ROLL CALL: 10:00am

PRESENT: Joe James, Frankie Myers, Sherri Provolt, Mindy Natt, Lori Hodge, Toby Vanlandingham, Lana McCovey, Phillip Williams

ABSENT: Ryan Ray (excused from today’s meeting)

STAFF: Don Barnes, Earl Jackson, Taralyn Ipina, Angel Escobar (recorder), Dawn Baum

QUORUM: 8 present, 1 absent, quorum present

OPENING PRAYER: Provided by Chairman James.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:
Motion made by Councilmember Natt /Councilmember Williams to accept the agenda with addition of W21-003. Motion carries by consensus.

CALENDAR:
April 28th 6pm-8pm North District Meeting
Natural Resource Committee Meeting: Rescheduled to Monday April 12th 5:00pm-7:00pm
April 25th Pecwan District Meeting 1pm-3pm
North District Meeting May 27th 6pm-8pm

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES:
Angie introduced the new staff members for Tribal Court; Rochelle Brown and Kendal Allen-Guyer. Rochelle will be working in tribal courts as the new elder Social Worker and Family Law Guardianship Worker. Kendal Allen-Guyer is the new Project Manager for the MMAW program.

COUNCIL CHECK IN:
Councilmember Vanlandingham: Pass
Councilmember McCovey: Pass (was having internet problems)

Councilmember Williams: North District members shared suggestions are for the American Rescue Plan funds. North District members would like to see more job opportunities and trainings for tribal members. Also, our elders spoke up about how under appreciated the staff are and that they deserve a raise and more appreciation for all the work they do.
Councilmember Hodge: I would like to give a friendly reminder of the upcoming East District meeting on 4/12 and also to get the word out about YEDC Board vacancies. They are still accepting applications.

Councilmember Ray: Not present.

Councilmember Natt: Pass

Councilmember Provolt: An Orick District Meeting was held on Saturday, April 3, 2021. Thank you to all members who took time to attend this meeting and provide comment. A special Thank you to Don Barnes for attending the meeting. Don talked about his education and work experience, along with sharing his family ties. Don answered several questions from our membership. A special Thank you to Jessica Engle and Forrest James for providing a presentation on Broadband project(s). Orick District is excited that this infrastructure will have vast improvements not only to residents, but to the local economy. Other items discussed included 1) the proposed map of the Orick District -South Boundary line. Orick District members are not in favor of this recommendation and do not feel this change is in best interest of the small community. If this referendum is to proceed, members asked for an opinion from the Cultural Committee and suggested the Yurok Tribe reach out to Wiyot Tribe for their input. 2) Members felt the breakdown of the CARES funding and expenditures has not yet been reported out to membership as requested; as well as the financial reporting from the Corporations are not being reported out as outline in their charters. 3) Members are concerned that they are not aware of the projects forthcoming to bid on; and relayed the request to TERO ordinance be followed, including projects with YIHA and the Corporations. There remains concerns that tribal members are being charged TERO fees. 4) Membership inquired about Carbon Credit dollars, and stated these funds are not Council discretionary funds, but are tribal dollars, and should be discussed with membership. 5) Members also expressed the need for long term elder care. 6) As more people begin traveling this spring, there is a need for the Shoreline Deli to extend hours. Current hours are 7am-7pm. I have observed many people stopping to get gas especially since it is still daylight, but the business is closed. Lastly, we also took time to recognize the Elders Food Program and thank the staff for this work.

Vice Chair Myers: Pass

Chairman James: Brief update on the calls received about how scarce our water is and the plans of water being released by the Bureau of Reclamation. Membership directed to speak with their District Representatives in regard to the American Rescue Plan. Chairman James was able to get on the calls with the BIA and the Treasury this last week. Chairman and Vice Chair will be doing a field tour of the Trinity Restoration with Senator Hoffman.
TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:
Kelly Lindgren: Hi my name is Kelly Lindgren from South District, when is council going to
discuss the revising of the Orick and south district boundaries? And when will membership get
to weigh in on this? Thank you.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:
Business Opportunity
Dam Negotiations
Personal Issue

AGENDA ITEMS:
Council
CA21-063, Honoring of Dave Hillemeier
Submitted By: Taralyn Ipina, Council Operations Director
Motion made by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Williams to ratify Resolution #21-24, Honoring Dave Hillemeier for his many years of dedicated service to the Yurok Tribe and respected employee of the Yurok Tribe for over 27 years, working passionately to advance the goals of the Yurok People. Roll call; Vice Chair Myers-yes, Councilmember Hodge-yes, Councilmember Ray-np, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes, Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-yes. Yes-7, no-0, abs-0, np-1. Motion carries.

BREAK: 11:03am-11:30am

AGENDA ITEMS:
Education
EDU21-009, Promise Neighborhood Grant update
Submitted By: Jim McQuillen
Presentation only to provide Council with an update on the progress of the Promise Neighborhood Grant application. Discussion only, no action.

Executive Office
ExDir21-002, Last chance Grade Solutions
Submitted By: Don Barnes
Directive Request Council to consider all Caltrans alternative proposals (X, L, F, A1, A2, G1, G2) for Last Chance Grade solutions presented during Caltrans Quarterly Project Status Update Meeting, and to direct Executive Office to communicate Council support or opposition to Caltrans continuing studies for proposals X & F.

ExDir21-003, Follow up from CA21-055
Submitted By: Don Barnes

April 7, 2021 Council Planning meeting
Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/ Councilmember Hodge to provide Council with an update on the following action items: Health Care Policy Analyst Job Description (CA20-27), Livestreaming Council Meetings (CA20-213), Status of Investigation (CA20-190) Motion carries by consensus.

**Health & Human Services**

YHHS21-011, Rural Communities Opioid Response Program (RCORP) - Psychostimulant Grant via the Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA)

Submitted By: Alita Redner

Motion made by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Hodge to approve YHHS and Planning Department’s submission of RCORP Psycho-stimulant grant application and approve Resolution #21-40 w/edits. Motion carries by consensus.

YHHS21-020, Yurok Opioid Affected Youth Initiative Presentation

Submitted By: Annelia Hillman

Presentation to Council about the project and to invite Council to participate in Yurok Youth Opioid Summit July 27-29, 2021. Discussion only, No Action.

**Watershed**

WS21-003, Contract #143-03 and Waiver of Sovereign Immunity

Submitted by Richard Nelson

Motion to approve the Chairman to sign the Contract, Resolution #21-39 Sovereign Immunity Wavier, and all associated documents for execution of the contract, once they are approved by legal, fiscal, grants and compliance, Insurance Provider and other Individuals that may need to approve, as well as waive the indirect associated to the project. Item was tabled to April 9, 2021.

LUNCH: 1:15pm-2:15pm

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:

Larissa Sanderson: Spoke on behalf of her brother Richard Sanderson JR and his upcoming parole hearing. She spoke about his personal growth since being incarcerated and his plans for his rehabilitation after he is released. He was denied entry into the transitional housing program as ineligible after being approved. She asked that his application for entry be reconsidered and get some help with his situation.

AGENDA ITEMS:

**Information Services**

IT21-010, EnerTribe Yurok Connect Planning Session

Chairman James Pulled item as already discussed at last council session.
IT21-040, Information Services Director Update

General update from IT Director Jessica Engle. Discussion only, No Action

Environmental

YTEP21-009, Catch Together Funding Planning Session
Submitted by Louisa McCovey

Motion made by Councilmember Hodge/ Vice Chair Myers to select Option B for expenditure of funds from the Catch Together Grant of $10,800. Motion carries by consensus.

YTEP21-010, Solid Waste Issues Planning Session
Submitted by Louisa McCovey

Council work session to discuss possible solutions for the solid waste issues experienced by tribal members living on the Yurok Indian Reservation. Set for April 7, 2021. Discussion Only, No Action.

BREAK: 4:45- 5:00pm

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:
Elizabeth Davis: Comment about the YTEP presentation and wanted to thank the team for all the hard work they do down river. Also wanted to know when and where she can provide input regarding the tribe and taking applications for cannabis.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Office of Tribal Attorney
OTA21-036, Resighini Settlement Offer

Review and possible action on settlement offer from Resighini Rancheria with outside counsel from Berkey Williams and Amy Cordalis. Item tabled.

Public Utilities
YPUD21-004, Public Water System Update
Submitted by Mike Searcy

Per Council request, present an update on the Public Water Systems, including planned upgrades to each system. Discussion Only, No Action

Motion made by Councilmember McCovey/Councilmember Williams to work past 6pm. Motion carries by consensus.

Council
CA21-062, Discretionary Youth Fund
Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

Directive to Council Operations to schedule date to discuss discretionary youth funds.
CA21-064, Redwood Log Donation
Submitted by Councilmember Williams
Discussion/action on redwood logs donation. Discussion Only, No Action

CA21-065, North District Emergency Operations Center
Submitted by Councilmember Williams
Directive to Executive Director to follow up on opportunity to purchase property for North District Emergency Operations Center.

TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT: None provided.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 6:10pm-7:31pm
No action out of Executive Session

CLOSING PRAYER: Provided by Councilmember Williams.

ADJOURN: 7:35pm

MEETING MINUTES APPROVED ON: May 20, 2021

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Sherri K. Provolt, Secretary Date
05/24.21