

Summit Lake Paiute Tribe  
Regular Council Meeting  
Saturday, January 20, 2024  
Primary Administration Office, 2255 Green Vista Dr. Ste. 401, Sparks, Nevada

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the Regular Council Meeting of Saturday, January 20, 2024 to order at 8:28 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 Philip Frank, present; and Council Member Steven Crane, present via Zoom.

**STAFF:** James Simmons, Natural Resources Department (NRD) Director; Austin New Moon, Housing Manager; Mr. Daniel Howard, Finance Director; Delgadina Gonzalez, Enrollment Coordinator, present as of 9:35 am; and Anne Macko, Contractor.

**GUESTS:** Curtis Smith, Tribal Member

## MINUTES

**MOTION:** Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve the minutes of the Special Council meeting of Saturday, December 2, 2023 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 at 8:35 am.

**MOTION:** Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of Saturday, December 20, 2023 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. Motion approved at 8:35 am.

**MOTION:** Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve the minutes of the Special Council meeting of Friday, Friday, December 22, 2023 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. Motion carried at 8:36 pm.

## STAFF REPORTS

**Natural Resources Department Report presented by James Simmons, NRD Director**

Highlights:

- The weather station at lower Mahogany Creek recorded temperatures that ranged from a high of 49°F to a low of -12°F. The USGS SNOTEL station

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(located in upper watershed) currently estimates 5.9 inches of SWE (snow water equivalent) about average snow pack.

- Christmas office party was fun. Thank you to the Chairwoman and Council! He feels these types of events help build teamwork.
- Staff submitted the grant application for fish trap upgrades to the BIA Fish Hatchery Management Program and it was in on time. The application is to improve safety, prevent falls and to process fish more efficiently. The upgrades to replace parts of the fish trap. The proposal is for \$110,000 for all three projects.
- SLPT received a satisfactory progress report for the water quality and nonpoint source pollution EPA programs. They are in good standing.

Discission Topics:

Mrs. Lone Eagle asked for resolutions more than consensuses, especially with extensions of contracts. Actions needs to be taken. Mr. Mace said it also creates a paper trail.

- 1) Mr. Simmons introduced Resolution SL-02-2024. This is for the approval to request an extension from NFWF for Fund 154 regarding Paleo climatology. It is a no cost extension. The current grant expires April 1, 2024. Mr. Simmons is asking for a one-year extension from April 1, 2024 to April 1, 2025. Most of the funds go to UNR research. There were delays because, unfortunately, one of the researchers passed away and the charcoal analysis researcher experienced equipment failures. Mr. Simmons read the pertinent parts of the resolution.

**MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to accept and approve No Resolution SL-02-2024 Approval to Request a No-Cost Extension from NFWF for Agreement 70986/Fund 154 Paleo Climatology with 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-02-2024 enacted at 8:52 am.**

- 2) The SOARR Project (NFWF) for approximately \$2.6 million was accepted last year from money moved from a Great Basin Land and Water Desert Terminal Lakes grant. There are multiple projects under this grant. It expires August 2024. The funding was extended by Congress so the grant can be extended until June 30, 2025. Projects include an observation network, a land or water rights purchase, restoration on Mahogany Creek, and research with a paleo project and a multi-species conservation plan which includes LCT, sage grouse, clams, and amphibians.

No one has heard from BTAZ regarding acquiring land (two parcels). Mr. Mace suggested sending a letter telling BTAZ that the Tribe is still interested in

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purchasing the land and asking for first right of refusal. The Nevada Land Trust is still researching how approach a potential purchase of the BTAZ parcels. They are investigating the area and pricing. It would be great to get the two small parcels (lake parcel and parcel at Slide spring) to complete the Reservation lands. Mr. Simmons read the pertinent parts of Resolution SL-03-2024.

**MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to accept and approve Resolution SL-03-2024 Approval to Request a No-Cost Extension from NFWF for Agreement 77451/Fund 1341 for Summit Lake Paiute Tribe Soar Projects with the reading. Council Member Philip Frank seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-03-2024 enacted at 9:11` am.**

- 3) Mr. Simmons introduced Resolution SL-04-2024, approval for a no-cost extension of the America the Beautiful (Fund 1340) contract with McBain Associates/Applied River Sciences to match the current agreement end date of October 31, 2024. Mr. Simmons read the pertinent sections.

**MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to accept and approve Resolution SL-04-2024 Approval of a No-Cost Extension of Fund 1340 Contract with McBain Associates/Applied River Sciences from NFWF America the Beautiful with the reading. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, Sr. seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-04-2024 enacted at 9:17 am.**

- 4) There was discussion to set the date for the 2024 Reservation Event date. Mr. Simmons proposed June 7 through 9, 2024. The weather will be warmer. There is no title as of yet. The fish should still be running. Both Dr. Chandra and Ms. Hutchinson will be available. Mrs. Lone Eagle stated that this gives them time to plan. Mr. Mace wants the same food vendor and to make sure the t-shirts are ready on time. Mrs. Lone Eagle said they should be brought to the Reservation earlier in the event week. Some expressed the desire for more time. They also discussed string backpacks, decals, and markers along the driving route to the Reservation so people do not get lost. It was requested to have a clear area for the circle dance and to have tables and chairs to leave at the field station. They can use the backpacks as swag bags. They should lock-in the UNR vans used for transportation. They decided to ask the tribal members to design T-shirts and think of names for the event which will be based on a given theme. The Council was in agreement to used the dates.

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- 5) In a discussion Mr. Simmons had with Dr. Chandra, it was suggested to keep a more professional solid connection with UNR to invite the UNR President/Provost to make a Reservation visit. SLPT will need to invite them for a day in April or early May; the timeframe before the elections. The Council is okay to work for this timeframe.
- 6) Spray and re-seed airstrip: Mr. Simmons posed the question: does the Council want to keep the airstrip which is currently overgrown with cheat grass? The area can be treated for the cheatgrass and then reseeded with native vegetation to reduce wildfire risk and create better habitat for grouse and other sagebrush species. The Council decided to treat the cheatgrass for now and not reseed and discuss a plan for the use of the airstrip.
- 7) Mr. Simmons would like to post for an Environmental Specialist position to replace Ms. Hutchinson who will be going to grad school in mid-July. All that she is working on will be transferred by her to the replacement hire.

Mr. Mace asked about the mobile dock. Mr. Simmons confirmed that it was ordered. Mr. Mace also asked about the signs and designs. Mr. Simmons updated the Council that they would be ordered in the coming week. Truck decals artwork is being changed to correct errors. It was questioned if they would be magnetic or permanent. It was decided to put permanent decals on the SLPT vehicles and use the current magnetic ones for visitors. They will also get logos for the wall for the Suites including the new one using CTGP. They need more feedback to name the Suites 401 and 201.

### **ARPA Report presented by Austin New Moon**

#### **American Rescue Plan Act State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA)**

- Cleaning bundles program ended December 31, 2023. The final few requests that were received prior to that were ordered. They ordered a total of 59 cleaning bundles for the tribal members and three for the SLPT offices.
- Food Bank of Northern Nevada: On Tuesday, January 16, 2024 Ms. New Moon met with the new Tribal Liaison, Amber Torres. She came to tour the new suite in 201 where the food pantry will be moving soon. She is working with ITCN to get the temporary partnership of the 501(c)3 status going. Ms. New Moon also spoke with Reynell Miller with ITCN, and she is excited to have SLPT come aboard. Both Ms. Torres and Ms. Miller feel SLPT is competent enough to handle the intake applications, verifications, reporting and ordering so they will not be reliant upon ITCN to get this done. FBNN will also train the food pantry lead and one other person on how to enter the data into their computer programs and for ordering. The Pantry will need locks and keys and a wall to be put back in place. The sponsor agreement has been signed.

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- Continuing to pick up pantry items bi-weekly with Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada. They picked-up a bunch of meat some snacks, chips, juice, rice, and cereals. They also went shopping for bread, pastries, snacks, noodles, Rice-a-Roni, canned meals, frozen meals, breakfast items, and some additional cereal.
- Assisted Chairwoman Lone Eagle with the posting of the Grant Writer and also the Food Pantry Lead positions. There were two leads on the Pantry Lead and two interested in the Grant Writer position. There are no promises. Applications are necessary to apply.
- Internet Service with T-Mobile: one box is schedules to be returned and those devices will be removed from the SLPT monthly invoice. It has been a tedious task, but the routers will be sent back next week.
- Ms. New Moon has been working with the Chairwoman and Finance on the budget for the State's ARPA funding to finalize that budget. They want to stretch the funds out for three years. The applications are supposed to be for one year. It will be sent in increments. Mrs. Lone Eagle read an update on the State ARPA statis.

#### Other Duties

- Ordered the T-Mobile phones for the council, herself and also set-up two new devices for finance and enrollment. They had not received the phones that finance was instructed to order and with the end of the year nearing and the Verizon account being deactivated, she went ahead and processed and finalized the order. She received the phones the Friday, December 29, 2023 and was able to get most phones transferred over successfully with the exception of one, that she will be doing on this following Saturday. Mr. Mace had to have his phone mirrored and Mr. Crane will still need to have his mirrored to get him set-up..
- Ms. New Moon assisted a member getting ADA devices ordered. Unfortunately, SLPT did not have the opportunity to get these items to him. The person passed. They will try to help for the burial.

#### Paiute Language Class:

The first class began July 14, 2022. Classes continue twice-a-week on Tuesday and Friday. Classes are recorded and uploaded to the SLPT YouTube Channel. The classes have merged so there are no more beginner's classes. New Moon will be looking into the ANA competitive grants in hopes of keeping the class going. Hopefully, they will soon have a grant writer that take this over. ANA grants can have more things allowable with the funds. The gentleman from TCL with the Paiute books has passed away.

#### Housing Department

##### **Housing COVID-19 Emergency Programs**

- US Department of the Treasury Homeownership Assistance Fund (HAF)
  - Total award \$38,353

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- Applications continue to come through
- Approximately \$6,500 remaining
- Once expanded, it is gone.
- SLPT American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)
  - Program began February 18, 2023
  - Mr. Howard and Ms. New Moon have been discussing fine tuning Fund 157.
  - All cleaning bundles are being charged to the \$220,000 that the tribe has allocated over to the Housing Department. As of December 31, 2023 they have spent \$71,143.29 This is not final since a few P.O.' were received after January 1, 2024.
  - Rental Assistance has expended a total of \$53,547.22 as of December 31, 2013.
  - Utility Assistance has expended a total of \$5,710.38 as of December 31, 2023.
  - Total between Rental, Utility and Cleaning Bundles SLPT has expended \$131,400.89 December 31, 2023 from the total \$220,000 allocated.
  - By the end of 2024, SLPT will need to have the funds of 157 obligated in order to keep the funding until the end of 2026. Ideally, Ms. New Moon would like to have this done sooner, so they know the dollar amount they are working with on purchasing a building for Economic Development. She would not be opposed to ending the rental and utility assistance early in 2024 to add a little more funding for purchasing a building. They currently have had emergency rental/utility assistance going since the start of COVID in 2019/2020.
  - Ms. New Moon would like to have Council determine what type of Building they want and how much is needed. They need to definitely research fair market prices/costs so they can obligate money.
  - Ms. New Moon wants to move the pantry to Suite 201 sometime in February 2024. They are waiting for funding as well.

Mr. Mace would like to see emergency housing for the abused. Ms. New Moon explained that they can go to ITCN for assistance. There are programs out there. SLPT does not have such a program. There are programs out there, programs which need grant funding. Mrs. Lone Eagle said that SLPT needs to build working relationships for assistance.

Ms. Gonzalez said that in going through the Enrollment files, she found paperwork in old ICWA files talking about SLPT having Social Services assistance with emergency travel (like a bus ticket), gas cards and food cards, little things. She will look into it further.

Ms. New Moon said that a grant writer can also be a resourcing source.

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Ms. New Moon called for an Executive Session for 20 minutes regarding the pantry.

**MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved for an Executive Session for 20 minutes for the Pantry. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, Sr, seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. The Council went into Executive Session at 11:03 am.**

Council returned from Executive Session at 12:05 pm.

### **Enrollment Report—Delgadina Gonzalez**

#### Enrollment

Two new applications requested this month.

Base Roll count to date is 322

Total 205 active enrolled members

- 129 Adults
- 76 children

One elder passed on the January 13, 2024

#### Enrollment Cards

Two adult cards were issued.

Four CDIB's requested from Carson BIA

#### Enrollment Committee

Last meeting was on November 17, 2023 at 1:00 PM

Next meeting has not been scheduled.

#### Enrollment Seminar

There is an enrollment seminar coming up in March in Honolulu Hawaii. It's a 3-day seminar March 18-21, 2024. She would like attend this seminar and thinks it would beneficial for the Chairman of the Enrollment Committee to attend. She is new to this position on the committee and has a three-year term.

#### Progeny

This is still a work in progress. They are updating our system with newer versions and ensuring the records and the information transfers over. This is taking longer than our Progeny support staff anticipated.

#### Membership Files

Membership files and contact information are updated when members call, email, or

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come in.

She is still researching and collecting historical documents to re-create and complete our membership files.

While working on updating the Base Roll, she does receive help from the Probate Department at the Western Nevada BIA office.

There are many names that show up on the Indian Census records that are not in the SLPT system or have paper files here in the office. Most of those names are family members of the Summit Lake Allottees that are listed on the few documents they do have. The names of the Allottees that are listed on these documents have been added back on to our Base Roll. Ms. Gonzalez has been able to add the names to the unused Progeny numbers to fill those gaps.

#### Historical Records

She would like to send out a letter to the membership asking for their help by sharing any historical documents they may have like birth certificates, death certificates, marriage certificates, probate records, etc.

#### ICWA

There were no ICWA inquiries this month.

#### NICWA Training

Ms. Gonzalez applied for and received a scholarship to take the Fatherhood and Motherhood is Sacred Course. It is a 12-week online Zoom course. Every Tuesday from 5:30-7:30pm.

#### NICWA Convention

Mrs. Lone Eagle and Ms. Gonzalez will be attending the ICWA Convention in Seattle on April 7 through 12, 2024. Mrs. Lone Eagle has made all the reservations.

#### SLPT's Little Free Native Library

SLPT received another shipment of New Art Books worth over \$5,000. They are still looking through each one because some are not appropriate for all ages.

Jen Pielop has been donating books.

They also received more magazines as well.

Excess magazines have been donated to ITCN's Family Violence Prevention program.

Ms. Gonzalez will continue to seek out donations through the year as part of her commitment in being a Steward of our Little Library.



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Activities

The children are getting invites to dance with the Reno Sparks Indian Colony powwow group and the Pageant group. Some of them danced on the center stage at the GSR on Wednesday, January 17, 2024. They danced for the planning board and top executives of GSR. They got to see what GSR is planning as far as their future expansions and renovations.

The SLPT children are doing an awesome job of representing SLPT. Miss UNR Powwow Princess Xiltalee Conway represents UNR and SLPT whenever she gets called. They all enjoy performing, dancing, singing circle dance songs any chance they get. They are all learning a routine for when they are asked to perform, as well as being given time to showcase their individual talents.

Conferences

Montana and Associates Annual Tribal Enrollment Conference March 18-22, 2024 in Honolulu, Hawaii. She suggests that the Enrollment Coordinator, the Chairwoman and the Enrollment Committee Chairwoman attend. It is \$1000 per person with flights at \$683 and then hotel or Air BnB. There was a discussion about the benefits for the Election Committee Chair to go. Ms. Crane felt it would be a great opportunity for all.

The Res Conference is in Las Vegas, Nevada on March 11-14, 2024.

**MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve travel to training on March 18-22, 2024 for the Montana and Associates Annual Tribal Enrollment Conference for the Chairwoman, the Enrollment Coordinator, and Enrollment Committee Chairwoman. Council Member Philip Frank seconded the motion Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion approved at 12:29 pm.**

The Chairwoman called for a lunch break at 12:30 pm to return in 30 minutes at 1:00 pm. Mr. Crane went off Zoom at 12:30 pm. Council returned from lunch at 1:09 pm.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the Regular Council Meeting of Saturday, January 20, 2024 back to order at 1:09 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 Philip Frank, present; and Council Member Steven Crane, present via Zoom.

**STAFF:** James Simmons, Natural Resources Department (NRD) Director; Austin New

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Moon, Housing Manager; Mr. Daniel Howard, Finance Director; Delgadina Gonzalez, Enrollment Coordinator; and Anne Macko, Contractor.

**GUESTS:** Kate Berry, Professor of Geography and Noel Vineyard, Ph.D. Student; University of Nevada Reno.

**Presentation of Hydrosocial Dynamics and Environmental Justice in Energy Transitions** by Ms. Berry and Mr. Vineyard

Water and Environmental Justice: Water and energy transitions, especially the links connecting things, involve and impact water in a range of ways. Renewable energy activities can burden frontline communities through impacts related to water quality, water quantity, aquatic ecosystems and groundwater. Often communities that are locally impacted are not consulted.

Hydrosocial: water is not just physical flows of H<sub>2</sub>O, but also infrastructure, knowledge, power, economics, values and imaginaries. Conflicts over renewable energy and environmental justice are often hydrosocial in nature.

The Case Study of Thacker Pass Lithium Mine and McDermitt Caldera Mining—water issues.

Heavily contested: Opposition impacts to Tribal cultural resources and desert ecosystems

Water Quality concerns with the transport and use of sulfuric acid (molten) Springs and groundwater could be impacted. Concerns that the company will dig deeper than they currently say and leave a pit lake, that there will be a big foot print and people say it is not zero usage.

Trade-offs are being made. They do not know what impacts this is going to have.

Why they are studying Thacker Pass and the McDermitt Caldera cases:

- Water is important in the Great Basin
- Unknown environmental impacts for Tribes and Indigenous people
- Permitting processes can (wrongly) assume impacts are mitigatable/substitutable
- Attitudes within frontline communities are complicated but important

The stakes are high.

They are there to see if Summit Lake Paiute Tribe would like to take part in the research via interviews. They will follow Tribal protocols and would like a written endorsement.

Ms. Crane stated that she is not interested. It is all after the fact.

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Mr. Mace said dealing with the communities is good, but it is too late. It is interesting but it is after the fact.

Mrs. Lone Eagle explained that SLPT has backed away from litigation. They contended that consultation never happened. Consultation processes are different between Tribes vs mining companies and the BLM. The mining laws are outdated. Tribal THPOs and the SHPOs are trying to work together to help update the laws. Tribes are always considered after the fact. They should be the first. Tribes need to be involved.

Mr. Frank said he feels the same way.

Mr. Simmons asked them to clarify what the product will be—the final intent, how will the research be used.

Ms. Berry said the output would be academic papers and reports. They want to work with the tribes for the types of things that would be useful products. They are looking for suggestions. Mr. Vineyard said it is a service. It will be useful to make sure Thacker Pass does not happen again in the future.

Mrs. Lone Eagle it is a matter of looking at it from both positive and negative views. As far as the tribes, they have a larger voice when they stand together. BLM definition of consultations is very different from tribes. They are not listening. They have no respect for the Tribes.

Mr. Simmons said this research project is for the future and coming projects. It will not help Thacker Pass, but could help with the projects that are coming. With this research they can take the lessons learned to use in the future. There are projects coming in the future. The more tools and information they have could help going forward, learning the impacts on the environment and the waters.

The message in the primary government push currently is green energy. This research would give knowledge about what will happen to waters—especially negative effects.

Trainings could be offered with the objective to talk about mining and its effects, pro and con, with solid information to help make decisions.

Mrs. Lone Eagle impress the use of Tribal protocols and to keep people in the loop.

Ms. Berry said they will keep in touch. She will consider experts to talk to people, both negative and positive. It is the right of the communities to be in the know. They will continue talking to Mr. Simmons.

Mrs. Lone Eagle said that going forward as they are talking to the other tribes, it is good

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to get permission and learn their protocols, the do's and don'ts, how to be engaged and involved with them. It is important to learn who to deal with, who to make contact with, do they have the authority to speak and/or decide for the tribe.

Ms. Berry and Mr. Vineyard left the meeting at 1:55 pm.

**Finance Report for Mr. Howard, Finance Director-**

1. BANKING
  - a. Bank reconciliations are complete through December 2023 with a bank balance of \$851,158.
  - b. Congress passed another continuing resolution.
2. GRANTS
  - a. Financial Reports were submitted for the following contracts:
    - i. Contract F20AP00058 (Fund 146—LCT Population Visibility Analysis)
    - ii. Contracts A19AV00557 and A23AV00641 (Fund 140-CTGP)
    - iii. Contract 99T84301 (Fund 137-EPA GAP)
    - iv. Financial Reports were submitted for the following contracts:
  - b. Funding increases were received for:
    - i. \$9,978 Contract A22AV00031 (Fund 162-Roads Maintenance)
  - c. The Tribe received its 2<sup>nd</sup> Tranche Payment for LATCF of \$50,000; pan LATCF “Top Off” payment of \$224.98 and an SLRF “Top Off” payment of \$33,417.91 (Total payment of \$83,642.89)
  - d. The Chairwoman reaffirmed the SLPT intention to accept and administer the SSBCI Funds which were approve by the Council in 2023.
3. CASH RECEIPTS-There were no drawdowns during the month of December.
  - a. Fund 90 Indirect Cost Pool Bank Interest \$145.61
4. Expenditures
  - a. Total expenditures for the month of December 2023 were \$332,552
  - b. The Tribal website is operating on an old platform. GO Daddy has switched to WORDPRESS and the website is still on the old platform, limiting the support they receive. Arrangements are in place to update the platform but not change the content. It will make hosting more effective and make changes easier. A consensus vote of the Council was requested.

Mrs. Lone Eagle stated that they made a change to the website before moving to the current offices. Mr. Howard approved changes without the Chairwoman's approval. This is not correct procedure. This what was discussed back and forth for days. Ms. New Moon could not post the new position as GO Daddy was making the changes. The admin email was changed to Mr. Howards email. Mrs. Lone Eagle and Ms. New Moon were the ones with admin access to be able to change or update email names

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and passwords and uploading files. There are two domain names; one with ".com" and one with ".org". There was some discussion. GO Daddy is not supporting the old platform. Mr. Howard will get information. This issue was tabled until February's meeting.

5. CAPITAL PURCHASES

There were no capital purchases during December 2023.

Mrs. Lone Eagle questioned Fund 67 for LACTF on the balance sheets. It was clarified between Mr. Howard, Ms. New Moon and Mrs. Lone Eagle.

SLPT has not received the CTGP 2024 contracts yet. Mrs. Lone Eagle has not signed it yet. Mr. Howard has the 2023 award not the 2024 award. Mrs. Lone Eagle will reach out to Ms. Bittisillie to see where the 2024 awards are.

They are hoping to get an ANA grant for the Language Class. There are three grants but they can only apply for one of them.

Governor's State ARPA Grant Applications Review. This is a very complex application even to Mr. Simmons. Much of it is in Grant writer language.

Mrs. Lone Eagle went through the applications for the state ARPA page by page. She verified the information entered asking if the Council had any changes. Mrs. Lone Eagle wanted to change the project name back to Food Pantry Expansion Program on page 3. Number 2 Project Information should be EC2 after discussion with Ms. New Moon.

Type of Applicant should be Tribal Government

It will need the Expected Number of Client need to be Serviced needs to be filled out.

On the top of page 4 the Amount is \$714,000. It is also on page 12 as total budget of \$719,461. It needs to be in both places.

They also need to fill out the three-page Tribal application.

On page 7- a lot of question on project plan. Mrs. Lone Eagle said she thinks this is an explanation page. There is also a timeline for the project April 15, 2024 to December 2026.

This needs to be sent into them by February 29, 2024. The state has until the end of March. Then when approved it will come to SLPT. Since Mrs. Lone Eagle will be traveling a lot in February.

SLPT is partnering with ITCN for non-profit status until SLPT can establish their own non-profit to work with the Northern Nevada Food Bank. This is not part of the application. The pantry will have three sources: The state ARPA grant, donations from Catholic Charities and with the non-profit status they can work with Northern Nevada Food Bank. Once SLPT gets their own non-profit status they will drop out ITCN's non-profit. It was clarified that this temporary sponsorship with ITCN does not mean SLPT is

sub-recipient and NNFB will deal directly with SLPT. They are asking for the State ARPA to pay for the submission for non-profit. The program all depends on getting the State ARPA grant.

Mr. Howard stated at a previous meeting that in order to establish a non-profit there needs to be a board and a mission statement. Mrs. Lone Eagle highly recommends that this board NOT be the Council. They have not seen the application to see what they need to fill out the submission. Mr. Howard needs to send out a mass mailing to see if anyone would volunteer for the non-profit board. He needs to make it and run it past the Chairwoman.

There was further discussion of the State ARPA information for the application especially the estimated budget which needed to be under \$714,000.

## Council Reports

### Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle

The Broadband project that SLPT has join in with ITCN requested another resolution of support of ITCN NTIA Broadband Project TBCP request. She modified the ITCN example to fit SLPT. The results of the feasibility study should be ready in two weeks with recommendations for what the next steps for Broadband on the Reservation.

**MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to accept and approve Resolution SL-01-2024 Summit Lake Paiute Tribe Support of the Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada of NTIA TBCP Application on behalf of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe with the 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-01-2024 enacted at 4:00 pm**

The cleaning contract has expired. Ms. Pielop has received two proposals:

- From Judy at \$75 per office suite, \$70 each if only Tuesday through Thursday.
- From Leslie for \$150 for 402 weekly \$50 for 401 bi-monthly.
- The current cleaners, ABCD has not sent a quote yet.

Ms. New Moon likes ABCD is \$150 for both offices weekly only if the daughters do the cleaning and stay only with them. They should still look for others.

Her report is for the time spanning for December 17, 2023 to January 19, 2024.

December 17, 2023: Emails and follow-up.

December 18, 2023: Attended the IHS virtual tribal consultation. Comments were due

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- on January 4, 2024. Phoenix, Arizona area representatives were being nominated. She said she would be the second to support the first.
- December 19, 2023: Signed checks for members. Picked-up Toys for Tots. Emails and calls with follow ups.
- December 20, 2023: Attended her first NCAI meeting as the Vice-President for the western region. Attended ITCN meeting that afternoon.
- December 21, 2023: The Christmas brunch was a success with the staff at the office. Follow up on emails and called that cam through that day. Attended GEMS Off hours meeting as well.
- December 22, 2023: No Paiute class this day. Special meeting from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm with the State ARPA with NIC.
- December 25, 2023: Christmas Day-Tribal office was closed and resumed hours on Tuesday, December 26, 2023.
- December 26, 2023: No Paiute class this day. Emails and follow up calls from the Holiday weekend.
- December 27, 2023: Had a meeting with Mahlon and Barabra with Aflac on if this would be of interest for the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe to provide as a benefit to the employees and Tribal Council. Missed the ITCN Executive Board meeting. Election Committee had a meeting that evening at 5:00 pm until they were finished.
- December 28, 2023: Pantry pick up was handled by Ms. New Moon and the SLPT volunteer Ms. Eller. The GEMS Off hours meeting was cancelled. Attended the ITCN/NFL meeting from 12:00 pm-1:30 pm via Zoom.
- December 29, 2023: Paiute Class was held on that day.
- January 1, 2024: New Years Day the office was closed. Resumed business hours on January 2, 2024.
- January 2, 2024: Checked emails and made follow up calls if needed. Created resolution for the Broadband second round of funding through ITCN. One laptop form was received that day. No Paiute Class on that day. Ms. Pielop will be a notary beginning the following week for the members and staff.
- January 3, 2024: Checked emails and follow up calls made. The Election Committee held their meeting on that day.
- January 4, 2024: Attended the weekly call with GEMS Off hours via Teams
- January 5, 2024: Checked emails and phone calls made.
- January 8, 2024: Listening session with BLM Winnemucca Office on updates of the projects they were working on. Tribes that were in attendance were SLPT, Battle Mountain, Reno Sparks Indian Colony, Pyramid Lake Paiute, FPST and Burns Paiute Tribe.
- January 9, 2024: Meeting with Sarina Nez from Nevada Indian Commission on possibly using Suite 401 on January 29, 2024. She had an interview with Paige from Norte Dame. Pow wow club had their first class for 2024.

Got Early voting initial set-up for January 27, 2024 through February 2, 2024 in

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Suite 401. They have keys.

January 10, 2024: January consultation meeting from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Attended the ITCN board meeting at 10:00 am.

January 11, 2024: Pantry pick up.

January 12, 2024: 1:30 pm meeting with Chief of Police Mr. Eubanks on his reporting and how to collaborate better with the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe. He is trying to hire more staff. She asked him for two officers for the Election. They talked about Thacker Pass. He wants her to run for Chairwoman again. She notified him of the shell casings found on the Reservation and about the new signage.

January 15, 2024: Martin Luther King Day office was closed. Resumed business hours on January 16, 2024.

January 16, 2024: Meeting with Bryan Haaland and Carmen Zamora with Innova group on SLPT establishing a clinic facility for healthcare for the tribal membership. Meeting from 1:00-1:30 pm. Webinar for Native language pre applicants at 12 noon. Signed the agenda for the council meeting for January 20, 2024.

January 17, 2024: Signed four CIBs for Enrollment. Attended the programmatic agreement meeting with some Nevada Tribes and Navy via Zoom. Attended the ITCN/NFL follow up meeting via Zoom.

January 18 2024: Had a meeting with Thurman Roberts with Nevada Works on updates and what is available for the SLPT community. They discussed setting up a date for an informational meeting for the members to join via Zoom or in person on what he presented during their meeting.

January 19 2024: Checked emails and follow up phone calls if needed. Worked with Ms. New Moon and Mr. Howard on the State ARPA application that they will submit to NIC Liaison Janet Davis. They have been in contact to let her know that they will submit as the state has moved up the timeline to accept our application.

### **ICWA**

There was a total of four ICWA cases in December.

January had a total of five.

**CFP:** There are five laptops remaining in the Chairwoman's Office. She received a request via phone call from a young Tribal Member who will turn nine on January 22, 2024. She informed her that she can pick-up the laptop once her mother or grandmother completes the form on her behalf on January 22, 2024 or anytime the next week. The member thanked the tribe.

December: Twelve were given out.

January: Five were given out.

There are five left.



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### **Higher Education**

She received a phone call from Mr. Smith regarding the letter that was sent after the December Council meeting. He will join the Tribal Council meeting on January 20, 2024. He has some ideas and thoughts he would like to bring up to the Tribal Council. They also talked about running for the Council, what that would take, what they do and how often the Council meets. They also talked about the Higher Education funds and how SLPT only gets a certain amount which is used for everyone. When it is gone it is gone and the Council has to spread out the funds to more than one person. She said some member assume that as SLPT is a federally recognized tribe, their education is just paid for right off the top. SLPT is not a gaming or revenue Tribe.

Someone called to have the Tribe set-up a trust fund for a child. She informed them that SLPT does not do this.

She sent a message about the Long-Range Transportation Plan. Mr. Simmons wanted to do a Special meeting on Friday, February 9, 2024 from 1:30 to 4:30 pm regarding the public/open comment period to see if the membership who live here would be available to join in the meeting. Mr. Simmons will do the open comments until 3:30. Another guest comes from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm.

Mr. Simmons explained the 1:30-3:30 pm time is to present a plan update with a 20-year horizon. The plan needs to be re-activated. It needs an update every five years. The updates will be presented to the membership for comment and ideas. Then it is submitted to the BIA and if approved by the BIA then they have an active plan to be updated in five years. This can open some funding opportunities.

**Upcoming Meetings**—Special Council meeting on Friday, February 9, 2024 at 1:30 pm-4:30 pm.

### **Travel**

January 22-25, 2024 NCAI Executive Board meeting in Washington D.C. Back in the office January 26, 2024.

January 28-February 1, 2024 EPA RTOC meeting in San Francisco, California

February 2, 2024 Office

February 4-8, 2024 NAIHC Native American Indian Housing Council Conference in Washington DC with Ms. New Moon

February 10-15, 2024 NCAI ECWS (Executive Council Winter Session) in Washington, D.C. for Chairwoman and Ms. Crane. Consensus of the Council was given.

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March 10-14, 2024 is the Res Summit in Las Vegas, Nevada. Mrs. Lone Eagle, Ms. Crane, Mr. Mace and Mr. Frank will attend.

Annual Tribal Enrollment Conference on March 18-21, 2024 in Hawaii.

NICWA April 7-12, 2024 in Seattle, Washington. Enrollment also wants to attend.

Regular Council Meeting February 17, 2024.

Regular Council Meeting March 16, 2024.

## **MAIL**

Letters, flyers and booklets

BLM Applegate Consultation moved to the May Meeting with Ms. Rovanpera and Mr. Drake.

BLM Preliminary EA-E Planning website. She will look at it. Grazing on the Board Corral and the Pasture of the Nevada Cow head grazing allotment due on January 31, 2024

Department of the Interior-Indian Arts and Crafts

Applegate NEPA Restoration Riparian

Applegate NEPA Juniper

BIA Statement

Navy programmatic-Fallon, Nevada

BLM Washington D.C. Notice of Intent to prepare Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement to evaluate utilities skill, and solar energy planning and amend energy resource management plans for renewable energy

Letter: New NECS-High Quality standards versus ID-REAL ID advance identification technology –give to Enrollment to look into it.

Roberts Rules Training

RSIC Camp News with the new Council

**Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane** Said it was a long month. She attended the January 22, 2024 Special Council meeting for the State ARPA with Janet Davis. She also signed checks and will attend the UNR Round Table January 30, 2024.

**Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, Sr.** attended December 16, 2023 Regular Council meeting, and the December 22, 2023 Special meeting. He signed checks. He has been reading a lot email.

He asked a question of Mr. Howard about the audit Ms. Pielop did regarding a discrepancy in employee pay. He wondered if it affects the Tribe's Audit. He also talked how the bank is going to charge them more. He wants to know what that is about.

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Mrs. Lone Eagle read the email stating the audit findings. Mr. Howard said this will not affect the audit as he has taken care this already. As far as the bank charging more, Mr. Howard has not seen the email. It was sent by US Bank notifying of a \$15 fee charged for BCF-cash forwarding deposit which to not conform to the BCF requirements. The notice came through Linda's old email. Mr. Howard needs to check that email

**Council Member Philip Frank.** attended the December 22, 2023 Special meeting for State ARPA.

**Council Member Steven Crane** attended the December 22, 2023 Special meeting for the State ARPA. He will bring his old phone when he can get back.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The State ARPA application needs to be signed before the Chairwoman goes out of town. She leaves on Monday, January 22, 2024. Mr. Howard needs to make the changes.

### **OPEN FORUM**

Mr. Mace said they need to update the Personnel handbook. The laws have changed. SLPT is giving the employees benefits. Mrs. Lone Eagle said they will need to look at that. They did start working on it.

### **Next Meetings:**

Special Meeting Friday, February 9, 2024 2255 Green Vista Drive, Ste. 401, Sparks, Nevada at 1:30-4:30 pm.

Regular Council Meeting Saturday, February 17, 2024 at 2255 Green Vista Drive, Ste. 401, Sparks, Nevada at 8:00 am.

Ms. Macko will not be able to attend the next Regular meeting. Mrs. Lone Eagle said they will be sure to record it.

**MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to adjourn. 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 5:49 pm.**

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**CERTIFICATION**

I, **Eugene Mace, Sr.**, Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Minutes of the January 20, 2024 Special Council Meeting were approved with corrections by the Council during a duly held meeting February 17, 2023 at which there was a quorum present, and the Council voted:

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

Feb 17, 2024  
Date

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