ROLL CALL: 10:04am

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

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: Don Barnes, Executive Director; Taralyn Ipiña, Chief Operations Officer; Maggie Mais, Office of Tribal Attorney; Georgiana Gensaw, Council Operations Coordinator (recorder).

QUORUM: 9 present, 0 absent, quorum present.

OPENING PRAYER: Provided by Vice Chairman Myers.

REVIEW AGENDA/ADDITIONS/APPROVAL:

Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Williams to approve the agenda with additions of FOR23-008-Travel to DC 12/3-7/2023, FISH23-097- Arcata Office Lease, CA23-320-Travel to Tribal Leaders Summit, and include carry over items from yesterday’s meeting. Motion carries by consensus.

REVIEW CALENDAR/ADDITIONS:

Council
CA23-302, Forestry Department Briefing
Submitted by Councilmember McCovey

Council consensus to have COO to work with Forestry Director to set a date for a work session. To request the Forestry Director to provide a briefing and Strategic Plan to implement a Timber Harvest Plan.

Natural Resources
Environmental Department
ENVR-026, Voluntary Community Driven Relocation Demonstration Project
Submitted by Louisa McCovey

Council consensus to have COO work with Director to identify a date for work session. To request a Council Work Session to discuss the Voluntary Community Driven Relocation Demonstration Project from BIA.
COUNCIL CHECK IN:

Councilmember Williams: Pass

Councilmember Crawford: I would like to address yesterday, I informed all of you that I would be out. In the afternoon an item came out about naming of the East District Office. I found out by a screenshot. I want to publicly say that I think people should be able to suggest names, I personally support the name that was suggested. I would like to add his wife’s name too, I learned a lot from them both, they were teachers in the Indian Shaker Church and of the Yurok culture. Let me know how I can facilitate the naming of this building. I am out on travel today; I will be on for about an hour.

Councilmember Natt: NCIDC’s food cards are out now, $75 for either the Hoopa store, Walmart or the store in Happy Camp. It’s first come, first serve, so hurry up and sign up.

Councilmember McCovey: Pass

Councilmember Ray: Pass

Councilmember Vanlandingham: Pass

Councilmember Provolt: I attended National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) and I want to thank the Council for approving me to attend that. I have never attended previously, and it was really great to be there to cast the Yurok vote for the NCAI President. I had my district meeting on Saturday. Thayallen Gensaw did a great job with Yurok Language Bingo, and he was invited back! We also had Amos Pole come and present the emergency plan. Additionally, Cindy Green, our new Elders Advocate came and met some of our elders. I appreciate staff coming to my meeting on a Saturday.

Vice Chairman Myers: Pass

Chairman James: We had a good discussion yesterday, that’s what we are here to do and it was a good dialogue. I also noticed that Councilmember Williams is wearing his Veteran’s jacket, and I want to acknowledge that event we had up Veteran’s Cemetery and then over at Tulley Creek Firehouse. It was a nice event and well attended. Veterans really liked their jackets. We also met with Colusa Tribe online and talked about some of our shared goals and how we can work together. Tim (Hayden) we need to reach out to Green Diamond and make sure that we have enough wood for our elder’s wood program. Also, I see Amos is putting out his wintertime preparation, which is good and much needed. The weather is only going to be getting worse. The roads are slick, and the rain will be coming.

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: None provided.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

CA23-305, RWE Communication NDA
CA23-306 – RWE Communications Plan
CA23-310 - Paracel B Skeleton Proposal
CA23-311 – Executive Session Re: Enrollment
Legal/Personnel (Vice Chairman Myers)
Personnel (Provolt),
Personnel (Williams),
Investment Portfolio Update (Jason Barr), and

Council

For the record: Chairman James recused himself for agenda item CA23-312 due to a conflict of interest.

CA23-312, East District Office Renaming
Submitted by Councilmember Williams

To discuss the renaming of the East District Yurok Tribal Office. To consider a recent email request. Item pulled. (Councilmember Crawford will resubmit a new agenda item)

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:
Rose Sylvia:

- Pecwan district, I would like to have some input into this issue and it isn't specifically for this issue. It is in the naming of our buildings, and we continue to use the term aawok and I'm not a fan of that. I would prefer that you just use those people's names with the family permission. For the Bonnie Green Building, I have I talked to her grandson, and I asked him if it was OK if I did not use aawok when I referenced the building because she was a powerful woman.

- We have beautiful words in Yurok. I think a lot of Yurok tribal members regardless of where the building is located should have some input. Thank you.

CONSENT ITEMS:
Natural Resources
Fisheries Department
FISH23-096, Wiyot Tribe Letter of Support
Submitted by Barry McCovey, Jr.

Motion made by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to retroactively authorize Chairman to sign a letter of support for the Wiyot Tribe and a proposal they are submitting for Eel River Restoration projects. Motion carries by consensus.

AGENDA ITEMS:
Natural Resources
Fisheries Department
FISH23-095, Hewlett Foundation
Submitted by Barry McCovey Jr

Motion made by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to authorize the Fisheries Department to enter into the attached agreement with the Hewlett Foundation for
FISH23-097, Arcata Office Lease
Submitted by Barry McCovey, Jr.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Ray to authorize Fisheries Department to enter into the attached lease agreement for additional office space in Arcata, CA and to approve Resolution #23-127 granting a Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity in favor of Complete Property Management. Roll call: Vice Chairman Myers-yes, Councilmember Crawford-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes, Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-yes. Yes-8, no-0, abstaining-0, not present-0. Motion carries.

Office of Emergency Services
OES23-007, FEMA Training for Tribal Leaders Authorization
Submitted by Amos Pole

Motion made by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham for a 4-hour course to Council and Executive Branch. Request for tribal council to approve ED to sign authorization request FEMA Tribal Liaison to deliver the L0583 Emergency Management Overview for Tribal Leaders. Tentative course date in January-February 2024, Request must be submitted to FEMA, before final date can be set for course delivery. January 8, 2024, as selected date. Motion carries by consensus.

FOR23-008, House Natural Resources Subcommittee Hearing for Federal Lands
Submitted by Dawn Blake

Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Williams to approve Forestry Director, Dawn Blake to be a witness for the House Natural Resources Subcommittee Hearing for Federal Lands regarding the topic of Expanding Tribal Forest Management including travel to Washington, DC December 4-8, 2023. Motion carries by consensus.

ExecDir23-021, Elder Distribution
Submitted by Don Barnes

Motion made by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve the transfer of $102,400 from Morgan Stanley #xxx217 (Logging 2) to Morgan Stanley #xxx575 (elders Acct) to fund payment of $100 for all Tribal Elders (60 years or older by December 31, 2023) pursuant to the General Welfare Ordinance. Funds to be transferred to Yurok Operating account for processing. Chairman to sign all related documents. Motion carries by consensus.

Break: 11:06am-11:19am

AGENDA ITEMS:
Executive Office

November 28, 2023, Council Action Meeting
Office of Self Governance

OSG23-014, BIA Contract Support Cost Letter
Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Williams to approve a letter to the BIA stating that the OSG policy does not need to be amended. Motion carries by consensus.

Planning & Community Development Division
Planning Department

P23-051, Indian Health Services Memorandum of Agreement
Submitted by Che’shepe James-Robinson

Motion made by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve and Authorize Chairman to sign Indian Health Services MOA CA23-D48 and any associated minor amendments to project. I.H.S to provide water and wastewater assistance to twenty-eight (28) Tribal Households. Motion carries by consensus.

Council

CA23-301, Endorsement of Candidate
Submitted by Chairman James

To endorse Adam Schiff for California State Senator seat (Formally Senator Feinstein’s seat). Item tabled.

CA23-304, Call for Cease Fire
Submitted by Vice Chair Myers

Motion made by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to request Yurok Tribal Council to take official stand to call for a Cease Fire. Motion carries by consensus.

CA23-308, Promise Neighborhood Travel
Submitted by Councilmember Williams

Motion made by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Natt to approve travel for Councilmember Williams and Councilmember Ray to attend 2023 Promise Neighborhoods and Full-Service Community Schools Conference on December 11-13 in Washington, DC. Motion carries by consensus.

CA23-309, Bluff Creek Resort Management
Submitted by Vice Chair Myers

Motion made by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to transfer management of Bluff Creek Resort from the Yurok Economic Development Corporation (YEDC) to the Yurok Indian Housing Authority (YIHA) contingent on YEDC and YIHA Board approvals. Motion carries by consensus.

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:
Che’shepe James-Robinson: I am the YIHA rep for Weitchpec, we wanted to have the project stay in Weitchpec because the grant was here for Weitchpec.

Noreen Jones: This was called Greasy Spoon a long time ago. We do need to take care of our Veterans. There was person who passed away about 10 years ago and it was a disease that was going to consume her, and no one wanted to take care of her because she was contagious. If there was a place for people to go like that.

Lori Hodge: I am worried about the word, “transitional” and that’s the word Nicole said yesterday. Remember the difficulties we had the last time we had transitional housing there. We had people who didn’t want to leave, who couldn’t leave. I would want Council to maintain some kind of control over it, because we need more housing opportunities for those working on the river projects, for economic reasons, for tourists and fishermen.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Council
CA23-316, Appointment Terms
Submitted by Councilmember Vanlandingham
Discussion/Action on adjusting Chief Judge contract to coincide with term of appointment of the Chairperson. Item tabled to Council Retreat.

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:

Lori Hodge: You can put anything you want in a contract if the ordinance already says 3 years.

CA23-317, NCAIED 40 Under 40
Submitted by Councilmember Provolt
Motion made by Councilmember Williams/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve a letter of support for Pam Ames for National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development (NCAIED) 40 under 40 award. Motion carries by consensus.

CA23-319, October 24-25, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes
Submitted by Councilmember Provolt
Motion made by Councilmember Williams/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve edits and corrections of Council meeting minutes for October 24-25, 2023, Council Gaming Meeting Minutes, Council Finance Meeting Minutes, Council Planning/Action Meeting minutes. Motion carries by consensus.

CA23-297, Legal Opinion on Executive Session
Submitted by Councilmember Crawford
Action/Discussion directive to General Counsel to provide the Tribal Council with a legal opinion on when a Councilmember can be excluded from Executive Session. Item tabled.

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:

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Rose Sylvia: I was listening yesterday; I really think that you should consider changing your time of your meetings and the availability of the meeting times. My district meetings are held during working hours, so there’s no chance to have any input. There’s never any mailouts for any input. I have always been involved; I would like an easier opportunity for Tribal members to participate. I would say weekday evening. It is rough when you work all week and then must work on Saturday.

Lori Hodge: Even when you change meetings up, the word doesn’t really get out there. The only thing that gets out there is the agenda. At least if the corresponding memo for each item was provided along with the agenda, that would help. I really wish you would consider adding the memos to the agenda items.

Noreen Jones: I would like to be at all the Council meetings, but I have a lot going on, I have people to take care of. When we are sitting out here and watching you up there. You are making decisions that affect the whole Tribe. As a Council, I think you are doing a pretty good job, but you could do a little bit better. Thank you for having us today. Speaking of yesterday, we mentioned our dad for the building being named after. Our dad was one of the people who pushed for this tribe.

Dewey Jones: I would like to speak for my grandfather and to name the East District Office to honor him and his legacy. I lived next door to him growing up. I would get off school and I would hear him singing. He was a singer and a language teacher. He was a full-blooded Yurok. He told me a story, he was a little kid when he got taken away to boarding school, he was 5 years old. This is what came to my mind when they told me the idea of naming the building after him. They tried to beat the language out of him. He was a dancer, singer, teacher, father, and grandfather. To honor his legacy is a beautiful thing. They brought back the brush dance, jump dance. I still sing his songs to this day. My sister works and speaks the Yurok language every day, that’s because my grandpa and grandma taught us to share what we know. All these other elders that have these buildings named after them, it’s a beautiful thing to honor them.

LUNCH: 12:45pm-1:45pm

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:

Herman Quinn:
- The estuary, what is the plan for Requa? I guess there’s more plans to make something, a better park, better seating, trails and stuff like that, but when are they going to look at it, it’s like at the sand pit in the middle of the estuary, man.
- It's important to all of us. It's important to all the Yurok tribal members. Our community, the river, and the fish. It’s our resource, so it's important to us.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Executive Session: 1:22pm-2:50pm

CA23-305, RWE Communication NDA
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<td>Motion made by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve Yurok Tribal Council to officially endorses Vice Chairman Frankie Joe Myers as candidate for California State Assembly 2nd District for 2024 State Election. Roll call: Vice Chairman Myers-np, Councilmember Crawford-np, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes, Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-yes. Yes-6, no-0, abstaining-0, not present-2. Motion carries.</td>
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<td>Charlene Colegrove: Yeah, I got a question. So, you have got to allocate funds and use the money. I don't even know how to explain it. I don’t even understand what he said.</td>
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Motion made by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Provolt to approve travel for Councilmember Williams to the Tribal Leaders Summit, December 5-8, 2023, Washington, DC in place of Chairman James. Motion carries by consensus.

CA23-314, Bluff Creek Campground Potential Uses
Submitted by Councilmember Ray

Action/Discussion regarding Bluff Creek Campground and potential uses and/or transfer to another Tribal entry. Request to have Executive Directors from Yurok Indian Housing Authority and Yurok Economic Development Corporation present for agenda item. Item pulled.

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:
Herman Quinn: How are you able to do that? Are there bylaws that you follow to be able to do that?

CLOSING PRAYER: Provided by Councilmember Williams.

ADJOURN: 3:28pm

MEETING MINUTES APPROVED ON: December 13, 2023

Sherri K. Provolt, Secretary

12/15/23