

**Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
Regular Council Meeting
Saturday, September 19, 2020
ZOOM/Primary Administrative Office, Sparks, Nevada**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the Regular Council Meeting of Saturday, September 19, 2020 to order at 9:15 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, Financial Director; Rachael Youmans, Natural Resources Department Director; Austin New Moon, Housing Director; Daniel Crawford, Enrollment Coordinator; and Anne Macko, Contractor

GUESTS: Tribal Member Melissa Eller, Chairwoman of the Election Committee

Council Reports:

Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle was having technical difficulties with her laptop. The Council is pushing forward on the building and hopes to stay on the timeline. There is news on the inspection of the new building which closes on October 25, 2020.

There was an Enrollment Committee meeting. She has heard from the Enrollment Committee that there may be a need for a new member. An alternate is also needed so a flyer should be created to ask for interested people.

An update on the ICWA case in Oregon will be made. The foster family wanted to meet the Council and learn what benefits the minor Tribal Member was entitled to. They were invited to join the meeting. The Chairwoman also received an email from the father saying that ICWA was not a help to him. Ms. Lone Eagle has concerns. ICWA and the Council want to do what is best for the child.

There have been many back-to-back meetings including a Special Council meeting with FEMA. Knowing what is available and out there in regards to the Nevada Indian Commission. Tribal members reached out about distance learning for the younger members with limited resources such as desk, chairs, assistance with internet. She also explained that SLPT is unique and not the same as other tribes and cannot give the same services the other Tribes can whether or not it is because of COVID-19. Many of the services SLPT can provide are in the Washoe County area because most of the members are here. Ms. Lone Eagle did receive an enquiry from outside the Washoe County area about what family assistance or other services can be provided. He was informed another letter is going out to the membership asking them where they are in regards to COVID-19 and to send Council what their needs are and where they would like to see assistance from the Council.

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People need to be more engaged. The Council has to make some big decisions especially with working with banks to purchase a new building. There may be a need to hire movers and discuss what can be covered with what COVID funds or not covered, what is allowable, what is justifiable, what is reasonable.

Ms. Quinn looked at whether SLPT would be eligible for broadband. Mr. Cowan also notified the Council of the broadband.

The Enrollment Committee would like to meet every other month.

They talked to FEMA. BLM Winnemucca has been doing outreach and sent out a notice on a horse round-up and other projects they have coming up.

The Council has not been on the Reservation since COVID-19 happened.

There were no questions for the Chairwoman. There was a lot of information but she wants everyone to be on the same page.

There is a tentative meeting for the selection of the Election Committee members on November 7, 2020. There will also be a Year-End budget meeting, otherwise the Council should stay with the budgeted number of meetings.

Ms. Lone Eagle thanked the staff for putting together the food pantry for the members. The focus is helping the members in the pandemic. She would like to touch and help as many members as possible.

There is a resolution that was from the former Tribal Chair that is being brought up again in regards to someone being eligible to be on Tribal Council. This person would like to discuss this with the Council.

Ms. Crane asked if the BIA had responded to a letter requesting aid with Higher Education. Ms. Lone Eagle stated that there was a response, but the request went to local unmanned department. Ms. Quinn was informed that letters should go to the Department of Education. Letters about Higher Education were authorized to be sent to the Department of Education in Washington D.C.

Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane attended the September 8, 2020 Special Council meeting with FEMA and the September 10, 2020 Special meeting selecting a bank for the new building purchase loan and the Cares Act fund usage.

She sat in on the conference call concerning the ICWA case for Mr. Strout in the Court of the State of Oregon. The Oregon ICWA case worker, Marty Schroeder, contacted James St. Martin who will be an Expert Witness. On September 29, 2020 there is a

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status conference at 8:30 am and the Court Case is October 19, 2020. The Foster parents have been invited to attend the meeting via Zoom. Mr. Strout called the office and talked to Mr. Crawford. He stated that he was working in Las Vegas, Nevada and that he felt that ICWA let him and his daughter down. Mr. Crawford told him the Tribe was getting more information. Ms. Crane stated that Mr. Strout was a no-show for two court dates and the judge feels, therefore, that Mr. Strout has relinquished his parental rights.

There was a discussion about Mr. Saint Martin as an Expert Witness. He is from Oregon and experienced.

Ms. New Moon said there is the Legal Guardian option as well as adoption. With legal guardianship, the parent keeps his rights and can go back to court to try and to regain custody. Ms. Lone Eagle suggested that she and Ms. Crane should contact Mr. Saint Martin to coordinate and see what his role would be as Expert Witness. Ms. Crane did hear from the foster parents and discovered they had other children whom they adopted. They talked about how they made sure that the children were exposed to their own cultures.

Mr. Crawford said he had been receiving letters from attorneys requesting information. He was sure that they needed a court order before SLPT could give them any information. The Chairwoman confirmed that was correct.

Secretary-Treasurer Eugene attended the September 8, 2020 Special Council meeting with FEMA and the September 10, 2020 Special meeting. He discussed the election and the loan conditions and signed checks. In reading about the ICWA case he learned about the role of the Tribe in making decisions in these cases.

Council Member Philip Frank attended the September 8, 2020 Special Council meeting with FEMA and the September 10, 2020 Special meeting to select a bank for the new building purchase loan and about the Cares Act fund.

Council Member Steve Crane attended the September 8, 2020 Special Council meeting with FEMA and the September 10, 2020 Special meeting selecting a bank for the new building purchase loan and about the Cares Act fund.

STAFF REPORTS

Housing Report by Austin New Moon, Housing Program Manager

UPDATES:

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There is a total of 11 surveys. There are 16 total applications and 50 likes on the SPLT Housing Facebook page. She will coordinate with Ms. Lone Eagle to create the Official SLPT Facebook page.

The Rental Assistance program has four people receiving regular assistance. Ms. New Moon is helping two of them to find rental houses.

The environmental review on the new building is almost done. She has one more item to do finish and the review will be complete. She received word from the SHPO office that there are no issues with the building mostly because there is no new construction. They are full agreement with it.

Food Pantry: Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada and St. Vincent's program delivered food to SLPT administrative office three times. The turnout has been great and positive comments have been received from the membership. They are also working on finding two beds and three dressers for a few members who are without. Staff will begin picking up food items as it allows a chance to pick more of the food items that SLPT members want or things the membership may use.

The Nevada Indian Commission (NIC) reached out to SLPT about providing food from the Nevada Food Bank and possibly setting a delivery service to members who are unable to come to the office. Ms. New Moon is continuing to work with Sari Nichols on this. Washoe County School District does have food distributions for students but only the guardian can pick of the food boxes. Ms. New Moon also contacted Ms. Nichols regarding obtaining another freezer. NIC has been able to secure a freezer for a few other tribes. Ms. New Moon is looked at doing a SLPT delivery service for people who cannot come to the office.

New Office: There was a discussion about which conference room will be used by the Housing Department. It was decided they would use the one with the two doors.

Indian Housing Plan is due October 18, 2020. Since the purchase of the new building will remove the Model Activity Program, Ms. New Moon suggests implementing a new Housing Activity. She suggested a Housing Services program to pay for athletic activities for children as a possible new Model Activity. She will bring a list of things SLPT can do. She requested a Special Council meeting for Housing on Saturday, October 3, 2020 at 12:00 pm

Saturday, November 7, 2020 will be the Election Committee members selection and BIA/CTPG End-of-Year budget meeting at Noon-12:00 pm.
Saturday, October 17, 2020 is the General Council Meeting at Summit Lake Reservation

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Ms. New Moon would like a couple of the desks that will be removed from the Natural Resources Department. Ms. Youmans is okay with this since they will be gone anyway. With these desks she can set up a couple of workstations-Internet only-for the members.

IHBG Cares Act
Total Utility Applications – 40
Total Paid Utilities – 39
Total Pending – 1

Total Grocery Applications – 36
Total Paid Grocery – 35
Total Pending – 1

A few members utilized the assistance more than once and stayed below the \$400 that was allotted for each member. The Housing's COVID-CARES money has roughly \$350 remaining of the \$15,455 received. Ms. New Moon said it was a great run and she was very pleased with the turn out from the membership. A lot of positive comments were received. She wishes she had more to keep the program going.

Trainings: Ms. New Moon completed an Executive Director Training and NAHASDA Intermediate training.

A member called with a question about assistance for renting a room. This was discussed and it depends on the circumstances such as losing their job due to COVID and becoming homeless. A member in Idaho would like more assistance with buying a house. Council thought Idaho was included already.

There was a question on assistance for renting a room. There was a discussion of different options based on the situation of the need for a room rental.

Enrollment Report by Daniel Crawford, Enrollment Coordinator

Membership:

- Two applications were received for new memberships.
- Six members received renewal membership IDs.
- Researched the responsibilities of Enrollment regarding the Election code.
- Administrative support item: created a list of 104 eligible voters for Administration/Election Committee.
- Reviewed possible recorded Enrollment trainings and found one.
- One video on testimonial on importance of enrollment of children
- Sent out nine applications for newly eligible children.

ICWA Requests:

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Continued efforts to track ICWA responses. Four total ICWA investigations since last meeting in August to the September meeting.

Administrative duties:

Assisted Administrative staff unload 50 boxes of food and PPE delivered to the office.

Enrollment Committee Supportive Efforts:

Enrollment Chair will report on current activities.

Important Upcoming Dates:

Researching other possible training for year 2020-2021. The online training is just expensive as on-site training.

Enrollment Committee meeting on November 10, 2020 at 4:00 pm. The meetings will now be every other month.

Ms. Quinn noted that Mr. Crawford provided a list of all members 21 or older as of May 15, 2021 as the people eligible to vote. There was some difference of opinion of the ages. There is a thought that the age is 18 or older to vote and 21 or older to run for Council office. This will need to be checked. According to the Articles and the Handbook, members must be 21+ to vote and to hold office.

Marty Schroeder, ICWA Specialist in Klamath and Lake Counties for Oregon Child Welfare joined the meeting at 10:42 am and was introduced to the Council.

Ms. Eller, Election Committee Chairwoman stated that the Enrollment Committee met in September. There were no new applications to look over. The committee decided to meet every other month. The next meeting will be November 10, 2020.

Ms. Schroeder said that the September 29, 2020 hearing is to see if someone has been appointed as an Expert Witness. Ms. Lone Eagle said that Ms. Crane has been attending the conferences and hearings as a person from the governing tribe. They would like to get in touch with Mr. St. Martins to see if he would be the Tribe's Expert Witness. Ms. Lone Eagle mentioned that the Tribe has heard from the father and that he is in Las Vegas, Nevada area and is working. She told Ms. Schroeder that Mr. Strout felt that he and his child had been let down by ICWA. The Tribe wants to do what is best for the child.

Ms. Lone Eagle mentioned a discovery on one of the other children in the foster home as being abused or neglected which causes her some concern. Ms. Schroeder asked if there was anything that she could clarify as to the concerns or was it just receiving information on the other children. Ms. Lone Eagle stated it was receiving information about the other children. Ms. Crane asked if it was just an accusation. There were no results reported. It could just be accusation.

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After Ms. Crane's questions, Ms. Schroeder explained the difference between adoption and guardianship. Adoption means the parental rights are terminated. With guardianship the parents retain parental rights, but do not have parental authority, the ability to make decisions for the child, are given to the guardians. She explained the two types of guardianship. This is where Ms. Crane is confused. Ms. Schroeder stated that the mother relinquished her parental rights last December. The father first said he was not in agreement. There is word from the father's lawyer that the father would be in support of adoption so he is free of obligation, financial responsibility.

Ms. Schroeder was uncomfortable since they were unaware of the child's membership in the Tribe until the adoption plan was just weeks from completion.

Mr. Mace said the Council had discussed guardianship and adoption, but did want the siblings to stay together.

Even though the child is adopted she is still a member of the Tribe.

The mother recently had a new baby and full sibling to the minor tribal member and is on the run and avoiding Social Services.

Ms. Schroeder stepped away from the meeting to contact Mr. St. Martin and the foster parents.

There was a side discussion regarding trying to get funding for, at least a part-time, social service person.

Mr. St. Martin called into the meeting at 11:15 am.

He is from Burns, Oregon. He gave a summary of his qualifications and that he is a Certified Expert Witness. He would be willing to represent SLPT. Ms. Crane said that they will talk next week Monday (September 21, 2020) to discuss things. The Expert Witness is usually paid for by the Department of Human Services.

Mr. St. Martin hung up at 11:24 pm.

Ms. Schroeder stated that on Monday the contract information will be completed for Mr. St. Martin and he will be provided the discovery and reach out to the Tribe. Ms. Lone Eagle and Ms. Crane concurred with this.

The foster parents and the child joined the meeting via Zoom at 11:27 am. Chairwoman Lone Eagle introduced herself and the Council. Danai, Jarod and the child said hello and introduced themselves. Ms. Lone Eagle explained they had talked to Ms. Schroeder and Mr. St. Martin, the Expert Witness. She explained why the child had just become

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eligible and became a Tribal Member. This is the first ICWA case for everyone on the Council. She ensured them they wanted what was best for the child whether it is adoption or guardianship. They want both the child and the foster parents to be aware of the child's rights as a Tribal Member such as Indian Health Services. Ms. Crane wants what is best for the child.

The question was asked how long they have had the child in their care. Danai said since she was three months old. They have had the child's sibling for two years. The child is now two years old. They have four other adopted children; three girls and one boy. Two of the children come from different cultures. They have kept a connection to the birth family of the one child. They believe family connection when safe is good. Heritage is also important and they participate as a family. Danai is a stay-at-home mother and Jarod is the Children's Pastor at his church

Ms. Lone Eagle asked if they would want guardianship or adoption. They explained they would prefer adoption so all the children would have the same name, to make the child one with the family. As long as they get to have her as part of the family, they would be open to options, but prefer adoption.

Mr. Mace stated that the Council was sorting through things now.

The foster parents said that they would help the child learn about their heritage and expose them to their culture.

The Council thanked Danai and Jarod for joining the meeting and that the Council would be in touch. They left the meeting at 11:43 am.

Ms. Eller asked what does the father really want. It seems the father does not want financial responsibility. She sees adoption as the best option. The child seems well adjusted and happy.

Mr. Crawford expressed his opinion that the father did not really understand the responsibilities of ICWA and the Tribe in this matter. The father felt that the ICWA process and the courts let him down. Mr. Crawford suggested it seemed more like frustration.

Mr. Mace, after learning about the father, feels the child should be adopted. So does Mr. Crane. The whole Council is in favor of adoption.

Ms. Lone Eagle called for lunch at noon, 12:00 pm.
They should return from lunch at 1:00 pm.
Both Ms. New Moon and Mr. Crawford left the meeting.

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CALL TO ORDER: Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the Regular Council Meeting of Saturday, September 19, 2020 back to order at 1:10 pm.

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, Financial Director; Rachael Youmans, Natural Resources Department Director; and Anne Macko, Contractor

GUESTS: Tribal Member Melissa Eller, Chairwoman of the Election Committee

Natural Resource Department (NRD) Report, Rachael Youmans

It has been hot and dry on the Reservation.

As of August 25, 2020, Ms. Youmans is back to working full time.

NRD has continued working via home telework, at the office and on the Reservation.

Projects worked on include:

- Installation of hydrophones in the water which records data from the acoustic tags on fish.
- Sage grouse capture for several nights. They captured three birds. They are working on putting on radio collars as well as three GPS collars.
- Bat project: They put up stationary receivers, but one is missing from the mouth of Mahogany Creek. They are starting to analyze the data and hope to have a list of bat species that are using the Reservation by this winter.

The previous week Ms. Youmans met with the fencing contractor to line out where the fence on the western boundary of the Reservation along with Sections 35 and 36 which were recently added to the Reservation. They walked the line and figured where the fence will go. They started building the fence on Monday, September 14, 2020 and should be finished by Monday or Tuesday, September 21 or 22, 2020. There should be fence around the entire Reservation and that should help with horse and cow issues.

NRD contacted the BLM with a letter signed by the Chairwoman to remove horses from the Reservation. They were supposed to gather horses off the Western and Southern parts of the Reservation Thursday, September 18, 2020. NRD staff has been mending the fence of the southern boundary to help keep the horses off the Reservation.

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Finally getting to start some projects that were planned for the spring. They have been keeping up on things they have been trying to keep up with throughout the year and finishing some high priority projects like building the fence.

Discussion Topics:

1. Tribal Environmental Plan (TEP) Options

TEP is part of the EPA GAP grant and basically is to catalog environmental issues and draft a plan to manage them. NRD originally wanted to hold an event during the summer to get Tribal input but with the pandemic, that is not feasible. They are looking at options to try to maximize Tribal input. When NRD works on this plan during the winter they want to have the most input possible. Ms. Youmans asked the Council if they had any ideas.

One option is a virtual meeting via Zoom held on its own or in conjunction with sending out a survey. Ms. Youmans asked if Administrative staff had a list of emails that they can send the Zoom meeting invitation. Ms. Quinn said that there were not many emails but that they could send out a flyer directing people to the Tribal website for the invitation information.

2. TAS legal Counsel—Clean Water Act Sections 106 and 319 govern water pollution and non-source point pollution. NRD gets grants to deal with both of those on the Reservation. In order to be eligible for this funding they need to be working on and gain a “treatment as state” status. They have to prove that there is a governing body and legal authority over the Reservation and the capability to do water quality monitoring. NRD can then eventually establish water quality standards for the Reservation’s waters. This will allow them to be able to tell people upstream that, if they are doing something causing pollution on the Reservation, they must stop because they are violating the Reservation water quality standards. It is an important tool. There is a long application and many attachments proving SLPT knows how to govern the land. They need a legal opinion from a lawyer that states an agreement with the fact that the Tribe has the authority to govern on the Reservation and they can govern the implementation of these water quality programs.

Ms. Quinn stated that the Tribe had a lawyer write an opinion letter for the building purchase that SLPT is a federal entity and have the right to govern, the ability to go into the building purchase. This sounds very similar to what Ms. Youmans needs. She asked permission to contact the lawyer, Wes Williams and see if he would write this opinion or she can put out a bid solicitation. There is an EPA grant which can pay for this service. She will get his contact information and let him know she has the approval of the Council to speak to him about writing this additional opinion.

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3. NRD Records: They are continuing to archive projects with the files from One Mile and downstairs. There is an issue with some of the boxes from One Mile. In going through one box some documents could have been disposed of years ago. They also found documents like payroll and things with social security numbers. She is seeking permission to shred them.

Ms. Crane said she felt NRD should shred the personal information. Since most of the files are 25 years old, they are no longer needed. She would not shred anything that is still relevant. The Council told her to use her best judgement and shred the old documents and personal information.

They discovered the contents of some of the boxes are contaminated by mice feces. She does not know what is in the boxes. She asked to dispose of the whole box. Does not feel it is safe to sort through them. The Council said to toss the boxes.

4. SLPT Drone Operation Plan: Ms. Youmans passed out the comments received regarding the plan after being made available to the membership for comment. She received comments from three individuals which were compiled into the handout. One individual left a message on the office voice mail. Ms. Youmans could not make out the name of the person or what they wanted to say. NRD did try to call them back but their voice mail was full. The other two individuals' comments are on the handout.

The Council reviewed the comments and the NRD responses. The individuals will receive the NRD response to their comments. After looking at all of the comments and responses, Ms. Youmans felt that in summary, NRD wrote a very in-depth operations plans which does follow the regulations of the FAA. In some cases of safety or privacy, this plan is stricter than required. She felt all responses were addressed in the plan. Most of the comments were personal preference. She does not feel any changes need to be made. Ms. Youmans would like the Council's consensus to put the plan into operation.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve the Drone UAS Operation Plan. Council Member Steven Crane seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried at 1:46 pm.

5. Opportunities for Input: Climate, BLM Riparian Plan
- Nevada Wide Climate Strategy—This an FYI of how the State is addressing climate change. There is a list of listening session if the Council interested. A survey is also in the handouts. One topic of interest on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 is climate justice.

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- Winnemucca District BLM Riparian Plan. There is a BLM Riparian upstream from the Reservation so what they do could affect the Reservation. Once the proposal is approved it is enacted for 20 years. There is a letter, but no plan to comment on. Council suggested contacting BLM and ask for more information.

Ms. Youmans stated that NRD BOR proposal process was finally done. They received the executed contract for the 638 Contract from BOR that they have been working on for two years. It is Fund 150.

Up Coming Funding Opportunities/Conferences

- FEMA and the Department of Emergency Management—after the meeting Ms. Harjo (FEMA) sent Ms. Youmans information on Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) and PDM-Pre-Disaster Mitigations funding with a Notice of Interest due September 25, 2020. These can help fund some of the emergency management things they could not fund previously. Ms. Youmans does not know specifically what to use the money for yet, but wants to put in the notice of interest and then work with Ms. Crystal Harjo and FEMA to see what can be funded. Ms. Youmans said she would fill it out.
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) DTL (Desert Terminal Lakes). The money is specifically for Summit Lake, Pyramid and Walker Lakes and Truckee water for activities associated with water, water rights and environments and natural resources that surround them. They have put out a call for proposals. She would like to propose a project previously approved but removed for budgeting reasons from the BOR grant. It is for paleolimnology study, the study of past climates in relation to current climates. She would like to apply for the funding for this project. It would be a partnership with UNR. Permission granted by the Council.
- Trout Unlimited—a small grant for funding to continue the acoustic tags for fish and hydrophones. Permission granted to apply.
- Federal Highway Administration: Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects Program: Ms. Youmans would like to investigate this again. The minimum is high at \$25 million. This is one they could possibly partner with BLM to work on improving the roads to and around the Reservation and could possibly pay for some of the re-routes that are needed. Ms. Youmans was granted permission to look into this one.
- There is an upcoming Annual EPA Conference which will be virtual. Ms. Youmans and most of her staff would like to attend. There is no cost. It is October 6 and 7, 2020, October 13 and 14, 2020, and October 20 and 21, 2020. Permission granted.

Ms. Youmans requested an Executive Session.

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MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to go into Executive Session for 15 minutes for Personnel. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, Sr. seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. The Council went into Executive Session at 2:07 pm.

Council returned from Executive Session at 2:19 pm.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved for an Agenda Change to go to Open Forum. Council Member Philip Frank seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried at 2:21 pm.

OPEN FORUM

Ms. Eller, Tribal Member, would like to thank the Council for their hard work. She presented a letter stating that she had serious concerns. She requested that the Council put in place a resolution to prevent two people from ever serving on Council. It needs to be acted upon quickly due to the upcoming election and to provide time for those people to have due process.

Ms. Eller left the meeting at 2:26 pm.

Finance Report by Linda Quinn

1. Council Election: Review Election Timeline – Resolution SL-83-2020 “Governing 2021 Council Election Procedures”. Review Notice to membership letter; Flyer for Election Committee; “Timeline for Election Action Items” to be sent to the membership on Monday. Membership list of eligible voters (21 years old by May 15, 2021) requested from Mr. Crawford.

Timeline (highlights):

October 30, 2020	Deadline for Election Committee requests
November 7, 2020	Selection of Election Committee Members
November 21, 2020	First Election Committee meeting
March 26, 2021	Deadline for Absentee Ballot requests
March 26, 2021	Deadline for requests to Serve on Council
March 27, 2021	Verification of candidate eligibility
May 7, 2021	Deadline for campaign materials
May 15, 2021	Election on the Reservation

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Nedra Crane moved to accept and approve Resolution SL-83-2020 Governing 2021 Council Election Procedures with a waiving

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of the reading. Council Member Philip Frank seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-83-2020 enacted at 2:35 pm.

There was a discussion regarding whether both requests to serve as an Election Committee member and/or to serve as a Council member need to be notarized. It was determined that only requests to serve on Council need to be notarized.

Mr. Crawford compiled a list of 104 members eligible to vote.

There was a discussion of the last election forms and the need for notarization. The handbook was not changed. It was suggested that the Election Committee decide on the form and have the Election Committee bring the recommendations to the Council so the hand book can be changed.

2. Budget Summary: Questions
 - CTGP received an additional \$22,195.00 in COVID one-time funds (Fund 1401)
 - Grant 150, Bureau of Reclamation - \$3.9 million added to Budget Summary.
3. CARES ACT FUNDING: SLPT Family Assistance Program Letter sent Monday September 14, 2020 requesting comments.

Due to a letter from a Tribal member asking what assistance is available in quarantine, such as supplies for distance learning and IT equipment; Chairwoman Lone Eagle advised him of the K-12 Education program which will provide school supplies that are on the child's school's supply list.

Cares Act money remaining will provide \$875 per 18+ member per household as of September 19, 2020. A new form will be created. This will require an extension of the Cares Act COVID Family Assistance Program. Resolution SL-85-2020 was presented for review.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to accept and approve Resolution SL-85-2020 Extension of Cares Act COVID Family Assistance Program with a waiving of the reading. Council Member Steven Crane seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-85-2020 enacted at 3:14 pm.

4. K-12 School Supply Program: One student at Mendive Middle School in Sparks, Nevada was assisted in August. No new requests.

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5. Child Care Development funds: Direct shipped one tablet and sent letter to new minor member.

6. Higher Education: No new applications were received.

Celina Gonzales updated SLPT that her TMCC account summary listing tuition shortage of \$36.00 was removed by TMCC.

7. Response letter sent to John Geddie who requested information about visiting Summit Lake.

8. Bid for Audit services required as contract has expired. Timeline:

- Bid packets will be mailed out Monday, September 31, 2020
- Deadline to review and respond is October 30, 2020
- Council Selection on November 21, 2020

9. Grant Solutions report for Cares Act funding requires approval.

Ms. Quinn received her password for Grant Solutions and checked it out. When she went back to the application, she had no access. She worked with the people at Grant Solutions and it was discovered that Summit Lake had been erased from the system. The possible reason is since minimum amount was received and no reports were required, SLPT was removed. They will need to recreate and load it.

10. 2020 GMC 3500HD 4WD Flatbed Truck, Exempt Plates and Registration: Ms. Lone Eagle must return signed application for an Exempt Plate Application (notarized). Ms. Quinn has an October Appointment.

11. The Cultural Resource Fund (CRF) was asked by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to share information with Tribal Nations about an opportunity to help bridge the digital divide in Indian Country. The FCC has opened an exclusive window for Tribes to apply for free 2.5 GHz broadband internet licenses over Tribal lands. The broadband being offered is excellent for individual and school/educational use and telemedicine. It is also a first step towards 5G broadband. Broadband licenses are considered an extremely valuable resource and controlling the license can save Tribes the cost of buying internet service because they will control the broadband over their Tribal lands. After researching the availability there is open broadband available in our area. This does not change the Spectrum Communications broadband currently in place. The licenses are being offered from February 3 through September 2, 2020. After September 2, 2020 the remaining licenses will be auctioned off to the highest bidder.

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This broadband should turn out to be a very valuable asset for the Tribe, and contribute to tribal sovereignty over the airwaves. It will enable the Tribe to offer free broadband to Tribal members should it choose to do so.

After speaking to Mona Polacca, Ms. Quinn submitted Form 601, application for Summit Lake Paiute Tribe for the free 2.5 GHz on the FCC site. The FCC will determine the assignment of the available broadbands after the September 2, 2020 deadline. If Summit Lake should later decide the 2.5 GHz broadband "doesn't work for us", the license can be returned to the FCC at any time with no penalty and they will auction it off to the highest bidder. Ms. Quinn also got a company name that assists tribes with setting up their broadband service. Her FCC contact stated it was not that expensive and recommended MuralNet. MuralNet works with Tribes to get towers, equipment and grants with good success. FCC has grants available for towers of rural areas.

Summit Lake Tribe received a Federal Registration Number (FRN) which is 0029894011. Randi Lone Eagle is the Contact for the FRN. Ms. Quinn also prepared a Form 602, FCC Ownership Disclosure Application. The applications have been reviewed and accepted as complete by FCC. Now the Tribe must wait and see.

Ms. Youmans and Ms. Quinn discussed the license requirements. FCC will help Tribes implement the licensing as well as MuralNet. There will be further discussion.

12. Wells Fargo send us an official letter stating they are unable to process our loan request.

Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) was sent the Resolution on Thursday September 10, 2020. Other support documents sent September 15, 2020. Property Inspection and Attorney letter are last items required. The Lawyer's Opinion on the Tribe was received. Mr. Williams wants a reply if the opinion is okay. Ms. Quinn will tell him the letter is good.

Property inspection (structural, pests, HVAC - there are two units) conducted September 15, 2020 at the cost of \$790.00.

All Hours Air did the inspection of the heating and A/C units. One unit would not even come on. The cause is unknown. The other unit (by Kitchen), turned on but has a groaning blower so will need to be replaced in the future. The Heating units are 20 years old and the A/C units are newer six to nine years old, but are R-22 units that are no longer used due to being bad for the world's ozone layer. Mike

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Ramos, realtor suggested the Tribe get a quote for a replacement furnace and A/C so Council would have some information to negotiate with the seller. The free quote was set up for Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 9 am.

Jonathan with Grush Inspections also completed the building inspection on September 15, 2020. The report was sent to all Council and Department heads.

Key points of the Inspection:

Ventilation System-Ask HOA to cover

Hanging Insulation-Ask HOA to cover

Leaking water faucet

No electrical problem

No paint in the A/C room

Cracks in the parking lot-HOA should cover

Roof has no visible leaks

Washroom-the leak in the ceiling was repaired but plaster needs repair

HOA-responsible for all outside maintenance service

HVAC Blower would not turn on, needs replacement by seller

Indoor blower heat not working, needs replacement by seller

Two furnaces not working-need to be fixed and operational-seller

Question-where is water heater- Will need Grush to check it as well as bathroom and lights.

Crawlspace-rodents and cats getting in-HOA

Ms. Quinn will ask Mr. Ramos how to approach the seller and give a list with photographic proof to the HOA.

13. Ms. Quinn attended a phone conference (September 15, 2020) with Stacey Montooth, Nevada Indian Council; Sari Nichols and Desiree Quintana, ITCN; Ivette, State Health and Human Services; Kenny, FEMA; NTECC; etc. regarding the COVID -19 response to family support services concerns and questions.

They discussed the sizeable grant received by Catholic Charities and clarified there are no limitations with this grant and the Northern Nevada foodbank supplies. Both should be available along with a list of other sites to pick up food throughout Washoe County.

They discussed possible reimbursement for mileage to deliver the supplies to members as an eligible expense as a subrecipient of FEMA Public Assistance Request. Logs would need to be completed for backup documentation. Salvation Army has bags of groceries for \$10 at the Valley Road facility. There are \$50,000 grants available. Ms. Quinn likes the idea that Ms. Youmans is going for BRIC funding.

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Stacey Montooth stated that getting an AmeriCorp Volunteer team (18-26 years old) is an option. The sponsor would need to provide the vehicle and 40 hours of work along with a place to sleep and shower, otherwise they are free of charge. A two-week turnaround is the minimum for all requests. The FEMA men were outlining the concerns for food for families and the delivery issues (members without transportation/small children).

Ms. Nichols spoke about getting 50 additional boxes for large families with supplies for more than one to two days for SLPT. They are also working on Yomba and Duck Water food delivery. She would like the Tribe to provide numbers for families that need delivery, elders, and disabled persons in need.

Desiree Quintana, ITCN stated they may be able to get "Burners Without Borders" volunteers to provide additional assistance. Raynell Miller has secured freezers for Ft. McDermitt, Ely, Goshute, Yomba and Battle Mountain. ITCN has incontinence supplies for men and women in various sizes if there are anyone who needs them.

Devin with Nevada Department of Agriculture stated there will be a bonus food funding to commodity participants in the October distribution but due to National concerns with implementation, the additional commodities authorized will be delayed. School Lunches will continue with the addition of weekend breakfast and lunch sent home on Friday to eligible children. There are multiple food pantries open at various times of the day and days of the week. List of Washoe food pantries would be great to be able to supply to native families.

Iveete reported that SNAP participants will receive additional supplemental funds in September of approximately \$200 per child in the household if there were no benefits in August from school funds.

Kenny with FEMA stated they always like to hear stories of success and need in all communities. Everyone is here to cooperate and provide assistance as a team which is why these meetings are held. Next meeting will be Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 3:15pm.

UPDATES:

- Reminder: Ms. Quinn will be on Annual Leave: September. 30 - October 2, 2020 (Wed-Fri)
- Verizon iPhone SE: Hot Spot set up for S. Crane
- Ms. Quinn found an address to contact Ms. Viki Brown.

Ms. Quinn requested an Executive Session.

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MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to go into Executive Session for 10 minutes for Personnel. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, Sr. seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. The Council went into Executive Session at 4:15 pm.

Council returned from Executive Session at 4:23 pm

The General meeting will be on the Reservation on Saturday, October 17, 2020.

Tentative Special Council meeting for Housing on Saturday, October 3, 2020.
Special Council meeting to Select Enrollment Committee members and Year-End Budget Saturday, November 7, 2020.

MINUTES:

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve the minutes for the Special Council meeting Wednesday, August 5, 2020 with the waiving of the reading. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, Sr seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the roll: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried at 4:28 pm.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve the minutes for the Regular Council meeting of Saturday, August 15, 2020 with a waiving of the reading. Council Member Steven Crane seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the roll: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried at 4:29 pm.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to approve the minutes for the Special Council meeting Tuesday, September 8, 2020 with the waiving of the reading. Council Member Philip Frank seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the roll: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried at 4:30 pm.

MOTION: Vice-Chairwoman Nedra Crane moved to go into Executive Session for 10 minutes to review Tribal Member's letter. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, Sr. seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. The Council went into Executive Session at 4:32 pm.

Council returned from Executive Session at 4:56 pm.

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MOTION: Vice-Chairman Nedra Crane moved to adjourn. Council Member Philip Frank seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle called the vote: 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Meeting adjourned at 4:57 pm.

CERTIFICATION

I, **Eugene Mace, Sr.**, Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Minutes of the September 19, 2020 Regular Council Meeting, as corrected, were approved by the Council during a duly held meeting October 17, 2020 at which there was a quorum 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.

10/20/2020
Date

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