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**YUROC TRIBAL COUNCIL  
PLANNING MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2022  
<https://zoom.us/j/92549693537>**

**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.

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

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58 Councilmember McCovey: Pass.

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

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74 Vice Chairman Myers: Pass.

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76 Chairman James: Pass.

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

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80 **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

81 Indian Health Services (I.H.S.) Compact Negotiations (Don Barnes),

82 Trinidad Lighthouse Letter (Provolt)

83 Personnel (Hodge)

84 Land (Ray)

85 Environmental Issues-legal issues (Williams)

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87 **AGENDA ITEMS:**

88 **Council**

89 CA22-061, Candidate Presentations

90 Submitted by Taralyn Ipiña

91 Council to hear presentations from local candidates running for office. Susan Masten, Enrique

92 Ortega.

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

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97 **Tribal Heritage Preservation Officer**

98 Rosie Clayburn, Nicole Peters, Manuel Sanchez present for agenda item

99 THPO22-001, Stone Lagoon Visitor Center

100 Submitted by Rosie Clayburn

101 **Update on the Opening and Operation of Stone Lagoon Visitor Center. Discussed the needs**  
102 **for business licensing, set up of banking, and donation of cash prize for card games.**  
103 **Discussion only, no action.**

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105 **Human Resources**

106 Rose Sylvia present for agenda item

107 HR22-004, Personnel Policy Planning Day

108 Submitted by Rose Sylvia

109 **Planning day in March or later to review personnel policy modifications. Meeting date was**  
110 **set for March 9, 2022. Review and discussion of Personnel Policies.**

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112 **LUNCH:** 12:00pm - 1:01pm

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

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116 **AGENDA ITEMS:**

117 Continued after lunch

118 Human Resources

119 HR22-004, Personnel Policy Planning Day

120 Submitted by Rose Sylvia

121 **Planning day in March or later to review personnel policy modifications. Meeting date set for**  
122 **March 9, 2022. Reviewed Sections 1-6. Additional meeting date will be set to review**  
123 **remainder of policies.**

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125 **Council**

126 CA22-033, Veteran's Employee Policy

127 Submitted by Councilmember Williams

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**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

**Action/discussion regarding Starwein Road update. Brandi Natt gives Council an update.**


**TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:** None provided.

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

**ADJOURN:** 4:25pm

**MEETING MINUTES APPROVED ON:**

**May 5, 2022**

  
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**Sherri K. Provolt, Secretary**

05/09/2022  
**Date**