, brokerage account, or trust account of an institutional trust company, or any combination thereof, selected by the Chief Financial Officer and approved by the Tribal Council. Fund assets shall be invested in accordance with CITC 160.300 and may be invested in common with other Tribal fund assets to facilitate efficient management, provided they have similar duration, liquidity and risk constraints.

180.070 Fund Uses: The Tribal Council intends that the Fund shall be a permanent, non-expendable endowment and to appropriate only Fund earnings for expenditure so that the Fund principle shall not be less than the amount needed to provide earnings to support the approved uses in perpetuity. Such appropriations of Fund earnings shall be made annually pursuant to the Tribal budget. In determining annual appropriations the Tribal Council shall consider average annual Fund earnings, net of any and all investment fees and expenses, during the previous five years. At its discretion, the Tribal Council may appropriate resources other than Fund earnings to support the approved uses. Except as otherwise provided within Tribal budgets, any unused amounts appropriated for approved uses during any calendar year shall be returned to the Fund. The approved uses of Fund earnings are:

1. Support of a permanent lab/facility that meets State of Oregon's curation standards, such as an active wet lab, drying racks, chemical/safety measures, exhaust system, security, humidity control, temperature control, locked cabinets, lighting, and shelving.
2. Support of Coquille exhibit displays and education platforms for Coquille Tribal Members and the Community at large;
3. Repatriation and acquisition of baskets, artifacts/collections, and any other material related to the patrimony of the Coquille Tribe, and the display cases and other items needed to properly store and display items.
4. Costs that support the long term care and protection of historic and prehistoric archaeological sites.

180.080 Reporting Requirements: Unless the Tribal Council directs otherwise, the Chief Financial Officer shall provide the Tribal Council with an accounting for the Fund, including its receipts, disbursements, cumulative principal contributions and fund balance, within 45 days following the end of each calendar quarter.

180.090 Minimum Target Fund Balance: The minimum target fund balance is \$7,000,000. Amounts shall be contributed to the Fund to attain the minimum target fund balance in accordance with section 180.050 of this Ordinance.

180.100 Non-Funded; No Alienation: The Fund established under this Ordinance is not to be treated as a trust. The establishment of a fund called for herein does not create any rights directly or indirectly to any members of the Tribe or other individuals. The Fund is not separate from the general assets of the Tribe except to the extent it is accounted for through appropriate bookkeeping entities for compliance

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with this Ordinance. All assets in the Fund are and shall remain solely assets of the Coquille Indian Tribe. No individual or entity shall have any right to alienate, pledge, liquidate, hypothecate or assert any other rights of ownership of the Fund. Assets in the fund are not subject to levy, attachment or garnishment by any creditor of the Tribe.

180.900 Severability: If a court determines any provision of this Ordinance, or its application, to be invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance will continue to be effective.

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