

MINUTES
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
Regular Council Meeting
Saturday, September 20, 2014
Primary Administration Office, Sparks, NV

Council Chairwoman Randi DeSoto calls council meeting to order 9:29a.m. and asks Council Secretary/Treasurer Elizabeth DeLaLuz to call roll.

Council Chairwoman, Randi DeSoto present, Council Vice-Chairwoman Delgadina Gonzalez present, Council Secretary Secretary/Treasurer Elizabeth DeLaLuz present and Council Member Jerry Barr present

Staff: Finance Director, Frances Winn present and Natural Resources Department Director, William Cowan present, Victor Cobos IT technician is in building working on new tribal office phone system

Council Reports:

Council Chairwoman Randi DeSoto begins her report by stating she has been checking e-mails, answering phone calls from concerned tribal members and stopping in to the tribal office for day to day activity.

Since last council meeting, August 17, 2014 till September 12, 2014 there has been no interested tribal members seeking the council vacancy position. Deadline to fill council vacancy was extended to October 3, 2014 by 5:00p.m. After extending deadline Council received a letter of intent to fill council vacancy from one tribal member. Council Chairwoman will notify Tribal Member by phone. Prior to appointing the vacant council position, council will wait till deadline to choose an applicant that can finish out the council term ending May, 2015.

Council Vice-Chairwoman Delgadina Gonzalez begins her report by stating there have been no inquiries of Higher Education and no inquiries of K-12 Program but states a Native American Online Tutoring Company called and spoke with her regarding tutoring for students kindergarten age up to college course students.

Council Secretary/Treasurer Elizabeth DeLaLuz begins report by stating she has been stopping in tribal office to sign checks and prepare for the Environmental Protection Agency work sessions to clear up 2007-2012 debt. She also states that there have been three ICWA inquiries but they were not affiliated with Summit Lake Paiute Tribe.

The Dragon Program has been purchased and shipment arrived, IT Technician will set program on the finance laptop and will train Secretary/Treasurer DeLaLuz to operate program to assist in completing council meeting minutes in a timely fashion.

Council Member Jerry Barr begins his report by stating he has assisted Natural Resource Department Director, William Cowan with interviews and will meet again Monday, September 22, 2014 to select Natural Resource Department employees from the interviews. Council

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Member Barr states he has been coming in weekly to sign checks and to help prepare for Environmental Protection Agency visit the week of September 22, 2014.

Council Member Barr said he has received a phone call requesting enrollment forms, he sent the forms out and they have been returned completed. Council will send out another request seeking interested tribal members to serve on Enrollment Committee and Higher Education Committee.

Council Chairwoman Randi DeSoto states that Council will meet Thursday, September 25, 2014 at 5:30p.m. to meet with Environmental Protection Agency employees Fareed Ali and Marie Ortisa, Bureau of Indian Affairs representative, Marilyn Bitisilli and Finance Consultant, Charles Carslaw.

Finance Director, Frances Winn begins her report by passing out an agenda and asking Council if there are any questions regarding finance budgets and grant report that was sent by e-mail prior to meeting.

- No changes in budgets
- New hire of Finance Clerk is doing well and is very well qualified
- IRS conference took place Friday, September 19, 2014 from 11:00a.m. - 1:15p.m.
Finance Director, Frances Winn states that IRS representative reviewed all documents and stated that all vendors that had sales of \$600 purchases need to have completed a W9 form and 1099 form from 2012 till present time. Finance Director asked council permission to send out forms to be updated by each vendor that was missing needed forms to pass Internal Revenue Service audit
- EPA GAP team will be in Sparks Tribal Office from Monday, September 22 till approximately October 1st to locate all needed information to close out debt with Environmental Protection Agency District 9 Office
- New phone system Panasonic KX-TG9542B was ordered and received but needs to be sent back system failed and needs to be re-ordered
- Check signers are still needed for payroll Tuesday, September 23, 2014
- Finance Director, Frances Winn is requesting an executive session for twenty minutes and is requesting Natural Resource Department Director to be present

MOTION: Council Member Jerry Barr makes a motion for an agenda change for an executive session for twenty minutes for Internal Revenue Service discussion. Secretary/Treasurer Elizabeth DeLaLuz seconds motion. Council Chairwoman Randi DeSoto calls for a vote: 3 FOR 0 AGAINST and 0 ABSTAINED

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Council enters Executive Session at 10:11 a.m.

Council exits Executive Session at 10:31 a.m.

Natural Resource Department Director, William Cowan begins his report by asking council if there were any questions or concerns regarding his report that was sent by e-mail prior to meeting.

Discussion Topics:

Vehicle use policy- all purchases of vehicles were made by the Fisheries Grant including smog, registration and insurance and is requesting Council not to use the vehicles unless the travel expenses are paid at \$0.56 per mile to cover wear and tear of vehicles and gas, which is nearly double the price of what has been paid in the past.

Council opened discussion of purchasing a Council truck to travel to and from Summit Lake Reservation and trainings when needed. Council and Finance Director will see where expense can be used for the purchase of a vehicle, smog, registration and monthly insurance. When council purchases vehicle it will be for Council use only all meeting to Summit Lake Reservation will be cancelled until council vehicle is purchased.

Natural Resources Director, William Cowan made comment for the record that the tribal Finance Director is not needed for his department to operate.

October 18, 2014 Tribal Council Meeting will be held in the Sparks Tribal Office due to the unavailability of Council vehicle to travel to reservation.

Consensus of Council to stop paying insurance and maintenance on any and all of Natural Resource Department vehicles

Discussion on Solider Meadows grazing permit should be discussed further with Bureau of Land Management Winnemucca, Mark Hall and new Field Manager of Black Rock Desert; William Mack Jr. due to the drought section 36 should not be permitted

Hiring Committee will meet Monday, September 22 for hiring recommendations

Discussion of the ten to twelve wild horses on the Summit Lake Reservation Natural Resource Department Director will be asking Bureau of Land Management to leave the wild horses until Spring of 2015 when fence repairs are complete

Consensus of Council to break for lunch at 11:30 a.m. and to return by 1:00 p.m.

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Council Chairwoman Randi DeSoto calls meeting back to order at 1:03p.m. and asks Secretary/Treasurer Elizabeth DeLaLuz to call roll

Council Chairwoman Randi DeSoto-present, Council Vice-Chairwoman Delgadina Gonzalez, present, Council Secretary/Treasurer Elizabeth DeLaLuz-present, Council Member Jerry Barr, present.

Staff:

Finance Director, Frances Winn-present, Natural Resource Department Director, William Cowan, present, IT technician, Victor Cobos-present

Guests:

Bureau of Land Management Winnemucca, Mark Hall
New Field Manager of Black Rock Desert, William Mack Jr

Government to Government Consultation:

Discussion Topics:

- Update on the desert dace at Soldier Meadows
- Wild Horses on Reservation
- Sage Grouse EIS
- Arranging a field visit to Baltazar Hot Springs

Council Member Jerry Barr asks Bureau of Land Management representatives if Soldier Meadows grazing permits would be renewed this year for section 35 and section 36 due to the drought.

Mark Hall replies that permits are good for two years and Natural Resource Department Director states that due to the drought the area is bare and livestock will wonder onto the lake shore due to the lack of fencing. Discussion carried on till Natural Resources Department Director, William Cowan invited new Black Rock Field Manager, William Mack to visit Summit Lake Reservation with Angie, Area Operator on Tuesday, September 23rd to see the reservation and problem areas for tribal employees and trespassing livestock. Section 35 and Section 36 will be highlighted areas to visit for a better understanding of the reservation and problems that can occur.

Both William Cowan and William Mack will confirm by email on time to meet at the Summit Lake Reservation

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Council Vice-Chairwoman Delgadina Gonzalez asks Mark Hall if he knew Solider Meadows owner, Mr. Barta had been acquitted and released and has Bureau of Land Management had any recent meetings with him Mark Hall denied contact with Mr. Barta

2:25p.m. Consensus of Council for twenty minute break
Council returned from break at 2:45p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

OPEN FORUM:

None

OLD BUISNESS:

None

NEW BUISNESS:

Tribal member that requested time to address council did not call or attend meeting

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MOTION: Secretary/Treasurer Elizabeth DeLaLuz makes a motion to introduce and approve Special Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2014 with a waving of the reading of the minutes. Council Member Jerry Barr seconds the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto call for a vote: 3 FOR 0 AGAINST and 0 ABSTAINED. Motion passed at 3:15p.m.

MOTION: Secretary/Treasurer Elizabeth DeLaLuz makes a motion to introduce and approve Special Meeting Minutes of September 3, 2014 with a waving of the reading of the minutes. Council Member Jerry Barr seconds motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto calls for a vote: 3 FOR 0 AGAINST and 0 ABSTAINED. Motion passed a 3:17p.m.

NEXT MEETING AGENDA:

Thursday, September 25, 2014 at 6:30p.m. at the Sparks Tribal Office
Meet and Greet with: Environmental Protection Agency GAP Team Fared Ali and Marie

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NEXT COUNCIL MEETING AND AGENDA:

Saturday, October 18, 2014 at 9:00a.m. at the Sparks Tribal Office
Bureau of Land Management Winnemucca
Black Rock Field Manager
Bureau of Land Management Surprise Valley

Natural Resource Department Director, William Cowan and Council discuss employee health insurance and Council agrees to write up a Health Insurance Reimbursement Agreement for full time employees after six month of employment that will seek their own health coverage and may be reimbursed with health insurance coverage policy and proof of payment not to exceed 10% of said employee's salary.

Draft written up by Council and sent by e-mail to Finance Director and Natural Resources Department Director.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Council Member, Jerry Barr calls for adjournment. Council Secretary/Treasurer Elizabeth DeLaLuz seconds the motion. Council Chairwoman Randi DeSoto calls for vote: 3 FOR 0 AGAINST and 0 ABSTAINED. September 20, 2014 Council

Council Meeting adjourned at 4:04p.m.

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CERTIFICATION

I, Elizabeth DeLaLuz, Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Council, hereby attest that the Minutes of the September 20, 2014, Council Meeting were approved by the Council during a duly held meeting on June 20, 2015, at which there was a quorum present, and the Council Voted: 3 For, 0 Against and 1 Abstaining, and that Chairwoman Randi DeSoto did not vote because there was not a tie vote.

June 20, 2015
Date


Elizabeth DeLaLuz
Secretary/Treasurer
Summit Lake Paiute Council