

1 **YUROK TRIBAL COUNCIL**
2 **ACTION MEETING**
3 **THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024**
4 **KLAMATH TRIBAL OFFICE**
5 <https://zoom.us/j/92549693537>

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7 **ROLL CALL:** 10:00am

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

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14 **ABSENT:** None

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16 **STAFF:** Don Barnes, Executive Director; Maggie Mais, Deputy General Counsel;
17 Michael Maranger, Chief Financial Officer, Megan Siasosi, Self-Governance
18 Director; Georgiana Gensaw (recorder).

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20 **QUORUM:** 9 present, 0 absent, quorum present.

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22 **OPENING PRAYER:** Provided by Vice Chairman Myers.

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24 **REVIEW AGENDA/ADDITIONS/APPROVAL:**

25 **Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Crawford to accept the**
26 **agenda with additions of OTA24-013 and CA24-080. Motion carries by consensus.**

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28 **REVIEW CALENDAR/ADDITIONS:**

29 **Administration Division**

30 *Human Resources Department*

31 HR24-010, Personnel Policies Work Session Request

32 Submitted by Daraxa Mattice

33 **Council consensus to set May 8, 2024, 10am-12pm for the requested work session with**
34 **Council to review Personnel Policies.**

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36 **Natural Resources Division**

37 *Environmental Department*

38 ENVR24-007, Council Work Session Request

39 Submitted by Louisa McCovey

40 **Council consensus to set May 22, 2024, for the requested Council Work Session to discuss the**
41 **Environmental Department's application to the US EPA's Environmental Justice Community**
42 **Change Grant Program.**

44 **Public Safety Division**
45 *Emergency Services Department*
46 OES24-003, Emergency Communications Manual
47 Submitted by Amos Pole

48 **Council consensus to set June 5, 2024, for the requested 1.5-2 hour Working Session with**
49 **Tribal Council and the Executive Office. Review: ECM, Rave Mobile Safety Mass Notification**
50 **System, Standard Operating Procedures, User Guide, and Approval Process.**

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52 **Executive Branch**
53 *Office of Self-Governance*
54 OSG24-004, Climate Action Plan
55 Submitted by Megan Siasoi

56 **Council consensus to set May 8, 2024, for the requested planning session to discuss moving**
57 **forward with the Climate Action Plan.**

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59 **Council**
60 CA24-072, Orick Community Services District Meeting
61 Submitted by Councilmember Provolt
62 Schedule a meeting with Orick Community Services District Board to discuss opportunities to
63 work together on projects in the Orick District.

64 **Council consensus that Councilmember Provolt will attend the May 8, 2024, Orick Community**
65 **Service District Meeting, if another Councilmember is able to join.**

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67 **COUNCIL CHECK IN:**
68 **Councilmember Provolt:** Pass.

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70 **Councilmember Natt:** Pass.

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72 **Councilmember Ray:** Pass.

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74 **Councilmember Crawford:** I have an East District meeting today from 6pm-8pm. I hope I get a
75 lot of participants. I did reach out to Mr. Sanchez, he said there was a couple request for to be
76 done with the day labor. Thank you.

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78 **Councilmember Williams:** We are having a North District meeting this Saturday from 1pm-3pm.
79 I know we also had some tribal member comments yesterday and I would like to get an update
80 about TERO. Thank you.

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82 **Councilmember McCovey:** I have a South District meeting Monday the 29th and it will be
83 online. Victoria Carlson from language will be presenting and so will Cindy Green from Elder
84 Services. Thank you.

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86 **Councilmember Vanlandingham:** Pass.

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88 **Vice Chair Myers:** Thank you for all of your hard work.

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90 **Chairman James:** Pass

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92 **TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:**
93 Charlene Colegrove: I would like to have my comment by the end of the day.

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95 **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**
96 Legal (Vice Chairman)
97 Personnel (Provolt)
98 Personnel (Ray)
99 TERO wages

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101 **AGENDA ITEMS:**
102 **Administration Division**
103 *Human Resources Department*
104 HR24-008, Fire Department’s Job Description and Organization Chart
105 Submitted by Daraxa Mattice

106 **Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Vice Chairman Myers**
107 **to approve updated job descriptions, one new job description and the associated**
108 **organizational chart, UPDATED: Fire Chief, Division Chief, Battalion Chief Operations or Fuel,**
109 **Fire Planner, Fire Planner, Fire Captain, Fore Engineer, Heavy Equipment Operator, Fire**
110 **Fighter I, Fire Fighter II, Fire Fighter II- Women in Fire, Hazardous Fuels Reduction Crew. NEW:**
111 **Fire Coordinator. Motion carries by consensus.**

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113 HR24-011, Promised Neighborhood’s Job Description and Organization Chart
114 Submitted by Daraxa Mattice

115 **Motion made by Councilmember Natt/Vice Chairman Myers to approve updated job**
116 **description for Promise Neighborhood Director and organizational chart. Motion carries by**
117 **consensus.**

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119 OTA24-013, Yurok Telecommunications Corporations Bylaws
120 Submitted by Alex Mesher

121 **Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Williams to approve Yurok**
122 **Telecommunications Corporation Bylaws. Motion carries by consensus.**

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124 **Natural Resources Division**
125 *Fisheries Department*
126 FISH24-021, 2023 Fishery Disaster Declaration
127 Submitted by Barry McCovey, Jr.

128 **Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Vice Chairman Myers to approve the**
129 **attached 2023 commercial fishery disaster declaration and approval of associated Resolution**
130 **#24-037 and authorize Chairman to sign and Secretary to attest. Motion carries by consensus.**

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132 **TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:**

133 Jewel Frank: How soon will you be able to pay these people? They are waiting to be able to pay
134 their bills.

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136 *Wildlife Department*
137 WILD24-006, Omen Cultural Plaque
138 Submitted by Tiana Williams-Claussen

139 ~~**Motion made by Councilmember Williams/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve**~~
140 ~~**proposed language identified in memo for inclusion in signage associated with the False**~~
141 ~~**Klamath Cove Special closure, to incorporate Yurok Acknowledgement. Motion withdrawn.**~~
142 ~~**Item tabled.**~~

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144 WILD24-007, Yurok/Redwood National Park Condor General Agreement
145 Submitted by Tiana Williams-Claussen

146 **Motion made by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve a general**
147 **agreement with Redwood National Park in support of Yurok Condor Restoration and the joint**
148 **collaboration known as the Northern California Condor Restoration Program, and all**
149 **necessary Chairman Signature. Motion carries by consensus.**

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151 **Community Development Division**
152 *Transportation Department*
153 T24-011, Title VI Plan and Title VI Resolution
154 Submitted by Patty Ulmer

155 **Motion made by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Provolt to approve the Title VI Plan**
156 **and Title VI Resolution #24-012, and authorize Chairman to sign, and Secretary to attest.**
157 **Motion carries by consensus.**

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159 **BREAK: 11:04am -11:15pm**

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161 **AGENDA ITEMS:**
162 **Council**

163 CA24-073, Wellness Village Next Steps
164 Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

165 **Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Vice Chairman Myers to proceed in hiring**
166 **the Director of Health Services, funding to come from CA Wellness Foundation. Direct staff to**
167 **inquire about additional lands surrounding the Wellness Site to build an outpatient service,**
168 **and direct staff to seek legal consultants to assist the Yurok Tribe regarding Indian Health**
169 **Services funds. Motion carries by consensus.**

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171 CA24-075, Chah-pek Jump Dance Liability Insurance Coverage
172 Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

173 **Motion made by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Crawford to approve adding Chah-**
174 **pek Neek We Ley-Goo (Jump Dance) on the Yurok Tribe’s Certificate of Liability Insurance for**
175 **the period of June 1, 2024 – July 31, 2024. Motion carries by consensus.**

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177 CA24-076, Client Services Department Lead over Ada Charles Emergency Operations Center
178 Submitted by Councilmember Ray

179 **Motion made by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Williams to approve to have Client**
180 **Services Department lead Department over Ada Waukell Charles Emergency Operations**
181 **Center to have Client Services Dept prepare the multipurpose room as a computer lab, etc.**
182 **For. To move forward with staffing at the Ada Charles Center. Roll call: Vice Chairman Myers-**
183 **yes, Councilmember Crawford=yes, Councilmember Ray=yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-**
184 **yes, Councilmember Provolt=yes, Councilmember Natt=yes, Councilmember Williams=yes,**
185 **Councilmember McCovey=no. Yes-7, no-1, abstain-0, not present-0. Motion carries.**

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187 **TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:**

188 Elizabeth Davis: I would like to make a request for a process to be developed for when a tribal
189 member comments- we would like to see some action. We want to see if there is some way to
190 track those requests after Council says yes, they are going to follow up. There’s no way of
191 getting any kind of follow through after you make Tribal member comment.

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193 Jewel Frank: I just wanted to mention that participation with Tribal Members and Tribal elders.
194 I miss my people and I get to reconnect with them at these meetings. The lack of transportation
195 being offered to these meetings is a big deal, gas prices are high right now. There has been a
196 huge disruption of elders being able to attend Council Meetings. I did enjoy seeing the youth
197 being here. I do miss having the elders being here, I would like to see someone more of our
198 elders here at these meetings and having input.

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200 **LUNCH: 11:54am-12:45pm**
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202 **TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:**

203 Herman Quinn:

- 204 • I am worried about the sediment coming down from the dam removal. In the estuary
205 there is a sand pit in the middle of it. One concern is, again, the estuary reason, on the
206 dam process where they're doing it, they’re taking that soot from whatever, the
207 reservoir side and putting it directly in the river.
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- 209 • It's like, is there anybody monitoring that or is there anybody going to do they have any
210 concerns on the effecting problems, in my opinion. I was just wondering if there's
211 something that we do.

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213 Joe Nix:

- 214 • I want to ask about the community gardens, during election time I heard a lot about
215 food sovereignty and community gardens. It's springtime and our gardens should be
216 getting started, the nursery was turnkey when we purchased it. What is the delay? Why
217 not get started now and then later come back and do canning workshops? I think the
218 community is willing to work on these gardens. Me personally, I am speaking for, and I
219 know many other people would rather be eating fresh and good than food
220 commodities.
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- 222 • I heard a lot about food sovereignty and food security and feeding the people. Well, that
223 was years ago. The community gardens are still empty. You know, we need to be
224 maybe working as one. Everything can start there in the nursery where, like I said, it's
225 turnkey. I mean, it's right there.
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- 227 • It's ready to go. It's been operational for years. There's no reason why it should be
228 sitting stagnant right now. And like I said, the time is now to be getting our, to be
229 getting our seeds in the ground for, you know, a later harvest. Maybe do, maybe do a
230 big community harvest where you can come back here or wherever you choose and do
231 canning workshops, you know, the people can come in and they can, they can be a part
232 of that.
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- 234 • I feel like we have, we have the necessary resources. The membership is willing to help
235 maintain these gardens. Many people will agree with me.
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239 **EXECUTIVE SESSION: 12:48-1:40pm.**

240 Legal (Vice Chairman Myers),
241 Personal (Councilmember Provolt)
242 Personnel (Ray)
243 TERO wages
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245 No action out of Executive Session.
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247 **CLOSING PRAYER:** Provided by Councilmember Williams.
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249 **ADJOURN:** 1:42pm.
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251 **MEETING MINUTES APPROVED ON: May 22, 2024**
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255 **Sherri K. Provolt, Secretary**

6/28/24

Date