

Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
Special Council Meeting
Saturday, February 6, 2021
Administrative Office, 2255 Green Vista Dr. Ste. 402, Sparks, Nevada

Interview for Finance Clerk concluded at 9:56 am.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the Special Meeting of Saturday February 6, 2021 to order at 10:03 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 Philip Frank, present; and Council Member, Steven Crane, present.

STAFF: Linda Quinn, Finance Director; and Austin New Moon, Housing Manager

Ms. New Moon is present to take part in the Emergency Rental Grant review. Ms. Lone Eagle informed the Council that with Ms. New Moons help and her own recommendations, SLPT was awarded \$61,631.24 from the United States Department of the Treasury to a help the members with emergency rental and utilities assistance.

Ms. New Moon started with Housing updates.

Beginning in January the Sports Equipment Program got started. She has had many calls about it. There were five families which called on behalf of Tribal member minors. One application received is ready for Ms. Lone Eagle to review and approve.

One request came in for employment training. It is pending, waiting for income verification which is in process. It will then go to the Chairwoman for review and approval. Then Ms. New Moon will schedule the training.

Ms. New Moon's daughter visited the office and donated her time to organize a large shipment of masks and little wipe things. She then put them in the Chairwoman's office.

Ms. New Moon applied for the NAIHC - Wells Fargo Rental Assistance which was extended to February 5, 2021. On Monday February 8, 2021 she will see if it is extended again.

At a previous Special meeting it was decided not to apply for the US Treasury assistance but to apply for the NAIHC assistance which is more tribally associated. Ms. New Moon did apply to the US Treasury and SLPT was awarded with \$61,631.24 for rental assistance. This funding comes with stipulations:

- Low income with low-income verifications. Ms. New Moon will develop a new application. Income must be verified before any payments.
- Allowed to pay full-month's rent
- Once approved, can be approved for three months
- Cannot pay mortgages.

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- Can pay utilities assistance.
- When posting about assistance, the post must say that it is provided by the Department of the Treasury.
- Applicant re-apply every three months if money is available.
- Can extend three months into 2022 if it is deemed the family is in need.
- It will be case by case.
- Rental assistance will be brought to the Council for approval.
- Ms. Lone Eagle will review the utilities requests for approval.
- The money must be spent by December 30, 2021.

The us Dept. of Treasury funds have already been deposited with SLPT and is in new Fund 58. Ms. New Moon will create an application and will have a resolution to approve it and a resolution for the policy ready for the next meeting. The policy will be a more in-depth policy. 10% can be used for office supplies and salaries.

If SLPT receives funds from NAIHC through Well Fargo it will only be up-to \$44,000. After the breakdown the request is actually for \$36,000. They keep extending it.

Food Pantry: Tribal Member Melissa Eller helped and brought her car. They went to Catholic Charities for a pick-up. There is a lot of stuff in the pantry that is not moving and is still on the shelves. They decided to donate this food such as canned pasta and cereal to feed the homeless. They put up new stock and now have a section on baby food. They got a lot of good stuff.

Ms. New Moon has been with SLPT for almost two years (February 19, 2021).

There will be a closed session at the next meeting to discuss one applicant. While doing the six-month recertification, unreported information was discovered. She is still working on it so she can get all the information before they discuss it.

Ms. Quinn reported that the masks have finally come in. She wants to know how the Council would like them distributed. The quality is not what was order. The material was not what they ordered. The children's masks were exactly what was ordered. The adult masked were supposed to be exactly the same construction as the children's masks. They are not. There is no filter. Ms. Lone Eagle said to inform them to either send a refund, or re-do the order in the quality that was originally ordered.

One more Higher Education Application was received. It is for Nicole Huerta to finish her trade school classes. The needs analysis states \$5,900 which does not match the paperwork supplied. Ms. Huerta does not know why. Ms. Quinn will call the school to clarify the information for presentation at the next Regular Council Meeting.

There is some money left in Higher Education. Ms. Huerta will be graduating in the

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Spring and has already had job interviews.

Regarding the current Higher Education packet, Ms. Lone Eagle stated that she had an email from a member who is already receiving Higher Education funds. The Chairwoman checked the policy and it does say that Tribe would award as far as tuition, books, living expenses and something else. It is in there. The email talked about having to provide official transcripts for every semester and goes into a bit of detail. They are asking to recommend that the Council accept unofficial transcripts and that the policy was a bit vague.

Ms. Quinn stated that is a guideline and not a policy. Ms. Quinn will look into the CFDA which details the basics of the program.

The member explained that it costs to obtain the official transcript every semester. There was a discussion. If it is not a BIA or CFDA requirement, the Council can make a decision. Ms. Lone Eagle feels that they really only need an official transcript when they graduate not every semester. Ms. Lone Eagle feels it is up to the Council. There was a discussion of what the Council feels Higher Education can provide funds for based on the available funding.

The issue is the requirements for official transcript. Ms. Quinn will check if it is a BIA requirement. If "official" transcripts are not necessary, the Council would accept another form of transcript of grades notification (report card, unofficial transcript) as submitted by the school to prove compliance with the guidelines.

Ms. Quinn said this brings up the issue that even though there is a part-time Enrollment position, the Council still needs help with things like Higher Education, secretarial issues responding to mail, etc. She asked if she should look at creating a description or re-writing the job description to make it Enrollment and Council assistant. Ms. Lone Eagle does not want one person doing two separate jobs. The Enrollment Coordinator position will be re-posted since it is now open again.

Ms. Quinn talked about all the non-affiliated ICWA files. She asked if it would be possible to scan only the non-affiliated by year and shred them. They are wasting space. She asked the Council to think about this.

No 2021 funding has been received from the BIA. Ms. Quinn expects to start seeing money in March. There is a carryover of around \$230,000 in CTGP. The Tribe does have money.

Ms. Lone Eagle stated it is now February 6, 2021. The Election Committee is a bit confused about the timeline. She let them know they can call meetings when they want as many times as it budgeted. They need to get the ball rolling. Candidates have until

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March 5, 2021 to submit their intent to seek office. Ms. Quinn said the timeline is on the website but she will make a balloon to highlight this. She also said the Committee will meet February 9 and 11, 2021 to work on a flyer and to send it out.

Ms. Lone Eagle confirmed there were three members: Ms. Eller, Ms. Dick and Ms. Barlese. Claudia Castaneda is on stand-by.

Ms. Lone Eagle reiterated that the deadline is March 5, 2021 by 5:00 pm. Notarized letters to seek candidacy to be eligible to be on a ballot must be received by 5:00 pm on March 5, 2021.

Ms. Quinn also said that the deadline to request, in writing, to vote via absentee ballot is coming up. If members do not meet the deadline they will need to go to the Lake to vote.

Ms. Quinn suggested doing a Q & A regarding the key things that members need to do right now. Send out something like 2021 Election: What Do I Need to Do.

Ms. Quinn read out the timeline from Resolution SL-18-2020. Some deadlines are coming soon. The information needs to get sent out.

Ms. Crane was going to do a couple of meetings but could not because of technical difficulties with her hotspot. She would have come into the office, but someone was sent home with COVID that day.

Ms. Crane would like to attend the Zoom meeting for ITCN on February 12, 2021.

Ms. Lone Eagle asked if there were any questions or concerns.

The next meeting will be the Regular Council meeting on February 20, 2021 at 8:00 am. There will be Zoom available.

If anything happens, let the Chairwoman know.

**MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to adjourn the meeting.
Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, Sr. seconded the motion.
Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST,
0 ABSTAINED. The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 am.**

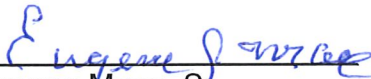
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CERTIFICATION

I, **Eugene Mace, Sr.**, Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Minutes of the February 6, 2021 Special Council Meeting were approved by the Council during a duly held meeting March 20, 2021 at which there were 5 members present, and the Council voted:

4 - FOR; **0** - AGAINST; **0** -ABSTAINING; Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle did not vote because there was not a tie vote.

03/24/2021
Date


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