Summit Lake Paiute Tribe Special Council Meeting Thursday, May 17, 2018 Primary Administrative Office, Sparks, Nevada

CALL TO ORDER: Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the Special Council Meeting of Thursday, May 17, 2018 to order at 6:36 PM.

ROLL CALL: The roll was called: Chairwoman Randi DeSoto, present; Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, present; and Council Member Nedra Crane, present.

GUESTS: Election Committee Chairwoman and Tribal member, Elizabeth DeLaLuz, Election Committee member Claudia Castaneda, Election Committee member Brenda Serafin-Walcher Election Committee member Gaudy Castaneda

The Election Committee had the floor.

The Election Committee Chairwoman DeLaLuz reported that the committee had done a lot of work and the ballots were ready to go.

The Committee reviewed a letter of intent which was denied and then approved. The Election Committee recommended that Candidate Christine Harjo be removed from the ballot for the 2018 election due to the findings and be considered to be expelled as a member/debarred at the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe. Ms. DeLaLuz reported reasons and findings which led to this recommendation including detailed documentation of said findings and the appropriate Articles of Incorporation and Election codes.

The Election Committee asked to remove Ms. Harjo's name from the ballot for the Election on May 19, 2018 and that any votes for her on the absentee ballots be voided.

Council and the Election Committee discussed that Ms. Harjo cannot ever hold office due to the verified documentation and the Election Codes and Articles of Associations contrary to Ms. Harjo's assertion.

The Council, in hearing the paragraph stating the recommendation of the 2018 Election Committee, felt the Committee was asking for a vote. Ms. DeLaLuz clarified that they needed to know if the ballot would have all five names or if the ineligible name would be removed leaving four names on the ballot.

The recommendation was read and presented as Resolution SL-05-2018.

MOTION: Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace moved to approve Resolution SL-05-2018 Disbarment of Individual Who served on Council August 17, 1996-1997 from Engaging in Business of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe. Council Member Nedra Crane seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-05-2018 enacted at 7:06 pm.

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Ms. DeLaLuz stated that she would have Ms. Komar make copies of the new ballot and that she would emboss them the next day to be ready for the election. Letters will be sent to the people who submitted absentee ballots to let them know that there was a candidate who was ineligible to be on the ballot and the if they had voted for that person (no name to be given) that the vote for that person would be voided. The absentee ballot would be valid, just not the vote for that person. Ms. DeLaLuz will also ask Ms. Komar to post the names of the eligible candidates on the website.

Ms. DeSoto discussed that there might be a possible challenge to the Election. If this happens, the Council would ask for assistance from the Bureau of Indian Affairs if the challenge is officially made during the prescribed timeframe.

The Election Committee received advice to be sure to have the proper documentation before proceeding. If the documentation is there, there should be no challenge.

The Council and Election Committee will meet at 4:00 am Saturday morning, May 19, 2018 and then pick up Council Member Crane to go out to the reservation. It was decided that because of the recent wet weather, to take the Gerlach, Nevada route for safety.

The BLM Winnemucca office will not be present at the General Meeting.

There will be signs to show people where to vote.

Ms. DeSoto thanked the Election Committee for the update and all their work. There will still be a vacancy on Council that will need to be filled by appointment.

A letter will be sent to candidate stating the decision of the Election Committee and Council.

The Election Committee will follow up with a report after the Election closes. They are not required to attend the swearing-in of the new board.

The letter to candidate and resolution will be copied to the Council, BIA and ITCN.

Ms. DeSoto asked if there was anything else. There was none.

MOTION: Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace moved to adjourn. Council Member Nedra Crane seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

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CERTIFICATION

I, <u>Eugene Mace, Sr.</u>, Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Minutes of the May 17, 2018 Special Council Meeting were approved by the Council during a duly held meeting June 16, 2018 at which there was a 4 person quorum present, and the Council voted: <u>2</u> - FOR, <u>0</u> - AGAINST, <u>1</u> - ABSTAINED, Chairwoman Randi DeSoto did not vote because there was not a tie vote.

06/19/2018 Date

Eugene Mace, Sr. Secretary/Treasurer

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