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Special Meeting
SUMMIT LAKE PAIUTE COUNCIL
Saturday, August 20, 2011
Summit Lake Primary Administrative Office

CALL TO ORDER. At 9:00 a.m., the Council Meeting was called to order by Council Chairman Warner Barlese.

ROLL CALL. Council Secretary/Treasurer Jerri Lynn Barlese called roll. Present: Warner Barlese, Ernie Barlese, Jerri Lynn Barlese, Jerry Barr, and Randi DeSoto. Chairman Warner Barlese declared a quorum was present and Council could conduct business.

STAFF PRESENT: William Cowan, Natural Resources Department Director; Frances Winn, Finance Director; Barbara Nelson, Administrative Coordinator/Finance Assistant

GUESTS PRESENT: Priscilla Harjo, Tribal Member

REPORTS - COUNCIL CHAIRMAN WARNER BARLESE

Chairman Barlese reported he attended a Public Law 93-638 Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) training held in Fallon, Nevada. He recommended that all Council attend the next time BIA offers this training. He also reported Professor Collette Routel has advised that Summit Lake Paiute Tribe's (SLPT) Petition to Review hearing will be held in Portland, Oregon on October 11 or October 14, 2011.

REPORTS - COUNCIL VICE CHAIRMAN ERNIE BARLESE

Vice Chairman Barlese had nothing to report.

REPORTS - SECRETARY/TREASURER JERRI LYNN BARLESE

Secretary/Treasurer Barlese reported she received a letter on August 12, 2011 regarding Ruby Pipeline testing water at One Mile Spring. The Natural Resources Department (NRD) will be coordinating the testing which will occur Tuesday, August 23, 2011. Chairman Barlese and Vice Chairman Barlese stated they would be able to attend.

On August 9, 2011, Secretary/Treasurer Barlese forwarded SLPT Council Member email addresses to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Surprise District office as requested by BLM Archaeologist Julie Rodman at the June 18, 2011 Council meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer Barlese reported she received two requests for enrollment applications and both have been mailed. She also has received two requests from Tribal members to receive their enrollment card. Discussion followed regarding the need to contact Tribal Data Resources for training on the enrollment machine. Chairman Barlese offered to contact them to see if he could get refresher training over the phone.

Secretary/Treasurer Barlese asked if a date had been set for Council to visit the site at Sheldon Refuge where cultural artifacts have been found. Council agreed to conduct this visit after hunting season sometime in November 2011 or table until May or June 2012, after the fish run. Mr. Cowan read Council an email he received from Nick Valentine, Archaeologist, Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS) advising that Mr. Valentine had not received information on a date for the site visit.

REPORTS - COUNCIL MEMBER JERRY BARR

Council Member Barr reported on the Student Services K-12 (K-12) program. SLPT has received three requests for assistance. Ms. Harjo questioned Council Member Barr why SLPT is allowing non-members to receive services when SLPT is not providing services to

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enrolled members. Council Member Barr replied that even though the student may not be enrolled, the parent or guardian must be an enrolled SLPT member. Thus the enrolled member is receiving services from K-12 because they are being relieved of some financial burden for school supplies. Ms. Harjo stated she would be sending a letter to BIA voicing her objections to SLPT's K-12 program. She also asked whether grandchildren or other extended family members are eligible for K-12 services. Chairman Barlese stated that as long as the dependent is part of the Tribal member's household they would be eligible. Ms. Harjo stated that she felt the K-12 program should be described as a donation.

REPORTS - COUNCIL MEMBER RANDI DESOTO

Council Member DeSoto reported on August 9, 2011, she met with Ms. Winn and Ms. Nelson and received training on updating SLPT's website. Council Member DeSoto was given a training manual which described step-by-step instructions for editing and deleting text and adding links for documents such as agendas, minutes, etc. She stated she would like to start by cleaning up the website Home Page as her first priority since the data is outdated. The Environmental Page should be deleted because it duplicates the Home Page. Mr. Cowan stated that when searching for the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe on Google's search engine, Google shows "Summit Lake Paiute Tribe Environmental Department". This needs to be changed. Ms. Harjo stated that SLPT would have to establish another domain with GoDaddy to accomplish this. Ms. Nelson was asked to call GoDaddy and determine the process for obtaining another domain.

REPORTS - NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

William Cowan, Natural Resources Department (NRD) Director requested an Executive Session regarding a contract with Great Basin Land and Water (GBLW). Mr. Cowan then gave written and oral reports which included:

- Ruby Pipeline Update
- Department of Energy (DOE) Energy Efficiency Grant
- University of Nevada Reno (UNR) Cultural Resource Inventories of Sheldon Refuge and Reservation Cemetery
- Federal Information Systems Security Awareness + Privacy and Records Management Training
- Return of Artifacts to the Sheldon Refuge
- Noxious Weed Treatments
- Maintenance Worker Position
- Water Flows in Mahogany Creek
- Summit Lake Water Level
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Tri-State Calico Complex Wild Horse Environmental Assessment
- Soldier Meadows Allotment Pasture Boundaries
- New Fence Construction
- Trespass Livestock Grazing on the Reservation, Communication with BIA and BLM
- BLM Rangeland Assessment Demonstration for the Soldier Meadows Allotment
- Photographing of Cadastral Survey Monuments and Fence Segments at Reservation South Boundary
- Fence Surrounding Well #1
- Opposition to Proposed Idaho Canyon-Warm Springs Fence
- Maintenance and Removal of VAKI Riverwatcher Systems
- UNR Food Web Study

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- BLM Authorization of Right of Way for Sno-Tel Installation
- Northwest Geographic Management Unit Team for Lahontan Cutthroat Trout (LCT) Recovery
- Verbal Update with Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) on LCT Annual Spawn Run, Mahogany Creek Flooding, and Minnows
- BIA Transportation Planning Grant
- BIA Meeting to Assess Effectiveness of Three Year's Noxious Weed Treatment on the Reservation
- Great Basin Land and Water Contract
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Partnership Performance Grant (PPG)
- EPA Evaluation Reports for Clean Water Act § 106 and § 319 Grants
- Meeting with EPA Regarding General Assistance Program (GAP)
- Meeting with US Forest Service Ogden Field Station and Washoe Tribe Regarding Woodland Management
- Tribal Wildlife Grant (TWG) Food Web Study Sampling and Contract
- Upcoming Meetings and Events

Mr. Cowan discussed the DOE Energy Efficiency Grant and described potential projects that could be conducted with the grant. Council Member Barr has taken the lead on this project and has met with Mr. Cowan.

Mr. Cowan reported UNR conducted a cultural inventory of (1) the proposed cemetery fence perimeter and (2) the proposed western road reroute. Chairman Barlese stated a cultural monitor should have been present. Mr. Cowan asked Chairman Barlese where funds would come from for paying cultural monitors. He further stated UNR volunteered their time and were supervised by SLPT staff at all times. A report is expected from UNR this Fall. Once UNR's report is received, the cemetery fence project can begin, provided no cultural resources are identified. Mr. Cowan requested Council select the type of fencing to be used, have Tribal members involved in the project, and suggested a cemetery committee be established. UNR's cultural inventory of the western road reroute was also supervised and provided by UNR free of cost. Both projects were fully authorized by the Council.

Mr. Cowan stated BLM has agreed to repair SLPT fences damaged in the upcoming Wild Horse Gather. He also reported the Soldier Meadows (SM) pasture meadow fence boundary maps are in error. SM's grazing schedule was changed by BLM in 2008 without consultation with SLPT. Mr. Cowan reported there are existing Tribal member allotments in the Warm Springs grazing area thus BLM needs to either build fences around these allotments or compensate the allotment owners for trespass livestock having access to the allotment.

Trespass livestock have damaged the pump control box at the north well at Summit Lake. Mr. Cowan notified both BIA and BLM and will include it as a discussion item at today's government-to-government consultation. At the request of Chairman Barlese, Mr. Cowan prepared a chronology of unauthorized livestock grazing the Reservation for the period July 8-August 19, 2011. The estimate for total costs for SLPT managing unauthorized livestock is \$12,768. Ms. Harjo suggested SLPT hire a full-time ranger or game warden to work at the Reservation to deal with unauthorized livestock. Mr. Cowan stated BIA has told him SLPT needs to develop a Trespass Ordinance. This project is also on NRD's task list. Chairman Barlese suggested SLPT apply for a 93-638 contract with the Department of Interior (DOI) to manage BLM land.

Mr. Cowan provided Council with a map from BLM showing fence condition on the Reservation. He stated SLPT received a grant to fix fence but there is a far greater amount of fence needing repair. The fence repair project is currently underway.

Mr. Cowan stated both BIA and BLM need to conduct title research of the actual Reservation boundaries and the water gap. Ms. Harjo stated there should be title documents for all allotments.

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The NRD participated in a rangeland assessment demonstration with SM, BLM and Western Watershed Project representatives.

Mr. Cowan presented a slide show of his assessment of the south boundary of the Reservation to photograph cadastral survey monuments and fence segments. The cadastral survey monuments dated to the early 1900's. Mr. Cowan recommended repairing the existing fence prior to new fence construction.

BLM has emailed Mr. Cowan to advise the Right of Way authorization for the Sno-Tel project is not effective until the BLM Authorized Officer signs the document. The Sno-Tel project is scheduled to begin the week of September 12, 2011. BLM will forward SLPT a copy of the executed Right of Way.

Mr. Cowan reported he will be reapplying for a FWS Recovery Permit to allow for lethal sampling of up to 60 LCT for the food web study. The contract with UNR is being revised to include language allowing SLPT to edit any reports generated by the study.

BREAK. Consensus of Council was to take a break at 10:55 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER. At 11:13 a.m., the Council Meeting was called to order by Council Chairman Warner Barlese.

ROLL CALL. Council Secretary/Treasurer Jerri Lynn Barlese called roll. Present: Warner Barlese, Ernie Barlese, Jerri Lynn Barlese, Jerry Barr, and Randi DeSoto. Chairman Warner Barlese declared a quorum was present and Council could conduct business.

STAFF PRESENT: William Cowan, Natural Resources Department Director; Frances Winn, Finance Director; Barbara Nelson, Administrative Coordinator/Finance Assistant

GUESTS PRESENT: Priscilla Harjo, Tribal member

NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mr. Cowan presented Resolution, "Approval of 2012 Tribal Wildlife Grant Proposal To Be Submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service". The Resolution supports and approves an investigation to determine population viability of LCT in the Summit Lake Basin. The project will include tagging LCT to monitor fish activity by recapturing them and learning about their life history. The NRD will be working with Dr. Zeb Hogan of UNR. Dr. Hogan is a well-respected researcher who has traveled the world conducting studies of large fish.

MOTION: Council Secretary/Treasurer Jerri Lynn Barlese introduced a motion to approve Resolution SL-12-2011, Approval of 2012 Tribal Wildlife Grant Proposal To Be Submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Council Member Jerry Barr seconded the motion. Vote called. Vote: 4 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstaining. Council Chairman Warner Barlese refrained from voting and declared the motion approved at 11:25 a.m.

Mr. Cowan presented options for using the remainder of the BIA Transportation Planning Grant. Approximately half of the grant award remains. Options include:

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- Hiring a Transportation Planner
- Hiring Engineering Consultants to assess proposed re-route of Hells Canyon and proposed road west of Summit Lake
- Attend training
- Continuing to coordinate with Pershing County to acknowledge the updated Indian Reservation Road inventory.

Mr. Cowan reported he has received three applications for the open Maintenance Worker position. None of the applicants followed instructions by providing copies of their Nevada driving record so none are being considered. OnPoint Insurance will not insure drivers without SLPT having the driving record on file. The position remains open.

Discussion followed regarding obtaining tents and camping gear for the fence crew. All crew members are willing to camp out. The crew is losing 3 to 4 hours of work time each day transporting to and from the fence site. Mr. Cowan recommended purchasing a 6-8 man tent and camp stove. The cost of the equipment would be jointly funded between the Connecting People with Nature grant and BIA funds.

CONSENSUS: Consensus of Council was to approve purchase of tents and a camp stove.

Mr. Cowan reported the SLPT's two Federal Emergency Management Agency-donated trailers will be transported to Summit Lake the end of August or first week of September. He asked Council to consider hiring a subcontractor to pour concrete slabs for the trailers.

CONSENSUS: Consensus of Council was to hire a subcontractor to supervise and install concrete slabs for new trailers to be set up in the Tribal Compound area.

Mr. Cowan discussed timing for Council and BLM to return artifacts to the Sheldon Refuge. Council discussed November 2011 as a possible date or to wait until after the 2012 fish run. Mr. Cowan will take the lead on coordinating this project.

The NRD report concluded at 11:40 a.m.

REPORTS - FINANCE REPORT

Frances Winn, Finance Director, provided Council with an agenda and flash drives containing Financial Reports.

Ms. Winn discussed a proposed contract with FWS Information Technology Specialist Victor Cobos to provide computer systems administrator services for SLPT. Ms. Winn stated the services are extremely needed.

Ms. Winn provided an email from Marie Ortesi, EPA, Region 9 on all EPA GAP findings. Ms. Ortesi is requesting SLPT's response to 2008 and 2009 audit findings. Ms. Winn provided Council with a draft of a Corrective Action Plan and stated Council will need to review the Plan and approve it via Resolution.

Ms. Winn provided Council a handout and showed a binder prepared by the Finance Department with copies of all GAP-funded ineligible documents generated by the former Environmental Coordinator (EC) sent to SLPT by EPA. Ms. Winn proposed that Council volunteer time to help address these ineligible documents since SLPT has no funds to pay staff to work on GAP-related activities. Most importantly, the outcome of Council's work may impact EPA grants administered by the NRD as well as affecting audits.

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Ms. Harjo asked about the duration of the EPA GAP grant. Ms. Winn responded the grant was for a four-year period, the purpose of which was to monitor environmental activities at Summit Lake. Work Plan Commitments were submitted by the EC to EPA. Because many of the Commitments were not met, EPA deemed them ineligible. Had the Commitments been met, SLPT would still have their GAP grant. Chairman Barlese stated that Council wants to now revise the Work Plan.

Ms. Harjo asked what specific position this places SLPT. Ms. Winn stated all of the ineligible documents need to be reviewed and an attempt made to apply them to the Work Plan Commitments. Ms. Harjo asked if the EC was responsible for creating SLPT's issues with the GAP grant. Ms. Winn responded there had been issues with the EC and his GAP Project Officer for two years. Chairman Barlese stated the first letters regarding GAP deficiencies arrived in October 2010 and the EC drafted a Plan of Action which was subsequently denied by EPA. Ms. Winn interjected the GAP issues actually began in late 2009. She stated there will be a cost associated with each of the ineligible Commitments. She volunteered to hold a one-time work session with the Council regarding the ineligible documents.

Ms. Winn reported that SLPT has been granted a 90 percent reduction in the over \$1 million BIA deferred revenue. The Court is currently reviewing SLPT's request to forgive SLPT the remaining deferred revenue balance, approximately \$108,000.

LUNCH BREAK. Consensus of Council was to take a lunch break at 12:05 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER. At 12:58 p.m. the Council Meeting was called to order by Council Chairman Warner Barlese.

ROLL CALL. Council Secretary/Treasurer Jerri Lynn Barlese called roll. Present: Warner Barlese, Ernie Barlese, Jerri Lynn Barlese, Jerry Barr, and Randi DeSoto. Chairman Warner Barlese declared a quorum was present and Council could conduct business.

STAFF PRESENT: William Cowan, Natural Resources Department Director; Barbara Nelson, Administrative Coordinator/Finance Assistant

GUESTS PRESENT: Aaron Peskin, President, Great Basin Land and Water; Rob Scanland, Great Basin Land and Water

Mr. Cowan introduced the Council and staff to the representatives from Great Basin Land and Water (GBLW).

Council agreed to an Executive Session to discuss a contract with GBLW. Executive Session began at 1:01 p.m. and ended at 2:00 p.m.

MOTION: Council Secretary/Treasurer Barlese introduced a motion to approve Resolution SL-13-2011 for the creation of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe Land Acquisition Committee. Council Vice Chairman Barlese seconded the motion. Vote called. Vote: 4 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstaining. Council Chairman Barlese refrained from voting and declared the motion approved at 2:05 p.m.

Mr. Cowan advised Council that all duties Council Members perform as a member of the Land Acquisition Committee are separate and apart from their duties as Council Members.

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GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION

GUESTS PRESENT: Athena Brown, Superintendent, Western Nevada Agency (WNA), BIA; Suzette Claypool, Realty Officer, WNA, BIA; Gene Seidlitz, District Manager, Winnemucca District, BLM; Rolando Mendez, Field Manager, Black Rock Field Office, BLM

Representatives from BIA and BLM arrived at 2:10 p.m. to begin government-to-government consultation. Introductions were made.

Mr. Cowan reported trespass livestock began appearing on the Reservation July 8, 2011. He stated SLPT has worked hard to maintain water quality and fisheries. Trespass livestock are creating non-point source pollution. He stressed SLPT's desire to maintain an open dialogue with stakeholders regarding management of the Soldier Meadows grazing allotment (SMA). BLM provided Council with a map describing the grazing schedule and pasture boundaries. The map showed boundaries and grazing schedules for the following pastures:

<u>Pasture</u>	<u>Odd Year Grazing Strategy</u>
• Calico Mountains/South Use Area (#1)	Rest
• South Use Area (#2)	1/16 through 3/31
• Hot Springs South Use Area (#3)	4/1 through 4/30
• Warm Springs Use Area (#4)	5/1 through 7/15
• Idaho Canyon Use Area (#5)	7/16 through 10/31
• Hot Springs North Use Area (#6)	10/1 through 12/15
• Slumgullion Use Area (#7)	10/1 through 12/15
• Colman Use Area (#8)	No Grazing
• Stanley Camp Use Area (#9)	No Grazing

Mr. Cowan stated grazing issues are still occurring. He then showed BIA and BLM a slide show documenting trespass livestock activity. Mr. Cowan stated SLPT attempted to work out an agreement with Soldier Meadows Ranch regarding the trespass livestock issue with no success. Additionally, SLPT was just recently informed the SMA pasture boundaries were changed in 2008 without consultation with SLPT. Mr. Mendez stated the existing SMA grazing permit was signed and approved for a ten year period. He will research when the permit is due for review and notify SLPT.

Mr. Cowan stated that when livestock are grazing in #4 there is no facility in place for the livestock to remain in #4 and not to travel to #6 where the water gap leading to Summit Lake is located. According to BLM's SM grazing schedule, livestock are only authorized to be in #6 October 1 to December 15, 2011. Livestock are in #6 now and causing damage. Livestock damaged a well head and valve box at a well on the Reservation that was installed only two years ago. Mr. Cowan reported that on August 8, 2011, livestock were trespassing in #4 and #6 when they should have been grazing in #5. Livestock are using #6 and wading in Summit Lake. Livestock also are walking around a Reservation fence at the water gap to trespass to other points on the Reservation. Prior to August 3, 2011, SLPT staff counted up to 200 trespass livestock. Chairman Barlese pointed out there is also damage to private allotments and land assignments. He suggested SLPT obtain a 93-638 contract with BLM to manage pasture areas #3, #4, #6 and #9.

Mr. Cowan stated SLPT receives funds for range management under a BIA 93-638 contract. The NRD intent for these funds is to have maintenance workers repair fences; however, trespass livestock management is costing SLPT these resources. The terms of the BLM

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grazing permit must be upheld. Mr. Cowan stated when a federal agency is responsible for managing grazing permits, they should be accountable for damage caused by trespass livestock. He continued that all DOI agencies should assist SLPT with the trespass livestock issue. BIA, BLM and the Bureau of Reclamation could all participate in future 93-638 contracts with SLPT. He then provided BIA and BLM with his analysis of estimated damage costs for trespass livestock activity on the Reservation (\$12,768). Mr. Cowan stated that BLM must understand that unless appropriate fences are built around designated pastures, SLPT will continue to have trespass issues.

Chairman Barlese stated three Tribal allotments are located in one of the BLM pastures. He advised BLM that these allotments should be fenced off because they are owned by Tribal members. The allotments need to be protected or the allottees be compensated for livestock trespassing off the SMA onto the allotment(s).

Ms. Brown suggested SLPT hire full-time employees who could work under a BIA 93-638 contract with assistance from BLM to manage trespass livestock. She stated BIA has specific requirements for documenting trespass activity. A BIA law enforcer would need to be present at the time SLPT is documenting trespass activity. Additionally, pictures would have to be taken with a 35mm camera; digital pictures are not acceptable. She advised SLPT to develop a proposal outlining what resources, wages and fringe benefits, would be needed to have full-time staff at the Reservation. One issue she foresees would be infrastructure needed for this individual to reside at Summit Lake. Ms. Brown stated SLPT should develop a Trespass Ordinance and that BIA would be willing to work with SLPT to provide boiler point language for such an Ordinance.

Mr. Seidlitz stated the matter of land ownership should be discussed further. He also agreed the 93-638 contract option with DOI should be pursued. He stated BLM does hold the permittee accountable. BLM documents where trespass livestock are located and look at brands, earmarks and other markings on the livestock to determine ownership. Mr. Seidlitz described the process for contacting livestock owners regarding trespass livestock. BLM has forms that are filled out and sent to the brand holder. The brand holder is required to meet with BLM and explain why their livestock are trespassing. BLM determines if the brand holder is either "willful" or "repeated" in allowing their livestock to trespass. The brand owner can be assessed monetary damages or both parties could arrange a non-monetary settlement. Chairman Barlese asked Mr. Seidlitz what measures BLM takes for permittees with continued trespass violations. Mr. Seidlitz stated if there is a history by the permittee of willful or repeated trespass, their permit can be restricted or cancelled. Mr. Seidlitz stated that Soldier Meadows Ranch is owned by a Limited Liability Corporation (LLC) in the name of Kudrna LLC with other partners involved.

Council Member Jerry Barr questioned why it takes BLM so long to deal with trespass issues. He stated Soldier Meadows Ranch is not being held responsible for their trespass livestock and should have employees sufficient to ensure their livestock remain in their designated grazing pastures. Mr. Mendez stated he has contacted Soldier Meadows Ranch repeatedly. BLM can increase their level of patrol of the permittees grazing activities. Mr. Mendez stated he is the BLM employee who is ultimately responsible for dealing with the permittees and SLPT can hold him responsible for continued SMA trespass issues.

Discussion followed regarding having a meeting to repair fence on the Reservation boundary lines. Mr. Cowan discussed the history of the Reservation fence line which was originally constructed in 1965 - 1975 by Tribal members with assistance from BIA and BLM. He requested BIA research their records and locate property titles to ensure the Reservation boundaries are accurately described. He further requested BIA review records created by Charlie Fisher, a former BIA agent. SLPT needs these records to verify the legal description of Reservation boundaries. Ms. Brown stated BIA will research records from the American Indian Repository as well as BIA historical maps. She said the American Indian Repository is fairly responsive but BIA will need some time for this research. Mr. Seidlitz requested a follow-up meeting about fencing and stated BLM is committed to fiscal resources to resolve fence issues.

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Mr. Cowan reported he conducted a physical analysis of the south boundary fence. In doing so, he located a monument that may have been either a Tribal prayer rock or a monument erected by Basque sheep herders who frequented the area. Chairman Barlese voiced concern about the rock formation since it may have been constructed for spiritual purposes.

Mr. Cowan reported there is still a robust population of wild horses on the Reservation.

Mr. Cowan stated SLPT wants to extend the Reservation land base. He asked BLM about the process for extending the Reservation into the wilderness area. Mr. Seidlitz responded wilderness areas are not eligible to be given to the Tribe.

Mr. Seidlitz reported the BLM Winnemucca District Resource Management Plan Environmental Assessment will be completed and published for public comment late 2011 or early 2012.

Mr. Seidlitz inquired about SLPT's Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). Mr. Cowan stated the first phase of the LRTP is completed. The next step is to locate funding for road improvements once SLPT is on the BIA Indian Reservation Road system. He stated a Memorandum of Agreement would be developed between SLPT, BLM, BIA, Humboldt County, Washoe County and Pershing County.

Discussion followed regarding BLM's proposed Idaho Canyon/Warm Springs fence. SLPT issued a letter of opposition to the existing proposal because it will create a bottleneck for livestock on the northwest boundary corner. SLPT recommends the fence be built in a straight line from the northeast and northwest corners of the Reservation boundary to keep trespass livestock away from One Mile Spring. Mr. Seidlitz stated BLM concurs with eliminating the bottleneck; however they are moving forward to construct the fence from the northwest Reservation boundary corner. He further stated BLM wants to build the Idaho Canyon/Warm Springs fence this year and will need Soldier Meadows Ranch to sign an agreement for fence maintenance.

Mr. Cowan asked if the BLM Wilderness Management Plan is open for public comment. He stated the Plan contains statements that are not factual and questioned whether BLM consulted with SLPT prior to the Plan being developed.

Mr. Mendez reported the Right of Way application for the Sno-Tel project has been signed and will be sent to Mr. Cowan. The Sno-Tel project is slated to begin the week of September 12, 2011.

Government-to-government consultation ended at 4:20 p.m.

BREAK. Consensus of Council was to take a break at 4:21 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER. At 4:33 p.m. the Council Meeting was called to order by Council Chairman Warner Barlese.

ROLL CALL. Council Secretary/Treasurer Jerri Lynn Barlese called roll. Present: Warner Barlese, Ernie Barlese, Jerri Lynn Barlese, Jerry Barr, and Randi DeSoto. Chairman Warner Barlese declared a quorum was present and Council could conduct business.

STAFF PRESENT: Barbara Nelson, Administrative Coordinator/Finance Assistant

HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE, ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE

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The Committee Members for both of these Committees failed to attend the Council meeting thus business regarding Higher Education and Enrollment could not be conducted.

NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Barr requested that Chairman Barlese give Council Member DeSoto the cell phone and accessories that were used by the former Environmental Coordinator.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Council Secretary/Treasurer Jerri Lynn Barlese introduced a motion to approve the Minutes of the Council's April 16, 2011 Special Meeting and waive reading of the Minutes aloud. Motion seconded by Council Member Jerry Barr. Vote called. Vote: 4 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstaining. Chairman Warner Barlese refrained from voting and declared the motion had passed. The Minutes of the May 15, 2011 Special Meeting were approved at 4:50 p.m.

MOTION: Council Secretary/Treasurer Jerri Lynn Barlese introduced a motion to approve the Minutes of the Council's May 15, 2011 Special Meeting and waive reading of the Minutes aloud. Motion seconded by Council Member Jerry Barr. Vote called. Vote: 4 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstaining. Chairman Warner Barlese refrained from voting and declared the motion had passed. The Minutes of the May 15, 2011 Special Meeting were approved at 4:51 p.m.

MOTION: Council Secretary/Treasurer Jerri Lynn Barlese introduced a motion to approve the Minutes of the Council's January 26, 2011 Special Meeting and waive reading of the Minutes aloud. Motion seconded by Council Member Jerry Barr. Vote called. Vote: 4 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstaining. Chairman Warner Barlese refrained from voting and declared the motion had passed. The Minutes of the January 26, 2011 Special Meeting were approved at 4:52 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

Council agreed to table creation of an agenda for the September 17, 2011 Special Meeting to be held in Sparks beginning at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Barlese advised Council that adding Open Forum as an agenda item only applies to the two Regular Meetings held in May and October of each year. He said it should not be added to agendas for Special Meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Council Secretary/Treasurer Jerri Lynn Barlese introduced a motion to adjourn. Council Vice Chairman Ernie Barlese seconded the motion. Vote called. Vote: 4 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstaining. Council Chairman Warner Barlese refrained from voting and declared the motion had passed. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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CERTIFICATION

I, Jerri Lynn Barlese, Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Council, hereby state and affirm that the above Minutes of the August 20, 2011 Special Meeting of the Summit Lake Paiute Council were approved by the Council during a duly called meeting of the Council on March 20, 2012, by a vote of 0 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstaining. Council Chairman Warner Barlese refrained from voting.

March 10, 2012

Date



Jerri Lynn Barlese, Secretary/Treasurer
Summit Lake Paiute Council