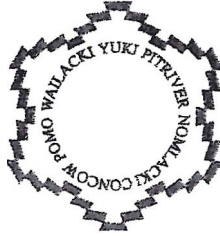


# ROUND VALLEY INDIAN TRIBES

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## MINUTES May 17, 2018

The special meeting of the Round Valley Tribal Council was called to order by President James Russ on May 17, 2018 at 2:08 p.m. in the Buffalo Room in the Tribal Administrative Building located on the Round Valley Indian Reservation.

Roll call and the following Council Members were present: Mr. Russ, Mr. Bettega, Mr. Hutt, Mr. Rabano Jr., Mr. Lewis Whipple (arrived at 2:17 p.m.) and Mr. Robert Whipple

Opening prayer by Alberta Azbill

Item No. 2: Agenda/approval - **Action Item – 2017-05-17-01:**

### **MOTION NO. 1:**

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve the agenda with additions.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., & R. Whipple    Nays: 0    Abstentions: 0  
Motion carried.

Item No. 3: Executive Session - **Action Item – 2017-05-17-02:**

- a. ~~Shannon Barney, MCSO~~
- b. Gary Cordova – RE: Environmental, study/clean up
- c. Jessica Goodrow – RE: State Adoptions
- d. Bernadine Whipple, HR – RE: Various
  - i) TEPA Director
  - ii) Social Media Policy
  - iii) TANF Receptionist Position
  - iv) ICWA Caseworker – Permanent Status
  - v) Director, DV SAP – Permanent Status
  - vi) TANF Case Worker
  - vii) Personnel Tribal Police - Coleman Britton
- e. TRED – RE: Various
  - i) Marcella Smith
  - ii) Lori Ray – Per Ms. Oandasan – to table
  - iii) PO Internship Program
  - iv) Hulls Valley trespass
- f. Tribal Council – RE: Various
  - i) Tribal wage scale
  - ii) FEMA Contract

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- iii) Controller position
- iv) TBA
- v) Jobe Thompson
- vi) Mr. Hutt – RE: Update
- vii) President Russ – RE: Update – conference call

**MOTION NO. 2:**

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve the agenda with additions.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., & R. Whipple      Nays: 0      Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

**Item No. 4: Regular Session - Action Item – 2017-05-17-03:**

**MOTION NO. 3:**

Mr. Lewis Whipple made a motion to reconvene into regular session at 5:25 p.m.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple      Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0      Motion carried.

Decisions from executive session:

**a. Shannon Barney, MCSO - Action Item – 2018-05-17-04:**

**MOTION NO. 4:**

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve to allow the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office to proceed with the investigation.

Mr. Hutt seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple      Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0      Motion carried.

b. Gary Cordova – RE: Environmental, study/clean up - **Action Item – 2018-05-17-05:** Mr. Cordova was not present. Mr. Lewis Lincoln was present on his behalf.

**MOTION NO. 5:**

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to accept as informational.

Mr. Hutt seconded the motion.

Short discussion – a meeting date will be set to meet with the Weise Law Firm

Question: Ayes: Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple      Nays: 0

Abstentions: Russ (out of the room)      Motion carried.

f-v: Jobe Thomson

**MOTION NO. 6:**

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to expedite enrollment by resolution for Juluis Thomson.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Bettega, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple      Nays: 0

Abstentions: Hutt & Russ (out of the room)      Motion carried.

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c. Jessica Goodrow – RE: State Adoptions - **Action Item – 2018-05-17-06:** Jessica Goodrow, Tania Mota, Elizabeth RedFeather and Teresa Bettega were present.

**MOTION NO. 7:**

Mr. Hutt made a motion to accept as informational.

Mr. Bettga seconded the motion.

Short discussion – Ms. Goodrow is to set up a conference call

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., & L. Whipple

Nays: 0

Abstentions: R. Whipple (out of the room) Motion carried.

d. Bernadine Whipple, HR – RE: Various Personnel - **Action Item – 2018-05-17-07:**

iii) TANF Receptionist Position

**MOTION NO. 8:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to accept the resignation and to fly the job.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

iv) ICWA Case Worker – Permanent Status:

v) Director – DVSAP – Permanent Status:

**MOTION NO. 9:**

Mr. Whipple made a motion to table this items iv and v.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

vi) TANF Case Worker

**MOTION NO. 10:**

Mr. Lewis Whipple made a motion to accept the recommended Corrective Action Plan.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

vii) Personnel – Tribal Police – Coleman Britton

**MOTION NO. 11:**

Mr. Lewis Whipple made a motion to table this item.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

i) TEPA Director

ii) Social Media Policy

**MOTION NO. 12:**

Mr. Hutt made a motion to table items i and ii.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

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Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple      Nays: 0  
Abstentions: 0      Motion carried.

**e. TRED – RE: Various - Action Item – 2018-05-17-08:**

**i) Marcella Smith - Action Item – 2018-05-10-010-vi :**

**MOTION NO. 13:**

Mr. Lewis Whipple made a motion to table this item.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple      Nays: 0  
Abstentions: 0      Motion carried.

ii) Lori Ray - **Action Item – 2018-04-13-010-i:** Tabled under agenda approval per request of Ms. Oandasan

**iii) PO Internship Program**

**MOTION NO. 14:**

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve the purchase of a GPS Unit at \$2,000.

Mr. Hutt seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple      Nays: 0  
Abstentions: 0      Motion carried.

iv) Hulls Valley trespass – update: Informational only.

**f. Tribal Council – RE: Various - Action Item – 2017-05-17-09:**

**i) Round Valley Indian Housing Authority wage scale**

**MOTION NO. 15:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve the Round Valley Indian Housing Authority's wage scale.

Mr. Hutt seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega & Hutt      Nays: 0      Abstentions: L. Whipple, Rabano Jr.  
R. Whipple (out of the room)      Motion carried.

**ii) FEMA Contract**

**MOTION NO. 16:**

Mr. Lewis Whipple made a motion to approve to add Carlino Bettega as the Tribal Advisor.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, L. Whipple & Rabano Jr.      Nays: 0  
Abstentions: Hutt & Bettega      R. Whipple (out of the room)      Motion carried.

THPO person to sign in the absence of a THPO Manager:

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council that Mr. Hutt will review and pass on to the President for signature.

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iii) Controller position

#### **MOTION NO. 17:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve the contract with the Controller as negotiated.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., & L. Whipple Nays: 0

Abstentions: R. Whipple (out of the room) Motion carried.

iv) TBA – Mrs. Trina Fitzgerral was present.

#### **MOTION NO. 18:**

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to offer the Tribal Business Administrator position to Trina Fitzgerral at \$70,000.00 and to start on May 29, 2018.

Mr. Hutt seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried

v) Jobe Thomson – already addressed

vi) Mr. Hutt – RE: FERC update

#### **MOTION NO. 19:**

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to accept as informational.

Mr. Lewis Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

vii) President Russ – RE: Conference call – update.

#### **Item No. 6: New Business – b: Joe Weber – RE: Jine Shine – Action Item – 2018-05-17-011:**

Mr. Weber was present and gave a brief summary of his background and presented a proposal document that stated Jine Shine Agricultural was a Native American owned business operation serving the cannabis cultivation market. The Company proposes to develop and operate cultivation facilities on site at Round Valley. The operation will sell high grade medicinal cannabis wholesale to its long standing and secure network of compliant dispensaries through California; etc.

Discussion followed.

#### **MOTION NO. 20:**

Mr. Hutt made a motion to accept as informational.

Mr. Bettega seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

#### **Item No. 5: Unfinished Business:**

b. Amanda Want – RE: Lane issue – Action Item – 2018-05-03-06: Not present and the Council was informed that Ms. Want wanted this removed from the agenda.

#### **MOTION NO. 21:**



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Mr. Bettega made a motion to delete this item from the agenda.

Mr. Hutt seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., & L. Whipple Nays: 0

Abstentions: R. Whipple (out of the room) Motion carried.

c. Maryanne Whipple – RE: Land – **Action Item – 2018-05-03-07:** Ms. Whipple was not present.

#### **MOTION NO. 22:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to table this item.

Mr. Hutt seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

d. TRED – RE: Request to relinquish homes – Michelle Downey – **Action Item – 2018-05-10-016:** Take off agenda for now, waiting for response from an attorney.

e. Tina McCoy – RE: Assistance with season fees for Dream Athletics All Star Cheer – **Action Item – 2018-05-10-020:**

#### **MOTION NO. 23:**

Mr. Lewis Whipple made a motion to approve \$250.00.

Mr. Bettega seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

a. Julia Azbill, C-Store – RE: 1) What date to start reports one POS is connected; 2) Gas Prices – What % to change prices - **Action Item – 2017-05-10-018:** Ms. Julia Azbill was present and she informed the Council that their computer is about to crash, a guy came out today and did some testing and rebooted, hopefully this will work. She called and the service people should be here on Monday. On the reports they have not been done since 2016, what date did the Council want the reports for?

Mr. Hutt answered that the motion said immediately

Gas prices – Ms. Azbill stated that the gas prices changes every day, will she have to change the prices every day, and drive down to see what the Redwood gas prices are. Discussion followed  
CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council that Ms. Azbill contact Pomo Pumps and Coyote Valley to see what systems they use; to get a estimate on what a new POS would cost (keeping in mind that the system accept all fleet cards); keep up on changing the gas prices – 5 cents less; start immediately on the reports and that on donation request they are to come to the Council for approval until a policy is adopted.

#### Item No. 6: New Business:

a. Renee Britton – RE: Training/Certificate Program - **Action Item – 2017-05-17- 010:**

#### **MOTION NO. 24:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve to pay the tuition, funds to come from the general account.

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Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano JR., L. Whipple & R. Whipple      Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0      Motion carried.

#### c. Tribal Council – RE: Various (new or unfinished) - **Action Item – 2017-05-17-012:**

i) Admin. – RE: High & Elem., School graduation incentives

##### **MOTION NO. 25:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to table this item.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Short discussion – Mr. Hutt is to follow up.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple      Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0      Motion carried.

ii) Hidden Oaks – rodeo arena

Discussion followed – update given on the mud bog event and of having a work session to review the plans.

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council to set a work session for June 6<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. to give the plans.

iii) Andrea Oliver RE: Request for funding to help 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls and 9<sup>th</sup> grade boys to travel to Tahoe for their end of the year tournament.

##### **MOTION NO. 26:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve to pay \$1,000 for each team, plus Robert Whipple's team.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., & L. Whipple      Nays: 0

Abstentions: Hutt (out of the room)      Motion carried.

Item No. 7: Set agenda, date and time for next meeting:

a. May 24, 2018 @ 1:00 p.m. - Special Meeting

Work Session - Tania Mota, ICWA

- Gaming Commissioners
- Kathy Britton, RVSD – Truancy Ordinance & SARB
- Roads Dept.
- Land Buy Back
- RVHA
- Tribal Police & Fiscal
- Water Association
- Administration – Funeral Policy; Social Media; Hidden Oaks  
Temp Pool Policy; Donation Policy

Note: No work sessions scheduled

Item No. 8: Closing prayer by President Russ

Item No. 9: Adjournment - **Action Item – 2017-05-17-013:**

**MOTION NO. 27:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

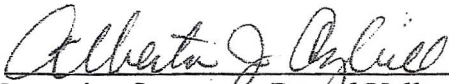
Mr. Hutt seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Hutt, Rabano Jr., L. Whipple & R. Whipple      Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0      Motion carried.

Minutes taken and typed by Alberta J. Azbill, Executive Secretary, Round Valley Tribal Council.

Submitted by:



Executive Secretary, Round Valley  
Tribal Council