COUNCIL TRIBAL COUNCIL
ACTION MEETING
Wednesday, September 22, 2021
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ROLL CALL: 10:10am

PRESENT: Joe James, Chairman; Frankie Myers, Vice Chairman; Sherri Provolt, Orick District; Mindy Natt, Pecwan District; Ryan Ray, Requa District; Lori Hodge, East District; Phill Williams, North District; Toby Vanlandingham, Weitchpec District

ABSENT: Lana McCovey, South District (vacation)

QUORUM: 8 present, 1 absent, quorum present

OPENING PRAYER: Provided by Vice Chairman Myers.

REVIEW CALENDAR/ADDITIONS:

Motion made by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Williams to accept the agenda with additions CA21-184 Northern California Tribal Chair’s Association, FISH21-069 In-Season Adjustment, FISH21-068 State Coastal Conservancy, YHHS21-041 TANF Renewal Plan. Motion carries by consensus.

CO21-01, Grants & Compliance Department Planning Session
Submitted by Jodi Hoone
Council consensus to set October 5th, 2021 starting at 10am for a planning session with Grants & Compliance.

FISH21-067, COVID Planning Session
Submitted by Barry McCovey Jr.
Council consensus to set September 28th 2:30-4:30pm for a planning session with Fisheries staff to discuss options for spending/disbursing NOAA Fisheries COVID relief funds recently awarded to the Tribe.

Benefits - Quarterly update to be set end of November beginning of December
Recreation Coordinator - Planning Session to be set
American Rescue Plan Action Work Session – Council Operations to look at options when all of Council can be present.

COUNCIL CHECK IN:
Councilmember Provolt: I don’t have any updates today. Thank you.
Councilmember Williams: I got some requests and questions about the annual membership meeting. Are we going to be able to provide handouts during the annual membership meeting? Some of the members were wondering if we’re going to mail one of those out since it’s going to be virtual. I wanted to bring this question forward. Thank you.

Councilmember Vanlandingham: I’ll pass. Thank you.

Councilmember Hodge: Thank you, Taralyn. I would just like to remind everyone if you have any questions regarding getting vaccinated to please call Holly on her cell at 707.761.1152 or you can just call that emergency line 1.888.235.8952. Please, please consider being vaccinated and if you do have questions and concerns, please call someone who can talk to you about it. Thank you.

Vice Chairman Myers: Thank you. I had similar questions as Councilmember Williams about the annual membership meeting and whether we’re going to send flyers and make copies of the presentations. Folks want to be able to follow along with the presentations and be able to ask questions. I know Council in the past has rotated between districts for Council meetings and if we can move to having an evening or weekend evening meeting is something to think about now. Maybe we switch one of our meetings to a Saturday, so we can kind of stick to that same kind of meeting process.

Councilmember Ray: Yes, I’m here. I have nothing to report. I reported out yesterday.

Chairman James: I really don’t have too much to add from yesterday, but just let’s work with staff to put together something to mail out to our membership for the October 9th meeting. So, let’s move forward with that.

Taralyn Ipiña, Council Operations Director responds: We are sending postcards out this week with the login information to the membership. The annual report is being compiled now and won’t likely be mailed out as it is very expensive. We were planning to put on the tribal member portal all the presentations and the annual report, and we can mail out any hard copies per request of tribal member.

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: None provided.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Personnel (Vice Chairman Myers)

CONSENT ITEMS: None provided.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Environmental
Louisa McCovey presents for agenda item YTEP21-042, Native American Environmental Protection Coalition
Submitted by Louisa McCovey

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Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Provolt to approve YTEP’s membership to the Native American Environmental Protection Coalition, for the Chairman to sign delegation letter and to approve the corresponding Resolution #21-096 in support of membership. There is no cost for the membership and YTEP will benefit through free environmental training and information sharing. Motion carries by consensus.

Fisheries
Barry McCovey Jr. presents for agenda items
FISH21-063, Bureau of Reclamation Annual Funding Agreement
Submitted by Barry McCovey Jr.

Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Provolt to authorize entering into the attached draft Modification 2 to the 2021 Annual Funding agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation pending OTA approval. This modification adds two tasks and approximately $11,000 to the previously approved agreement. Motion carries by consensus.

Councilmember Natt arrives 10:37am

FISH21-065, State Coastal Conservancy
Submitted by Barry McCovey Jr.

Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to authorize the Fisheries Department to enter into a grant agreement with the State Coastal Conservancy for Prairie Creek Restoration work and to approve Resolution #21-106 with edits, granting a limited waiver of sovereign immunity in favor of the California State Coastal Conservancy. Roll call: Vice Chairman Myers-yes, Councilmember Hodge-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes, Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-np. Yes-7, no-0, abs-0, np-1. Motion carries.

FISH21-066, North Coast Resource Partnership
Submitted by Barry McCovey Jr.

Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to authorize Chairman’s signature on the attached support letter for the North Coast Resource Partnership LiDAR grant proposal to the US Geological Survey. Motion carries by consensus.

FISH21-68, Fisheries Agreement with State Coastal Conservancy
Submitted by Barry McCovey Jr.

Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Vice Chairman Myers to authorize the Chairman to sign the attached grant agreement and related documents between the Fisheries Department and the State Coastal Conservancy for Prairie Creek Restoration work and to approve Resolution #21-109 with edits granting a limited waiver of sovereign immunity in favor of the California State Coastal Conservancy. Roll call: Vice Chairman Myers-yes, Councilmember Hodge-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember McCovey-np. Yes-7, no-0, abs-0, np-1. Motion carries.
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FISH21-069, In-season Adjustment 2021-03
Submitted by Barry McCovey Jr.

Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to authorize the Chairman to sign the attached In-Season Adjustment to the Fishing Rights Ordinance with edit to include closure of the chute during Coho management season. Roll call: Vice Chairman Myers-yes, Councilmember Hodge-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes, Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-np. Yes-7, no-0, abs-0, np-1. Motion carries.

Human Resources
Rose Sylvia presents for agenda item
HR21-015, Job Description Approval
Submitted by Rose Sylvia

Motion by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Williams to approve job descriptions for Language Manager, Head Start Manager, Public Health Registered Nurse, and Public Health Administrative Assistant (attached approved organizational charts). Motion carries by consensus.

Health & Human Services
Annelia Hillman, Alita Redner, Madison Green, and Tamara Honrado present for agenda items
YHHS21-032, Families First Prevention Services
Submitted by Annelia Hillman

Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Provolt to approve Chairman’s signature for the Families First Prevention Services Act letter of intent with edits. Motion carries by consensus.

YHHS21-037, Evaluator Contract
Submitted by Annelia Hillman

Motion by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Williams to approve contract for GNBCI to perform a program, plan and policy assessment, along with the necessary technical assistance to meet the goals and objectives of the Yurok Tribal TANF Program. Motion carries by consensus.

YHHS21-043, Foster Care Maintenance Project
Submitted by Alita Redner

Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Hodge to approve foster care maintenance project number and budget. Motion carries by consensus.

BREAK: 11:25am -11:35am
TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: None provided

YHHS21-041, TANF Renewal Plan
Submitted by Rhiannon McCovey

Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Williams to approve TANF Plan Renewal for operation for the years 2021-2024, subject to OTA edits. Motion carries by consensus.

AGENDA ITEMS
Council
CA21-184, Northern California Tribal Chairmens Association
Submitted by Vice Chairman Myers

Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve Resolution #21-111 authorizing the Yurok Tribe to join the Northern California Tribal Chairmens Association and appoint Chairman James as delegate and Vice Chairman Myers as alternate. Motion carries by consensus.

Housing Authority
YIHA21-023, September Executive Director Monthly Report
Submitted by Nicole Sager

Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve the Yurok Indian Housing Authority’s Executive Director monthly report for September 2021 as approved by the Board of Commissioners on September 14, 2021. Motion carries by consensus.

Natural Resources
NR21-011, Trinity Management Council
Submitted by Tim Hayden

Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Hodge to appoint Tim Hayden as the Yurok Tribe’s primary representative to the Trinity Management Council and for the Chairman to sign an official letter to the Executive Director of the Trinity River Restoration Program confirming this appointment. Motion carries by consensus.

Planning
P21-070, Resolution Number 21-104
Submitted by Sophia Lay

Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign Resolution #21-04 with edits granting authorization for Tribal staff to pursue all grant opportunities that provide funding for responding to Yurok Tribe Declared Emergencies. Motion carries by consensus.

Council
CA21-176, 30x30 Advisory Committee
Submitted by Vice Chairperson Myers

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Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Vanlandingham to authorize Vice Chairman Myers to participate Natural Resources Agency on “California Pathways to 30×30 Advisory Committee”. Motion carries by consensus.

CA21-178, August 30 & 31, 2021 Special Meeting minutes
Submitted by Georgiana Gensaw, Council Operations Coordinator

Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Williams to approve with edits and corrections Council Meeting minutes of August 30 and 31, 2021. Motion carries by consensus.

CA21-179, September 8-9, 2021 Council Meeting minutes
Submitted by Georgiana Gensaw, Council Operations Coordinator

Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Provolt to approve with edits and corrections Council Meeting minutes of September 8 and 9, 2021. Motion carries by consensus.

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: None provided.

CLOSING PRAYER: Provided by Vice Chairman Myers.

ADJOURN: 12:12pm

Minutes Approved On: October 7, 2021

Sherri K. Provolt Date
Council Secretary 10/12/2021