

**YUROK TRIBAL COUNCIL  
FINANCE MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2023  
KLAMATH TRIBAL OFFICE**

**ROLL CALL:** 11:00am

**PRESENT:** Joe James, Chairman; Sherri Provolt, Orick District; Mindy Natt, Pecwan District; Ryan Ray, Requa District; Phillip Williams, North District; Toby Vanlandingham, Weitchpec District; Lana McCovey, South District

**ABSENT:** Frankie Myers, Vice Chairman (travel); Wes Crawford (personal reasons).

**STAFF:** Don Barnes, Executive Director; Taralyn Ipiña, Chief Operations Officer; Kori Cordero, Office of Tribal Attorney; Michael Maranger, Chief Financial Officer; Georgiana Gensaw, Council Operations Coordinator (recorder).

**QUORUM:** 7 present, 2 absent, quorum present.

**OPENING PRAYER:** Provided by Councilmember Natt

**REVIEW AGENDA/ADDITIONS/APPROVAL:**

**Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Ray to accept the agenda with an addition of CA23-087. To pull out THPO23-004, all of Human Resources, and Planning Department agenda items out of consent agenda items. Motion carries by consensus.**

**CALENDAR:**

March 28 -AB44 Hearing in Sacramento

March 30 -Feather Alert @ San Bernardino (Chairman will be attending)

**COUNCIL CHECK IN:**

**Councilmember Williams:** Pass

**Councilmember Crawford:** Not present

**Councilmember Natt:** Pass

**Councilmember McCovey:** Pass

**Councilmember Provolt:** Pass

**Councilmember Ray:** We are working with YTED and TERO on the Klamath baseball field. Now we need is to order the supplies. Don I am looking for a timeline of when we can order the supplies and when they can expect receipt. I attended the Klamath Service Community District meeting. I requested that the Water District hold a special meeting to approve the MOA, so we can keep our construction schedule.

43 **Councilmember Vanlandingham:** Bald Hills Road is still closed, that's adding 2 hours to  
44 everyone's commute and it's getting pretty costly. Maybe we could reach out to the County  
45 and ask about getting the road cleared.

46 **Vice Chairman Myers:** Not present.

47 **Chairman James:** I want to extend my condolences to all of staff and tribal members who have  
48 lost loved ones, also I want to let Council know that I reached out to Chairman Joe Davis and let  
49 him know we stand in solidarity with them, and we want to help as much as we can. We  
50 continue to look at philanthropy opportunities and recently met with Umpqua Bank. They did  
51 say they need to strengthen their relationship with Tribal communities. I also want to let the  
52 Council and staff know this is a place where people can have careers and come here to build  
53 their lives. There is no fast 'pen' here. Come here, do your job and that's it.

54 **TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:** None

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56 **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

57 OTA23-020, Quentin Blue Horse Contract

58 CA23-087 Line of Credit.

59 P23-019, Budget Modification (McCovey)

60 Personnel (Ray)

61 Personnel (McCovey)

62 Housing (Williams)

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64 **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

65 **Office of Emergency Services**

66 OES23-002, California Office of Emergency Services Grant

67 Submitted by Amos Pole

68 **Motion made by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Vanlandingham to retroactively**  
69 **approve Yurok Office of Emergency Services to apply to the FY 2023 LISTOS California CERT**  
70 **Support Grant from California Office of Emergency Services in the amount of \$25,000. No**  
71 **match required. Indirect is covered. Motion carries by consensus.**

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73 OES23-003, California Office of Emergency Services Grant

74 Submitted by Amos Pole

75 **Motion made by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Vanlandingham to retroactively**  
76 **approve Yurok Office of Emergency Services to apply to the FY 2023 LISTOS California Tribal**  
77 **Grant from California Office of Emergency Services in the amount of \$200,000. No match**  
78 **required. Indirect is covered. Motion carries by consensus.**

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80 **Yurok Health & Human Services Division**

81 *Tribal Court*

82 TC23-009, Administration of Children & Families Family Violence Prevention

83 Submitted by Jessica Carter

84 **Motion made by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve the**  
85 **submission of the Administration of Children and families (ACF) Family Violence Prevention**

86 **and Services Administration Act grant application and authorize Chairman to sign any**  
87 **necessary documents. Motion carries by consensus.**

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89 **Natural Resources Division**

90 *Fisheries Department*  
91 FISH23-027, Budget Modification  
92 Submitted by Barry McCovey, Jr.

93 **Motion made by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Vanlandingham to authorize the**  
94 **Fisheries Department to modify budgets 7054b and 7081s as described in attached**  
95 **documentation. Motion carries by consensus.**

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97 **Yurok Wildland Fire Department**

98 FIRE23-005, Department of Homeland Security Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency  
99 Response  
100 Submitted by Rod Mendes

101 **Motion made by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Vanlandingham to retroactively**  
102 **approve Yurok Fire Department to apply for the FY 2023 Department of Homeland Security**  
103 **Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grant Program in the amount of**  
104 **\$1,200,000. No match is required. Indirect is covered. Motion carries by consensus.**

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106 **AGENDA ITEMS:**

107 **Cultural Resources Department**

108 *Tribal Heritage Preservation Officer*  
109 THPO23-004, National Park Service Tribal Heritage  
110 Submitted by Nicole Peters

111 **Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Provolt to approve**  
112 **National Park Service Tribal Heritage Grant application with edits in the amount of**  
113 **\$75,000.00. To authorize Chairman to sign Resolution #23-38 and Secretary to attest. Indirect**  
114 **is capped at 25%. Motion carries by consensus.**

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116 **PRESENTATIONS:**

117 Morgan Stanley Accounts  
118 Presented by Jason Barr, Morgan Stanley Financial Advisor.  
119 Reviewed and discussed Morgan Stanley accounts and allocations ending February 28, 2023.

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122 Yurok Tribe Financial Reports  
123 Presented by Michael Maranger, Chief Financial Officer.  
124 Financials, budgets and balance sheet provided to Council ending February 28, 2023.

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126 **Notes**

127 Discussion held on Burial Assistance and Language Department funding.

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129 **LUNCH: 12:27pm -1:30pm**

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131 **TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:** None provided.

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133 **AGENDA ITEMS**

134 **Executive Office**

135 *Finance Department*

136 FIN23-012, Transfer from Umpqua Bank to Morgan Stanley

137 Submitted by Michael Maranger

138 **Motion made by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Vanlandingham for Council to**  
139 **approve the transfer of \$750,000 from the Tribe’s operating banking account ending in**  
140 **xxx5158 to the Morgan Stanley Carbon Reserve fund #41712. Motion carries by consensus.**

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142 **Planning & Community Development Division**

143 *Planning Department*

144 P23-017, Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Grant

145 Submitted by Ray Moisa

146 **Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Natt to approve the**  
147 **submission of an application to the US Department of Justice (DOJ) for a grant of \$3,500,000**  
148 **to support the Office of Tribal Prosecutor, Yurok Tribal Police Department, Yurok Tribal**  
149 **Courts and Yurok Boys & Girls Club and to approve Resolution #23-028 authorizing the**  
150 **Chairman to sign and the Secretary to attest. Motion carries by consensus.**

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152 P23-018, Administration for Native American Grant

153 Submitted by Ray Moisa

154 **Motion made by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve the**  
155 **submission of an application to Administration for Native Americans for a grant of \$1,200,000**  
156 **over 3 years for salaries for the Prosecutor’s Office for MMIP activities and to approve**  
157 **Resolution #23-029 authorizing the match commitment and for the Chairman to sign and**  
158 **Secretary to attest. Motion carries by consensus.**

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160 P23-021, Department of Energy (DOE) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

161 Submitted by Dave Eubank

162 **Motion made by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve Planning**  
163 **Department to apply for the FY 2023 Formula Grants to States and Indian Tribes for**  
164 **Preventing Outages and Enhancing the Resilience of the Electric Grid from the Department of**  
165 **Energy/GRID Deployment Office in the amount of \$62,241. A 15% match is required and**  
166 **Indirect is covered. Motion carries by consensus.**

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168 P23-022, Wind Energy Technology Office (WETO) Grant

169 Submitted by Ray Moisa

170 **Motion made by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve the**  
171 **submission of an application to the US Department of Energy (DOE) Wind Energy Technology**  
172 **Office (WETO) for a grant of \$500,000 to support the creation of a new Yurok Marine**  
173 **Department that will aid in determining the impacts of Offshore Wind Development. Motion**  
174 **carries by consensus.**

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176 **Office of Tribal Prosecutor**  
177 PRO23-005, Accepting Measure Z Grant  
178 Submitted by Rosemary Deck

179 **Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Williams to approve**  
180 **accepting Measure Z grant awards from Humboldt County, authorize Chairman to sign**  
181 **MOU/contract and a limited waiver of sovereign immunity in favor of Humboldt County in**  
182 **Resolution #23-36 and authorize Secretary to attest. Roll call; Vice Chairman Myers-np,**  
183 **Councilmember Crawford-np, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes,**  
184 **Councilmember Provolt-yes, Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-yes,**  
185 **Councilmember McCovey-no. Yes-6, no-1, Abstaining-0, Not present-2. Motion carries**

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187 **EXECUTIVE SESSION: 2:00pm -5:05pm**  
188 OTA23-020, Quentin Blue Horse Contract  
189 P23-019, Budget Modification  
190 CA23-087, Line of Credit

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192 3:20 Vice Chairman Myers joins the meeting.  
193 4:45 Councilmember Crawford joins the meeting.

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195 Items out of Executive Session:

196 **Office of Tribal Attorney**  
197 OTA23-020, Contract w/Quentin Blue Horse for IT Services  
198 Submitted by Kori Cordero

199 **Discussion Only. Item pulled. Contract considered under Telecom.**

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201 **Planning & Community Development Department**  
202 P23-019, Budget Modification  
203 Submitted by Michael Gerace

204 **Motion made by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Williams to review and approve a**  
205 **budget modification to the Planning and Community Development Department 2023 budget.**  
206 **Roll call: Vice Chairman Myers-yes, Councilmember Crawford-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes,**  
207 **Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes, Councilmember Natt-yes,**  
208 **Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-no. Yes-7, No-1, Abstain-0, Not**  
209 **Present-0. Motion carries.**

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211 **Council**  
212 CA23-087, Line of Credit for Yurok Agriculture Corporation  
213 Submitted by Chairman James

214 **Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Vice Chairman Myers to approve a line of**  
215 **credit for each individual business: Yurok Redwood Products, Mad River Brewery, Nursery,**  
216 **Two Snakes and Yurok Agriculture Corporation as discussed in Executive Session not to**  
217 **exceed \$600,000.00 total. Funding to come from Tribal Consistency Fund at 3% interest rate**  
218 **payable in a two-year period. Additionally, proceed with a non-disclosure agreement as**  
219 **discussed in executive session, and Nursery as collateral. Roll call: Vice Chairman Myers-yes,**  
220 **Councilmember Crawford-yes, Councilmember Ray-no, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes,**

221 Councilmember Provolt-abstain, Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-abstain,  
222 Councilmember McCovey-yes. Yes-5, No-1, Abstain-2, Not present-0. Motion carries.

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224 **AGENDA ITEMS:**

225 CA23-070, Scott Gibson Easter Egg hunt  
226 Submitted by Council Operations

227 **Motion made by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Williams to approve a monetary**  
228 **donation for the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Scott Gibson Easter Egg Hunt at Margaret Keating School April 9,**  
229 **2023 in the amount of Community Donation \$250, Requa District Community Donation \$250,**  
230 **Chairman Community Donation \$250, North District Travel Line Item \$250. Total \$1,000.**  
231 **Motion carries by consensus.**

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233 CA23-082, Community Donation  
234 Submitted by Councilmember Ray

235 **Motion made by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Williams to approve a Community**  
236 **Donation for basketball sporting event in the amount of \$100 Community Donation, \$200**  
237 **Requa Youth Fund, and \$200 Orick District Youth Fund. Total \$500. Motion carries by**  
238 **consensus.**

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240 **TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:** None provided.  
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242 **CLOSING PRAYER:** Provided by Chairman James.

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244 **ADJOURN:** 5:10pm

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246 **MEETING MINUTES APPROVED ON:**

**April 27, 2023**

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4/28/2023

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250 **Sherri K. Provolt, Secretary**

**Date**