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A Sovereign Nation of Confederated Tribes

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MINUTES
February 14, 2019

The special meeting of the Round Valley Tribal Council was called to order by President James Russ on February 14, 2019 at 1:10 p.m. in the Buffalo Room within 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. Lewis Whipple (arrived 1:18 p.m. and left 4:32 p.m.), Mr. Robert Whipple (arrived 1:16 p.m.), Mr. Rabano Jr., & Ms. Willits

Opening prayer by Alberta Azbill

Item No. 2: Agenda/approval - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-01:**

MOTION NO. 1:

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

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Rabano Jr., & Willits Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

Item No. 3: Executive Session - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-02:**

- a. Mendocino County Sheriff's Dept. -
- b. Conference call RE: Economic Development
- c. Trina Fitzgerral, Tribal Business Administrator – RE: Various
- d. Sergeant Vincent Cordova, Tribal Police Dept. – RE: Update
- e. Darlene Crabtree, Tribal Controller – RE: Various – financial
- f. Bernadine Whipple, HR. – RE: Various
 - i) Request for work session – Policy & Procedures – employee records
 - ii) Tribal Police – # 1 Wage Increase Step 4
 - iii) Tribal Police – #2 Wage Increase Step 4
 - iv) Recommendation Permanent Status – Gaming Commissioner
 - v) Jessica Goodrow & Michelle Downey – RE: FYI
- g. TRED – RE: Various – Land
- h. Jessica Goodrow, ICWA/DV Legal
- i. Tribal Council – RE: Various
 - i) Contract Forensic Auditor
 - ii) Tribal Police Evaluations
 - iii) Mr. Bettega – RE: GIS

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MOTION NO. 2:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to go into executive session at 1:16 p.m.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

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

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

Item No. 4: Regular Session - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-03:**

MOTION NO. 3:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to reconvene into regular session at 4:47 p.m.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

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

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

Decisions from executive session:

a. Mendocino County Sheriff's Dept. – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-02-07-05:** Shannon Barney & Matt Kendall were present.

MOTION NO. 4:

Mr. Bettega made a motion for the Council to work with the Mendocino County Sheriff Dept., and that Mr. Rabano Jr., be the contact person to work on forming a Committee.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

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

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

b. Conference call – RE: Economic Development - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-04:**

MOTION NO. 5:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to table this item.

Mr. Bettega seconded the motion.

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

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

c. Trina Fitzgerral, Tribal Business Administrator – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-05:** No business items.

d. Sergeant Vincent Cordova, Tribal Police Dept – RE: Update - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-06:** Not present.

e. Darlene Crabtree, Tribal Controller – RE: Various – financial - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-07:** No business items.

f. Bernadine Whipple, HR – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-08:**

v) Jessica Goodrow & Michelle Downey – RE: Grievance Committee - FYI

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i) Request for work session – Policy & Procedures – employe records
Work Session – scheduled for Saturday, February 16th at 9:00 a.m.

“ TRED - “ “ “ 10:00 a.m.

ii) Tribal Police - # 1 Wage Increase Step 4

iii) Tribal Police - # 2 Wage Increase Step 4

MOTION NO. 6:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to table item f – ii and iii.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

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

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

iv) Recommendation Permanent Status – Gaming Commissioner

MOTION NO. 7:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to table.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

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

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

i. Tribal Council

v) Mr. Bettega – RE: GIS

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council that Ms. Willits contact Ms. Oandasan for maps for the work session on February 16th.

g. TRED – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-09:** No business items.

h. Jessica Goodrow, ICWA/DV – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-010:** No business items.

i. Tribal Council – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-011:**

i) Contract Forensic Auditor

MOTION NO. 8:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve the contract with the forensic auditor.

Mr. Bettega seconded the motion.

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

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

ii) Tribal Police Evaluations

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council for President Russ and Mr. Rabano Jr., contact Mr. Jeremiah Lonewolf

Item No. 5: Unfinished Business:

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a. Toni Bettega, NRD – RE: Geospatial roads information - **Action Item – 2018-01-31-07:**

MOTION NO. 9:

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

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

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

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

b. Patricia Rabano, THPO – RE: Proposed MOU for RVIT/NAGPRA/CRAB - **Action Item – 2018-01-31-010:**

MOTION NO. 10:

Ms. Willits made a motion to approve the MOU for RVIT/NAGPRA/CRAB.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Bettega, R. Whipple & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: Rabano Jr., & Russ (out of the room) Motion carried.

Item 5 – New Business:

e. Patricia Rabano – RE: THPO restructure - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-016:**

MOTION NO. 11:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve to restructure and appoint those individuals interested in serving on the CRAB.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Bettega, R. Whipple & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: Rabano Jr., & Russ (out of the room) Motion carried.

Item No. 6: New Business:

d. Claudette Britton – RE: Electric Bill - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-015:** Mrs. Britton was present and informed the Council that she was requesting assistance in paying her PG&E bill and that ever since they had the person come up and do the wiring he must have done something as her bill raised about \$2,000.

MOTION NO. 12:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve to pay \$1,976 and to have someone go out and check it out (electrical).

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Bettega, Rabano Jr., R. Whipple & Willits

Nays: 0

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

c. Gabe Merrifield – RE: Inter Tribal Alliance Full Dept Reclamation - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-014:** Mrs. Cheryl Bettega was present and requested to table this item until she could talk to Mr. Merrifield about this matter.

MOTION NO. 13:

Ms. Willits made a motion to table this item.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Bettega, Rabano Jr., R. Whipple & Willits

Nays: 0

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

g. David Freeman – RE: Pump burned up – no water - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-018:** David & Lonnie Freeman were present and informed the Council that they had Mark Kappol come in and put in a new condenser, they went out and checked it out and he didn't put one in. They have contacted Don Brafford in Sacramento, an email was sent and IHS will be here next Thursday to do a site visit. They were told that they have funds available to assist them. What they are requesting is a porta pottie from Hidden Oaks.

MOTION NO. 14:

Mr. Rabano Jr. made a motion to have a porta pottie cleaned out at Hidden Oaks and moved to David Freeman's house.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

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

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

a. Kay Hoaglen – RE: Burial assistance - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-012:** Not present.

MOTION NO. 15:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to refer to the BIA.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

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

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

b. Angel Esquivel – RE: Residential land - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-013:** Not present.

MOTION NO. 16:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to refer this item to TRED.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

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

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

f. Toni Bettega, NRD – RE: Rental Agreement Forester - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-017:** Ms. Bettega was not present. Information reviewed.

MOTION NO. 17:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve the rental agreement with the Forester.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

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

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

i. Tribal Council – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-020:** No business items

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

a. Thursday, February 21, 2019 @ 1:00 p.m. - Special Meeting

Item No. 8. Closing prayer by Alberta J. Azbill

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Item No. 9: Adjournment - **Action Item – 2019-02-14-021:**

MOTION NO. 18:

Ms. Willits made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:18 p.m.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Bettega, Rabano Jr., R. Whipple & Willits

Nays: 0

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

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

Submitted by:



Executive Secretary, Round Valley
Tribal Council