

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
SUMMIT LAKE PAIUTE COUNCIL
Saturday, January 19, 2008

Conference Room, Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Inc., 680 Greenbrea Dr., Second Floor, Sparks, Nevada

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

At 10:30am, Acting Chairperson Jerri Lynn Barlese called the meeting to order noting that there was a quorum of three Council members present and that in accordance with the Tribe's Articles of Association business could be conducted by the Council. Secretary/Treasurer Lorraine Watson called roll. Present: Council members Grayson Huitt, Warner Barlese, Jerri Lynn Barlese, and Lorraine Watson.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)

It was the consensus of the Council, in accordance with the Articles of Association allowing the Council to set its own procedures, to move the reading and approval of Minutes to the end of the meeting.

TRIBAL MEMBER RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF VACANCY ON COUNCIL

Acting Chairperson Barlese advised the Council that in response to the Council's advisement to tribal members that there was a vacancy on the Council that two tribal members, Chanell Barlese and Ernie Barlese had submitted the requested written notice.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION. At 10:30am, Acting Chairperson Barlese made a motion to go into Executive Session for sixty (60) minutes so the Council could vote to fill the seat on the Council vacated by resignation on November 17, 2007. Council member Warner Barlese seconded the motion. A vote was called, and the motion passed with a vote of 3 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstaining. Acting Chairperson Barlese did not vote because there was no tie vote.

At 10:31am, Acting Chairperson Barlese asked all persons to leave the Council meeting, and the Council went into Executive Session.

At 11:10am, Council member Grayson Huitt left the Executive Session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

At 11:30am, the Council automatically came out of Executive Session. Acting Chairperson Barlese noted that Council member Grayson Huitt was not present, and made the following announcements.

When Council member Grayson Huitt left the Executive Session he submitted a letter of resignation from the Council, and that unless the Council gives other notice, the letter of resignation is accepted. The Council will be giving notice to tribal members of this vacancy so another tribal member can fill this vacancy.

Ernie Barlese was selected to fill the unexpired term of the Council member who resigned on November 17, 2007, and he will take the Oath of Office at the next Council meeting, January 26, 2008.

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OPEN FORUM

Although an Open Forum it not listed as a Council Meeting procedure in the Articles of Association, it was the consensus of the Council to allow tribal members present to have an opportunity to speak on whatever topics they wanted to speak.

Tribal members present: Steve Frank, Audrey Frank, Connie Summers, Robert Summers, Robyn Burdett, Corey Burdett, Grayson Huitt, Jesse Strout, and Shawn Huff. Guest: Mona Huitt and Lortie Linden.

Robyn Burdette started by asking internal question knowing that the council would not exposed sensitive information. Then some question was asked that was based on some rumors and the rumors were cleared up. More questions were asked and the tribal members did not like the answers. Because everyone was trying to speak at one time and would not act in accordance with the instructions set by the Council for allowing an Open Forum, and because Council members believed certain persons present were becoming hostile (for example, some started to yell at each other), a lunch break was declared.

LUNCH BREAK. The Council took a Lunch Break from 12 Noon to 12:30pm.

INCIDENT IN ITCN PARKING LOT. After lunch, as Council members were returning to the ITCN parking lot, several Sparks Police Department Police Officers were observed talking to Steve Frank. Steve Frank had call the Police believing that one of the Council members was driving a motor vehicle while her driver's license was suspended and revoked. Sparks Police determined that Steve Frank's complaint was unfounded. Council members explained to the Police Officers that Council members were trying to conduct a council meeting to conduct tribal business and asked the Police to come in and keep the peace. Sparks Police expressed concerns on the expense of having officers stand by.

The Council wishes to recognize the professionalism exhibited by Sparks Police Officers N. Coats, C. Hawkins, and K. Gallop.

CALL TO ORDER

At 1:30pm, Acting Chairperson Barlese called the meeting back to order.

CLOSURE OF MEETING TO TRIBAL MEMBERS

At 1:32pm, the Council decided to have a closed meeting because of the actions of certain tribal members.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MOTION. Council member Warner Barlese made a motion to recontract Fisheries and approve Resolution SL-02-2008. Secretary/Treasurer Lorraine Watson seconded the motion. Council discussed the some minor changes to the Fisheries recontract application. Vote: 2 For, 0

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Against, and 0 Abstained. Acting Chairperson Barlese did not vote because there was no tie vote. Acting Chairperson Barlese announced the motion passed and Resolution No. SL-02-2008 was enacted.

MOTION. Council member Warner Barlese made a motion to recontract Roads and approve Resolution SL-03-2008. Secretary/Treasurer Lorraine Watson seconded the motion. Council discussed the some minor changes to the Roads recontract application. Vote: 2 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstained. Acting Chairperson Barlese did not vote because there was no tie vote. Acting Chairperson Barlese announced the motion passed and Resolution No. SL-03-2008 was enacted.

MOTION. Council member Warner Barlese made a motion to recontract Range Management Improvement and approve Resolution SL-04-2008. Secretary/Treasurer Lorraine Watson seconded the motion. Council discussed the some minor changes to the Range recontract application. Vote: 2 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstained. Acting Chairperson Barlese did not vote because there was no tie vote. Acting Chairperson Barlese announced the motion passed and Resolution No. SL-04-2008 was enacted.

MOTION. Council member Warner Barlese made a motion to recontract CTGP (Consolidated Tribal Government Program) and approve Resolution SL-05-2008. Secretary/Treasurer Lorraine Watson seconded the motion. Council discussed the some minor changes to the CTGP recontract application. Vote: 2 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstained. Acting Chairperson Barlese did not vote because there was no tie vote. Acting Chairperson Barlese announced the motion passed and Resolution No. SL-05-2008 was enacted.

MOTION. Council member Warner Barlese made a motion to recontract Higher Education and approve Resolution SL-06-2008. Secretary/Treasurer Lorraine Watson seconded the motion. Council discussed the some minor changes to the Higher Education recontract application. Vote: 2 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstained. Acting Chairperson Barlese did not vote because there was no tie vote. Acting Chairperson Barlese announced the motion passed and Resolution No. SL-06-2008 was enacted.

CONTRACT SUPPORT FUND. The Council discussed the status of the Indirect Cost Rate Proposals for 2002 through 2007.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION. Secretary/Treasurer Lorraine Watson made a motion to approve Resolution No. SL-07-2008 supporting ITCN's domestic violence program application for funding. Council member Warner Barlese seconded the motion and called for a vote. Vote: 2 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstained. Acting Chairperson Barlese did not vote because there was no tie vote. Acting Chairperson Barlese announced the motion passed.

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At 3:20pm, two tribal members entered the Council meeting and delivered letters seeking appointment to the unexpired term of the Council member who resigned on this date.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION. Council member Warner Barlese made a motion to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of May 19, June 23, and July 21, 2007, and the Council Telephone Conference Call of September 26, 2007 as submitted. Secretary/Treasurer Lorraine Watson seconded the motion and called for a vote. Vote: 2 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstained. Acting Chairperson Barlese did not vote because there was no tie vote. Acting Chairperson Barlese announced the motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION. At 4:31pm, Council member Warner Barlese made a motion for the Council to go into Executive Session for seventy-seven (77) minutes to discuss personnel matters. Secretary/Treasurer Lorraine Watson seconded the motion and called for a vote. Vote: 2 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstained. Acting Chairperson Barlese did not vote because there was no tie vote. Acting Chairperson Barlese announced the motion passed and asked all persons present, except Environmental Coordinator Ron Johnny, leave the Council meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

At 5:48pm, the Council automatically came out of Executive Session.

MOTION. At 5:50pm, Council member Warner Barlese made a motion that Environmental Coordinator Ron Johnny be given a four dollar twelve cent (\$4.12) raise effective, retroactively, to January 1, 2008. Secretary/Treasurer Lorraine Watson seconded the motion. The Council discussed: the great progress Ron Johnny has made in completing the requirements of the EPA's GAP Grant; Mr. Johnny's high level of education; and, the fact that at the time Mr. Johnny was hired the status of Gap funding was unknown because of the inactions of previous Environmental Coordinators in 2005 and 2006, and that since the available funding was recently identified there were sufficient funds to give Mr. Johnny a modest pay raise. Vote: 2 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstained. Acting Chairperson Barlese did not vote because there was no tie vote. Acting Chairperson Barlese announced the motion passed.

MOTION. At 6:00pm, Council member Warner Barlese made a motion that Environmental Coordinator Ron Johnny be appointed, in accordance with Chapter 24 (Delegation of Authority) of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe's Personnel Manual to the unpaid position of Chief Administrative Employee which is also referred to in other tribal policies as the Chief Administrator. Secretary/Treasurer Lorraine Watson seconded the motion. The Council noted that the appointment of a Chief Administrative Employee, per Chapter 24, is not an appointment an employee can refuse but it is also not one the Council gives to just any

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employee. The Council discussed the facts requiring that they appoint a Chief Administrative Employee are set forth in Section 4 of Chapter 24, namely, that "funding is not always available to employ academically and experienced administrators and personnel managers." The Council then discussed Mr. Johnny's previous experience working with the Summit Lake Paiute tribe and his qualifications: undergraduate degree from U.C. Berkeley; doctorate from the University of Denver, Denver, Colorado; former tribal chairman and former chairman of Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada; and, published author, including four law review articles. The Council then heard from employees and others why a Chief Administrative Employee was needed. Vote: 2 For, 0 Against, and 0 Abstained. Acting Chairperson Barlese did not vote because there was no tie vote. Acting Chairperson Barlese announced the motion passed.

REPORTS

NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT. William Cowan the Natural Resource Department Director ("NRD") starts his report on Accomplishments: Council passed resolution SL-27-07 which selected consultants to provide services for clear water act non-point source section 319 and water pollution control program section 106 grant; and council passed resolution SL-28-07 which granted authority to the Tribal Chairperson, Council Secretary/Treasurer, the Chief Administrative Employee, and the NRD to submit, negotiate and execute EPA clean water act non-point source section 319 and water pollution control program section 106 grants. On December 16, 2007, interviewed applicants for the vacant resource technician position. A candidate was selected and offered the job. Acceptance of employment is due January 25, 2008. On December 20, 2007 a contract was entered with Russell Brigham for consulting services to complete EPA section 319 grant proposals. On January 10, a contract was entered with natural resources management services for consulting services to complete a 305b report pursuant to the EPA 106 grant administered by the tribe. Water quality data, notes and drafts incomplete 305 reports were consolidated and given to the consultant. On January 14, the NRD attended a meeting with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), BIA, and the Summit Lake Paiute Council (Council) to discuss status. A future coordination meeting will be organized after Congress passes a budget for FY-2008. EPA and Bureau of Reclamation will be invited to participate in this forthcoming meeting. On January 16, the annual Lahontan cutthroat trout (LTC) inter-agency meeting was partially attended by the NRD. The NRD made contact with representatives of the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW), and USFS for general technical assistance to tribes through the Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP) and Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) administered by NRCS, Landowner Incentive Program administered by the NDOW, and Partners for Wildlife administered by the USFWS. A meeting will be organized in February to present the Tribe's need for assistance. This year's projects are to build fences on the water gap, and have a well drilled to provide water for the cattle that graze on the water gap. The research for office space in Reno has been successful and there were a few places that replied and need to find out which one would meet the Tribe's needs for now.

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MOTION. After discussion on the office space and a suitable one was pick out, Secretary/Treasurer Lorraine Watson made a motion to have the Natural Resources Department Director ("NRD") to act on the lease and approved Resolution SL-01-2008. Council member Warner Barlese seconded the motion and called for a vote. Vote 2 For; 0 Against; and 0 Abstained. SL-01-08 Adopted. Acting Chairperson Barlese did not vote because there was no tie vote. Acting Chairperson Barlese announced the motion passed.

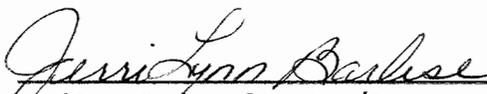
Environmental Coordinator Ron Johnny gave a presentation on the December 2007 and January 12, 2008, Tribal Environmental Inventory and Plan (PTEI&P) Workshops discussing some of the environmental issues and feasible solutions identified by tribal members.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION. At 7:50pm, Secretary/Treasurer Lorraine Watson made a motion to adjourn the January 19, 2008 Regular Council Meeting. Council member Warner Barlese seconded the motion. No discussion followed. VOTE: 2 for; 0 against; 0 abstaining. Because the Tribal Chairman only votes in the case of a tie, and there being no tie vote on the Motion, Acting Tribal Chairman Jerri Lynn Barlese did not vote. Acting Chairperson Barlese announced the motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

CERTIFICATION

I, JERRI LYNN BARLESE, Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Council, hereby state and affirm that the above Minutes of the January 19, 2008 Regular Meeting of the Summit Lake Paiute Council were approved, as amended if any amendments were made, during a duly called meeting of the Summit Lake Paiute Council on March 15, 2008 by a vote of the 2 for, 0 against, and 0 abstaining, and that Tribal Chairman Warner Barlese (did or did not) vote because there (was or was not) a tie.



Jerri Lynn Barlese, Secretary/Treasurer
Summit Lake Paiute Council

March 15 2008

Date