ROLL CALL: 10:00am

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

ABSENT: Lana McCovey, South District (excused).

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

QUORUM: 8 present, 1 absent, quorum present.

OPENING PRAYER: Provided by Councilmember Ray.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Hodge to accept the agenda with additions of CA22-003 Elders Assistance, CA22-007 Chief Financial Officer Position, and CA22-008 Political Donation. Motion carries by consensus.

CALENDAR:

January-CDFI Work Session (to be scheduled).

COUNCIL CHECK IN:

Councilmember Provolt: Skue-yen’ ‘ue koy, this pandemic is not over. The numbers of people infected are getting worse if you look at the day by day numbers. We should work with our Public Health Officer and see what we can do for our employees. I know schools are being affected by this and even shutting back down. We need to be looking for our staff and protecting our families.

Councilmember Natt: Pass.

Councilmember Ray: I’ve been contacted by a few employees who are on quarantine right now and there is no leave for them. Especially for employees who don’t accrue (sick) time, they are just out of that time (pay). If we could look and see what we can do, especially for those who don’t have the time. If we could take a look at the policy sometime soon that would be good.
Councilmember Hodge: I want to give a shout out to our staff for responding to this latest storm that devastated my area. Thank you, Don Barnes, for leading the team. If anyone is still struggling, please contact Elizabeth at the Weitchpec Office. Please call and let them know you want to speak to someone because you are struggling. Our team is out there helping people. Thank you very much.

Councilmember Williams: At my district meeting, they mentioned to have the links to meetings on the website. The website is a little hard to navigate. The elders asked to have their elder checks approved at the beginning of the month, this time it was cutting to close to Christmas.

Councilmember McCovey: Not present.

Councilmember Vanlandingham: Pass.

Vice Chair Myers: Pass.

Chairman James: Happy New Year to Council, our staff, and Tribal Membership. Beyond Happy New Year, the Tribe has worked to move the needle forward. We are continuing to work to create these anchors for our people for 5 and 10 years down the road. It’s exciting that our government is growing, our corporations are growing, and the Housing Authority is growing. It’s exciting, we had a very good meeting with our Corporations yesterday and we hope to be able to share that with our membership very soon. These are the fruits that will service our tribal members, it will be exciting to share that. I want to say thank you to the Council, to our staff.

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: None provided.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: P21-085, Closing Documents, P21-086, French Camp, CA21-239, Fire Building, Tribal Council Payroll (Vice Chairman Myers), Land Access (Councilmember Ray).

CONSENT ITEMS: None provided.

PRESENTATIONS:

Yurok Tribe Financial Reports reported by Jill Mix, Controller Financials ending November 30, 2021.

POLL VOTES:
Watershed WS21-009, Approval - #21-128 Resolution Submitted by Richard Nelson

January 7, 2022 Council Finance/Planning/Action meeting
Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Provolt to ratify a poll vote conducted on December 30, 2021 to approve Resolution #21-128 with edits providing a Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity in favor of CMH Homes, Inc., and to have the Chairman sign all corresponding sales agreements necessary for purchase as reviewed and approved by Yurok legal. Motion carries by consensus.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Human Resources

HR21-023, Yurok Tribe Organization Charts
Submitted by Rose Sylvia

Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve Yurok Tribe organizational charts with edits: Executive Branch, Community Development Division, Executive Office, Administrative Division, Natural Resources Division, Public Safety Division and Ner-gery ‘Oohl’ Division. Roll call; Vice Chair Myers-yes, Councilmember Hodge-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-no, Councilmember Natt-no, Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-np. Yes-5, No-2, Abs-0, Not present-1. Motion carries.

HR21-024, Chief Operations Officer Job Description
Submitted by Rose Sylvia

Discuss the job description for Chief Operations Officer. Item tabled.

LUNCH: 12:00pm - 1:00pm

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: None provided.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Health and Human Services

YHHS21-047, Suicide Prevention Clinical Supervision
Submitted by Shoshoni Gensaw-Hostler

Motion by Councilmember Natt/Vice Chairman Myers to approve Chairman’s signature on sole source contract for specialized Substance and Mental Health Administration Clinical Supervision by Shane Calhoun to Associate Marriage and Family Therapist Shoshoni Gensaw-Hostler. Motion carries by consensus.

January 7, 2022 Council Finance/Planning/Action meeting
YHHS21-048, Title IV E & Subpart II FY22 Budget
Submitted by Alita Redner

Motion by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve budget and Project # for Title IV B Subpart II funding. Motion carries by consensus.

YHHS21-072, Child Abuse Prevention Supplemental Grant
Submitted by Valerie Ryles

Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Provolt to approve the request for the Chairman to sign the Letter of Intent and obtain a specific Project Code for the ARPA-CBCAP Supplemental Grant. Motion carries by consensus.

YHHS21-073, Title IV E
Submitted by Valerie Ryles

Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Williams to approve the attached budget modification (YR4) – Project #8284 – Title IV-E Program. Motion carries by consensus.

Tribal Court
TC21-024, Dr. Blythe George contract
Submitted by Angi Cavaliere

Motion by Vanlandingham/Councilmember Provolt to approve the contract with Dr. Blythe George for data collection and analysis in conjunction with the To’Kee Skuy’ Soo Ney-wochek’ MMIW Program and authorize Chairman to sign. Motion carries by consensus.

TC21-027, Nan Benally contract
Submitted by Angi Cavaliere and Kendall Allen-Guyer

Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Natt to approve the contract with Nan Benally as research assistant to the data analysts for the To’Kee Skuy’ Soo Ney-wochek program and authorize Chairman to sign. Motion carries by consensus.

Environmental
YTEP21-062, Native American Agriculture Grant Fund
Submitted by Louisa McCovey

Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Provolt to approve Resolution #21-107 with edits, including Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity in favor of Native American Agriculture Fund, accept infrastructure grant for YTEP, and authorize Chairman to sign and Secretary to attest. Roll call; Vice Chair Myers-yes, Councilmember Hodge-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes, Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-np. Yes-7, No-0, Abs-0, Not present-1. Motion carries.

YTEP21-063, NIFA Community Food Project Grant
Motion by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Provolt to allow the YTEP Food Sovereignty Division to apply the NIFA Community Food Project Grant for a total $399,999 over four years, with full indirect allowable and 1:1 match requirement met by YTEP through a combination of State and private foundation funding already awarded. Motion carries by consensus.

Fisheries
FISH21-091, Budget Modifications 7054 and 7092
Submitted by Barry McCovey, Jr.

Motion by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Hodge to authorize the Fisheries Department to modify project codes 7054 and 7092 as described in the attached memo and budget modification spreadsheets. Motion carries by consensus.

Watershed
WS21-010, Wester Rivers Conservancy
Submitted by Richard Nelson

Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Ray to approve contract with Western Rivers for permitting on the NCRP Upgrading Critical Infrastructure in the Blue Creek Salmon Sanctuary. Motion carries by consensus.

Wildlife
WILD21-027, Barred Owl Removal
Submitted by Tiana Williams-Claussen

Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Williams to approve submission of application to the Bureau of Indian Affairs Invasive Species Removal opportunity to support removal of invasive barred owl, any necessary Chairman signatures, and, if needed, match of indirect cost support, currently calculated at $25,992. Motion carries by consensus.

WILD21-028, Barred Owl Monitoring
Submitted by Tiana Williams-Claussen

Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve submission of application to the Bureau of Indian Affairs Invasive Species Removal opportunity to support monitoring of invasive barred owl, any necessary Chairman signatures, and if needed, match of indirect cost support, currently calculated at $25,992. Motion carries by consensus.

WILD21-029, Feral Cattle Removal
Submitted by Tiana Williams-Claussen

Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Williams to approve submission of application to the Bureau of Indian Affairs Invasive Species Removal opportunity to support removal and management of feral cattle, any necessary Chairman signatures, and, if
needed, match of indirect cost support, currently calculated at $25,992. Motion carries by consensus.

**Council**

**CA21-235, Carbon Credit Sales Transfer**
Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Provolt to approve funds received from recent carbon credit sales, less approved amount allocated for Forestry Management, to be deposited into Morgan Stanley CWSRF Repayment Fund (xxx712) in the amount of $750,000.00. Motion carries by consensus.

**CA21-236, CARES Funding**
Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

To review and discuss any unspent CARES funding. Directive to Executive Director to report back to Council.

**CA21-237, Prey-go-neesh Certificate of Good Standing**
Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

Motion by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Hodge to retroactively approve Certificate of Good Standing dated 12/17/21 for Prey-go-neesh Construction Corporation to update the SAM registration per request of Pamela Ames, CEO. Motion carries by consensus.

**BREAK:** 2:03pm - 2:10pm

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** 2:10pm - 3:31pm

P21-085, Closing Documents, P21-086, French Camp, and CA21-239, Fire Building

**Action out of Executive Session:**

**CA21-238, Fire Building**
Submitted by Councilmember Williams


**CA21-239, North District Building Renovation**
Submitted by Councilmember Williams

Action/Discussion regarding the new North District building to be renovated for a childcare facility. Directive to Executive Director will report back to Council.

**CA21-240, Use of Corporate Seal**
Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

To discuss process of use of Yurok Tribe’s Corporate Seal. Directive to Office of Tribal Attorney to report back to Council and to include THPO.
Planning
P21-086, French Camp
Submitted by Michael Gerace

Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Provolt to approve vacant land property Purchase Agreement and associated Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity in favor of seller via Resolution #22-02 with edits, and authorize Chairman to sign and Secretary to attest. Roll call; Vice Chairman Myers-yes, Councilmember Hodge-yes, Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes, Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-np. Yes-7, No-0, Abs-0, Not present-1. Motion carries.

CA22-003, Elder Assistance
Submitted by Councilmember Vanlandingham

Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Williams to approve $500 donation to Tribal Member elder for installation of ADA medical equipment. Funding to come from budget 50 GL 6170 Unit 45 (Weitchpec District). Motion carries by consensus.

CA22-007, CFO Position
Submitted by Tribal Council

Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Williams to modify Finance Director job description to reflect changes as discussed at the December 13, 2021 Council Retreat. Modify position title to Chief Financial Officer and adjust salary to grade 14. Motion carries by consensus.

CA22-008, Political Donation
Submitted by Chairman James

Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Williams to authorize political contributions of $10,000 from budget 50 GL 6390 ($5,000) and GL 6397 ($5,000). Motion carries by consensus.

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: None provided.

CLOSING PRAYER: Provided by Councilmember Williams.

ADJOURN: 3:40pm

MEETING MINUTES APPROVED ON: February 15, 2022

Sherri K. Provolt, Secretary

Date 02/220222