

**From:** Denise Hunter <denniehunter8@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 25, 2020 12:36 PM  
**To:** Anne Cook  
**Cc:** Rocky Doyle  
**Subject:** Re: Board Communications

Thank you Anne,

Yes I would like to discuss the Resident Storage Lot at our next meeting. Because I feel it is wrong for Tribal Members to have to pay that much money when HUD non-tribal residents do not have to pay. After all it is Our Tribal Land and it feels like we are being penalized. I mean what is the goal? In my opinion it's To reduce the amount of vehicles, boats, etc that are junking up the front yards of homes on the Reservation (which many people have complained about - not just me) and charging them that large fee is a big deterrent. It would be nice if we could all work together to achieve our goals so that our Coquille Reservation is even more of a tribal community to be proud of.

Thanks again,  
Dennie

On Thu, Sep 24, 2020 at 7:46 AM <[annecook@coquilleiha.org](mailto:annecook@coquilleiha.org)> wrote:

Hi Denmie,

No problem. The IHS Sanitation Facilities program pays for installation of water and sewer connections/systems for members of federally-recognized tribes. The Coquille Tribe sponsors applications for Coquille Tribal members and other AIAN residing within the Tribe's service area. The program was handled by CIHA many years ago, transitioned to the Tribe while Todd Tripp was there, and transitioned back to CIHA last summer.

CIHA is in the process of closing out the IHS projects begun by the Tribe. Currently, we serve as a conduit to inspect and pay for work performed by IHS contractors (e.g., the excavating company you asked about). In return, we receive a small (completely inadequate) administrative fee. When a project is approved by IHS, CIHA pays the contractor, then is reimbursed by IHS. The \$23,000 check you signed was for an installation in Curry County that will be reimbursed in October. As soon as we get done with the projects initiated by the Tribe, CIHA's level of involvement will change. In future, our work will be limited to sponsoring applications and IHS will order, inspect, and pay for work directly.

Regarding the resident storage lot, the reason is charged a fee is because the lot was constructed and is operated with HUD funds, and not a HUD low-income program participant. We can discuss alternatives with the Board if you like.

See you this afternoon,

Anne