CALL TO ORDER: Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the Regular Council Meeting of Saturday, November 19, 2022 to order at 8:20 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, Interim Finance Director; James Simmons, Natural Resources Department Director, Austin New Moon, Housing Manager; Dina Gonzalez, Enrollment Coordinator; Vinton Hawley, Tribal Coordinator; Christina Lomaintewa, Scanner and Enrollment Committee; Cherice Terjo, Scanner; and Anne Macko, Contractor

GUESTS: Melissa Eller, Tribal Member and Enrollment Committee Chair; Michael Bad Warrior via Zoom

Mrs. Lone Eagle stated that later they would need an agenda change for the Enrollment Chair. Also, a Tribal member called asking to utilize the computer in Suite 401 to print some things. She was informed that the Tribal Coordinator was currently using it and asked that if he moved things around, could she still use it. Mr. Hawley was asked to clear his stuff enough for her to use it later in the day and then she wants to speak to Council.

Council Reports:

Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle was ill with COVID following the October General Meeting. She came into the office on October 21, 2022 to see what was going on and answer any questions. On October 22, 2022 early voting at SLPT Suite 401 began. There was a good turn-out. She did a follow-up with one of the people with the County office in regards to SLPT being a private or public building since the Tribe owns it. There is a set of keys missing. She is checking with them as to where they could be.

She attended the EPA Conference on October 25, 2022 with the rest of the Tribal Council. During the conference, they were informed that there was an incident in the office. There was a discussion about dismissing two employees. They had a talk as well. It was decided to keep interim Finance Director Dan Howard. There were projects and programs that needed to complete by the end of that week. The State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI) proposal was submitted by Dan Howard and Mindy Elliott.

On October 24, 2022 Mrs. Lone Eagle approved six C19HAP applications with one denial, and approved an ERA application
While at the EPA Conference, she popped into the IEC meeting with surrounding tribe and the Fallon Naval Air Station. They projected their next meeting in January/March. Thanked SLPT for signing things in a timely fashion.

October 26, 2022 attended IHS Zoom meeting regarding funding Diabetes program and healthcare. There will be more meetings
October 26, 2022 signed AP and C19HAP Funds applications.
October 31, 2022 she met with Mr. Hawley about the he was working on since he started on October 11, 2022.

THPO: There is a new contact person. Mrs. Lone Eagle worked on the paperwork and then submitted it for approval. Currently, they are waiting for approval in December. Once approved every one signs it and then the official letter is sent. Since it would be approved at the end of the fiscal year, If approved, SLPT will be able to get funds in 2024. Mrs. Lone Eagle is the designated THPO officer.

November 1, 2022 she interviewed a candidate for Finance Clerk position and for Scanner. Cherice Terjo accepted the Scanner position beginning of October 14, 2022.

Mrs. Lone Eagle signed the IHPG Annual Final Report.

C19HAP had approximately $7,020.28 before November 30, 2022.

On November 2, 2022 no AP were processed.

November 3, 2022 Exit Audit Review: Gemma Han of Bluebird CPAs There were two basic findings; not drawing down funds and lack of timely reporting. They also discussed indirect cost, unearned revenue, ARPA. money It was not too bad of a report. This mostly applies to NRD. She and Mr. Simmons are working on it and trying to create a more streamlined process, which NRD is following to submit on time. If needed and it is justified, she would let them do an extension. The financial reporting is spot on. There was a discussion on being better.

Mr. Howard has accepted the Finance Director position. He is in transition due to still working for the Temp agency.

Mr. Simmons has a proposal for health benefits to discuss which will only cover NRD.

November 2, 2022 Nevada Indian Commission and a couple agencies for early voting or preventing voter intimidation, etc. She said SLPT’s early voting was great as well as voting day. Other tribes filtered in with their issues. They discussed Elko’s situation.

Approval of C19HAPs and ERAs, as well as water and utilities.
November 2, 2022 Mrs. Lone Eagle had a meeting with Mary Barker to finish the changes on THPO paperwork for submission.

November 7, 2022 Submitted paperwork in regards to the former employee.

Monthly Mrs. Lone Eagle handled email and phone calls. She talked to Tribal members and verified ICWA letters. ICWA matters will be handled by the Enrollment Coordinator and/or the Chairwoman. They generally come to the Chairwoman first.

Library Laptops: She corrected the checkout form on the Laptop. A letter/flyer to the membership notifying them of the Laptop program was never sent out. There were only four people who had used the incorrect form. The corrected form has the words “per household” added. Each laptop will need an inventory tag. They could not find the inventory stickers. Ms. New Moon did find some under inventory tags, but there are not many of them. It was decided to buy additional Inventory stickers/tags. There was a discussion on what programs were included on the laptops. It was the consensus of the Council for Mrs. Lone Eagle to send out letters to the membership regarding the laptops.

November 7, 2022 There were some errors in the check process—wrong addresses—so some were sent out a week late. The former Finance Clerk is gone. Finance will make sure to correct errors in the check process. Mr. Howard is currently doing two jobs and it also new to the process.

Ms. New Moon said members need to apply in order to get a check. The documentation is required. When providing assistance to Tribal Members, there are processes that need to be followed. They need to submit bill in a timely fashion. They may streamline the process with someone who can cover for Ms. New Moon when she is unavailable.

If there are complaints or concerns, put it into writing so the files can be researched. But they have to send in the applications and paperwork first.

November 15, 2022: The Finance Clerk position has been posted for Native Preference. There are two applications to review for interview.

Any requests for ID cards will be forwarded to the Enrollment Coordinator.

Regarding the email Admin Account, there is a stack of unanswered emails for 2020 and 2021. There is a variety of subjects such as Enrollment, complaints, questions. This is why the Tribal members emails have not been answered. Mrs. Lone Eagle will not track this account. Ms. New Moon suggested that the Tribal Coordinator handle it and distribute them to the proper departments. Mrs. Lone Eagle ready some of the emails.
Mr. Simmons suggests a FAQ page and separate emails for different departments. NRD can work on this over the winter.

The Chairwoman read through received emails.

- Nevada Democratic Victory: There are hand-warmers, chips, water, fruit snacks that were donated to the pantry after the elections were over.
- Pinecrest Youth Event. Mrs. Lone Eagle attended the event with the Pow Wow Club with members from age 13 to 25. Two Tribal Members also attended. It was a good time.
- Followed through on some things in the office, the day-to-day things.
- The logging of emails and then forwarding them to the appropriate department. This might be given to the Tribal Coordinator. Mrs. Lone Eagle and Mr. Hawley had a talk about the Personnel Manual and internal processes, restructuring the policy and procedures within the office, how things are being done to be above board and legal and SLPT is covered on all sides. Some people do not like change but this is over all for the Tribe. Also before there was just one person who basically controlled everything. She will work with Mr. Howard to dissolve this and restructure finance internal. He can recommend things and shift some things to streamline the procedures. Mrs. Lone Eagle is still doing the day-to-day because it needs to be done. It is about learning how to do things and use the procedures. Council needs to work with the policies and procedures.
- There is an intent to review and restructure the processes in Admin and Finance. If they need to figure out the processes, they should fit them. There are lots of moving parts and pieces.
- EPA Region 9 sent a funding announcement guidance for 2024. Section 103, 105 Clean Air Act and Air Quality.
- Save the date for the Tribal Land Staff National Conference March 21 -23, 2023 Pechanga, South Carolina.
- Department of Veteran Affairs-Direct Loan Program for Tribal Veterans. Mrs. Lone Eagle will find out more.
- Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the 2023 Lane Line Replacement Project-USA Federal Energy Regulation Commission
- Housing Audit :Management Decision for SLPT December 21, 2021 audit. On September 17, 2022 the Federal Audit Clearinghouse accepted it. There were no findings regarding HUD.
- BLM Applegate: 1) They asked for comments on a well pad installation. There were no comments. 2) They are proposing to acquire two properties totaling 276 acres to improve the sage grouse habitat. They are asking if consultation is wanted. There is no need.
- Veterans’ Health Administration (VHA) and Indian Health Services (IHS) are
requesting Tribal recommendation on the first ever operational plan for Fiscal Year 2022 and review.

- Department of Agriculture of Nevada, regarding the NRCS Farm Bill in State of Nevada, asked if SLPT would like to be a member of Nevada State Technical Advisory Committee-STAC with the NRCS. Looking for members to join. It does not apply to SLPT currently.
- Department of the Army: They are trying to verify remains of Native Veterans in a CARS Cemetery in Pennsylvania. This is an effort to return children buried there to their families.

Ms. New Moon said that some members have called for recovery help especially for opioids. She will find places to refer them to.

At 9:57 am Tribal Member Michael Bad Warrior joined meeting via phone. He had reached out to Housing with a proposition for Council. He currently lives in Pendleton, Oregon on the Umatilla Reservation. They have getting money on a regular basis. The previous weekend he went home to Owyhee and they just $1,000 check. They have been getting cards for food, etc. Last spring, he got a check for $2,000. He knows the intent for two more $2,000 checks. He wants to expedite the next check and get some payment now as money is needed for the holidays as well as gas and food since he lost his job due to COVID. He proposes to be given the 2023 money now to catch up on bills. That would help him and his family a lot.

Ms. Crane said the Council will need to discuss this. Mrs. Lone Eagle mentioned that SLPT was hit by audit this year and ARPA and learned that it was recommended to expend the money and then SLPT has had a change in the Finance Department. The Tribal Council will discuss whether to roll out the checks by December 1, 2022. She understands his point of view. He is not the only Tribal Member to talk about it. Mr. Crane says he is all for it. Mr. Mace tried to explain intent to give the money out over time so there is money in the future. It will be a process. The Council will need to talk.

Mr. Bad Warrior sees how Council is trying to think to the future, but he needs the money now. He left the meeting at 10:09 am.

Mr. Mace said it was already decided and set-up. There was a discussion of options.

A change will require a motion and amendment to the original resolution stating amendment to the June 2022 Resolution SL-15-2022 declares the economic stimulus payment December 1, 2022 and change to “as of November 30”.

Mrs. Lone Eagle talked about a member requesting stimulus payments. She researched his membership and learned he was not a member for the one check disbursement so
he will not be receiving it so he was sent one check. This was tabled.

The Chairwoman called a break at 10:20 am.

The Council returned from break at 10:40 am.

Tribal Coordinator-reported by Vinton Hawley

- He read the policies. Mr. Hawley created some options including:
  - Visuals for structures for the audit findings and delineation of internal controls for actions to be legal
  - Organization charts to show where authorities and legal liabilities lie
  - The financial budget process to make things standard and have everything look the same.
  - Council plans and distributions which need to have itemized details
  - Indirect equal administration fees
  - He wants the Council and staff ideas and provide options.
  - To look at the functionality of services provided to the membership.
  - A corrective action plan to the Auditors.
  - To look as funding opportunities.

Mr. Hawley thinks a workshop would be good.

Mr. Hawley left the meeting.

Mr. Mace commented that since no one lives on the Reservation, it is hard to get grants.

The Chairwoman’s report continued.

Department of Energy issued a sixteen-million-dollar funding opportunity titled Consent Based Sitting for Interim Storage Program for Community Engagement Opportunities. They are looking for comments. The deadline to apply is December 19, 2022. Mr. Simmons looked at it and there is no interest.

Ms. New Moon discussed the amendment changes to Resolution SL-15-2022 regarding stimulus payments.

December 21, 2022: Nevada Indians Commission’s Public meeting. Mrs. Lone Eagle has an agenda.

December 21, 2022 UNR Joe Crowley Student Union the Tribal Student Program of the Collage of Agriculture Biotechnology Natural Resources is having a catered dinner as a
thank you for continuous support. Please RSVP to Karen Em.

Bill HR 3587--The Respect Act is asking for support.

Baskets were put together with turkey/ham for the Thanksgiving holiday.

The Enrollment Committee met November 18, 2022. Mrs. Lone Eagle does not sit in on the meetings but is available if needed. She has the report from the Enrollment Committee Chair.

Ms. Lomaintewa asked about an employee ID card. Mrs. Lone Eagle said they would need photos and signatures. There is a need to edit the template. Currently the NRD vehicles on the Reservation have magnets on them. NRD has all the required information for their department members. It can be printed with Progeny system. It is a good idea.

There is nothing about “child descendant”. The IHS uses ID cards for identification. There is nothing that states they cannot have one but nothing says they can unless they are enrolled members. Ms. Lomaintewa says there should not be minor ID cards for safety reasons. Ms. Gonzalez says it is up to the Council. There was discussion on Minor cards. Mrs. Lone Eagle that to ask for the ID already sent out should would be hard to ask for them returned.

Mr. Simmons said a BIA Law Officer from McDermitt questioned why staff was on the Reservation. They are trying to be more present. The officer mentioned someone they thought was an employee but was actually a Tribal member. Staff was questioned whether or not they should be there. A staff ID card would have been good to have to show the officer. The employees feel it is also a safety issue.

The minor ID or no ID will need to be decided by resolution. This will continue to be discussed later in the meeting.

Chairwoman Lone Eagle called for lunch at 11:42 am.

Council returned from lunch at 12:30 pm.

**CALL TO ORDER**: Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the Regular Council Meeting of Saturday, November 19, 2022 back to order at 12:30 pm.

**ROLL CALL** Secretary/Treasurer, Eugene Mace, Sr. called the roll: Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle, Vice-Chairwoman, Nedra Crane, present; Secretary/Treasurer, Eugene Mace, Sr., present; Council Member Phillip Frank, present; and Council Member, Steven Crane, present.
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe  
Regular Council Meeting  
Saturday, November 19, 2022  
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GUESTS: Melissa Eller, Enrollment Committee Chair

Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane attended the EPA Region 9 Conference at Lake Tahoe hosted by the Band of Mission Indians, Pala Indians. Their mission statement is to Conserve, Protect, Manage and Enhance Nevada’s Natural Cultural and Recreational Resources. There were sessions on Clear Water Act, Water Pollution Control Programs, General Assistance Programs and Funding, Traditional Ecological Knowledge, Tribal Case Studies, Water Infrastructure, Drought Planning and Coping with Drought. There are billions of dollars in funding available.

November 3, 2022 she attended the Exit Interview for the Audit.

She available for check signing.

Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace attended the EPA Conference. He was inspired by tradition, culture and history. People told their stories, how the Hopi which were an agricultural tribe and how the government forced they to raise cattle. This broke up the community. Other interesting traditions where Indians used to do burns of forests. He found the history of Hawaii interesting. In the case of culture, he was interested in the history and one woman’s singing and poetry. Also, Indian Country drought, fire, pollution and other thing that they are working on. He felt very in tune.

He did check signing.

Council Member Philip Frank attended the Special Council Meeting for the Audit with Bluebird.

He attended the EPA Conference and discovered what EPA does. He was enlightened. He found out what the EPA really does. He heard about Marven Wright and thought he was a common-sense guy. Mr. Frank was influenced by him. He learned that the states with lithium close to the surface are in the southern states, California, and Nevada. Further north it, lithium needs to be filtered out of the land.

Indigenous Knowledge and World Views brought in the ecological knowledge. They are looking for more environmental programs. There were sessions on drought. One Indian Band’s well went dry but got their water with EPA fund help them bring water in. They are hoping to bring the well back. California native plant restoration possible with an
EPA grant to build nurseries in Placerville, California. Big Pine also had nurseries funded by EPA. There is also money for removing trash from reservations. SLPT need this.

Mrs. Lone Eagle said they were building relationships. They sat in on the RTOC meeting. They want to work for the Tribes on everything environmental. They even sent her back with children’s books regarding air quality. There was a lot cool things regarding air quality. There will be more children’s books.

It was a good conference.

Mr. Mace said that there is basically nothing Tribes can do to stop lithium mines.

Mr. Frank said that during BLM one-on-one. One gentleman says they must get to know the manager. BLM Winnemucca has problems with the Tribes.. They have a new designated person. Mrs. Lone Eagle has been in contact and they want to get together.

FEMA Conversations on climate plans microgrid, lot of different information. They are looking for new RTOC representative which is needed.

**Council Member Steven Crane** attended the EPA Conference. They are willing to come to SLPT to make sure to help SLPT do thing right. It is a big thing for him to get clean drinking water. It is a big deal.

He also attended the Audit Exit.

**MOTION:** Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to make an agenda change to add Ms. Eller-Enrollment Committee Chair to the agenda. Council Member Steven Crane seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried 12:59 pm.

**Enrollment Committee Report by Melissa Eller**

The Enrollment Committee meeting was on November 18, 2022. The committee reviewed what was done since the new Enrollment Coordinator started. Three applications were approved to go to Council and one was not. They felt that there should be no minor ID cards. Blank cards should be accounted for and held by the Chairwoman. There should be no membership cards for minors. Any cards already issued need to be returned. The Committee drafted a resolution to bring to the Council specifying their recommendations. They then met with the Enrollment Coordinator. Ms. Eller discussed the resolution. They feel they are the checks and balance to make everything
It was stated that IHS said paper, letter or certificate, was not sufficient. They need an ID card. There is nothing existing in the Ordinances regarding this.

There was a discussion about cards for minors. In most states Tribes do have minor ID cards. Pyramid Lake has one with no picture marked minor and CIB. SLPT can create a new minor card and exchange the old ones with the new ones.

There was also a discussion on replacement of ID cards with address changes, etc. They need to create a policy for minor cards and then a resolution can be presented. It is the consensus of the Council that minors just CIB.

There was also a discussion on minor cards for 13-17 and 18+ Adult ID cards and not to charge for replacement cards. It was the consensus of the Council to work on this and bring it back to Council next month.

Ms. Gonzalez reported that the card reader was take apart and cleaned. It is now working better and the computer is better.

**Housing Department Report by Austin New Moon, Housing Manager**

Updates:

- Tribal Flag mailed to Washington D.C. to be displayed in the Native American Museum. Notification was received that the flag is not being displayed proudly on the first floor. Some people asked to get maps or T-shirts, possible stickers. For those members who wish to buy their own flags, Ms. New Moon can refer the where to go.
- Sat in on Finance Director Interview.
- Continuing to pick up pantry items weekly. Friday, November 18, 2022 she picked up Thanksgiving bags. They did not save whole turkeys or hams for SLPT. They were able to get turkey breasts and a Tribal Member donated seven hams to the pantry along with dinner rolls.
- Amazon. SLPT has the ability to sign-up for a Business discount which would provide an Amazon Line of Credit of $12,000. Mr. Howard will look into the interest and fees associated with this.
- Regarding Down payment program, when the applicant can afford to get a loan, they are over income to use the program. It is almost impossible to qualify There was a discussion on restrictions due to HUD rules.
- Ms. New Moon wants to look into HUD being used for mobile homes.
- On November 21 to 23, 2022 – Monday through Wednesday—Ms. New Moon has booked the Council, except Mr. Crane, for the NAIHC Legal Symposium in Las Vegas, Nevada. Hotels, flights and per diem have been arranged. There are 30 break-out sessions.
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- Phones need updating. Bring them to Ms. New Moon.
- Calendar: Ms. New Moon wants to do it again. Mr. Simmons asked for a deadline for photos. She wants a sample ready before the December meeting. She would like to send them out by the end of the year.
- The HUD audit had no findings.
- She is working on making all application fillable online.

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. 100% expended.
    - Second reallocation approved an additional $10,000.
    - Applications have come through and there is less than $1,200 to expend by the deadline date of December 29, 2022, which Ms. New Moon is confident will happen.
    - Total received was $76,777.13 through ERA.
    - Reporting is up-to-date and current for this program

- US Department of the Treasury Homeownership Assistance Fund (HAF):
  - Six applications received, five paid, one denied.
  - Reporting was due November 15, 2022; Finance needed to submit the reports. She was given an extension of November 15, 2022 to get this completed.

- National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC) Covid-19 Housing Assistance Program (C19HAP):
  - Total awarded $44,000.00
  - Granted an additional one-year extension.
  - As of November 18, 2022 Housing has an estimated $4,500 remaining that needs to be expended on or before November 20, 2022.
  - The cleaning bundle supplies have been ordered for families who have completed applications. Items are being delivered to families through Amazon shipping direct. Each bundle is roughly $300-$380 for the cleaning supplies
  - There are five more bundles to get ordered.
  - This program does have a $5,000 cap for each applicant which Ms. New Moon is keeping track of.

- Indian Housing Block Grant Program American Rescue Plan (IHBC-ARP):
  - Total award of $35,007
  - Program has been 100% fully expended.
  - Finance and Ms. New Moon completed the reporting and submitted the APR and Final SF 425 to HUD on November 7, 2022.

- 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. After the long break due to voting, tribal members were happy to return to class and did not forget much. Judy was able to work during the break and prepare lessons and upcoming games and flash cards.

**MOTION:** Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to go into Executive Session for twenty minutes for review of Sports Registration and Equipment applications Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, Sr. seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried at 2:25 pm.

Council returned from Executive Session at 2:50 pm.

It was the consensus of the Council to deny two (2) sports applications.

It was the consensus of the Council to make policy adjustments to Homeownership Assistance Fund (HAF) and bring it to Council at the next Special Council Meeting.

Ms. New Moon left the meeting

**Finance Department Report by Daniel Howard**

Mr. Howard presented a budget summary spreadsheet.
- Contacted DTS regarding computer database and services
- Contact Mr. Carslaw to prepare for year-end and audit. Mr. Howard was questions on entries.
- He would like a list of agency contacts for SLPT programs so he can gain access
- Work with Mr. Hawley regarding new policy and procedures

New NRD Bat Grant received final approval. He is working with Mr. Simmons and will talk to Mr. Carslaw. He is looking at strange entries and needs explanations.

Mrs. Lone Eagle stated that SLPT had to pay Robert Half to buy-out Mr. Howard’s contract in the amount of $12,480. There is enough money in Ruby Pipeline. It was the consensus of the Council to use Ruby Pipeline to buy-out the contract.

A welcome was extended to Mr. Howard.

**Natural Resources Department Report (NRD) from James Simmons, Director**
- The weather station at lower Mahogany Creek recorded 0.28 inches of precipitation and temperatures that ranged from a high of 72 degrees to a low of -4 degrees Fahrenheit. The USGS SnoTel station, located in the upper watershed, currently estimates 1.4 inches of snow water equivalent (SWE). It is cold.
- Megan Munn started as the Program Coordinator/Biologist on October 24, 2022.
- Audrey and Becca did a fantastic job with fall grouse capture, with 15 grouse: 12 females and 3 males.
- Parker and team did a great job with fall lake sampling—161 LCT caught.
- Awarded BIA Tribal Climate Resilience planning grant for $249,000 to put together UNR and McBain plan for extreme climate changes-wildlife and Tribal Community. Most of the money will go to the consultants.
- Awarded National Fish and Wildlife Foundation America the Beautiful Challenge grant for $458,000 to restore, maintain connectivity of Mahogany Creek to upland areas and lake.
- New BTAZ fence installed. Great Basin Land and Water needs to finalize.
- Changed the names of Building 1-4. They will close the station in the next couple of weeks.

Discussion Topics:

1. NRD employee health insurance proposal-Fund 150: Mr. Simmons gave a presentation update for approval to go forward. The numbers used are the actual numbers from the employees’ private insurance. The plan costs are actual quotes for an insurance broker. SLPT has an opportunity if they want to add help with the coverage.

   This is an Opt-In Insurance plan where the employee can opt-in and take the insurance or opt-out and not take the insurance. There are three options.
   Opt-out.
   Opt-In with Payroll Deduction: The insurance can be billed to SLPT and the cost would be deducted from the employee’s pay with no contribution from SLPT. It is not necessary for SLPT to contribute/pay.
   Opt-In with Payroll Deduction with Contribution: Funding a contribution of $150 (an example) would come out of $117,000 insurance line item in Fund 150. This fund would be good through 2025. Meanwhile NRD can plan for sustainable funding, possibly via self-determination 638 grants. He will look to apply for Health Insurance funding. They should always make Health Insurance line items in the grant budgets going forward.

   Insurance Cost comparison:
   Private Insurance $500/month approximately
SLPT Insurance Plan $350/month approximately a $150 saving
SLPT Insurance Plan with contribution of $150
   $200/month approximately a $300 saving
   There is money available to contribute.

Ms. Crane stated this is helpful to keep employees by giving them a benefit.

Mr. Simmons will have a workshop to have the broker present the options of plans and option details. Once the Council approves, then there can be insurance enrollment. He will need to do the policy and procedure changes and review it with the BOR to be sure it is okay. It is the Consensus of the Council to move forward with it.

This funding can only cover NRD because it is a BOR grant. Mr. Howard suggested looking at using Indirect funding for Admin staff.

Mr. Simmons would like an all-day Special Council meeting to have the insurance broker presentation as well as discuss other topics like ARPA.

2. Acquire grant management/finance software using ARPA funds: Mr. Simmons would like to acquire grant management/finance software. It could detail and show grant financials and details and see where the grants are. He has looked at AmpliFund. ARPA funds can be used for the purchase. He does want to look at more companies. AmpliFund has an up-front cost of $30,000 to $40,000 with an annual fee based on grant fund portfolio estimated at $20,000/year.

Mr., Howard said MIP, which they already have, has a grant management module.

Mr. Mace liked the MIP option. Ms. Crane wants to look to the future. Mr. Simmons and Mr. Howard will do more research.

3. No cost extension request-Fund108, Juvenile LCT Grant: Mr. Simmons would like to extend this grant until December 31, 2023. It is the consensus of the Council to extend the grant.

4. Graduate student bighorn sheep and Paiute hunting research-Paiute Creek. The research would take place on BLM land. The BLM has given their approval. She would also like the approval of the Tribe. Mr. Simmons would like her to give the Council yearly updates and then a presentation at one of the events.

5. Proposal to sell old boats-Fund 164. They have some old boats that they have not used for a long time. There are two boats that no one can remember when
they were last used. They were also donated. Mr. Simmons would like to sell them like last years ATV sale to Tribal members first. He would like to put them for sale in the Spring. They will need to check the legalities. It is the consensus of Council to have a boat sale in the spring.

Mr. Simmons would like a Special Council meeting with NRD to get Council’s opinions of priorities for NRD opportunities. He wants to have a discussion., Mrs. Lone Eagle said to send a survey for the membership’s ideas. They need to justify-realize that SLPT is small, unique and remote. Tribal members do not always want the same things. Mr. Crane said that they need to visit the Reservation. Mr. Simmons wants to apply for programs or prioritizing what people want. He does not want to decide for the Tribe.

At the next Special meeting he wants to talk to Council for focus while developing a plan.

New homes: Fund 150: $224,000 for renting trailers or they can get three Hunter Shelter homes and not use ARPA. NRD may be able to request a modification for Hunter Homes instead of trailer being rented. Start the area across the street or get rid of old trailers and take down sheds. Mr. Mace likes the across the street option.

NEW BUSINESS

There will be a Christmas Event at the Regular Council meeting to include staff. There were be ugly Christmas sweaters and a gift exchange. There will be a pot luck lunch.

It was decided to have a Special Meeting on Thursday, December 8, 2022 from 10 am to 5 pm.

The December 13, 2022 presentation by Michael Garcia needs to be confirmed.

MINUTES:

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve the minutes of the General Council meeting of Saturday, October 15, 2022 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. Motion approved 5:24 pm.

Next Meetings:

- Regular Council Meeting, Saturday, December 17, 2022 at the Administrative
MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane move to accept and approve Amendment of Resolution SL-15-2022 Economic Relief Allocation of ARPA Funds with a reading of the amendment. Council Member Steven Crane seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Amendment to Resolution SL-15-2022 enacted at 5:00 pm.

There is a need to have ABILA on two computers for internal control. Mr. Howard will look into getting and cost of a set-up.

Mrs. Lone Eagle discussed the Enrollment Committee/Coordinator situation. The Chair of the Enrollment Committee has resigned. The committee no longer has a quorum. It is not in the policy and procedures. The ID issue seems to be solved.

Enrollment Committee does not make the decisions. Council does.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to adjourn the meeting. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, Sr. seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 pm.

CERTIFICATION

I, _Eugene Mace, Sr._, Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Minutes of the November 19, 2022 Regular Council Meeting were approved with corrections by the Council during a duly held meeting December 17, 2022 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.