

Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
Regular Council Meeting
Saturday, December 17, 2022
Administrative Office, 2255 Green Vista Dr. Ste. 401, Sparks, Nevada

CALL TO ORDER: Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the Regular Council Meeting of Saturday, December 17, 2022 to order at 8:18 am.

ROLL CALL Secretary/Treasurer, Eugene Mace, Sr. called the roll: Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle, present; Vice-Chairwoman, Nedra Crane, present; Secretary/Treasurer, Eugene Mace, Sr., present; Council Member Phillip Frank, present; and Council Member, Steven Crane, present.

STAFF: Dan Howard, Finance Director; James Simmons, Natural Resources Department Director, Austin New Moon, Housing Manager; Dina Gonzalez, Enrollment Coordinator; and Anne Macko, Contractor

GUESTS: Paige Linton, Tribal Member

Council Reports:

Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle recovered from COVID. She attended the EPA Conference. Then she sat in on the Nevada Indian Commission meeting. It was an interesting meeting. On November 22, 2022 the HAF SF 425 were submitted by Ms. New Moon and Mr. Howard.

Paiute Classes are continuing with Miss Thalia Dick. The office was closed early by Mrs. Lone Eagle the day before Thanksgiving.

On November 28, 2022 Mr. Mace, Mr. Frank, Ms. Crane, Ms. New Moon and Mrs. Lone Eagle attended the Reno Sparks Indian Colony Exhibit of Lost Souls. It was interesting to tour the site. It will be ongoing through March 2023.

On November 28, 2022 she also attended the IHS Phoenix Budget formulation meeting. SLPT does not have a clinic so it is hard to track member's utilization of health services. In January 2023, either the fourth or eleventh, there will be another budget meeting. The Enova Group will recreate data including referrals and specialty care, dental, vision, etc.. They want to make sure that SLPT is represented.

November 29, 2022 Mrs. Lone Eagle had surgery, but was available via email, text and phone call.

On November 30, 2022 SLPT A21AV00755A22AB009039 NRTTP SF-425 was completed by Finance.

There was an ARPA check signing project on November 30, 2022.

On December 5-7, 2022 she attended a NAIHC Legal Symposium with Ms. Crane, Mr.

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Mace, and Mr. Frank. There were great opportunities. It was a great conference. They received the reimbursement check for one of the Housing programs. Kudos to the Housing Department for they have been able to accomplish.

She attended the December 8, 2022 Special Council meeting. There was a Resolution on Housing. Mr. Mace discussed ARPA—for audit it would be better if money gets expended. They will look into the possibility of buying homes to put into trust and rent.

On Monday, December 12, 2022 money from the state was discussed, in looking at the top five needs: most tribes said housing. Money is already allocated and set to be disbursed in January. The Tribes are still waiting.

December 11, 2022 Mrs. Lone Eagle was in contact with Jeff Graham about the Broadband. He would like to visit the Reservation when the field station opens in the spring so he can see how to set the broadband up. There is a need for a resolution. There was a discussion on ownership of the Broadband regarding whether the Tribe owns it or if it is Tribally leased and owned by the provider. It was discussed what resources are available. Desiree can visit the tribes to explain. It is in the works.

Tribal members could get up to \$50 off internet. Tribal broadband interconnected. There will be a resolution at the January Regular Council meeting.

ITCN had a meeting on December 12, 2022 was at the Grand Sierra Resort (GSR) from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Mrs. Lone Eagle had to register even though she only attended the Board Meeting.

On December 13, 2022 there was a Special Council meeting with BIA Awarding Official, Michael Garcia who discussed with SLPT that the CTGP budget was required with a resolution and needs to go out before December 30, 2022.

On December 14, 2022 she listened in on the USGA Forest Service session.

She conducted a Finance position interview. There were two interviewees, and one was a no show.

Mrs. Lone Eagle had two ICWA enquiry letters both of which were non-affiliated. There are four Enrollment resolutions for Council review.

Twelve laptops have gone out. Eight more are tagged and ready. Six or seven need to be tagged and shipped out. The laptops are for age 13 through Adult with one per household.

She became aware of two situations concerning laptop distribution and there was a

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discussion. One situation had four or five adults in one household. They picked-up two laptops for mother and daughter so it was discussed whether this household could check-out more than one laptop. There is another such situation. There was a discussion about how to handle this type of situation.

The Chairwoman went over the mail received. She tries to log the mail in by date received.

- US Department of the Interior, BLM Applegate letter asking for comments on Napa hazard fuel removal. It consists of cutting down, treating and burning juniper trees. There were no comments.
- Letter received December 6, 2022: Secretary of the Department of the Interior informs the tribal leader of the commitment to co-stewardship and managing federal lands and waters in order to protect the treaties and interests of federally recognized tribes. They are looking to consult on eligible programs lists for approval for funding agreements. Listening session on the value of the current format of the list, and general guidance on the principles of self-governing contracts and agreements. There will be three sessions on January 12, 2023 2:00-5:00 pm MST in person in Arizona, January 17, 2023 (virtual) 2:00-5:00 pm PST and January 20, 2023 (virtual). Comments are due by February 2023 to Bryan Newland. She will attend the meeting.
- Budget formulation BIA Guidance which has a list of priorities including new ones. They need to set priorities.
- Complimentary Newsletter from Reno Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC)
- January 8, 2023 listening meeting for NASA.
- Union Pacific Railroad-packets of information regarding positive train control system with GPS to make trains safer-safety. They will need to put up towers by the railroad routes. It meets the requirements of exemption of NEPA. They are asking tribes for cultural area comments. This will be forwarded to Mr. Simmons.
- Department of the Interior BLM: Notice of Problematic EIS Utilities Scale, Solar Energy, Western Solar plans. There is general information. Government to Government consultations in early 2023. No comments yet.
- Native American Rights Fund (NARF) Project at the University of Nebraska regarding Native American objects. This will be tabled as SLPT is not a THPO yet.
- Unity Group Conference in February for the younger members from 13-26 years of age. SLPT could start their own group or partner with another group. They will think about it for next year.
- Letter regarding a collection of hair samples of 700 Native American children who attended Indian schools. They are looking for the relatives of the children (unclaimed) to return hair samples to the families. The collection includes 15-20-year-old children from Sherman, Mohave, Carson Indian Schools, Stewart, Riverside. They do they have a list of names and other information. They will hold on

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to this letter.

- November 18, 2022 the Department of the Interior sent an invitation from Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs Brian Newland for a Zoom call
- November 17, 2022 BLM Winnemucca was notified that the archeological resources were impacted during the notice level of mining in the area of Gerlach, Nevada in the mountain in the area operated by Millennial Silver Metals in February 2022. Operations have been seized in the impacted area. They are asking for a consultation. Contact Michael Krause by phone.
- THPO has gone for external review. On December 9, 2022, there should be an answer about the application status.
- NARF Montana voting rights: No interest.
- TLC Package of language training and presentation materials from Brian Hudson. Mrs. Lone Eagle thinks it is a good idea. Ms. Gonzalez has talked with Mr. Hudson. This could help in expanding services and extending the length of the Language Program.
- December 16, 2022 the Nevada Indian Commission Zoom meeting. There were many in attendance. They were discussing public comments. It was a working meeting. They discussed the AV 264 State Recovery Fund Process, the agency budget. They discussed what they want to do. They are trying to streamline a different process.
- Finance Clerk: Mrs. Lone Eagle would like to offer the position to the person interviewed. She would like her to start on January 3, 2023. They would write her a letter.

Higher Education application: He is in the nursing program. When they filled out his needs analysis the just included everything and did not break out the different costs like books, supplies, room and board, transportation, etc. The total cost is \$59,784. The applicant has a PEL grant for \$30,438. They figured he could get a total of \$9,400 in loans. The remaining costs would be \$6,680. He is attending Carrington College which is a private school so they do not use the AVA to waive tuition and fees. He is missing his statement for nursing. It only includes educational costs. Council reviewed and discussed the application.

Ms. Linton left the meeting at 9:47 am.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to accept and approve Resolution SL-58-2022 Approval of Higher Education in the Amount of \$11,774. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, Sr. seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-58-2022 enacted at 9:49 am.

Geothermal Project—BLM Winnemucca : Mrs. Lone Eagle spoke to the attorney for Burning Man, Friends of Wilderness and others in the Black Rock community who

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learned that the exploration plan that the BLM approved is now some other kind of plan which was not what they put on the paper sent out to people. They are in the process of suing the BLM. She learned that as of October Mark Hall has retired. Andy Fogarty is now the Black Rock Field Manager with Ester McCall remaining as District Manager. The Chairwoman talked to the attorney about the way BLM Winnemucca felt that pushing paper was a proper consultation and if there was no reply that it was approved. SLPT believes in face-to-face consultations. He asked if SLPT would like to join the suit.

Mr. Crane said that it was presented as four exploration drill holes around Gerlach. Mrs. Lone Eagle stated that the new plan has 16 drill holes that reach up the mountain to Soldier Meadows. That is not four areas. Mrs. Lone Eagle will contact the attorney and let him know that the Council is in support and to move forward with the lawsuit. He asked that SLPT send a letter to the BLM saying that they missed the opportunity to have Tribal consultation. He felt that should suffice. Mrs. Lone Eagle said this was the issue. Going back to Thacker Pass they did not have meaningful consultations but they say to the news and in articles that they have had consultation. She knows for a fact that they did not. SLPT submitted comments and they did not even respond. SLPT has working relationships with other BLM offices, but not Winnemucca. They have the responsibility to do Government-to-Government relationships. They are not doing it. There are new players for them try to work with. Mr. Simmons said that what they understood was restricted to the Gerlach area. It has been said that the Tribe needs to develop a relationship with the Field Manager.

Mrs. Lone Eagle also has been trying to update the expired MOU. But there has been no response to anything SLPT has sent since September until now.

Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane attended the National American Indian Council Legal Symposium. There were sessions on ICWA legal matters, Impact of Housing and Jurisdiction. In the State of Oklahoma, the state can hold jurisdiction on Tribal land over non-Natives.

Urban Indian Housing with Shelly Terserelli of Chicago, Illinois discussed turning an abandoned school campus into Housing (Apartments) and healthcare center and Boys and Girls Club gym in the community that was created. She obtained all the different funding sources. There was also how the Pasa Yaqui get and utilize funding.

She attended the Special Council meeting of December 8, 2022 on ARPA and the Special Council meeting on December 13, 2022 with Michael Garcia.

She signed checks.

Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, Sr. attended the two Special Council meeting on December 8 and 13, 2022.

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He attended the EPA Conference and was especially interested in the information on Lithium mines and also State, local, and recovery funding.

He also attended the Legal Symposium in Las Vegas, Nevada where he went to session on Lewis and Clark: Troubleshooting, Sovereignty, VA Programs, and Helping the Homeless in America.

He signed checks.

Council Member Philip Frank attended a presentation, Wounded Souls Extracting from the Land. He attended the Special Council meeting on December 8, 2022 on ARPA and December 13, 2022 with Michael Garcia.

He attended the Legal Symposium in Las Vegas, Nevada and learned about Legal Advocacy, Lewis and Clark, and defining Legal sovereignty. They also discussed Brown vs. Holland regarding the Winnemucca Colony. There is a debate on who is the governing Council. There are two councils there. This is still ongoing. There needs to be an Official Tribal Council.

Council Member Steven Crane attended both Special Council meetings on December 8 and 13, 2022.

He signed checks.

Chairwoman Lone Eagle called for break at 10:16 am.

Council returned from break at 10:39 am.

Enrollment Coordinator Report—Ms. Gonzalez

There were four minor child applications for membership reviewed by the Enrollment Committee. Three were approved and one had an error which has since been corrected. There are four now ready for Council review.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to accept and approve Resolution SL-54-2022 Accepting Minor Child as a Member of Summit Lake Paiute Tribe with a waiving of the reading. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace Sr. seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-54-2022 enacted at 10:43 am.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to accept and approve Resolution SL-55-2022 Accepting Minor Child as a Member of Summit

Lake Paiute Tribe with a waiving of the reading. Council Member Philip Frank seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-55-2022 enacted at 10:44 am.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to accept and approve Resolution SL-56-2022 Accepting Minor Child as a Member of Summit Lake Paiute Tribe with a waiving of the reading. Council Member Steven Crane seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-56-2022 enacted at 10:45 am.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to accept and approve Resolution SL-57-2022 Accepting Minor Child as a Member of Summit Lake Paiute Tribe with a waiving of the reading. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace Sr. seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-57-2022 enacted at 10:46 am.

Tribal ID cards for youth and children: Ms. Gonzalez called Progeny for help in creating these ID cards. She found out SLPT is four versions behind on software updates. She asked if SLPT would like to make "Real ID" cards for the Tribal Members. Progeny can do it. She will investigate the costs and if she can get templates for IDs. It was advised that she reach out to Pasa Yaqui as they have this set-up already. The tribe needs the hologram on it as well as vital information such as height, weight, etc. in order to make their IDs valid for air travel.

When getting ready to write checks, member addresses and phone numbers were updated for adult members. Ms. Gonzalez made changes as they came in and will continue to do so.

There were duplicate files so she merged them and the duplicates are gone. The card printer is working better. Now the scanner is not working. She will compile list of all the things in the office which need to be looked at by IT and contact DTS.

Ms. Gonzalez needs to learn how to use the postal machine to send out certified mail.

Control numbers three families asked for applications. They had already had applications which were no longer valid. She gave them new control numbers and sent the applications out.

There were four non-affiliated ICWA cases.

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She contacted Toys for Tots and explained that the tribes are separate and secured gifts for the local SLPT children.

Files: Ms. Gonzalez re-organized the files and saw some older files on census and probates and older.

There is a file cabinet that has no rails for hanging folders. It is old. She was instructed to look at a new fireproof lateral filing cabinet.

The National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA) is having an ICWA Conference Protecting Our Children on April 2 through 5, 2023 at the Peppermill Resort Casino in Reno, Nevada. She would like to attend. The registration for early bird is \$625 and includes the Abalone Membership. This was tabled until next month (January 2023).

There is also an online course for \$100 for ICWA with a certificate. It can be taken at any time. She should contact Norma Moyle the designated BIA person regarding ICWA training.

Ms. Gonzalez said they can do a bike rodeo. Classes get refurbished bikes, helmets etc. The whole family can take classes together to learn to change tires and maintain the bikes. It could be a spring/summer program.

Housing Department Report by Austin New Moon, Housing Manager

Updates:

- Continuing to pick up pantry items weekly.
- Calendar: She still needs photos especially something scenic. She apologized for her lateness. She has incorporated Paiute Language and SLPT dates the office is closed for holidays. She is working on more photos and has asked for printing quotes. Ms. New Moon presented what she had completed so far. They are waiting for pricing. The calendar will be February 2023 through January 2024.

Housing Emergency Programs:

- US Department of the Treasury Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP): Original funding has been 100% expended. (\$64,489.02)
 - First reallocation approved in the amount of \$2,288.11 is 100% expended.
 - Second reallocation approved an additional \$10,000.
 - Total received was \$76,777.13 through ERA.
 - Applications have come through and there is less than \$800 left to expend by the deadline date of December 29, 2022, which Ms. New Moon is confident will happen.
 - Reporting is up -to-date and current for this program.

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- Final reporting is due January 17, 2023.
- No further reallocations
- US Department of the Treasury Homeownership Assistance Fund (HAF):
 - Total award of \$38,353.00
 - Applications continue to come through.
 - Ms. New Moon attended a HAF Training December 14, 2022. They discussed current problems SLPT is having and that a lot of tribes are having the same issues.
- National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC) Covid-19 Housing Assistance Program (C19HAP):
 - Total awarded \$44,000.00
 - Granted an additional one-year extension.
 - Housing closed this grant out on November 30, 2022
 - Expended \$42,985.08
- SLPT American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA):
 - Funding has not been utilized yet. They are working through expending all other funding sources before we begin utilizing this funding.

Paiute Language Class:

First class began July 14, 2022. Classes continue twice a week on Tuesday and Friday at 11:00 am. Classes are uploaded to the YouTube channel. Time was shifted the past week but the classes were still held. Class will be playing bingo on December 23, 2022. Ms. New Moon received donated items from Catholic Charities for prizes.

Ms. New Moon is helping two people with their applications who are looking to relocate

Finance Department Report by Daniel Howard

Mr. Howard stated he is making progress with the financial websites ASAP, Easy Branch and is catching up with the HUD website.

He is attending interviews for the Finance Clerk position. They found someone and hope to have them start in the new year.

Mr. Howard has a meeting with Mr. Carslaw regarding audit on December 21, 2022.

Document Storage: Finance has old documents which need to have a place to be put and/or scan them. He needs to check the retention policy especially for finance documents regarding NRD.

Mr. Simmons wants to scan his documents and has available funding for it. He mentioned that in the hallway behind the Finance Clerk desk are cancelled checks and

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old HR personnel files.

Mr. Howard wants to have concurrent Abila users. They need a second computer and software set-up.

Mr. Howard noted that several funds in Fisheries Water Quality, 1210 for \$332 and 1025 for \$485.44, show deficits. Mr. Simmons said there was a grant modification approved which covers these under the 102 grant. The grant is \$300,000 in the positive.

Mr. Howard mentioned the following funds:

130-\$6,500 in deficit—BIA Noxious Weeds Mr. Simmons said that is explained by In Kind. Mr. Simmons said that in October there was \$30,000, but have not spent anything.

131-Balance \$13,000 with a few sub-contracts in deficit

135-EPA \$6,200+ negative balance in sub-contracts

136-EPA \$41,000+ with deficit in sub-contract

Mr. Howard and Mr. Simmons will work together to clarify and rectify these accounts. It is hard. In Direct needs to be seen every month.

Mrs. Lone Eagle stated that this partnership with Finance and NRD is the way it should be.

Grant management was discussed.

MIP has training so Mr. Howard wants to look into it.

Draft Budget CTGP 2023 of \$169,950 was presented for discussion and review.

Mrs. Lone Eagle said she did not see some of the pay increases for some people. She later found some of it. Ms. Crane felt the budget was not presented as complete. Mr. Crane wanted to go through the budget line-by-line.

The former Finance Director still has a SLPT laptop. Mr. Howard will draft a letter to have it returned.

At 12:18 pm the Chairwoman called for lunch.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the Regular Council Meeting of Saturday, December 17, 2022 to back to order at 1:47 pm.

ROLL CALL Secretary/Treasurer, Eugene Mace, Sr. called the roll: Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle, present; Vice-Chairwoman, Nedra Crane, present; Secretary/Treasurer, Eugene Mace, Sr., present; Council Member Phillip Frank, present; and Council Member, Steven Crane, present.

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GUESTS: Celina Gonzalez, Tribal Member and Thalia Dick, Paiute Language Teacher

OPEN FORUM

Ms. C. Gonzalez came to speak to the Council with some concerns. Her concern is with the new change with the exclusion of members who sought help elsewhere regarding mortgage and utility assistance. She explained how she applied for Housing assistance and received help for the designated six months. It was a lot of help but she was told she could not apply for the assistance again. She looked elsewhere. She then received assistance from RSIC. That helped but she still will need help. This assistance is running out. She tasked if she was eligible to apply for assistance with SLPT again. She was told they were excluding members who sought help elsewhere. She feels that she has hurt herself. She pointed out the housing mission statement which says the goal is to help tribal members. She does not feel this is helpful at all. Now that it is part of the policy what is she to do. She said it was not in the policy before when she first applied. If she had seen it she would not have gone elsewhere. She is the sole support of her family. She asked what can the Council do for her.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to go into Executive Session for 20 minutes for a Tribal Member's concerns. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace Sr. seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Council went into Executive Session at 1:53 pm.

Council returned from Executive Session at 2:13 pm.

Finance Report continued.

The Council discussed the CTGP budget.

Ms. Crane said there have been new positions filled since there were changes during the last part of year.

Mr. Crane said the budget numbers need clarification and to be sure the last new positions are there and correct. It needs to get done right. He wants to go through each line item.

Mrs. Lone Eagle said this was all discussed in September. She asked the Council what they wanted to do.

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There was a discussion of which funds are paying for which positions.

Mr. Crane asked if someone has been looking into finding new buildings.

Ms. New Moon reported that she is looking for four plex-six plex buildings with Mr. Hawley. There will be a management agent and maintenance cost. Mr. Mace wants to know what is out there. It is possible to buy some new apartments or condos. She will get together with Mr. Hawley and get some information to the Council.

Ms. New Moon left the meeting at 2:40 pm.

There is a confusion in what funds are exactly. It was advised to check ASAP for the original award. They discussed checking and revising the CTGP budget and once correct, writing a resolution and submitting it to the BIA. Mr. Simmons suggested submitting a higher budget but developing a back-up budget.

There are things they want to do or change to restructure the Finance department.

Mr. Howard has a meeting with Mr. Carslaw the following week and maybe he can help with this. Mr. Howard can redo the budget and have it ready the week following Christmas.

There will be a special meeting for the CTGP Budget Wednesday, December 28, 2022 at 10 am.

Natural Resources Department Report (NRD) from James Simmons, Director

Highlights:

- With the purchase of the 2023 Nissan Titan, NRD now has three new trucks for travel. One Tacoma or Jeep will be left at the Field Station during the field season only..
- The Station is officially closed and winterized. The team is now in winter mode. They will concentrate on report writing, data analysis, grant writing and getting ready for the next field season.

Mr. Simmons wants to hire a Fisheries Biologist and two or three Natural Resource Technicians

Trout Unlimited: NDEP has proposed draft rules for the Ecological and Aesthetic Waters (EAW) program, for special waters to be designated and preserved, under the Clean Water Act. Mahogany Creek could be the first to be designated an EAW.. NDEP rules seem to be too much work. Mr. Simmons is sending feedback. He is taking the lead. This designation would protect the entire creek from future direct discharge pollution

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even if it is off the Reservation.

It is NRD preference to have in-state providers. Finding providers is easier with PPO.

Discussion Topics

1. Hometown Health has offered a medical insurance program with plans: Bronze, Silver, and Gold. SLPT would cover 50% of lowest cost plan (Bronze) per employee; approximately \$1,500 per month for eight people for SLPT. The proposal is for Hometown Health PPO and Delta Dental, VSP Vision. SLPT only pays on medical. SLPT would pay the premium from the health insurance with line item in Fund 150. Mr. Howard asked if a non-NRD employee can pay for insurance on their own. Delta Dental is \$40 per person per month PPO and VSP Vision \$11 per person per month

Mr. Simmons presented a resolution for NRD to rollout the proposed Hometown Health Plans.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to accept and approve Resolution SL-53-2022 Offer to Provide Medical, Vision and Dental Insurance with the reading of the resolution. Council Member Steven Crane seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-53-2023 enacted at 3:54 pm.

2. 2023 budget review for BIA Fisheries, Roads, and Range Grants: These are the three-year grants for funds 162, 163 and 164. Mr. Simmons proposes no changes for 2023 and to submit the same budget numbers as 2022: Fisheries at \$95,000; Range at \$14,000; and Roads at \$7,500. There is no need to increase or decrease. Mr. Simmons will check to see if a resolution is necessary.

NRD is trying to spend down old grant 102. The budget plan for 2023: Is to continue with the purchase/installation of the new fuel tanks in the spring; the purchase of a new truck is completed; reallocate the new boat funds to the fuel tanks; current boats are running fine and material prices (steel) for the new tanks have increased; continue with the lake bubbler system, equipment purchased system needs to be installed in spring; rodent control, housing repairs and some other station work complete but would like to extend this line item for additional station repairs, maintenance or upgrades; lake profiler system installed but issues arose so this line item also needs to be kept. The 2022 budget modification needs to be extended for 2023. Mr. Simmons will come back with final numbers later.

Fisheries grant 141- 2022 modification was approximately \$32,000 which has been

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spent. However, Mr. Simmons needs to work with the Finance Director to determine the exact status of the funds to determine the true balance. The finds in the finance spreadsheet do not match the history of the budget modifications.

Range grant 104: There were two modifications line items for the 2022 budget modification—one for the heavy equipment shed which needs to stay open to complete in 2023, and the other was for the boundary fence maintenance, which is finished.

Range grant 143—Budget modification of approximately \$50,000 with \$25,000 for a utility vehicle and \$25,000 for a new vehicle. The vehicle purchase is complete and a deposit has been put on the utility vehicle, which should arrive in January or February 2023. The grant should be closed in early 2023.

In summary, some grants closed and some will be kept open to complete.

Consensus of the Council for the approval of the 2023 budgets for the current Fisheries, Road and Range grants.

The Chairwoman called a break at 4:24 pm.

Council returned from break at 4:40 pm.

Clarification on necessity of a resolution: The CTGP budget may need a resolution because it was approved by the BIA Western Nevada Agency in Carson City, Nevada. The Fisheries, Range and Road are ongoing so they do not need resolutions. It is also possible that CTGP may need a new application as well.

3. BIA Invasive Species Program-Cheatgrass: Mr. Simmons wants to apply for a grant to focus on the removal of cheatgrass to restore native plants to improve the habitat for native vegetations and animals. Mr. Simmons presented a slide show. The plan is to have a plane spread herbicide followed by reseeding the area with native plants. Initially it would cover 850 acres. Mr. Simmons is thinking of this as a pilot project. He is asking for approval to proceed to apply for grants.

Ms. Crane said it was a good idea. It is the consensus of the Council to move forward with the application for the grants.

BIA also has funds for fish hatcheries. The fish trap also qualifies. Mr. Simmons wants to upgrade the fish trap. Maybe they can get a consultant to modify or redesign the trap for water flow and sediment. He would like something for efficiency, a fish shoot or ladder, to send fish up or down the creek. It is the consensus of the Council to apply for a grant.

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4. Paleo Project: UNR is reconstructing the history of the Summit Lake. The students would like to present the project results (to date) on the core sampling at a PACLIM conference, which is a science conference, at the end of February 2023. The abstracts are due at the end of January. Mr. Simmons is asking the Council for approval to allow the students to use the data. It is the consensus of the Council to allow the presentation.
5. Letter received regarding a NEPA Environmental Assessment the Santa Rosa Range that the NRCS and Forest Service has posted for comment. They want to do cattle grazing east of 95 on the Idaho border. Comment is that they do not see an issue.
6. NRD is investigating getting faster internet at the office. It is possible that NRD could fund the extra cost for a better plan with Spectrum. This would be for uploading data.
7. Audrey Dufresne wants to stay with SLPT. Mr. Simmons wants to give her a promotion from Technician to Biologist. It is the consensus of the Council to approve the promotion.
8. Mr. Simmons is asked for the opinion of Council of doing an outreach project on the Reservation, a camping trip, in the spring. UNR may be an option for transportation. The event would be after the peak of the spawning run, end of May/early June. Bandwidth and time would be more available

OLD BUSINESS

ARPA: Mr. Frank had a question about being able to do investment for property. He was advised that this grant is not for purchasing investment property.

The Tribal Coordinator does check on what he needs to do. He has good ideas. Micro-management is not his style.

The new Finance Clerk will be coming on board. Mrs. Lone Eagle will send her a letter the following week.

Mrs. Lone Eagle would like to send out a letter to the membership regarding a vacancy on the Enrollment Committee. Two people asked about it. Mrs. Lone Eagle informed them they will need to send in letters of intent. It will be decided by Council after review. It was the consensus of the Council to send the letter. Currently the Committee will not be meeting as they are not a full functioning committee. Consensus of the Council to approve a letter to be sent out.

MINUTES:

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve the minutes of the

Special Council meeting of Thursday, November 3, 2022 with edits and correction. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace Sr. seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion approved 5:24 pm.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of Saturday, November 19, 2022 with edits and correction. Council Member Philip Frank. seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion approved 5:25 pm.

Next Meetings:

- Regular Council Meeting, Saturday, January 21, 2022 at the Administrative Office, Summit Lake Paiute Tribe at 2255 Green Vista Drive, Suite 401, Sparks, Nevada.

The office will be closed on December 26, 2022 and January 2, 2023.

Ms. Macko notified the Council that she would not be present at the January Regular meeting not the February Regular meeting. She will work from recordings and notes.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Steven Crane seconded the motion. Chairwoman Rand Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. The meeting was adjourned at 5:27 pm.

CERTIFICATION

I, **Eugene Mace, Sr.**, Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Minutes of the December 17, 2022 Regular Council Meeting were approved with corrections by the Council during a duly held meeting January 21, 2023 at which there was a quorum present, and the Council voted:

4 - FOR 0- AGAINST 0-ABSTAINING, Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle did not vote because there was not a tie vote.

Date

Eugene Mace, Sr.
Secretary/Treasurer
Summit Lake Tribal Council