ROLL CALL: 10:10am

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

ABSENT: Joe James, Chairman (travel)

STAFF: Don Barnes, Executive Director; Taralyn Ipiña, Council Operations Director; Dawn Baum, Office of Tribal Attorney; Georgiana Gensaw (recorder).

QUORUM: 8 present, 1 absent, quorum present.

OPENING PRAYER: Provided by Councilmember Ray.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

Motion by Councilmember Williams/Councilmember Vanlandingham to accept the agenda with additions of ExecDir22-006, CA22-108, and TC22-012. Motion carries by consensus.

CALENDAR:

April 26, All Tribes Consultation with KTJUSD
May 14, College of the Redwood graduation (Honor Guard)
Town Hall and Public Hearings to be added to calendar
May 14, Orick District Meeting
May 20, North District Meeting
August 2-11, Chah-pekw Jump Dance

INTRODUCTION OF NEW TRIBAL EMPLOYEES:

Fire Department: Derrick Branham and Nah-tes Jackson
Prosecutor Office: Brie Bennet
Cultural Department: Lisa Higgins
Grants and Compliance: Jessica Wolsfeld

COUNCIL CHECK IN:

Councilmember Natt: Pass
Councilmember Ray: Pass
Councilmember Hodge: Pass
Councilmember Williams: Pass
Councilmember Provolt: Good morning membership and staff. I wanted to share that some of the Councilmembers were able to attend a Tribal Enrollment Conference recently and learned a lot about tribal enrollment, banishment, and enrollment information relevant to ICWA programs whereas our children are our resources. I took a lot away from that conference and was thankful that Council approved us being able to attend. With that being said we want to have a conversation about the enrollment criteria for the tribe and are scheduling Town Hall Meetings in various locations in May. We will be having a flyer about those dates and places soon and I hope that tribal membership and staff can attend those meetings.
Councilmember McCovey: Pass
Councilmember Vanlandingham: Pass
Vice Chair Myers: Pass
Chairman James: Not present.
TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: None provided.
EXECUTIVE SESSION:
CA22-103, Road Access (Ray)
TC22-012, Justice Center
Personnel (Provolt)
Trinidad Construction (Don Barnes)
Strategy for Board of Supervisors (Ray)
AGENDA ITEMS:
Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Ray to suspend rules and add an agenda item. Motion carries by consensus.
Motion made by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve TC22-007, Dr. Blythe George presentation at 11am. Motion carries by consensus.
Tribal Council
Council
CA22-098, Candidate Presentations
Submitted by Taralyn Ipiña

April 20, 2022, Council Planning Meeting
Presentation and introduction of local candidates running for office. Discussion only, no action.

BREAK: 10:50am – 10:55am

AGENDA ITEMS:
Tribal Court
Dr. Blythe George presents for agenda item
TC22-007, Dr. Blythe George’s Data Advocacy Presentation
Submitted by Jessica Carter
Dr. Blythe George presented her Data Advocacy Build Stronger Systems, Stronger Communities Report to Tribal Council. Discussion only, no action.

Administration Division
Human Resources Department
Rose Sylvia presents for agenda items
HR22-004, Personnel Policy Planning Day
Submitted by Rose Sylvia
Council to set a planning day to review Personnel Policy modifications. Final version of policy handbook to come back to Council in 30 days, May 19, 2022 for further discussion.

CA22-097, Recruitment Strategies
Submitted by Councilmember Provolt
Motion to have Executive Director and Human Resources demonstrate and show council where the CFO position is being advertised, and to receive a report back from Human Resources on implemented recruitment strategies discussed with council on February 14 and March 4, 2022. Discussion only, no action.

Public Health Division
Public Health
PH22-002, Public Health survey results
Submitted by Hollie Strahm
Motion to request a 30 minute planning & discussion with presentation from Public Health student, Lizzie Moore on what public health is and survey results for future public health work. Discussion only, no action.

PH22-003, Public Health Logo
Submitted by Hollie Strahm
Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Hodge to approve the Yurok Tribe’s Public Health Department logo as presented today with Councilmember Williams’ hands. Motion carries by consensus.
LUNCH: 12:03pm – 12:30pm

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: None provided.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Executive Branch

Office of Tribal Attorney

OTA22-024, Controlled Substances Ordinance
Submitted by Annie Perry

Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Ray to review amendments to Controlled Substances Ordinance and to send out for public comment. Roll call: Vice Chairman Myers-Chairing, Councilmember Hodge-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes, Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-yes. Yes-7, no-0, abstaining-0, not present-0. Motion carries.

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: Rose Sylvia: Does this ordinance take into consideration if you live on the Reservation? Or can you live somewhere else and come in because you think you can grow?

OTA22-025, Renew Emergency Lead Ammunition Prohibition Ordinance
Submitted by D. Baum, General Counsel

Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Williams to renew Emergency Lead Ammunition Prohibition Ordinance for an additional 60 days to allow public comment to be scheduled. Roll call: Vice Chairman Myers-Chairing, Councilmember Hodge-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes, Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-np. Yes-6, no-0, abstaining-0, not present-1. Motion carries.

OTA22-027, Exclusion Ordinance
Submitted by D. Baum, General Counsel

Motion by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Hodge to review draft Exclusion Ordinance, provide edits and/or direction, and to send out for public comment. Roll call: Vice Chairman Myers-Chairing, Councilmember Hodge-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes, Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-yes. Yes-7, no-0, abstaining-0, not present-0. Motion carries.

Executive Office

ExecDir22-006, Caltrans D-1 Quarterly Update – Time Sensitive Project
Submitted by Don Barnes, Executive Director

Motion to allow Caltrans 1 hour (from 1:00 – 2:00pm) to present an update on construction projects affecting Yurok Country this construction season. Discussion only, no action.
AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Tribal Council
   - Council
   - Jim McQuillen, Elsie McLaughlin-Feliz and Autumn Jimenez present for agenda item

2. CA22-094, Re-Opening of Head Start Programs
   - Submitted by Councilmember Provolt
   - To discuss Head Start shortened hours, how it effects working families, and to provide options for a stipend to support families who pay for childcare due to current lack of services. Education Director to return next round with options for Council to consider. Item tabled.

3. CA22-095, Re-opening of Tribal buildings
   - Submitted by Councilmember Provolt
   - Motion to discuss timeframe to re-open tribal building and have staff return to work. Discussion only, no action.

4. CA22-101, Lost Coast Wind Proposal
   - Submitted by Vice Chairman Myers
   - Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Hodge to approve Office of Tribal Attorney to develop contract agreement with Lost Coast Wind and approving $36,000 from Morgan Stanley Logging 2 account (xxx217) for this contract. Motion carries by consensus.

Note: Councilmember McCovey left meeting @5:24 and will return in ½ hour.

5. CA22-102, Update on Willow Creek Building
   - Submitted by Councilmember Hodge
   - Motion to update Council on progress of the Willow Creek building remodel. Tabled to April 21, 2022.

6. CA22-104, Klamath Baseball Field
   - Submitted by Councilmember Ray
   - Update with staff on environmental issue and remediation for the Klamath baseball field. Motion by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Hodge for Community Development Division to send out an RFP for baseball park renovation. Motion carries by consensus.

7. CA22-108, Letter of Support
   - Submitted by Vice Chairman Myers
   - Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Williams to approve support letter for Dawn Blake to California Board of Forestry. Motion carries by consensus.
Motion by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Ray to work pass 6pm. Roll call: Vice Chairman Myers-Chairing, Councilmember Hodge-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes, Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-np. Yes-6, no-0, abstaining-0, not present-1. Motion carries.

LITIGATION UPDATE: No update.

PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT(S) UPDATE: None provided.

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: None provided

Note: Councilmember McCovey returns to meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 6:13pm – 6:56pm
CA22-103, Road Access Issue (Ray)
TC22-012, Yurok Justice Center Phase III
Trinidad Construction (Barnes)
Personnel (Provolt)
Strategy for Board of Supervisors (Ray)

Action out of Executive:
CA22-103, Road Access Issue
Submitted by Councilmember Ray

Directive to Office of Tribal Attorney to draft letter to Bureau of Indian Affairs that the Yurok Tribe opposes fee to trust applications within Yurok Ancestral Territory from anyone other than the Yurok Tribe.

TC22-012, Yurok Justice Center Phase III
Submitted by Jessica Carter

Motion to approve the Tribal Court’s request for American Rescue Plan Act funding for the costs to complete the Yurok Justice Center Phase III Construction project in the amount of $791,164. Discussion held, no action.

Del Norte County Board of Supervisors Meeting set for April 26, 2022. Hunter Creek parcel on the agenda.

Personnel matter regarding process for logging mail. Councilmember Provolt (Secretary) to review process with Executive Secretary.

CLOSING PRAYER: Provided by Vice Chairman Myers.

ADJOURN: 6:57pm.
MEETING MINUTES APPROVED ON:  
June 9, 2022

Sherri K. Provolt, Secretary  
June 13, 2022
Date