

**Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
General Council Meeting
Saturday, May 19, 2018
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe Reservation, Summit Lake Nevada**

CALL TO ORDER: Council Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the General meeting of Saturday, May 19, 2018 at the Summit Lake Paiute Reservation to order at 9:00 am.

ROLL CALL: Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace called the roll: Chairwoman Randi DeSoto, present; Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, present, and Council Member Nedra Crane, present.

STAFF: Finance Director, Linda Quinn; Natural Resources Department Director, Rachael Youmans; Tribal Coordinator, Donna Komar; Natural Resources Staff Members Fish and Wildlife Biologist Daniel Hammer and Natural Resources Technician Marisol Donicio

Chairwoman DeSoto welcomed the Natural Resources staff members and introduced them to the Council members and the Administrative staff members.

REPORTS

Council Reports

Council Chairwoman Randi DeSoto reported she attended the HUD meeting on April 7, 2018 and the regular meeting on April 21, 2018. She stops into the office on Fridays. She communicates by email, phone, texts, etc.

Today there are Elections taking place in the bunkhouse. She thanked Ms. Youmans for helping set that up. The Elections are from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The Election Committee will join the Council when they are finished.

The Council will be joined by the Applegate BLM representatives at 1:00 pm. Mark Hall of the Winnemucca BLM will not be in attendance and will be added to the June agenda.

The BIA is coordinating with Ms. DeSoto on a probate case and she is working on the Enrollment side to verify and get them some information to send back to them.

There is a flyer for training from the BIA in Denver, Colorado. The Council can discuss this later.

There was a packet given to the Council from the BLM Sacramento. They want to remove dead trees within 200 feet of critical infrastructures. Ms. DeSoto is not sure if the Tribe wishes to take part or be in support of this. The arrangement with the BLM is that if things are more than 75 miles from the reservation and surrounding area the Tribe has to put up the costs or assist them in anyway. If the Tribe does not have the funding then they will not be in support or give assistance. A response is not due until July.

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Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace reported that in April he attended the HUD meeting and also the April 21, 2018 regular Council meeting. On May 17, 2018 he attended the special meeting with the Election Committee. He came into the office every Tuesday to sign checks. He is still learning the computer.

Council Member Nedra Crane reported that she attended the same meetings as the others. She is still new to Council and still learning how things work. She tries to make herself available even though she does not drive.

Staff Reports

Department of Natural Resources Report by Natural Resources Director Rachael Youmans

Ms. Youmans asked if there were any questions on the written report. She asked if anyone had any questions or areas they would like to discuss. Ms. Quinn asked Ms. Youmans to send her report to Ms. Macko who uses it in doing the minutes.

She thanked Council for the support in having the landlord put up a wall downstairs in the Natural Resources Department area. It is working out perfectly. It created the additional space needed.

The fish run is going well this year; better than the past two years. This is encouraging. As of May 16, 2018, Mr. Hammer reported 532 fish that came through the trap on their journey through the water shed. On May 18, 2018, Mr. Hammer with the assistance of Mr. William Cowan, reconfigured things for two holding areas. One is set up to hold the fish coming downstream on their return from spawning to feed in the lake. They are scanned for pit tags, weighed and measured. If they are in good enough condition they are given a pit tag for tracking. The number going upstream has slowed down.

The Natural Resource Department (NRD) has been measuring the elevation of the lake and seems as it has reached its highest point in April. The water level is starting to go down. It is a little earlier than usual.

They have started a project to look at "recruitment" or looking at the baby fish that start in the creek until they are big enough to move into the lake. The program catches some of them while in the lower part of the creek. It seems to be working. Ms. Youmans discussed using Bismarck Brown food grade dye to temporarily mark the fish to be released upstream to see which ones they catch again. It is not toxic to fish or human and goes away in ten days. It will help to see if the nets are working well. Then it can be used in the lake to try and catch the baby fish in the lake. The Council said to go ahead since they have the funds for it.

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Ms. Youmans has been talking to Rob Scanland on a fairly regular basis. He has a need to do a grant modification which involves funding for Summit Lake programs. He will provide an update at the June meeting.

The resolution of the EPA problem was good. It has allowed EPA project officer to call the NRD and let them know that they are eligible to apply for money again. Ms. Youmans has gone through the initial process and is now waiting to get information from the EPA. This is to apply for the Water Quality and Non-Point Source Pollution Grants which NRD had before. Another good source of funding available from the EPA is the GAP: General Assistance Program Grant. This has a different program officer.

Ms. Youmans met with Cliff Benuelos from the Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada Tribal State Environmental Liaison. He works with the tribes with issues regarding super fund things or state activities. He is an advocate for tribal interests to EPA. One of his activities is to help tribes get their GAP program on line. He gave Ms. Youmans some steps and contacts to use. If NRD can follow these steps she believes she can get the grant back.

Mr. Cowan is assisting with the heavy equipment purchase resource. There was a grader in Winnemucca that had some mechanical problems so NRD did not buy it. They are still looking to find one. They need a replacement grader, a replacement backhoe and possibly a bulldozer. In discussion with Mr. Cowan, it has been decided to only get two pieces of heavy equipment that are newer models.

There is money from the same grant to put up a metal shop building to house the heavy equipment. They need an 8 inch foundation. It will need to be smaller than originally desired to stay in budget. It will go up in the compound and Ms. Youmans wants to do it this year.

There was a cow and a calf in the grazing enclosure. They have been in contact with the BLM and local ranches and no one seems to be able to identify to whom the cattle belongs. They have since been encouraged to leave the enclosure.

There has not been a full time maintenance worker. Ms. Youmans brought back Mark Hicks but he does not want to come back full time but on a by-project basis. After going through applications, there are two people they would like to interview. Mr. Mace and Ms. Crane volunteered to do interviews. Ms. Quinn said the conference room will be busy with the Audit the four days after Memorial Day. Ms. DeSoto suggested contacting Daryl Crawford at the ITCN and asking him if they can conduct their interviews in the ITCN conference room. Ms. Youmans can do it Friday, May 25, 2018 in the afternoon at the Sparks office or at ITCN the following week.

Ms. Youmans mentioned that the blinds in the trailer need to be replaced. The Council will

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purchase the blinds and then NRD can replace them.

The FEMA trailer and Admin trailer never had the a/c installed. There are problems with a/c and heat in the other trailers too. Someone is needed to install the a/c units in the Admin and former Admin trailer. The Council will help split the costs of getting some a/c units for the trailers and have them installed.

Ms. Quinn stated that the site for the new Admin trailer will need to be selected.

MOTION: Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace moved to go into Executive Session for Personnel for 10 minutes. Council Member Nedra Crane seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. The Council went into Executive Session at 9:48 am.

The Council returned from Executive Session at 10:00 am.

The Natural Resources Department report concluded.

The Financial Report: Financial Director, Linda Quinn.

Updates:

Ms. Quinn and Ms. Komar worked together to get things situated with the Election Committee. The workload in the office is improving.

- HUD Rental Assistance Update: Ms. Quinn typed up the comments they had at the HUD meeting and sent them to Bill Nibblelink so he could look at some of the issues they had before meeting in June. There are several letters talking about self-monitoring. There is a three-day training for Self-Monitoring Basics and Best Practices that would fill that requirement. There is also a three-day training on Environmental Review Tasks. She recommends having the HUD Director the Council plans to hire attend these. She asked if it would be timelier for her to attend while they are looking a person to fill the job. Ms. Crane asked how far off would hiring a person be. Ms. Quinn was unsure but hoped to hire someone by October. There are a lot of policies to do and she now has more time to do these. She is having difficulties getting on HUD to draw down money. Ms. DeSoto says they really need to hire someone now. Ms. Quinn says they need access to the funds, which she is trying to do so they can pay the new hire. This process needs to be done again. Ms. DeSoto says this will be the Friday project.
- HUD is using software called Epic. There will be a training to learn to use it later in the year. There is on-site and Skype training. Hopefully Ms. Quinn will be able to use the Skype.

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- New Funding:
CGTP - \$47,000 of 2017 money
1081 - another \$40,000 due to be spent by September 30, 2018, Ms. Youmans will ask for an extension
128 – 29,283.0 for one time Roads Funding with closing date of 9/30/2018
1291—additional 29K funding for Tamarisk Eradication & Monitoring
- Budget Reports: A heads up for what is coming and going. Ms. Quinn asked for any funding questions. There were none.
- The audit was planned for June 11-15, 2018 but was moved to May 29, 2018. They rescheduled due to some personnel changes at Blue Bird CPA's. Mr. Carslaw has been in to review the trial balance.
- BIA Training-Law and Regulations: There is new software to enroll in training sessions. Each person must enroll themselves. This training is everything you need to know about BIA funding rules and regulations. It is a prerequisite course for the other trainings offered. The class is free but in Denver, CO from June 5-7, 2018. Ms. Youmans would like to take it. It is scheduled again, July 17-19, 2018 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Council is looking at the July dates.
- Fuel delivery. There were taxes of \$959 charged by Flyer. Ms. Quinn investigated. She talked to Karen Stoll of the DMV Motor Carrier Division. Quarterly tax reports need to be filed. They also need to re-apply for the contract for tax exemption. It is an annual certification. Ms. DeSoto said to go ahead and re-establish the contract and get on the tax exempt contract list.

Ms. Quinn brought forth another issue.

MOTION: Council Member Nedra Crane moved to go into Executive Session for Personnel for 5 minutes. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. The Council went into Executive Session at 10:42 am.

Council returned from Executive Session at 11:00 am.

The Financial Report Concluded.

Tribal Coordinator, Donna Komar: Ms. Komar passed out a sheet of bullet points of things she did. She did some running around, but hopes to be organized.

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- Her first task was to write up a memorial announce for Jerry Barr. It was sent out to ITCN and other agencies. It was stated the service was beautiful.
- Registered the Suburban.
- Tried to sell the tires on Craig's list and sent notices to other tribes and Garage on line at \$400.
- Working on buildings: She needs to know what size? A mobile home would be more cost effective than a mobile office. Ms. Youmans also would like to know what the purpose is. Is it for the Council? Ms. DeSoto stated that she sees it as a Admin/Community Building. Ms. Quinn was thinking a double-wide. There was a discussion. The length of the building will need to be able to travel to the reservation. Also a septic will need to be built. They would like Mr. Hicks to do it.
- Roofing: 25 contractors were contacted. Half said no. There were a couple bids that were too expensive. They also need to be mobile home licensed. She is continuing to search.
- Local Office Building: Ms. Komar had questions on the purpose. What size? Do they want office space, conference area, class rooms? There was a discussion of options.
- Water Treatment: She met with Mr. Cowan to discuss water treatment. He suggests 30 gallons a minute or more. It would be a filtration system. She will continue with this.
- Policy Reading: She has been doing a lot of research. There are a lot of versions of the policies. The most current version should be on the common drive. It is not. Ms. Komar proposes that she be allowed to go through all the books and mark the old books as out dated and "do not use". She also would like to address some personnel policies which need to be added. She will present changes/updates to the Council. This is a back burner item.
- She would like to scan minutes from the 1940's through 2010 to make them secure. Council said to proceed.
- She did an organization chart to add to the Personnel policy book.
- She assisted the Election Committee.
- Mail:
 - The Fallon Range Impact Statement is available to access.
 - US Department of the Forest Service is revising manuals and requesting input.
 - EPA informed the Tribe of their recording period of April 30, 2018 to June 22, 2018 during which all full application packets for Grants are required to be submitted.
 - Nevada Division of Museums and History are having a teleconference on June 5, 2018 to discuss changes being made to Chapter 381 and 383 of the Nevada revised statutes dealing with artifacts. It is to listen only to Congress.

The Tribal Coordinator report concluded.

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Chairwoman DeSoto called for lunch at 11:36 am to return at 1:00 pm.

CALL TO ORDER: Council Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the General meeting of Saturday, May 19, 2018 at the Summit Lake Paiute Reservation back to order at 1:01 pm.

ROLL CALL: Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace called the roll: Chairwoman Randi DeSoto, present; Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, present, and Council Member Nedra Crane, present.

STAFF: Finance Director, Linda Quinn; Natural Resources Department Director, Rachael Youmans; Tribal Coordinator, Donna Komar

GUESTS: BLM Applegate: Craig Drake and Jennifer Rovanpera

MOTION: Council Member Nedra Crane moved for an agenda change to move New Business after Bureau of Land Management Applegate Office. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote. 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried at 1:02 pm.

Consultation BLM Applegate Office

Sage Grouse Resource Plan Amendment: Mr. Drake explained the new federal administration pulled back the previous 2015 plan and put it out with a big scoping effort to all the states and a draft EIS is ready. There is a public meeting scheduled for June 26, 2018 in Reno. They will be explaining the changes from the previous 2015 plan to now. It was to help bring it closer to the states' plans as well as being politically driven. The big changes for the local BLM offices are changes in the habitat map that they are using, updating them to the 2016 USGS map; and other than that the actions remain the same but will not be mandatory. They are getting rid of the sage grouse focal areas as being illegal. The EIS must be done in one year which leaves them five months to complete.

Ms. Rovanpera gave a PowerPoint presentation of the new and ongoing projects. The photos and projects were explained.

- Pictographs at Grassy Rock Cave site: There appears to have been no changes in the last few years. This is a good thing.
- Wildlife Projects: Pinto Springs, Devine Springs,
- Grazing Projects: Horse Lake Grazing Permit Renewal, North Cowhead, Bitner Allotment and Nevada Coleman
- VYA Restoration: Still cutting juniper in sage grouse areas.

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- Realty: Mosquito Acquisition, also acquiring land just south of the Little Sheldon, Boulder Reservoir, Divine Springs Campground,
- Cultural: Aerial Drone Project using a drone to document sites, CSU Chico Research.

Wildlife Outdoor Education was last week. Sportsman's Expo/Children's Fair will be Father's Day Weekend in Alturas.

Ms. Rovanpera asked if the Council liked the presentation. It was well received.

Hazard Removal and Vegetation Management: This project is for California to clear hazardous vegetation to help in fire prevention.

Massacre Lake Rock Field Trip: Ms. Rovanpera suggested two trips, one in July and one in August. The dates decided on were July 7-8, 2018 and August 4 and 5, 2018. There are a couple of places to camp.

The Applegate BLM Office consultation concluded.

Ms. Rovanpera and Mr. Drake left.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairwoman DeSoto asked if anyone had any new business. There was none.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Crane asked about an Enrollment issue. Ms. DeSoto replied it was sent back to the Enrollment Committee which does not have a quorum. Notice of Vacancies has been sent to the membership. The person involved was informed of this.

A question was raised about submitting the Base Roll. It was not done at the recommendation of the Enrollment Committee. The Committee presented a roll for the Council review. After making changes it was sent back to the Committee for approval. When the Committee has a quorum again a resolution can be written, approved by Council and sent to the BIA. It is currently at a stand-still. There were a couple of responses to the vacancy notice, but the applicants are currently incarcerated and unable to serve at this time.

There was a discussion about the possibility of having an Enrollment Clerk. This would be beneficial.

MINUTES

MOTION: Council Member Nedra Crane moved to approve the Amended Special

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Meeting minutes of Friday, January 26, 2018 with a waiving of the reading. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote. 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Minutes were approved at 2:52 pm.

MOTION: Council Member Nedra Crane moved to introduce and approve the Special Council meeting minutes of Saturday, April 7, 2018 with a waiving of the reading. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote. 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Minutes were approved at 2:54 pm.

MOTION: Council Member Nedra Crane moved to introduce and approve the Regular Council meeting minutes of Saturday, April 21, 2018 with a waiving of the reading. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote. 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Minutes were approved at 2:55 pm.

Ms. DeSoto called for a ten minute break at 2:56. Council returned from break 3:06.

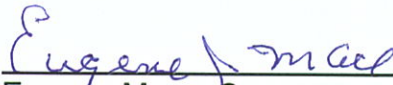
The next meeting will be Saturday, June 16, 2018 at the Administrative Office in Sparks, Nevada at 8:00 am. The tentative agenda will have Rob Scandland. Ms. Youmans will not be in attendance but will forward a report. Mark Hall of the Winnemucca BLM will call in at 1:00 pm.

MOTION: Council Member Nedra Crane moved to adjourn. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote. 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Meeting adjourned at 3:07 pm.

CERTIFICATION

I, **Eugene Mace, Sr.**, Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Minutes of the May 19, 2018 General Council Meeting were approved by the Council during a duly held meeting June 16, 2018 at which there was a quorum present, and the Council voted: 2 - FOR, 0 - AGAINST, 1 -ABSTAINED, Chairwoman Randi DeSoto did not vote because there was not a tie vote.

06/19/2018
Date


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