

Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
Regular Council Meeting
Sunday, December 17, 2017
Primary Administrative Office, Sparks, Nevada

CALL TO ORDER: Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the Regular Meeting of Sunday, December 17, 2017 to order at 8:11 am.

ROLL CALL: Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace called the roll: Chairwoman Randi DeSoto, present; Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr, present; and Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, present.

STAFF: Financial Director, Linda Quinn; Natural Resources Department Director, William Cowan; and Contractor Anne Macko

ANNOUNCEMENT: Chairwoman DeSoto announced that former Chairwoman Page Linton had resigned from the Council as of December 11, 2017. Ms. DeSoto is now the Chairwoman and Jerry Barr has been appointed Vice-Chairman.

REPORTS:

Chairwoman Randi DeSoto reported that Ms. Linton attended the last Enrollment Committee Meeting. Ms. Linton reported that they did come up with an official Tribal Roll list. The roll just needs Council approval by resolution. Ms. DeSoto will be trying to catch-up on what Ms. Linton did not finish before she left.

It is better to get hold of her by phone. She is still looking through texts and emails.

Jennifer Rovenpera, BLM Applegate wants to attend the January meeting. Mark Hall, BLM Winnemucca will be attending this meeting via phone.

Ms. DeSoto thanked everyone for changing the meeting date.

During the past few weeks, both Ms. Linton and Ms. DeSoto responded/approved emails and requests. This has been a bit confusing.

Ms. Linton has turned in her keys and cell phone. She will return the computer when she has finished wrapping up a few things. This is not a problem.

She will quickly go through her emails.

There was one enrollment application left for Ms. DeSoto addressed to only Ms. Linton or Ms. DeSoto. It will be passed on to Nedra Crane of the Enrollment Committee.

Victor called about the enrollment printer. There is something wrong with the ink tape. Ms. DeSoto is keeping a list of people requesting new or renewed cards.

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Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace reported that he signed checks. He is trying to go through and learn his computer.

Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr thanked everyone for their indulgence during the last meeting. He did not receive anything for Higher Education. He signed checks. Ms. DeSoto asked about the amount budgeted for Higher Education in the 2018. There is \$15,000 in the budget since no funds were dispersed in 2017. Most applicants are attending specialty or trade schools which can be expensive.

Ms. DeSoto had one ICWA case which she feels is non-affiliated, but she will verify this. Ms. Quinn stated that Ms. Linton will be sending her a list of the ICWA cases for the year-end report.

There are two Council vacancies. A new notice needs to be sent out for both. There has been one inquiry, but there was no paperwork received.

Mr. Barr suggested the Council should meet with Fish and Wildlife regarding the IPA ASAP.

Council Reports

Staff Reports:

Financial Report by Linda Quinn

1. The GSA vehicle: An estimate was received from Coach Craft for \$13,823.98. They plan to be done by December 27, 2017. The GSA will not release the Tribe from their contract until the vehicle is fixed. The Tribe must sign-off that the vehicle is fine before the vehicle is turned in. This could be done before the end of December. The GSA will give the Tribe a discount on the November and December rate.
2. Indian Housing Plan (IHP): An environmental review is needed. Crystal Quinn will work with Ms. Quinn to complete it. The review will cover helping with rent and building handicapped access. The Tribe should post for a person to help with IHP, but wait until the environmental review is completed. The job description will be brought to the January meeting.
3. Budget: Everybody has money. The Sage Grouse Fund 117 is closing. Council had no questions.
4. Ms. Quinn looked at the programs which did not look correct and this was due to the Budget Summery. There is actually nothing wrong with the expenses or

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the income. She is the process of correcting the Comparative Summaries. Seven of 32 have been corrected. Ms. Quinn hopes to have them all done by February.

5. Review of the Phone Bill: Ms. Quinn talked to Spectrum. They quoted \$185 a month for the first year and \$249 a month for the second year for all four lines, and unlimited long distance for less than AT & T. In bundling with the internet service it takes \$20 off the internet service. This will save hundreds every month. The Council approved Spectrum.
6. Ramah Funds: Ms. Quinn has not sent out any funds yet. She needs to get approval of the cover letter. The extra funds would go out to current members as of December 8, 2017. The revised payout is \$278.03. She will follow up with the EPA for a written notice of the final debt amount which was estimated as \$56,602.

The Council needs to approve the Resolution to pay the minors.

7. Newsletter: The staff put together a newsletter at Ms. Linton's recommendation. It will be sent out with the gift calendars. Mr. Barr stated he felt that Rachel Youmans did a great job on the Sage Grouse Social. He thanked the Natural Resources Department for their work.
8. Election Committee: Ms. Quinn is working on a resolution. She needs to get dates and fees for the Election and the Election Committee Resolutions. There was a discussion on the flyer for Election Committee applicants.
9. SF425: The final SF425 needs a signature. Ms. Quinn has made the draw of funds.
10. There will also be a flyer for the Council vacancies to include with the Election Committee flyer, the newsletter and calendar.

Mr. Cowan felt that a notice should be sent out to the staff of any Council changes. Ms. DeSoto said she received Ms. Linton's letter of resignation on December 11, 2017 and was officially accepted on November 18, 2017.

11. Workers Comp: Workers Comp insurance in the 2015-2016 Audit resulted in a \$3,860 credit. The cost of the new insurance renewal for 2018 is \$7,800. The last year it was \$14,000. Ms. Quinn feels that it might be a bit low, but would rather be billed for any increase at the end of the year.

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Ms. DeSoto mentioned she found another member in question which will change the amount of the additional Ramah payout. It will be referred to the Enrollment Committee for their recommendation. So the payments will need to wait for this.

12. Indirect Cost Proposal: The Indirect Cost Proposal rate is 20.6. They had asked for 21.2 but this is what was given to the Tribe. The paperwork needs a signature.
13. Enrollment Card Printer: The Enrollment printer is outdated. The data reader sensor or the hard drive board is bad. Harry's Business is the only one willing to even look at it for a cost of \$35 to diagnose the problem. The proposal is to get a new one. The printers have specialty item prices which are expensive. She got several bids. The PS55 is unrepairable.

There is a need for dual-sided printing. The Council discussed options. Mr. Barr stated they should get a new one. The current printer is outdated. The Council decided to buy new and selected the DataCard SD 360 model, dual sided card printer.
14. IRS Update: Ms. Quinn stated that the issue of the missing payment in 2016 was resolved. One payroll payment was missed in 2016 and the IRS had mixed up the 2016/2017 third Quarter Reports.
15. EPA: There has been no word from the EPA on the final debt. Mr. Cowan inquired about asking the EPA when the Tribe would be eligible to apply for grants. The answer was that once the final payment was made, the Tribe would be in good standing.
16. Calendar: Calendars will be sent out per family with the Council vacancies and Election Committee intent flyer, and the newsletter.

Ms. Quinn ordered new check stock from ABILA.

17. Harney Electric: A \$169 refund was received from Harney Electric. They sent a capital credit.

A person will need to do a monthly check of the electric consumption during the off season. A decision needs to be made as to who will do the monthly check and who will pay for that person or persons. There was a discussion of options. Mr. Barr believes it should be two people to take the reading and the money should come out of the Council Budget. Mr. Cowan felt that a monthly check can also be used to prevent the equipment from freezing. He also felt that it

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should be done in January and February before the 15th of the month. The Council approved this plan.

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr moved to go into Executive Session for fifteen minutes for Personnel. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried at 9:34 am.

Council returned from Executive Session at 9:49 am.

The Financial report concluded.

Natural Resources Department Report by William Cowan

Mr. Cowan emailed his report to the Council. He asked if there were any questions.

1. IPA: Mr. Cowan asked for an Executive Session.

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr moved to go to Executive Session for five minutes regarding Personnel. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried at 9:57 am.

Council returned from Executive Session at 10:03 am.

Mr. Geoff Smith entered the room.

2. Revised Cost of Water Quality Instrumentation: There has been a price increase since the first proposal. There is a need for a 15 meter in depth sensor housing, not a ten meter option for equipment and equipment replacement. The old quote is no longer valid. Mr. Cowan presented a new quote. It is sole source. It is the consensus of the Council to approve the proposal.

3. Sheldon National Wildlife Refuge Consultation: Fish and Wildlife sent a consultation letter for the refuge. They want to build a new building for storage. It is just a formal letter. There are no cultural sites affected. The Council is fine with this.

4. Two Resolutions for Proposals: Noxious Weed Grant proposal and Range Inventory Grant.

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr moved to approve the SL-27-2017 Approval of 2018 Bureau of Indian Affairs Noxious Weed Grant Proposal with a waiving of the reading. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the

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motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. SL-27-2017 was enacted at 10:17 am.

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr moved to approve the SL-28-2017 Approval of 2018 Bureau of Indian Affairs BIA Range and Vegetation Inventory Grant Proposal 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. SL-28-2017 was enacted at 10:21 am.

For information: The close out of the EPA Grant needs Ms. DeSoto's signature on two forms.

The Natural Resources report concluded.

Geoff Smith of the University of Nevada Reno talked to the Council to explain the documentary movie being made by Tom Layton. Mr. Layton headed the Last Supper Cave Excavation. He is doing a movie about the difference in how archeology was done in the 1970s and how it is done now. WMS Media from San Jose is the film company making the movie. They mainly distribute films to PBS. The major focus is the difference in what questions are asked now vs 1970s.

Mr. Barr asked if the artifacts will be discussed. Mr. Smith confirmed there would be some discussion of artifacts. Mr. Mace cited the advancement of technology. Mr. Smith talked about how the ideas of the 1970s and now have changed the concepts of what happened.

There was some discussion on different processes for dating artifacts such as obsidian hydration which leaves notches and is destructive to the artifact. Mr. Smith prefers using pieces of artifacts which have already been detached for radio dating.

Ms. Smith asked if the Tribe wants to participate in the film, maybe a member would discuss how Mr. Smith and the Tribe work together. He is hoping that the Council considers this. The film makers would come to Sparks, Nevada and there is a \$2000 honorarium. They want to wrap up the film in the next year. The Council told Mr. Smith that they would discuss this and let Mr. Smith know their decision.

Mr. Smith left the meeting at 10:38 am.

Mr. Cowan said he would be willing to participate in some capacity with the project on behalf of the Tribe. He said that it was good working with Mr. Smith.

Mr. Barr thanked Mr. Cowan for his offer.

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Mr. Cowan left the meeting at 10:39 am

MINUTES

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of Saturday, November 18, 2017 with one correction on page five and 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. Motion carried at 10:52 am.

Chairwoman DeSoto discussed the actions items from the last meeting.

- IPA Decision was discussed.
- Resolution to send Minors' Payout was approved.
- Letter to the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Brian Melendez: Ms. Linton sent an email.
- Notice to recruit Election Committee members will go out with the other items and the calendar.
- Ramah: Do we pay the seven minors plus the payment after the EPA? One of the three adults not originally paid for Ramah is in question. This Member's eligibility as a member and being a Ramah fund recipient was discussed. The Member needs to bear the burden of proof on their blood quantum.

There was a discussion of a resolution for the Elections. Ms. DeSoto read the proposed resolution including setting the dates for deadlines, etc. Ms. Quinn will make the appropriate changes.

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr move to go into Executive Session for 15 minutes for Personnel. 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 11:30 am

The Council returned for Executive Session at 11:47 am.

Ms. DeSoto called lunch at 11:50 am to return at 1:00 pm.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Randi DeSoto called the meeting to order back to order at 1:06 pm.

ROLL CALL: Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace called the roll: Chairwoman Randi DeSoto, present; Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr, present; Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, present.

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STAFF: Anne Macko, Contractor

GUEST: Mark Hall, BLM Winnemucca via phone

Mark Hall, BLM Winnemucca announced that he was now the permanent Black Rock Field Manager.

The Council should have received a letter on consulting on Burning Man. They want to increase to 100,000 in total population except for government people. The Tribe should include the documentation of the economic hardship caused by Burning Man. The EIS is being worked on now and must be done in one year. The BLM needs the documentation to put into the EIS. The NOI has not been published.

When asked who was responsible for Burning Man last year, Mr. Hall said the Winnemucca office had the responsibility. They are asking for public opinions on Burning Man. He said that even after his promotion, he will remain the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe's liaison and is coming to the January Council meeting.

In early January the Washoe County gravel pit environmental assessment is coming out. They will talk about it at the January meeting. The Tribe has already sent their feelings on it.

Ms. DeSoto announced to Mr. Hall that she was now the Chairwoman of the Council.

Mr. Hall would be happy to include the Tribe's documentation in the EIS for Burning Man.

In 2017 there were a total of 79,534 people at Burning Man. There was a limit of 70,000 paid participants. This next EIS will not differentiate between staff and paid participants in the limit of people. Mr. Barr asked if it was possible to keep the limit at 70,000. Mr. Hall said this could be possible due to the BLM law enforcement staffing limitations. They are also looking at having no event at all. It is a strain on the BLM law enforcement resources.

Mr. Hall said they will discuss it further in January.

Mr. Barr congratulated Mr. Hall on his promotion and that he was glad that Mr. Hall would remain the Tribe's BLM contact.

Mr. Hall left the meeting.

Ms. Quinn presented the Election resolutions.

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MOTION: Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr moved to approve Resolution SL-29-2017 Governing 2018 Council Election 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. Resolution SL-29-2017 enacted at 1:27 pm.

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr moved to approve Resolution SL-30-2017 Governing 2018 Council Election Procedures 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. Resolution SL-30-2017 enacted at 1:28 pm.

Ms. Quinn discussed the difference in the payout list and the new compiled membership roll. There is a person in question. It was decided to put their payout aside until further investigation.

Ms. Quinn is waiting for the Bureau of Indian Affairs to okay the administrator position. If it is approved in the next few weeks, Ms. Quinn wants to know where to put them and their equipment (phone, computer, etc.).

The next meeting will be Saturday January 20, 2018.

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr moved to adjourn. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:53 PM.

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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 December 17, 2017, Council Meeting were approved by the Council during a duly held meeting January 20, 2018 at which there was a quorum present, and the Council voted:

2 - FOR 0 - AGAINST 0 -ABSTAINING, Chairwoman Randi DeSoto did not vote because there was not a tie vote.

1/23/2018
Date

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