

Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
General Council Meeting
Saturday, May 21, 2016
Primary Administrative Office, Sparks, Nevada

CALL TO ORDER: Acting-Council Chairwoman Page Linton called the meeting of Saturday, May 21, 2016 to order at 8:38 am.

Acting-Chairwoman Linton explained the meeting location was changed and is being held at the Sparks, Nevada Administrative Office instead of at Summit Lake due to weather and safety concerns.

ROLL CALL: Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called roll. Acting-Chairwoman Page Linton, present, Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto, present, Council Member Jerry Barr, present. Secretary/Treasurer Celina Gonzalez is absent,

STAFF: None present

Guests: None present

REPORTS

Council Reports

Acting-Chairwoman Page Linton reported that she and Tribal Consultant Charles Carslaw interviewed five people: two for Tribal Accountant and three for finance clerk. One Tribal Accountant applicant was not qualified one did not fit well. Vice-Chairwoman DeSoto said another applicant did come in and the Acting-Chairwoman does have the application which came in later. She will contact her. Ms. Linton and Mr. Carslaw met with three applicants for Finance Clerk and decided to hire Shalone Jimmy on an as-needed basis especially for the audit and as appointed.

Acting-Chairwoman Linton passed out a resume for a Tribal Accountant that she thinks would be a good fit. The applicant's qualifications seem to fit well and Mr. Carslaw approves of her. The Council had a discussion and approved offering her the position ASAP. We need someone in the office eight to five, Monday through Friday.

ICWA: Ms. Linton reported the end of April had two non-affiliated ICWA requests and May had six non-affiliated ICWAs from California and Idaho.

Enrollment: There was one request for a Tribal ID. Ms. Linton will meet him on Monday. The three members of the Enrollment Committee met with her on Tuesday, April 26th. They discussed what was expected of them for the term of 2016 to 2019. The members present were Nedra Crane, Christine Harjo, William Cowan and the committee includes the non-attending member Loretta Cowan. Acting-Chairwoman Linton attended Prodigy Training which was informative.

Ms. Linton checked on emails and answered phone calls from Council and other people.

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She received one letter about the Council vacancy by the deadline of May 9th.

She attended a meeting with Gene, the Acting DSD Minerals Management for the State of Nevada. We are a co-operating agency.

The Tribal Staff Office: A Finance Clerk was hired and the Program Assistant resigned. The Natural Resources Department had three new hires. There is still a Council position to fill.

The Natural Resources Department Director kept her informed about his department via phone conferences.

The former Finance Director filed a grievance with the State of Nevada regarding the worker compensation policy and the Acting-Chairwoman received notification by phone from Mike stating that since we had no prior violations, they would let it go. Ms. Linton will ask for written confirmation.

She also received a call from DETR that they had not received reports for the first quarter wages earned and third quarter for all Summit Lake employees. Shalone printed them and sent them out.

Ms. Linton learned how to do Descendancy cards and how to edit addresses and add new addresses. She has been going through the Enrollment files and filling out descendancy information.

Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto reported that she has been coming into the office to sign A/P and payroll. She has been communicating with the Chairwoman about things brought to her attention. She attended the Enrollment Committee meeting. She communicated with Shalone as needed. She attended the Natural Resources Event. It was a good event and turnout. She feels the website needs some editing to update it. She talked to Rob Scallon about the Lands Bill. He will contact the Council about upcoming issues. The event was good in engaging the membership. We should send a letter to ask the membership what they would want to see.

HUD:

Jerry mentioned that to use HUD funds they should start a plan with a source of clean water and sewage system. He was told we need a plan and then get more money. Ms. DeSoto says we need to get a plan. Jerry suggested duplexes to rent. It must start with clean water and sewage. We should ask the membership what they would like to have at the Lake; generate a survey. There was a discussion of possibilities.

Council Member Jerry Barr reported that he has signed checks. He went with William Cowan to Carson City to the roads meeting with the BIA road specialist. It came down to,

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because of the Sage Grouse issues, the road probably will not be built unless the Tribe gets 35 and 36 lands. They will continue with Cultural surveys. If they get the land, it will be about gravel. No Higher Education applications were received. He attended the Enrollment Committee meeting. Ms. DeSoto asked for clarification on a previous application (Ms. Gonzalez). Mr. Barr explained that there was a vote and it was declined. It has been resolved.

Acting-Chairwoman Linton asked if June 4th at 10 am will be a good date for the next Enrollment Committee meeting. Mr. Barr volunteered to get the office supplies to give the committee at the meeting. It was decided that the committee would not be allowed changes to previously enrolled memberships. They should not be allowed to go backward. All they need is the 1940 Census Roll. There should be Council presence at the meeting. Mr. Barr and Ms. DeSoto will be available.

Staff Reports:

Finance: Acting-Chairwoman Linton presented Shalone Jimmy's report. She passed out the Financials. There was a question about tax-exempt status and it should be investigated. Mr. Barr suggested a meeting with the Nevada Department of Taxation.

It was discussed that Mr. Cowan would need to fill the Program Assistant position to continue the NFWF funds. Ms. Linton will email Mr. Cowan regarding this. Ms. Linton had received a grievance from an employee but withdrew it.

There was a discussion on the new format of the budget and whether it was current.

Natural Resources: There were no questions on Mr. Cowan's report as sent to the Council. There are two issues.

1. NFWF Youth Proposal for Grant: There is a NFWF Youth Grant with a 10% indirect cost for four resource technicians for three months or two technicians for six months. He is asking for approval. The Tribe will need to cover the remainder of the indirect cost. Mr. Barr believes it is important to have the youth on the reservation. The approval was 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 1 ABSTAINED for four techs for three months. (Secretary/Treasurer Celina Gonzalez voted via phone.)

2. Confidential Personal Issue.

MOTION: Council Member Jerry Barr moved for an agenda change and go into Executive Session for ten minutes for personnel. Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto seconded the motion. Acting-Chairwoman Page Linton called the vote. 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried. Executive Session began at 9:58 am.

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Council returned from Executive Session at 10:08 am.

The next Council meeting will be Saturday, June 18, 2016 at 8:00 am.

Minutes:

The changes have already been made to the minutes and are ready for consideration.

MOTION: Council Member Jerry Barr moved to approve the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe meeting minutes of April 16, 2016 with waiving of reading. Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto seconded the motion. Acting-Chairwoman Linton called the vote. 2 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAINED Motion carried at 10:21 am.

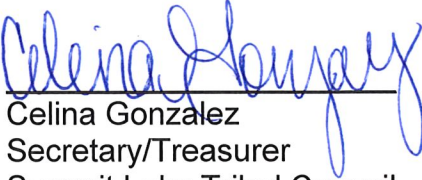
MOTION: Council Member Jerry Barr moved to adjourn. Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto seconded the motion. Acting-Chairwoman Page Linton called the vote: 2 For 0 Against 0 Abstained. The meeting was adjourned at 10:22 am.

CERTIFICATION

I, Celina Gonzalez, Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Minutes of the May 21, 2016, Council Meeting were approved by the Council during a duly held meeting on June 18, 2016 at which there was a quorum present, and the Council voted:

4 - FOR 0 - AGAINST 0 -ABSTAINING, Acting Chairperson Page Linton did not vote because there was not a tie vote.

06/18/16
Date


Celina Gonzalez
Secretary/Treasurer
Summit Lake Tribal Council