**CALL TO ORDER:** Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the Regular Meeting of Saturday, August 19, 2017 to order at 8:31 AM.

**ROLL CALL:** Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace called the roll: Chairwoman Page Linton, present (late): Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto, present; Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, present; Council Member Jerry Barr, present; and Thalia Dick, present (late).

**STAFF:** National Resources Director, William Cowan; Financial Director, Linda Quinn; and Contractor, Anne Macko.

#### **REPORTS:**

MOTION: Council Member Jerry Barr moved for an Agenda Change to hear the Staff reports before the Council Reports. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried at 8:34 AM.

Natural Resources Department Report presented by William Cowan

Mr. Cowan asked for any questions on the report previously emailed to the Council. There were none.

Mr. Cowan reported that the department is working hard to finish the One Mile project. There are only five working weeks left.

**Discussion Topics:** 

1. Approval for One Mile Spring restoration services (masonry and replacement of spring house roof, masonry services for wading pond, water quality consulting, and storage tank):

The Natural Resources Department has obtained three quotes for a Water Quality Consultant for the One Mile Spring restoration.

The delivered gravel budgeted will not be enough. There is a need for an additional \$3000 worth of gravel. Mr. Cowan needs approval for the masonry work. There were no bids from the Masonry Union.

There is also a need for new culverts with the new roadwork.

The Water Quality proposals are for an on-site visit and verbal options. The three bids are:

Water Solutions Inc.--\$1600 per day for on-site visit with \$200 for additional reporting. They would fly into Alturas and shuttle to the reservation. They could also look at the well.

- Broadbent & Associates--\$500 flat fee plus \$0.535 per mile around \$100.
- Lincoln Engineering--\$4000 lump sum for on-site visit and report.

This is EPA approved and within budget. Mr. Cowan would like a decision whether there is a need to put in a sand filter. There is a time crunch. It was decided to make a preferred choice, and if they are not available can go to the next one. Mr. Cowan recommends Broadbent and then Water Solutions.

It was the consensus of the Council to follow Mr. Cowan's recommendation of Broadbent & Associates and then Water Solutions Inc.

Spring house roof replacement: Mr. Cowan believes he can have two men install a new roof in one day for \$1000 and with the Natural Resources Department purchasing the materials.

Masonry Services on the wading pool: They could not get a consultant to do a quote. This is not an essential action, but Mr. Cowan may be able to get a supervisor and laborers to do the work. Mr. Cowan will check into the repercussions if the money is not all spent on time.

Mr. Cowan would like the approval of an additional \$3000 for the purchase of additional gravel. The Council approval was given.

New Culverts: There were three bids:

- Otis Bay bid \$5000 delivered but not installed.
- A California company bid \$3500 per culvert.
- Western Nevada Supply asked for over \$5000.

There was a discussion of the bids.

The Council approved two culverts not to exceed \$7000 from the California company.

2. Upgrade of satellite internet services: the current Hughes Net plan does not support Voice over IP (VOIP). There was a discussion of the need for an upgrade. There were quotes for different options for Gen5 for VOIP. There would be a \$200 upgrade fee and another \$30-\$40 added to the existing monthly plan.

The option recommended is the Business 35 Plan (\$70) and Voice over IP which would be an additional \$30 per month with a two year commitment or \$40 per month without a commitment. Changing between the two VOIP options would incur penalties. There was a discussion of the options and costs.

Chairwoman Page Linton entered the meeting at 9:09 AM.

Mr. Cowan prefers to try the plan without the two year VOIP commitment.

The Council approved a two year Business 35 plan and the additional cost for the non-commitment option of the Voice over IP.

3. Tribal Wildlife Grant proposal resolution: The proposal is due September 1, 2017.

MOTION: Council Member Jerry Barr moved to approve Resolution SL-11-2017 Approval of a 2018 Tribal Wildlife Grant Proposal to Assess Aquatic Food Web of Mahogany Creek and Relationship to Geomorphic Restoration and Processes with a waiving of the reading. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote. 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-11-2017 enacted at 9:21 AM.

4. Proposed working session to discuss future of Natural Resources Department: Mr. Cowan would like to have a working session with the Council, Ms. Youmans and himself to discuss options for the Natural Resources Department. Possible dates for this meeting are Friday, 9/8/17 at 5:30 PM, Saturday, 9/9/17 or Sunday, 9/10/17. Final date will be confirmed by September 5, 2017.

There was a discussion of cattle on the BLM allotment.

The Natural Resources Department report was concluded.

The BLM sent out a letter asking for a 30 day response to regulation of NDOW activities on Wilderness land. There was a request for comments. Mr. Cowan would like to comment that if there is any introduction of animals (elk, deer, etc.); those animals straying onto the Reservation are fair game to Tribal hunters.

It was determined that Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto would continue to run the meeting.

## Financial Report by Linda Quinn

 2018 CTPG Budget: Ms. Quinn passed out the revised 2018 budget. It incorporates the "carry over" budget. There was a discussion of the budget and Council recommended funding items for increases/decreases. It was clarified that Higher Education money is from a different funding

Council Member Thalia Dick entered the meeting at 9:35 AM.

There was a discussion of the BIA Training offered in October 3 & 4th. The title and job description for the new administrative coordinator position description was discussed and finalized.

- 2. Blue Bird CPA's has completed our 2016 Audit. The Findings discussed were late reporting, reports not balancing (revised as recommended), and segregation of duties. Proposed audit presentation was set for 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM August 29, 2017 with the Blue Bird CPA's to arrive at 6:00 PM.
- 3. Go Daddy has finished the update on the website. It was suggested to bring in Mathew Brown to adjust and fix things on the website. Ms. Linton will also work on a newsletter for him to work on.
- 4. Budget Summary Sheet: Ms. Quinn asked for any questions. Funds 93 and 125 have closed out. Mr. Cowan is trying to close Fund 116.
- 5. 2018 IHP funding request is due by October 15, 2017. There will be no changes to the previous request but a note that the Council is currently working with Mr. Nibbelink and exploring options to spend money should be included.
- 6. SLPT member Curtis Ray Smith's Ramah check was returned by his father. Curtis wrote requesting the check be sent to his current address in IMSI Idaho. A new check was issued and sent to IMSI per his request. Ms. Quinn sent him a separate letter with a copy of the check for his records.
  - Ms. Quinn received a letter from Adolfo Beltran Jr. requesting any payments be forwarded to the inmate trust account, Oregon State. The packets have been mailed out and have not been received yet.
  - Current SLPT members with unknown addresses are, Angela Stacona, Amy Sue Stearns, Christopher Lee Townsend, and Gina L. Wilson. There are four members and minors not yet paid. A formal proposal for a Trust Account has been requested.
- 7. Mr. Bill Nibbelink is scheduled to discuss IHBG on September 29, 2017 from 1:00 PM-5:00 PM and with Council on September 30, 2017 from 9:00-3:00pm.

Ms. Quinn introduced a resolution for re-contracting the Consolidated Budget for 2018 with the changes.

MOTION: Council Member Jerry Barr moved to approve Resolution SL-12-2017 Re-contracting the Bureau of Indian Affairs Consolidated Budget Fiscal Year 2018 with a waiving of the reading. Council Member Thalia Dick seconded the motion. Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-12-2017 enacted at 9:59 AM.

8. Fire Management Plan: Review Resolution:

After sending a letter to ask for more time, a resolution was introduced regarding the approval of the BIA Wildland Fire Management Plan.

MOTION: Council Member Jerry Barr moved to approve Resolution SL-13-2017 Approval and Adoption of the 2017 Bureau of Indian Affairs Western Regional Agency Wildland Fire Management Plan with a waiving of the reading. Chairwoman Page Linton seconded the motion. Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-13-2017 enacted at 10:15 AM.

- 9. Margarita Mayo resigned her position on August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017. She accepted a better position which she applied for in June before starting with us. The Finance Clerk position has been re-advertised.
- 10. Updates from last month's meeting:
  - David Grey of Bureau of Reclamation responded to Ms. Quinn's inquiry for an audit report (April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 of Desert Terminal Lakes Fund 107). His response was that a report was sent on May 11, 2017 to Victor Haro and Mandy Brinnand. Ms. Quinn inquired of Victor Haro if the Council could get a copy of the report on the audit finding and have not received a response yet.
  - Brian Melendez responded to Ms. Quinn's inquiry on the BIA Enrollment Audit done on April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017. He stated it will be completed shortly as he is currently working on them.

Ms. Quinn reported a letter was received from the BLM regarding the horse round-up. There is a short turn around. The request is for comments in 35 days. There was a discussion of the options. Ms. Linton will write a letter stating the Tribe is in support of the Option B-Birth Control on the letter received on August 14, 2017.

Ms. Quinn created an Enrollment folder on the C drive. She requested a new Enrollment Application Packet to send out. It was stated that a revision was in the process of being finalized.

Ms. Quinn request if there were any further question. The Financial report was concluded.

Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called for a 10 minute break at 10:30 AM. The Council returned at 10:40 AM.

### **Council Reports**

Chairwoman Page Linton reported that there was someone reported to have dual enrollment which is not permitted and will need to be disenrolled per the ordinances.

She received requests for K-12 school supplies.

Ms. Linton had twelve male and nine female ICWA cases. Ten male and eight female were from Tucson, Arizona. Two males and one female were from California. All were non-affiliated.

Ms. Linton typed up a revised enrollment application and sent it to the Enrollment Committee.

She typed up a letter in response to the Enrollment Committee.

Ms. Linton attended the CTGTP budget special meeting and the Desert Terminal Lake meeting discussion of options needed if Barta will not sell his land.

She checked her emails.

Ms. Linton thanked Ms. DeSoto for her assistance while Ms. Linton was on vacation.

**Vice-Chairman Randi DeSoto** reported that she assisted Ms. Linton, signed checks if need be, checked emails, texts and phone messages.

There are upcoming meetings with the Auditors, Mr. Nibbelink, and with Mr. Cowan to discuss Natural Resources Department on September 8, 2017 from 5:00 PM -8:00 PM.

She sent an email to Ms. Quinn asking if the BIA Budget Workshop on October 3-4, 2017 in Reno was of interest. It is \$595 per person. The deadline for payment is September 15, 2017.

She received a letter regarding the Enrollment Liaison from the Enrollment Committee. She hopes the meeting on Sunday can bring everyone together.

There is a possibly of a person with dual enrollment receiving a check, but Ms. Linton confirmed with Ms. Quinn that this was not the case. There was also the issue of using the 1940's base roll because there is not a certified roll. This should be discussed in the meeting on Sunday, August 20, 2017 so that everyone can get together and so things can go forward.

Ms. DeSoto asked Ms. Quinn to get the requested supplies for the Enrollment Committee.

Ms. DeSoto does not like the new website. It is not user friendly.

**Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace** reported that he went on vacation. He signed checks and finally has his email up so he is reading emails.

Council Member Jerry Barr reported he signed checks and attended meetings.

He attended a meeting on July 25, 2017 in Washington State US Fish and Wildlife Eagle Feather Consultation on the regulations. Nathan Dexter, National Fish and Wildlife Liaison ran the meeting. They reviewed the wording of the language of the regulations and policies. There were 24 Tribes at the meeting. They want to make it "Federally recognized Native AmericanTribes" and not include State recognition in order to obtain Eagle feathers. Also a couple of Tribes want to take over the conservatory which is now under federal authority. It might not be good to let one Tribe have control. Also currently it is federally funded. This would change if a Tribe took over and they would need to fund the conservatory. Mr. Barr felt that the US Fish and Wildlife cared about the history and traditions and should be backed in this issue. It was a good meeting and Mr. Barr thanked the Council for letting him go.

## Council Member Thalia Dick had nothing to report.

Ms. Linton stated she received an email from Kerry Drake of the EPA. They want to go over it all again. They would like to set up a phone conference and then a face-to-face meeting. The EPA has copies of everything already. Mr. Carslaw had drafted a response letter which Mr. Linton read. Basically it says that the Tribe has done everything asked of them and needs to resolve the issue. Ms. Linton will type it up, sign it and send it to the EPA.

There was a discussion of the job descriptions for the new Administrative position. The Council reviewed the options and preferred the position description and title "Tribal Coordinator."

MOTION: Council Member Jerry Barr moved to approve the Saturday, July 15, 2017 Regular Council Meeting minutes with a waiving of the reading. Council Member Thalia Dick seconded the motion. Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 1 ABSTAINED. Motion carried at 11:24 AM.

MOTION: Council Member Jerry Barr moved to approve the July 22, 2017 Special Council Meeting minutes with a waiving of the reading.

Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried at 11:24 AM.

The consensus of the Council is to approve the job description/announcement for the Tribal Coordinator position at 11:25 AM.

#### **Upcoming Meetings:**

8/20/17—9:00 AM to Noon with the Enrollment Committee
8/29/17 or 9/12/17—5:00 PM with Bluebirds for audit presentation for fiscal year 2016
9/8/17—5:00 PM (to be confirmed by 9/5/17) with Mr. Cowan and Ms. Youmans to discuss the Natural Resources Department
9/16/17—8:00 AM to 5:00 PM for the Regular Council Meeting
9/29/17 from 1:00 -5:00 PM and 9/30/17 from 9:00 AM- 3:00 PM for HUD Consultation with Mr. Nibbelink

In looking for someone for the open Finance Clerk positon, they should check for grad students in Accounting.

Workmen's Comp: A Workmen's comp claim was made by a former employee who was terminated because of being unable to complete the duties of the job on the reservation due to an injury. At first Workmen's Comp dismissed the claim, but upon appeal the decision has been overturned and there will be an appeal hearing in October.

MOTION: Council Member Jerry Barr moved to adjourn. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:44 AM.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, <u>Eugene Mace, Sr.</u>, Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Minutes of the August 19, 2017, Council Meeting were approved by the Council during a duly held meeting September 16, 2017 at which there was a quorum present, and the Council voted:

<u>4</u> - FOR <u>0</u> - AGAINST <u>1</u> -ABSTAINING, Chairwoman Page Linton did not vote because there was not a tie vote.

9/19/2017 Date

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