

**YUROK TRIBAL COUNCIL**  
**FINANCE MEETING**  
**Tuesday, October 26, 2021**  
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- ROLL CALL:** 1:04pm
- PRESENT:** Joe James, Chairman; Frankie Myers, Vice Chairman (1:20pm); Sherri Provolt, Orick District; Mindy Natt, Pecwan District; Ryan Ray, Requa District; Lori Hodge, East District; Toby Vanlandingham, Weitchpec District; Phillip Williams, North District; Lana McCovey, South District
- ABSENT:** None
- QUORUM:** 9 present, 0 absent, quorum present
- STAFF:** Taralyn Ipiña, Council Operations; Don Barnes, Executive Director; Dawn Baum, Office of Tribal Attorney; Georgiana Gensaw (recorder)

**OPENING PRAYER:** Provided by Councilmember Ray.

**REVIEW AGENDA/ADDITIONS/APPROVAL:**

**Motion by Councilmember McCovey/ Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve the agenda with additions CA21-171 and CA21-197. Motion carries by consensus.**

**REVIEW CALENDAR/ADDITIONS:**

Tabled to Planning or Action Council meeting scheduled this week.

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES:** None provided.

**COUNCIL CHECK IN:**

Councilmember Vanlandingham: Pass

Councilmember McCovey: I just want to acknowledge that there has been a lot of loss this last year due to COVID due to other things and I just want to offer comfort to our tribal members. If you need any kind of assistance, please contact us and let us know how we can help. Thank you.

Councilmember Williams: I just wanted to share that the YHHS Advisory Committee is starting back up with meetings. They have been hampered by the pandemic this last year, but we're trying to revive it. The meetings will be on the last Monday of the month from 12:00-1:00 and just want everybody to participate and help us with our new Title IV E program. Thank you.

Councilmember Hodge: Thank you, George. I thank everyone for being here. I just wanted to congratulate again Chairman James and Councilmember Provolt from the Orick District and

46 Vice Chairman Meyers, even though he's not here right now. I'm looking forward to  
47 continuing our hard work. Thank you.

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49 Councilmember Ray: Pass

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51 Councilmember Natt: I just wanted to say congratulations to everybody. What a good day - I  
52 just want to say that.

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54 Councilmember Provolt: Thank you very much. I want to thank Chairman James and Vice  
55 Chairman Myers for attending and helping with the ceremony at the Sue-meg State Park. It  
56 was a wonderful event. I want to thank the staff who helped with setting up the tent, the  
57 food and everything. And it was a great honor to be there and to celebrate that moment with  
58 our tribal members in our community, and to hear the songs and just have a joyous day  
59 together. So thank you for that day. The second acknowledgement I want to share is the work  
60 being done by the Yurok Tribe Construction Corporation. We got to visit the old Orick mill site  
61 recently and it's really amazing work being done out there by our tribal members. It's exciting  
62 times to see restoration happening. Thank you.

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64 Vice Chair Myers: Pass

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66 Chairman James: Thank you, George. I wanted to update Tribal Council. Yesterday, I met with  
67 Mr. Joe Davis, Hoopa Tribal Chairman and his staff, law enforcement, his OES staff along with  
68 our Executive Director and our Yurok Tribal Police. There was also a Humboldt County Sheriff  
69 in attendance. This is regarding Ms. Emily Risling who is missing. The parents were also in the  
70 meeting. We had a good dialogue on how to network and team up with a full-court, all hands  
71 on deck effort, to look for this missing indigenous woman. At the same time would also need  
72 to flush out our processes. We followed up with a meeting with our staff Judge Abby and her  
73 team, Ms. Carter, Jay, Kendall, and our OES. I do believe they had a meeting this morning to  
74 network again, but also at the same time, what are those protocols and process that we can  
75 put in place immediately? One of those things that our staff is working on for my signature is  
76 declaration of this individual who is missing, That is step one that has not yet happened from  
77 the county system yet, so they are putting that together. I also followed up with the courtesy  
78 call to Chairman Attebury (Karuk Tribal Chair) to also see how he could provide resources and  
79 he offered up his OES team. But again, those are things that we're looking at. I am going to  
80 ask Council to help as the family is requesting a reward. There is \$15,000 being put out as a  
81 reward. She is Hoopa Tribal Member, but her child is the Yurok Tribal Member. I am going to  
82 request Council's support so I can put \$1000 towards the reward out of my travel line. I'm  
83 also asking our staff to reaching out to see what they can do. We have our murdered and  
84 missing indigenous team working on it. We're also going to be sending out a letter to  
85 Congressman Huffman, Senator McGuire, Assemblyman Jim Wood, and Mr. Ramos. I also left  
86 a phone call with Steve Madrone and again highlight this stuff, the need, the urgency that our  
87 women are missing. It was emotional late afternoon yesterday, but again, our staff is working  
88 hard, our court teams is on it, along the rest of our OES staff. I just wanted to bring that to  
89 council's attention. That's all I have for, for right now.

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**TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:** None provided.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Potential Environmental Violation (Ray)

**CONSENT ITEMS:** None provided.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

Jason Barr presents

Morgan Stanley Yurok Accounts and allocations as of September 30, 2021.

Review and discussion only.

Jill Mix, Controller presents

Yurok Tribe Financials ending September 30, 2021.

Review and discussion held.

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

**Fisheries**

FISH21-074, Budget Modification 7081g

Submitted by Barry McCovey, Jr.

**Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to authorize Fisheries Department to modify Project Code 7081g as described in the attached memo and budget modification spreadsheet. Motion carries by consensus.**

FISH21-075, Budget Modification 26091 and 7073

Submitted by Barry McCovey, Jr.

**Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Provolt to authorize Fisheries Department to modify Project Codes 6091 and 7073 as described in the attached memo and budget modification spreadsheet. Motion carries by consensus.**

FISH21-076, Budget Modifications 27081d

Submitted by Barry McCovey, Jr.

**Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Provolt to authorize Fisheries Department to modify Budget Code 27081d as described in the attached memo and budget modification spreadsheet. Motion carries by consensus.**

FISH21-078 Pacific Salmon Recovery Funding Agreement

Submitted by Barry McCovey, Jr.

**Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Provolt authorizing Chairman’s signature on the attached grant agreement for Pacific Salmon Recovery funds in the amount of \$80,000 for work to be completed in 2022 and 2023. See attached memo, budget, grant agreement, and scope of work for details. Motion carries by consensus.**

**Wildlife**

Tiana presents for agenda item

135 Wild21-021, Condor Bureau of Indian Affairs funding requests  
136 Submitted by Tiana Williams-Claussen

137 **Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Vice Chairman Myers to approve submission of two (2)**  
138 **project funds request in the amount of \$120,000 per project. Requested total of \$240,000**  
139 **to the Bureau of Indian Affairs Endangered Species Compliance funding opportunity in**  
140 **support Condor reintroduction, any necessary Chairman’s signature, and covering indirect**  
141 **cost support not to exceed ~~25,992~~, \$51,984 if needed. Motion carries by consensus.**

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143 Wild21-022, Threatened and Endangered Species funding request  
144 Submitted by Tiana Williams-Claussen

145 **Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Williams to approve submission of a**  
146 **project funding request in the amount of \$120,000 to the Bureau of Indian affairs in support**  
147 **of Northern Spotted Owl and Marbled Murrelet Compliance surveys and coordination, any**  
148 **necessary Chairman’s signature, and covering indirect cost support not to exceed \$25,992, if**  
149 **needed. Motion carries by consensus.**

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151 Wild21-023, Humboldt Martin  
152 Submitted by Tiana Williams-Claussen

153 **Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Williams to approve**  
154 **submission of a project funding request in the amount of \$120,000 to the Bureau of Indian**  
155 **Affairs in support of Humboldt Marten Management and Compliance surveys and**  
156 **coordination, any necessary Chairman’s signature, and covering indirect cost support not to**  
157 **exceed \$25,992 if needed. Motion carries by consensus.**

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159 Wild21-024, Vehicle Purchase requests  
160 Submitted by Tiana Williams-Claussen

161 **Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Hodge to approve submission**  
162 **of a project funding request in the amount of \$200,000 to the Bureau of Indian Affairs and**  
163 **support purchasing vehicles to support the expanding Wildlife Department needs, any**  
164 **necessary Chairman’s signature, and covering indirect cost support not to exceed \$15,000 if**  
165 **needed. Motion carries by consensus.**

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167 **BREAK: 2:38pm-2:52pm**

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169 **AGENDA ITEMS:**

170 **Council**  
171 CA21-171, Energy Infrastructure Master Services Agreement  
172 Submitted by Councilmember Natt

173 **Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Natt to approve Chairman**  
174 **James to sign a \$438,000 Master Services Agreement with the Schatz Energy Research**  
175 **Center (SERC) at Humboldt State University, subject to OTA approval. SERC to provide**  
176 **master planning. Roll call: Vice Chairman Myers-yes, Councilmember Hodge-yes,**  
177 **Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes,**

178 **Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-yes. Yes-**  
179 **8, no-0, bas-0, np-0. Motion carries.**

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181 CA21-197, South/Orick/Requa District Requests

182 Submitted by Councilmembers McCovey, Provolt and Ray

183 **Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Provolt to allocate funds in the**  
184 **amount of \$250,000 for office renovations at Eureka 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, \$2,000,000 for site**  
185 **evaluation/renovation/new build at the Aawok Bonnie Green Site, \$1,500,000 to Orick**  
186 **District for housing, and \$1,500,000 to Requa District for Elder Housing/Village. Roll call:**  
187 **Vice Chairman Myers-yes, Councilmember Hodge-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes,**  
188 **Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes, councilmember Natt-yes,**  
189 **Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-yes. Yes-8, no-0, bas-0, np-0.**  
190 **Motion carries.**

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192 CA21-204, Tribal Council Secretary

193 Submitted by Taralyn Ipiña, Council Operations Director

194 **Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember McCovey pursuant to Article**  
195 **IV, Section 3 of the Yurok Constitution, the Yurok Council elects Sherri Provolt to serve at**  
196 **the as the Tribal Council Secretary. Motion carries by consensus.**

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198 CA21-205, Orick district committee appointments

199 Submitted by Taralyn Ipiña, Council Operations Director

200 **Motion by \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_pursuant to Article IV, Section 1 of the Yurok**  
201 **Constitution, Councilmember Provolt nominates \_\_\_\_\_ to serve on tribal advisory**  
202 **committees. Chairman James appoints committee members with the advice and consent of**  
203 **the Yurok Tribal Council. Agenda item tabled to next round.**

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205 CA21-206, Council delegate/liaison list

206 Submitted by Taralyn Ipiña, Council Operations Director

207 **Motion by \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ for Council to review delegate liaison list and**  
208 **determine appropriate changes if any. Agenda item tabled to next round.**

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210 **Motion by Councilmember McCovey/Councilmember Vanlandingham to suspend the rules**  
211 **and add TC21-010. Motion carries by consensus.**

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213 TC21-010, Missing Person Coordination

214 Submitted by Don Barnes, Amos Pole and Angi Cavaliere

215 **Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Natt to authorize the creation of a task**  
216 **force to address the missing person E. Risling. The emergency task force is to coordinate**  
217 **with the Hoopa Tribe and Yurok Tribal Departments in effort to locate Ms. Risling**  
218 **expeditiously. This includes utilizing tribal business resources to provide community**  
219 **awareness. Motion carries by consensus.**

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221 **EXECUTIVE SESSION: 3:13 pm-3:50pm**

222 Resighini (THPO/Ray)

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224 Vice Chairman Myers does not reenter the meeting after Executive Session. He is excused for  
225 dam removal call.

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227 Action out of Executive Session:

228 **Directive to Dawn Baum, General Counsel and Rosie Clayburn, THPO to work with YTEP and**  
229 **Fisheries regarding the gravel extraction taking place over at Resighini.**

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

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233 **CLOSING PRAYER:** Provided by Chairman James.

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235 **ADJOURN:** 3:53pm

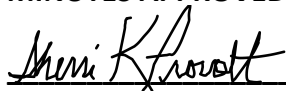
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237 **MINUTES APPROVED ON:**

**November 10, 2021**

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**Sherri K. Provolt, Secretary**

**Date**