

**Summit Lake Paiute Tribe  
Special Council Meeting  
Thursday, August 9, 2018  
Primary Administrative Office, Sparks, Nevada**

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the Special Council Meeting of Thursday, August 9, 2018 to order at 6:42 PM.

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

This is a Special Meeting to take care of unfinished business regarding:

- Vacancies and Removals
- Ethical Standards of Council Members
- Council Vacancies
- Council Rolls and Responsibilities

**Vacancies and Removals**

There is still one vacant Council seat. Ms. Crane referenced the Articles of Association, on page four of the Council reference guide. Ms. DeSoto read Article VI: Vacancies and Removals, Section one

“If an officer or member of the Summit Lake Paiute Council shall die, become insane, resign, be removed from office or state in writing that he is permanently leaving the reservation or shall be found guilty of a felony or misdemeanor involving dishonesty in any Indian, State or Federal Court, a vacancy will be automatically created and the members of the Summit Lake Paiute Council shall, at its e next regular or special meeting, appoint someone to fill the unexpired term.”

**Ethical Standards of Council Members**

Referencing page six through 12 of the Council Manual, Ms. DeSoto read the Section on the Ethical Standards of Council Members.

Mr. Mace had a question on the part concerning close family. Ms. DeSoto read page 36 of the Personnel Manual, Chapter 27 (Tab 6, page 36) which defines Nepotism.

Ms. DeSoto stated that in her opinion the Council is appointing somebody who has properly expressed their intent. The Council will review the applicants and conclude and make their decision. It is good to choose the new Council member before the next regular meeting so they can go from there as a current full Council. It is good to review the criteria and know that the policies and guidelines are here. They can be vague and open to interpretation, but should be what the Council currently deems what the policies to be and the Council upholds those policies and procedures. They are the governing body elected by the Tribe to make decisions that are in the best interests of the Tribe, not the individual.

The Chairwoman also commented that the policies and procedures need to be updated.

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Ms. DeSoto said that the Council should determine the intent of policies as they see them based on the Articles of Association and the policy and procedures they have, and that everyone in the Council stands firm in the Council decisions.

**MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to go into Executive Session for 15 minutes to review the Council Vacancy intents. Council Member Phillip Frank seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion approved at 6:59 pm.**

Executive Session ended at 7:14 pm.

Council business continued at 8:19 pm.

Note: The following are the votes on the Council Vacancy Candidates:

Steven Crane: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED.

William Cowan: 0 FOR, 4 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED.

Utahana Enriquez: 0 FOR, 4 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED.

Christina Gonzalez: 0 FOR, 4 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED.

Mr. Crane, the chosen person to fill the Council Seat, was contacted by phone and will meet the Council prior to the August 18, 2018 Regular meeting. Letters will be sent to the other candidates.

Council Roles and Responsibilities, page 17 of 33 under Administrative, Tab 5 in the Council Manuals

Ms. DeSoto read the duties of the three officer positions: Chairman or Chairwoman, Vice-Chairman or Chairwoman, and Secretary/Treasurer.

Council Officer Compensation section was also read with the rules and standards governing the compensation and reimbursement of Council Officers for time and expenses for official Council business. The Council may delegate certain authority to people not on the Council.

The next meeting is August 18, 2018 at 8:00 am.

Ms. DeSoto will address the staff Friday. Ms. DeSoto and Ms. Crane will attend the ITCN meeting Friday.

**MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to adjourn. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, Sr. seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 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 August 9, 2018 Council Meeting were approved by the Council during a duly held meeting September 15, 2018 at which there was a quorum present, and the Council voted:

**3 - FOR, 0 - AGAINST, 1 - ABSTAINING**, Chairwoman Randi DeSoto did not vote because there was not a tie vote.

9/18/2018  
Date

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