ROLL CALL: 10:00am

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

ABSENT: Frankie Myers, Vice Chairman (excused).

STAFF: Don Barnes, Executive Director; Taralyn Ipiña, Council Operations Director; Dawn Baum, General Counsel; Georgiana Gensaw (recorder).

QUORUM: 8 present, 1 absent, quorum present.

OPENING PRAYER: Provided by Councilmember Williams.

REVIEW AGENDA/ADDITIONS/APPROVAL:

Motion by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Hodge to accept the agenda with addition of CA22-062 Starwein Road Update. Motion carries by consensus.

REVIEW CALENDAR/ADDITIONS:

Calendar correction-Orick District meeting is at the Westhaven Fire Hall.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES: None provided.

COUNCIL CHECK IN:

Councilmember Vanlandingham: Pass.

Councilmember Natt: Pass.

Councilmember Ray: I was in the Housing Board meeting yesterday and I know that it's been three years working on the Logan home. It is still not up and running. I guess they're waiting on PG&E and Caltrans to do a right away. I just want to make sure that Executive Director Don Barnes is aware of this. I believe he is our point of contact for Caltrans. Let's try to push this thing through and that we stay focused on completing this home. It's been a long time.

Councilmember Hodge: Pass.
Councilmember Williams: Good morning, I'll keep my report short. This past two weeks, I was appointed to the Tribal Advisory Committee at the State level regarding child welfare to help develop policies and procedures to make our Indian Child Welfare programs better. I've been very happy to be a part of those meetings. Also, I had my district meeting. There discussion about the referendums and it was a very, very good conversation. I am very happy to bring that information out. And finally I have been appointed to a Telecom Corporation Board, and it's really excited to be starting this work and continue to go forward. That'd be my updates for today. Oh, one more. I was in the Natural Resources Committee meeting this week and it went very well developing our fisheries regulations for spring fishery. We've concluded and recommend that we'll be following the same thing we'd done last year. The Natural Resources Committee would like to have a planning session. I think they're coming up on the 21st to meet with Council about some ideas about seal hunts and a long-term fishery plan for fish recovery. Thank you.

Councilmember McCovey: Pass.

Councilmember Provolt: Thank you, George. I wanted to let membership know that there is an Orick District meeting this Saturday at the Westhaven Fire Hall. There'll be our first in-person meeting for some time and we will be taking precautions. I also attended the Head Start Policy Council meeting this week. We did have a quorum and they are working and reviewing the Bylaws. I did request they bring forward the status of children ready for kindergarten. That report will be ready in May and we can be able to see results of kindergarten readiness. It's been certainly a challenging year again with COVID. I want to ask the Tribal Councilmembers to reach out to their Education Advisory Committee appointees. We've not had a quorum for many months and we've been trying to figure out how to get a quorum for our Education Committee, so we can get updates and provide input on all the programs that are happening in Education. So, if you could check with your appointee and see if they're still interested, or if there's another day or time that'll work for them to meet, please have them contact our Education Director. Thank you.

Vice Chairman Myers: Pass.

Chairman James: Pass.

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: None provided.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:
Indian Health Services (I.H.S.) Compact Negotiations (Don Barnes),
Trinidad Lighthouse Letter (Provolt)
Personnel (Hodge)
Land (Ray)
Environmental Issues-legal issues (Williams)

March 9, 2022, Council Planning meeting
AGENDA ITEMS:

Council
CA22-061, Candidate Presentations
Submitted by Taralyn Ipiña
Council to hear presentations from local candidates running for office. Susan Masten, Enrique Ortega.

Motion made by Councilmember Williams/Councilmember Provolt to endorse Susan Masten for 5th District Supervisor for Del Norte County and to provide a letter of support to the Governor Newsom to appoint Susan Masten in the interim. Motion carries by consensus.

Tribal Heritage Preservation Officer
Rosie Clayburn, Nicole Peters, Manuel Sanchez present for agenda item
THPO22-001, Stone Lagoon Visitor Center
Submitted by Rosie Clayburn
Update on the Opening and Operation of Stone Lagoon Visitor Center. Discussed the needs for business licensing, set up of banking, and donation of cash prize for card games.
Discussion only, no action.

Human Resources
Rose Sylvia present for agenda item
HR22-004, Personnel Policy Planning Day
Submitted by Rose Sylvia
Planning day in March or later to review personnel policy modifications. Meeting date was set for March 9, 2022. Review and discussion of Personnel Policies.

LUNCH: 12:00pm - 1:01pm

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: None provided.

AGENDA ITEMS:
Continued after lunch
Human Resources
HR22-004, Personnel Policy Planning Day
Submitted by Rose Sylvia
Planning day in March or later to review personnel policy modifications. Meeting date set for March 9, 2022. Reviewed Sections 1-6. Additional meeting date will be set to review remainder of policies.

Council
CA22-033, Veteran’s Employee Policy
Submitted by Councilmember Williams
Update from staff on new Veterans Employee Policy to provide Yurok Tribe Veterans employee an addition of 8 hours of paid leave in observance of Veterans month. Meeting date to discuss is set for March 9, 2022. This has been included in the new draft of personnel policy under holidays. Discussion only, no action.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 2:28pm - 4:20pm
CA22-062, Starwein Road Update
Indian Health Services (I.H.S.) Compact Negotiations (Don Barnes)
Trinidad Lighthouse Letter (Provolt)
Personnel (Hodge)
Land (Ray)
Environmental Issues-legal issues (Williams)
Strategy-Elders (Natt)

Note: Councilmember Ray left meeting at 3:40pm.

No action out of Executive Session.

Brandi Natt present for agenda item
CA22-062, Starwein Road Update
Submitted by Councilmember Ray


TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: None provided.

CLOSING PRAYER: Provided by Councilmember Ray.

ADJOURN: 4:25pm

MEETING MINUTES APPROVED ON: May 5, 2022

Sherri K. Provolt, Secretary

05/09/2022

Date