

Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
General Council Meeting
Saturday, May 21, 2022
Summit Lake Paiute Reservation, Summit Lake, Nevada

CALL TO ORDER: Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the General Council Meeting of Saturday, May 21, 2022 to order at 9:48 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: Linda Quinn, Finance Director; James Simmons, Natural Resources Department Director, Austin New Moon, Housing Manager

GUESTS: Bradley Yothers, and Jonathan George; United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resource Conservation Service

Mr. Simmons announced that the Starlink service was working.

MINUTES:

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve the minutes of the Special Council meeting of Wednesday, March 30, 2022 with corrections and 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 10:01 am.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve the minutes of the Special Council meeting of Monday, April 4, 2022 with corrections and a waiving of the reading. Council Member Phillip Frank seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion approved 10:02 am.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of Saturday, April 16, 2022 with corrections and 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 approved 10:03 am.

Council Reports:

Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle stated that it has been a busy month between April and May 21, 2022. She signed non-affiliated ICWA letters. Mrs. Lone Eagle and Ms. Crane attended the two-day workshop for THPO.

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She attended the Patagonia event by the Nevada Indian Territories and Patagonia. They invited all the Tribal Leadership and the public that wished to attend. There was a good turnout. Nevada Indian Territories (NIT) is interested in doing a project with SLPT. This would be working with Bethany Sam who also is the vice of the NIT board. Mrs. Lone Eagle also linked up with Sherri Rupert and her husband, who are also part of the board. In attendance was Summit Lake Paiute Tribe (SLPT), Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC), Fallon and Walker River. There was an elder from each area who did storytelling and speaking in the native languages.

Mrs. Lone Eagle was hospitalized. She thanked everyone for holding down the fort and doing business while she was there, although she did have her phone and responded to emails.

The Earth event was rescheduled. Mr. Simmons stated that they could not make the rescheduled date.

Mrs. Lone Eagle met Michon Eben, who has been their contact along with Mary Barker for the THPO projects that are going on. They are working on a day or day-and-a-half session with all the tribes trying to turn in their applications for THPO including SLPT, Lovelock and Yerington to meet June 1 through June 3, 2022 for everyone to go over their applications. There will be two resolutions required first to apply for THPO and for a committee for THPO detailing who the designated people for THPO are. There was a lot of information. They are all there to help.

At this point the new NRD staffers Parker Land, Technician and Madison Hutchinson, Environmentalist entered the meeting to meet the Council. They both graduated UNR in May. They are working on the fish trap this year. The Council and Administrative staff introduced themselves. They left the meeting.

Mrs. Lone Eagle signed checks and any housing ARPS or HAF documents. There is an MOU coming up for a research project in regards to Tribal Sovereignty Management for Federal Lands from the BLM and US Forest Service. She is fine with signing the MOU in support. It is a project they desire people's feedback. They would like to get everybody to the table to brainstorm for this research project.

The Chairwoman signed time-sheets as necessary. There were interviews the past week on Monday through Wednesday. A Finance Clerk was hired who will start June 6, 2022.

Interviews be conducted by the Chairwoman and the Directors going forward as per the Articles. They will no longer be considered a meeting. This will expedite the process. It was fine to do it this way. SLPT is running with one Zoom Account. She still sees what NRD is doing in regards to why they have Zoom meetings.

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There were interviews for Enrollment Coordinator and Finance Clerk, and for a NRD Technician. There was only one person who interviewed for Enrollment Coordinator. There was another candidate who interviewed previously for the Tribal Coordinator position. That person submitted another application but could not do a Zoom and it did not happen. The other person is known to Ms. Crane. She asked the Council for input. Mr. Crane and Mr. Mace feel they need to read her application to give input on her. Mr. The one who applied also has some grant writing experience and is willing to learn and to travel.

Mrs. Lone Eagle stated that when she logged into the Progeny database it gave here a message that the database was about to expire. She asked to have that checked with Progeny.

There was a brief discussion about abandonment. This could figure in payouts.

Mrs. Lone Eagle got a call from the Governor Sisolak. He was excited to talk to the Chairwoman. He thanked her for having the outreach call with Theresa Melendez and the outreach group for the Democratic party. They touched on getting the vote out and having a ballot box at the Administrative Office in Sparks, Nevada. He wanted to know how he could improve and help. He would like to continue a working relationship.

She was invited by the State of Nevada to attend the Stewart Indian School Cultural Center and Museum event the morning of June 18, 2022 so she will be a little late to the meeting.

SLPT received the new funds for HUD which she signed. The funds are for the fiscal year 2022.

She signed the exit forms for two NRD employees, one was a transition for one employee going from a Technician to an Environmentalist.

She signed IHBG ARPA approvals for two tribal members.

She is working on the Annual Review for the Finance Director.

There were some phone messages which were regarding the ENOVA, part of the IHS until 2035. Their big plan is to talk to all the tribes. She has a meeting with them on Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at 10:00 am which is a kick-off meeting. They need members to join the committee and asking for medical personnel which SLPT does not have. SLPT is unique because there is no clinic. They want numbers including how many live on and off the reservation, how they get healthcare, what are the needs. Mrs. Lone Eagle wrote down eyeglasses for youth, eye exams, things the clinic do not approve of. There

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was a discussion of the types of care, referrals, eldercare, etc.

The Chairwoman was notified that there is a resignation in place for the NRD to take place on June 1, 2022.

The Enrollment Committee Chair was contacted. They were going to have a meeting but one of the members was unavailable. They are waiting to find out when the next meeting will take place. She is aware there are a number of individuals that she has reviewed between February and March that need to be approved. Mrs. Lone Eagle spoke to the father of two of those files, and let him know the status of the applications. Since the initial application was returned, one applicant turned 18.

SLPT received some more PPE supplies. There is a large supply of hand sanitizers, disposable masks, face shields, and so forth.

There was a meeting for the upcoming LTC meeting. It has been cancelled. Mr. Simmons does not know why it was cancelled. He mentioned that at a previous meeting it was discussed about not having meetings only for updates, that meetings should be where decisions are made to move the projects forward.

They did send out four enrollment applications. The logs will need to be changed. Things could be found in two places. There is a need to organize and revise so that there are no duplicates. It is a mess. This is what is saved on the computer not Progeny. Mrs. Lone Eagle is all for learning the Progeny database.

She explained that she kept a count on the Enrollment Tally sheet which shows applications sent out, pending applications and applications approved for review. There was a question of whether a received application was the same as pending application. In order to keep this spread sheet going and it is necessary to make another person coming in understand what is being done and why.

Based on the applications that SLPT had, there were four in February, two in March and two in April. There is a total of eight for review. One is marked incomplete, but the rest are ready to go. Mrs. Lone Eagle requested the Enrollment Committee meet a little earlier than originally planned to go over these applications. She is hoping for sometime in June so that they can be brought to the June Regular Council Meeting for Council review/approval.

The headcount for the update for ITCN for the CCDF for next year is due. The SLPT numbers have increased so the ones reported previously were 39 and currently there is 53.

The new communications system with the TV's and sound equipment was purchased

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by ITCN using CCDF funds. Ms. Quinn asked about the speakers that came with the system that were to be placed around the room. She does not find them anywhere after DTS set up the system. There was a discussion about whether these items were part of the system. Mrs. Lone Eagle says the system as set-up works great for them. Ms. Quinn will ask DTS.

Mr. Mace took the Council back to the Enrollment position candidate and giving feedback. She has a lot of knowledge and SLPT needs someone to fill the office.

Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane stated that since the last Regular Council meeting on April 16, 2022 she has been available for check signing. On April 21, 2022 she attended a Zoom meeting on State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO). They were very helpful. Mary Barker was helping them to complete the application process.

Mrs. Lone Eagle mentioned a meeting/workshop on June 1 through 3, 2022 to continue the process to be held in Suite 401 of the SLPT Administrative Offices. Ms. Crane asked about the committee. The Chairwoman said the committee would be decided by the Council and that a resolution was required. Another resolution was to say that SLPT would be a THPO. They could form a committee with the two Tribal monitors, someone from NRD, another person and the THPO person. The committee would have four or five members for each tribe as designated and notified by the Council. They also told Mrs. Lone Eagle and Ms. Crane that SLPT would need letter from the BIA, a resolution, an appendix, a draft from the Council with the resolution, BIA letter, verbiage and maps. They will provide templates to use. There was a discussion.

Both the Chairwoman and Vice-Chairwoman will be out of the office the following week.

Ms. Crane attended the May 5, 2022 Special Council meeting with the NRD.

On May 9, 2022 she sat in on a phone training/informational session with Jeff Sanders, Transportation Planner. There is four million dollars to spend statewide and they are in the study process of spending this money. The main focus is funding for federal lands, national highways, outdoor recreation and tribal governments. They are trying to coordinate with the tribes for access to federal roads. There is an application to apply for grants. Ms. Quinn said there are state funds available. They intend to extend or pave many roads. There are upcoming workshops in Elko, Reno and Las Vegas, Nevada. Ms. Crane will give Mr. Simmons the phone number or other information.

She is looking forward to going to the National Center for American Indian Enterprises Development Annual Reservation Economic Summit. program in Las Vegas, Nevada with Mrs. Lone Eagle They do have a couple of meetings already set. The Summit organizers want to meet with each Tribe one-on-one.

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Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace Sr. he attended the Special Meeting on May 5, 2022 and signed checks.

Council Member Philip Frank also attended the NRD Special Meeting on May 5, 2022 and signed checks.

Council Member Steven Crane attended the May 5, 2022 NRD meeting.

The Council looked at the PPE supplies sent to the SLPT including various sanitizers, masks, gloves, thermometers, surgical wear, face shields and so forth. There are epi-pens that are good until September.

Housing Department Report by Austin New Moon, Housing Manager

- Rental Assistance Program is assisting seven participants. There is one application pending and another application that requires an adjustment.
- Sports Assistance Program has assisted eight total minors and there are four applications pending action.
- Security and First Month Rental Assistance has aided over three applicants.
- Down payment/Closing costs has yet to assist anyone but there is one member that is working on getting things all in a row to try again.
- There are two paid Employment Assistance applications one of which has their CPR, First Aid, AED training scheduled for June 16, 2022 for all day class with REMSA.
- Paiute Language Training class is still on hold. Ms. Burns, Ms. Dick's assistant, still has not sent in an application for the job. Ms. New Moon has not heard from either woman and still has not received approval for the materials from RSIC. Mrs. Lone Eagle recently spoke to Ms. Dick and she will speak to RSIC again because she had already verbally given her permission to release her materials to SLPT. Also concerning this program, two other people who applied as assistants are requesting the teacher pay rate. It was suggested that a meeting with RSIC to discuss the release of materials. They need to get the program started. The Council came to the consensus to pay the assistants the teacher rate across the board. The class will be face-to-face, Zoom, and Facebook Live and because classes will be recorded, they can be downloaded later. Ms. Quinn discussed a booklet that is given to children that has places for them to write words in their native language like Paiute. She suggested that SLPT purchase a quantity of them to give to the minor members at the Language Classes.
- Pantry: Ms. New Moon did miss pick-up one week due the Suburban's mechanical issue which has been solved.
- SLPT Event: Ms. New Moon asked Mr. Simmons for an update. He has not heard anything. It was suggested to scale it back and make it into a camping

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- week-end at the Lake instead, something less structured. It was decided to postpone it until next year and ask the members for their recommendations. Mr. Simmons would like to do it during the spawning run in the Spring-maybe the first week in June. Transportation will be the biggest issue.
- IHBG-Annual Performance Report for 2021 (how the money was spent) was submitted March 29, 2022. There were a few corrections that were made and it was resubmitted. Formal approval and acceptance were received on May 18, 2022.
 - IHBG Indian Housing Plan for Fiscal Year 2021 (how they plan to spend the money) They received formal funding notice for Fiscal Year 2022 for IHBG. They got more money this year, \$86,095. SLPT numbers changed and the service area also changed. Hopefully they will continue to look at that.
 - ERAP and HAF
 - ERAP: The one member is currently 100% expended as the issue is fixed. There is an update for reallocation which must be requested through the Portal and login.gov. She would like to request more money.
 - HAF: Homeownership Assistance Fund: Five applications have been received so far. Three have been paid with two more applications pending.
 - Native American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC) C19HAP ended December 31, 2021. Mr. Bill Picotte let them know that SLPT could apply for an extension if they wanted to keep the funds. Chairwoman Lone Eagle and Ms. New Moon sent him a letter. Ms. New Moon sent him an email May 16, 2022. He let her know he was very busy. He will write the formal extension letter for the money the next week.
 - IHBG American Rescue Plan: More than half has been expended. She is not sure it will last out the year. She has been paying all the emergency rental assistance out of it. Once this is expended Ms. New Moon still has the SLPT American Rescue Plan funds allocated to housing.
 - Ms. New Moon sent an email to the lego building people stating SLPT was still interested in having them make a presentation to the Council. She has not heard back from them.
 - Homeownership Improvement Funds were received from the BIA. This is really for home renovation type needs. SLPT has never run a HIP program, Ms. New Moon has never run or facilitated such a program. Mrs. Lone Eagle said that Yerington has HIP homes on the reservation. Ms. New Moon will reach out to them. She knows some regulations. It has to apply to the primary home. There was a discussion of the definition of a primary address when there are two homes. There was a discussion of the rules and regulations Ms. New Moon says that the fund has to be advertised to the membership. The funds are granted on a point basis. She will start getting all she needs to run this program. They also discussed the HAP funds, although not currently in the SLPT programs, could be used for homeowner's insurance.

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- Administration: The TV's and desktop are all hooked up in Suite 401. They got the TV to mirror. Speakers and mikes are all working. Communications are now crystal clear.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to go into Executive Session for ten minutes for Application reviews. Council Member Steven Crane¹ seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. The Council went into Executive Session at 12:10 pm.

Council returned from Executive Session at 12:21 pm.

Mr. George and Mr. Yothers of USDA entered the meeting.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve one Tenant Based Rental Assistance for \$500 per month for one year starting June 1, 2022. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace Sr. seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion approved at 12:23 pm.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve four Sports Registration and Equipment Application reimbursements: the first in the amount of \$118, the second in the amount of \$135, the third in the amount of \$176.46, and the fourth in the amount of \$161.72. Council Member Philip Frank seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion approved at 12:25 pm.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve one Tenant Based Rental Assistance adjustment for \$468 per month for the next seven months starting June 1, 2022. Council Member Steve Crane seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion approved at 12:26 pm.

NEW BUSINESS: USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service Consultation (NRCS)

Mr. Simmons introduced the guests from the NRCS: Mr. Jonathon George and Bradley Yothers who gave a presentation of their programs.

Copies of the presentation were handed out. Mr. Yothers said they wanted to discuss their programs and some of their practices as per the NRCS. Mr. Yothers introduced himself as the District Conservationist from the Winnemucca Field Office and covers Humboldt and Landers Counties. Mr. George was identified as the Tribal Liaison who is

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out of Elko, Nevada.

Mr. George gave a quick overview of the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS). NRCS is part of the US Department of Agriculture which makes them feds. The agency they are under is the NRCS. They once were known as the Soil Conservation Service Tribal communities are fully under their umbrella in addressing conservation concerns. They were on the Reservation with Mr. Waddell last Thanksgiving to discuss fire breaks. Mr. Yothers is the representative tasked with working with SLPT.

Mr. Yothers started to discuss the presentation. The NRCS helps develop conservation plans and offers technical assistance. They are knowledgeable of various types of landscapes such as range land and crop land. They can develop conservation plans to solve resource concerns with a suite of practices: range planting, proscribed grazing, watering facilities for livestock and so on. They can do other programs. They have a tools department and a lot of technical specialists with a lot of knowledge in how to solve resource concerns. He discussed the documentation involved in a conservation plan.

They have a program called EQIP which utilizes funds for financial assistance of practices for conservation concerns. They accept applications year-round. They can develop a conservation plan and then look at financial assistance with their programs.

Agricultural Management Assistance (AMA) program is set-up to address problems on the landscape. It is structured for states that are not eligible for certain levels of insurance programs under risk management. This is usually used for cropland.

There is Emergency Conservation Program (ECP). EQIP and AMA are fix-it programs

Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP): All the land under the management of the producer would be included. They would look at a large amount of criterion. This is used after the other programs have been successfully utilized. CSP is a rigid program. Once someone signs up for what they say they are going to do for the five-year contract, you need to stay in the foot print. They work with the FSA to set the requirements for eligibility.

These three programs are government programs so there are hooks. All three are can help meet people's goals and objectives. There are things people need to know. Payments out of these programs are taxable. There are certain standards and specifications that people need to meet when doing the practices for them to be justified to receive payments. Expectations are explained so there are no misunderstandings. Basically, they are a contract with the Government with timelines. They are not too cumbersome. They are good programs, put do not mess up the timelines. There could

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be financial damages.

Both Mr. Yothers and Mr. George will be happy to answer any questions by a one-on-one meeting or a Council meeting. Mr. Simmons had them clarify that these were reimbursement programs. Also, the Government does not reimburse 100% of what is spent. There are flat payment rates. An advance payment could be requested up to 50% for project completion in 90 days. The project must be per specifications and pre-determined budget price.

Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP) aids landowners and eligible entities to conserve, restore and protect wetlands and protective agricultural lands and grasslands. There are two types of programs: wetland reserve easements and agricultural land easements.

Conservation Innovation Grant (CIG) is a competitive grant program which supports the development of new conservation tools, approaches, practices and technologies. This is utilized nation-wide. Both gentlemen felt that, after talking with Mr. Simmons and Mr. Plumlee, there may be a possibility that this grant could be used.

Regional Conservation Partnership Programs is a partner driven approach to volunteer conservation that concerns conservation and natural resource challenges. It leverages one dollar for every dollar invested by the USDA. It includes entities such as private industries, non-government organizations, tribes state and local districts, universities and water districts.

Emergency Watershed Program (EWP) safeguards property from floods, draught, and erosion whether fire or flood has caused impairment of the watershed. Funds are used for a specific one-time event.

Watershed and Flood Prevention Operation Program provides technical and financial assistance to state and local governments, tribes for planning and installing watershed projects with the purpose of preventing erosion, floodwater and sediment damage and to further the conservation development, use and disposal of water and proper use of land in authorized watersheds.

Mr. George said that it was important to him that the tribes have a voice in the projects they are doing, especially on a large scale. He needs to reach out to SLPT. He asked what really triggers the Council so they want to be notified of what NRCS is doing with large projects. He also wanted to know if there was an area of influence. He would assume that they would be concerned with the Truckee River area. He wanted to know if they wanted him to give them notice of stuff going on Ely. Mr. Crane said they would like to hear about it whether or not it pertains to SLPT or not. He can send emails to Mr. Simmons. Mrs. Lone Eagle said all 27 tribes in Nevada support one another. If there is

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something within the surrounding area of 75 miles of the Reservation or if it concerns another tribe, they would like to be notified.

There is a survey for them to take to help determine what the focus of the tribes is and for ranking for funds. He would love their input.

Projects being worked on:

RCP 2014 ongoing project in Duck Valley to improve the irrigation system which was all open ditch. There was a lot of water loss in the system. They wanted to make it better. The original area outlined for the irrigation system has been completed. They still need a livestock water system.

South Fork has done a lot of livestock watering systems.

For SLPT projects, the land use would be considered range. They could fix riparian areas, some spring areas with aspen restoration. NRCS could help to pay for some of the proposed projects. Mr. Simmons said that riparian is big. They need to work to remove canary reed grass in the watershed. It has become a serious fish passage issue.

NRCS has also done work with Walker River. They have done a lot of livestock water piping. Although he understood they have also done a fair amount of stream bank stabilization near the river as well.

Looking over the other field offices they have done about 18 contracts. A lot of the work has been done in the tribal communities. Mr. George said that as the new Tribal liaison he thinks they can do better.

He said he cannot tell them how important it is to do their homework up front. Mr. Yothers is going to work with Mr. Simmons and his crew to come up with a prescription to do what they want to do. He will give them the practices. It is up to SLPT to contact contractors or figure it out in house so he knows what they are getting into. NRCS needs to be better at helping with knowing the timelines etc. If there are ways Mr. Yothers can help he will, but be sure we know what we are getting into. Get three estimates at minimum.

One of the projects being considered is on Peavine Creek. It is the intention to do consultations on the project and SLPT will be on the list to consult for input from them. He also wants to talk to Pyramid Lake.

Although they can come up with a plan, it is the decision of the producer of what to do.

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They showed some practices and guidelines for different practices and projects. One of the things they are seeing in Nevada, both Tribal and Non-Tribal, is in the states with legalized cannabis. People are starting to grow pot in those state. This is legal at state level but not at the federal level. So NRCS policy clearly states they cannot do the programs, but they can do technical assistance. They cannot provide any financial assistance to any individual or entity involved in cannabis production or any related activity.

They gave the Council a list of resource concerns that they can research as inventory. They asked for any questions. There were none. Mr. Crane said it was a good presentation. They also asked if the land was all held in trust by the tribe or if there was land held by individual tribal members. Mrs. Lone Eagle explained that tribal members have their own land assignments or allotments. Unassigned allotments are held in trust by the tribe.

Council thanked them for coming out to the Reservation and attending the meeting.

Mr. Simmons presented a letter from Mr. Yothers for input. It is for a project out in Leonard Creek. It is just over the mountain and within the sphere of influence. They are asking for any culturally significant sites in the area. They are putting in a pipeline in existing alfalfa fields.

Mr. Yothers asked if they were THPO and Mrs. Lone Eagle explained that SLPT was in the process of applying for it.

Ms. Quinn asked Mr. Yothers if he had any opinion on the impact on the watershed from the lithium mine. That is SLPT's big concern. The gentlemen do not know much about it so they have no opinion.

Council will send a letter regarding Leonard Creek.

Mr. Yothers and Mr. George left the meeting at 1:25 pm.

Chairwoman Lone Eagle called a break at 1:25 pm.

Council returned from break at 2:04 pm.

Finance Department Report by Linda Quinn

Current Budgets:

Ms. Quinn asked if the rental assistance was approved. It is being checked on. The BIA A21 Grant for HIP was approved last year but has now been

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approved/released for use and added to the finance records.

All the SF-425s are done.

First quarter federal taxes were done at the end of April. Transportation Gas tax was done. All lot of online reporting was done on Easy Grants, Cares Funding and Grant Solutions. The ARPA online reporting was done on Smart Sheets.

Ms. Quinn ordered and received checks and envelopes.

The Chairwoman and Ms. Quinn did an interview and Lorretta Wales will be starting no later than June 6, 2022.

Ms. Quinn checked into getting a temporary worker from a temp agency however the cost at 36.00 an hour is too high.

Priorities: AP, Salaries, the Audit coming up and the Membership Economic Stimulus Payments checks. Additional hours would be needed to meet the timelines set by Council. Randi approved comp time as needed.

The Grant Solutions Cares Act funding submitted for the first quarter had errors. Ms. Quinn corrected the errors and Chairwoman resubmitted the report.

Mr. Carslaw and Ms. Quinn have been working on getting the 2021 records cleaned up for the Audit. Charles said he is almost done with the Indirect cost proposal.

The Library proposal was submitted for 135 laptops. Ms. Quinn is asking for bids from DTS, Best Buy and possibly Office Depot. It would be for 135 computers already set-up with software and antivirus. She gave them a price break of \$1100. The grant is for \$167,504, allocated to each tribe. The Best Buy came back and said they are Chromebooks and Google software. There is a question compatibility with Microsoft.

Ms. Quinn asked Mrs. Lone Eagle if she had heard anything on the Treasury Capital Grant submission. It was confirmed to has been submitted.

Membership Economic Stimulus Payments are due June 1, 2022. Ms. Quinn has started checking addresses. A letter will be sent with the checks. Ms. Quinn was authorized by the Chairwoman to work over the weekend to do the checks.

The Small Business Credit Application: Ms. Quinn did not contact the banks. She will try to get a meeting set-up to see if they would be will to pick up SLPT and run with the funding. The Treasury said they know Great Basin.

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The RICHO printer/copier is five-year-old now. Ms. Quinn talked to Lockwood Moore. They can provide a brand-new RICO for the same price. The Council said to go ahead.

She has not gotten bids on the door repair but it is still on the list of things to do. Ms. Quinn questioned if the HOA should be responsible for the door repair.

The Audit will start on May 31, 2022.

She has been doing the mail, ICWA and ICWA reports, AP, Payroll, ARPA payouts, all the reporting. Finance tasks are the priority.

Mrs. Lone Eagle stated the auditors will not be able to use Suite 401 so several options were discussed. Ms. Quinn will set up space for them in the NR Dept. desks.

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

Mr. Simmons told the Council that the gentlemen from NRCS paid the Council a compliment by saying they were a good Council.

Accomplishments:

- Update on fish trap numbers: They are in the low 400's. There will be another total today.
- Rachel Redding was in Miami, Florida the previous week presenting the SLPT sage grouse research at the Native American Indian Fish and Wildlife Society meeting. This is a highlight. Mr. Simmons is happy to support the staff members to grow their skill sets.
- The Lake Profiler: This is the buoy system platform anchored in the Lake. It has water sonde profiler that takes various water measurements. It will be setup for automated profiling of the Lake. There are some repairs needed but will be fixed.
- Stream gauges have been professionally installed with a professional survey for exact location. They measure water level in Mahogany and Snow Creeks.
- The project to remove the big concrete irrigation structure on lower Mahogany and replace the culvert and remove the irrigation structure on at the bottom of Snow Creek got started with a site visit from the consultant. They were surveying doing preliminary work for permitting.
- A large portion of the boundary fencing has been completed and repaired including the full northern boundary, the whole eastern Boundary and soon the southern boundary will be done. Hopefully money from a budget mod might bring it close to having the whole boundary repaired this year.
- US Fish and Wildlife Partners for Wildlife proposal was submitted to fence off Tule and Slide Springs to get the horses and cattle off them. Mr. Simmons received a call which said that unofficially SLPT would be awarded funds to do the project. The program manager stated they thought this project could be

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selected as the highlight project for the region in the Fish and Wildlife publications. Mr. Simmons asked if the Council would be okay with this. The Council were okay with it. Mr. Simmons should find out shortly if the project is chosen.

- All grants that were due to be submitted by May 30, 2022 were submitted on time.
- New fire danger signs have been put up. There will be a process started that every quarter NRD will be checking the Humboldt County Fire rating system and matching the signs to that system.
- The magnetic signs on the vehicles: The magnets do not seem to work on the new white truck. It looks good. The signs are only on the vehicles while on the Reservation. There are also some extra to use for consultant vehicles while on the Reservation.
- Patagonia Clothing has arrived. They just need to put on the patches. Mr. Simmons is hoping they should be ready at the next regular meeting.

Ms. New Moon and Ms. Hutchinson entered the meeting. A tribal member and her family were at the fish trap wanting to see it and to get fish. It was confirmed that there was only one tribal member and the limit was three fish. Ms. Hutchinson asked if the fish given to the member should be processed for data first. Mr. Simmons confirms that it should. The Council allowed an exception for the elder member to get the fish from trap.

Discussion Topics

Presentation of Resolutions for new fuel tanks: This project was approved by Council in the budget modification. \$250,000 was received for the fuel tanks and the installation of the fuel tanks. Mr. Simmons presented the documentation for review. The fuel system would come from Envirosafe. The installation is by LA Perks who are the only company licensed for this work in Nevada.

Mr. Simmons read the pertinent parts of Resolution SL-20-2022.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to accept and approve Resolution SL-20-2022 Approval of the Purchase of Envirosafe Small Fleet Fuel Tank System 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-20-2022 enacted at 3:22 pm.

Mr. Simmons read the pertinent parts of Resolution SL-21-2022.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to accept and approve

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Resolution SL-21-2022 Approval for LA Perks to Install an Above Ground Fuel Tank System 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-21-2022 enacted at 3:26 pm.

There will be a North American Society of Conservation Biology Annual Conference in Reno, Nevada the week of July 18, 2022. The Society reached out to NRD to see if SLPT would be interested in participating in the opening ceremony. This could be anything; a reading, a prayer, a story of the tribe. They have also reached out to the Washoe and Pyramid tribes. They also suggested that maybe the tribes could do something together. The ceremony would be on Monday, July 18, 2022. They are a scientific society for conservation of biology of all kinds. They are giving SLPT free registration to attend, opportunity to participate in the opening ceremony, and the opportunity for the staff to do a presentation. They offered to make a donation in the range of \$1,000 to \$4,000. Mrs. Lone Eagle will think about it.

Mr. Simmons received a letter from EPA for a Government-to-Government Consultation. They want feedback on a draft US EPA Region 9 Climate Adaptation Implementation Plan for the next four years; FY2022-2026. They are sending it out to all the tribes for review and for a response by June 6, 2022 whether or not they want a consultation. The draft is 56 pages. Mr. Simmons will take some time in the next couple weeks and then he can come back to Council to let them know if he thinks a consultation is needed. They want to complete consultations by July 8, 2022.

Mr. Waddell sent Mr. Simmons an email that the bat project is wanted to be a highlight for the North American Bat Research Group through USGS and Fish and Wildlife, to put a blurb on Facebook and Twitter about the work at Summit Lake. Mr. Simmons read the blurb. Council gave permission to put the blurb out.

Follow-up: The person who interviewed for the Technician position has declined the position. Mr. Simmons heard from a candidate and would like to set up an interview. Mrs. Lone Eagle will let Mr. Simmons know when she can do the interview.

Mr. Simmons, Ms. Quinn and Michael have come to an agreement on the amounts for the budget modifications for 141 and 143 these modifications were already discussed with Council. Arrangements were made for the Chairwoman to sign.

Mrs. Lone Eagle stated one member requested a reimbursement for licensing fees. This is not a Higher Education expense. Ms. Lone Eagle will notify her that Higher Education does not cover this expense.

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Next Meetings:

Regular Council Meeting, Saturday, June 18, 2022 at the Administrative Office, 2255 Green Vista Drive, Ste, 401, Sparks, Nevada at 8:00 am.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Steven Crane seconded the motion. Chairwoman Rand Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. The meeting was adjourned at 3:51 pm.

CERTIFICATION

I, **Eugene Mace, Sr.**, Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Minutes of the May 21, 2022 General Council Meeting were approved by the Council during a duly held meeting June 18, 2022 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.

06/21/2022
Date

Eugene Mace
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Secretary/Treasurer
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