

Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
Special Council Meeting
Thursday, September 22, 2016
Primary Administrative Office, Sparks, Nevada

CALL TO ORDER: Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the Special meeting of Thursday, September 22, 2016 to order at 5:30 pm.

ROLL CALL: Vice-Chairman Randi DeSoto called roll: Chairwoman Page Linton, present (via phone), Vice-Chairwoman Randi DeSoto, present; Council Member Jerry Barr, present; and Council Member Eugene Mace present.

Guests: Rob Scanland, Great Basin Land and Water

Mr. Scanland introduced himself and gave a brief history of Great Basin Land and Water. It is a Non-profit company that is Nevada based. It has been active for around 20 years. He is home-based in Carson City, Nevada and Aaron Peskin, President and Nancy Shanahan, Attorney live in San Francisco. They were formed in 1987 to implement a negotiated settlement on the Truckee River, the Truckee River Water Quality Settlement Agreement which was a settlement of a lawsuit by the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe and Reno, Sparks and Washoe County. Great Basin Land and Water was formed to help Pyramid Lake and the local governments to buy water rights on the Truckee River.

They have developed relationships with the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe and also the Bureau of Reclamation so the Bureau suggested that Mr. Scanland's company contact William Cowan and the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council to assist in getting a Desert Terminal Lakes grant for one million dollars for Summit Lake as a Desert Terminal Lake. They were also able to get six million dollars for the acquisition of the Soldiers Meadow Ranch should the seller ever be willing to sell. Mr. Scanland has worked with the Tribe to try and acquire land in and around the reservation.

They put together a Water Shed Conservation Plan on Summit Lake water shed. It identifies what some of the issues with possible impact on Summit Lake. He showed a list of the issues found and discussed the affects. One of the strategies discussed was consolidating the ownership within the Reservation to insure the Tribe has more control of the land on the Reservation and have a say about what is appropriate on the Reservation. Some grant funding is available to go to individual allotment owners and ask them if they are interested in the Tribe compensating them for their fractionated interest in those allotments. The Tribe has the potential to own 51% of the allotment, and then have the majority say about what happens there.

Great Basin Land and Water created a "Things to Know" about the land. He passed out the packets of information and made sure that Ms. Linton also had one with her. There were several documents as requested by the BIA. It was a long process. The packet was reviewed by the Nevada Western Agency and the Western Region (land people).

In the packet Mr. Scanland provided was the "Things to Know" detailing nine allotments.

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One has 57 different owners. Most allotments have 20-30 owners, but a couple rare cases have 10-15 owners.

Mr. Scanland discussed the Summit Lake Consolidation Program. It provides the steps in the process for the end result. It is the blue print.

Great Basin Land and Water has prepared a summary of all the allotment owners based on BIA records. There are 90 owners of which 10 are in probate. They put together a database of information.

There are five steps to the process.

1. Packet Sent to Allotment Owners

- A cover letter signed by Chairwoman Page Linton to send to the allotment owners with the following in the packet:
- "Things to Know" document
- Inventory list of owners' allotments with the values of each and the total value
- A map of allotment ownership
- An Application to sell

2. If the owners are interested they fill-out the application and return it to Great Basin Land and Water. The Application is reviewed for correct completion. Then it will be sent to Superintendent Roger Eban of the Nevada Western Agency for his approval.

3. Following the approval of the application, a letter is sent notifying the owner confirming approval and one deed to be signed for each allotment owned.

4. On receipt of the executed deeds, the deed would be reviewed and then Superintendent Eban signs the deeds and passes them on to the Indian Land Deed Book (System of records). This records that the owner has sold the interest to the Tribe. It would always be in trust but in the name of the Tribe.

5. Once the deed is approved the former owner is sent a notice of completion of sale and a Payment + \$75. All payments are made by Great Basin Land and Water. Copies of all paperwork will be sent to Western Nevada Agency.

The goal is to send letters out to everyone at one time except for probates.

Ms. DeSoto asked who would be the contact for people when the interest is in probate. Mr. Scanland said the process is that probate cases need to go before the Probate Judge (which convenes two times a year.)

Mr. Barr asked what percentage of allotment interests are in probate. Mr. Scanland did not know exactly, but it is very little.

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Mr. Scanland discussed the cover letter. It states that Great Basin Land and Water is the primary contact, but know that Tribal members will still contact the Council with questions. Copies of the packet have been given to the Council.

Ms. DeSoto said it was nice that the "Things to Know" is being sent with the cover letter to give the members the information to hopefully answer their questions.

Mr. Scanland said that this process is a benefit to the member. This consolidation should be a benefit to the Tribe as well.

Mr. Scanland went over an example of the process with the Council.

Notes from the discussion:

- Mr. Scanland asked if the name of the map was okay. It was decided it should be titled Summit Lake Paiute Tribe Reservation
- Great Basin Land and Water is using the appraisal for the best allotment to set the value for all the allotments. The funds are available.
- Great Basin Land and Water will create tally sheet showing the status and information on all the allotments showing who sells and who does not.
- This project is a way to convey grant money to the allotment owners. It is also good that the land is going to the Tribe. Mr. Barr says it is consolidation of the Homeland.

Ms. DeSoto commented that here is something the Council is close to completing as a service to the membership.

Since the project was already approved, this is approving the wording of the draft and letting Great Basin Land and Water continue to make up the packets.

Ms. Linton would need to sign all the letters, 80-90 of them. It will take a month or more to get everything prepared. She could possibly do it the Friday before the November meeting. Mr. Scanland will be sure that the current Council is listed on the letterhead.

Chairwoman Linton thanked Mr. Scanland for all his hard work.

Mr. Scanland is still working to purchase Soldier's Meadows.

Mr. Scanland left the room.

The stipend money for this meeting should come from Desert Terminal Lakes. The

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Council discussed the meeting types: regular, general, and special. The all meetings called need a purpose, a fund to charge, an agenda, a quorum, a recording and minutes. This discuss was to explain the process to Mr. Mace.

Ms. DeSoto liked the presentation. The update was good. It was also good to get an update on the Lands Bill.

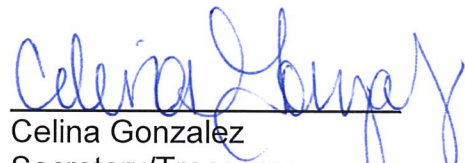
MOTION: Council Member Jerry Barr moved to adjourn. Council Member Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Chairwoman Page Linton called the vote: 3 For 0 Against 0 Abstained. The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 pm.

CERTIFICATION

I, Celina Gonzalez, Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Minutes of the September 22nd, 2016 Council Meeting were approved by the Council during a duly held meeting on October 15, 2016 at which there was a quorum present, and the Council voted:

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

09/22/16
Date



Celina Gonzalez
Secretary/Treasurer
Summit Lake Tribal Council