

## Organized Village of Kasaan Special Tribal Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 11, 2024, at 1pm 'Láa Náay & Zoom ID: 759 276 6583 & Passcode: 685506

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## 1) Call to Order:

President Jones called the meeting to order at 1:04pm

2) Roll Call:

President Mike Jones, present

Randi Braz, present Della Coburn, present

Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, present

Dorothy Smith, via Zoom Elizabeth Taylor, present **Staff** 

Kris Kain LaNeice Congdon

Erin Blair

**Beverly Bennett** 

# 3) Accept Agenda:

Action: Accept Agenda

Motion: Glenn "Stormy" Hamar Second Motion: Elizabeth Taylor

Motion: Passed

Roll Call Vote:

Randi Braz-yes Della Coburn, yes

Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Elizabeth Taylor, yes Dorothy Smith, yes

## 4) Order of Business:

a) Training "Remaking Tribal Constitutions by Beverly Bennett, Tribal Administrator Beverly Bennett, Tribal Administrator would like up to 4 people to attend this training. So far, we have Randi Braz, Della Coburn & Beverly Bennett

## **b)** Elder Lunch Program Flyer

Beverly Bennett, TA wants more input from the council regarding programming. She doesn't want to start a program until there is a sustainable, clear process. We need to brainstorm ideas of what to do with inviting other elders. Randi Braz feels we should have all the ducks more in a row before we roll it out. It will be decided at the next regular council meeting. Specific details will be provided to guests already on the list.

c) Election Day Free Food for Tribal Citizens Flyer
Beverly says we are purchasing most products on the island for Election Day food.
Elizabeth Taylor points out grammar on the flyer to fix and adding location to the flyer.

#### 5) Resolutions:

a) 24-04-014 Approving Agreements between OVK DOT & State of AK Mental Health Trust Land Office for Rock Purchases & Lease of the Tolstoi Bay Sort Yard for the Kasaan to Goose Creek Road Project (removed last paragraph and submitted to attorney (we received positive response back which is in this packet before the resolution)

Kris- John wanted to let us know that we passed the exact same resolution with Sealaska recently.

Randi asked if it is standard for DOT Director to authorize and sign for fees. Beverly the ability for John to sign off on these agreements allows him to do his job. Randi asks if we can consult with CTA and see how they handle their agreements with Mental Health and who signs off on those documents for them as well as possibly check with an attorney. Stormy says it is not typical for the OVK to be dealing with this amount of money. The council had wanted to remove the last section from the resolution as it seemed to say, "forever more." When we have checks and balances, it protects us, citizens, and employees. Feeling comfortable with the agreement minus that paragraph at the bottom (already taken out). Kris wants to say that she had accidentally sent the resolution with the last paragraph still in there to the attorney, which the attorney did address. Stormy likes the idea of talking with a neighboring tribe. Tabled until next regular tribal council meeting.

b) 24-04-020 Approval of Training for Remaking Tribal Constitutions for Tribal Council and OVK Employees

Stormy thinks this training is a great idea and Beth notes 2 corrections to resolution which is dates and people going.

Action: Approve Amended Resolution 24-04-020

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Elizabeth Taylor

Second Motion: Glenn "Stormy" Hamar

Resolution: Passed

Randi Braz-yes Della Coburn, yes

Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Elizabeth Taylor, yes Dorothy Smith, yes

## c) 24-04-021 Adopting Special Project Director Position

Stormy didn't notice anything in the budget for Fringe. Fringe without insurance is 16%. How available will the funds be in the future to keep this position rolling. Randi Braz doesn't see this position being long term, but rather getting departments a little more organized. Stormy likes the idea but is concerned that if we put this out for hire that we don't hire unless someone is highly qualified. Wouldn't want to see the position go to waste, keep flying this position until someone great for the job. Mike under the impression that this position is very relative to the Tribal Administrator and Assistants current job. Randi says the job description for Tribal Administrator is very extensive which can make it difficult to accomplish all of it. Randi feels that having someone looking specifically for funding will be huge for the OVK and relief for the Administrator. Having someone looking for grants and working on business strategies for our businesses. Generate revenue to put back into the community and tribe. Stormy asks to hear from Administrator. Beverly logged 95 hours last pay period and is exhausted already. She has a plan in be completely done with training City of Kasaan and will be full time on March 25th. This position is important for many reasons. We currently have a grant that needs work and delegation moving forward. So many grants are coming through the emails and money is everywhere. Cabins, café, etc cultural grants could be so beneficial right

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now in bringing up reputation and sustainability. She thinks this position is important. Having another managerial employee would be great. To get funding as well as general support for Café, Washeteria, Food Security Program would allow all have people to have a place to go to.

Action: Approve Resolution 24-04-021

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Glenn "Stormy" Hamar Randi Braz-yes Second Motion: Elizabeth Taylor Della Coburn, yes

Resolution: Passed Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Elizabeth Taylor, yes Dorothy Smith, yes

## d) 24-04-022 Adopting Staff Support Specialist Position

Randi Braz amended to approve and come from OVK Pay scale.

Action: Approve Resolution 24-04-022Roll Call Vote:Motion: Randi BrazRandi Braz-yesSecond Motion: Elizabeth TaylorDella Coburn, yes

Motion: Passed Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Elizabeth Taylor, yes Dorothy Smith, yes

#### 6) Council Comments:

Randi Braz asks about the order of roll call change. Kris says she just did it backward this time. Della Coburn asks about pamphlets for cabins that should be on the IFA. Kris says it needs to be redone with correct info. Della says it would be nice for tourists to have a map of Kasaan. Randi says what about doing a map art contest for the community or island. Della would like it if Alaska Dreams would let the café serve one meal, possibly a buffet.

## 7) Audience Participation:

Erin Blair says it's a lot of work for a buffet but likes the idea of them having lunch at the Café. Elizabeth Taylor suggests a flyer on the boat.

#### 8) **Announcements:** none

## 9) Executive Session:

Action: Motion to Enter Executive Session at 2:15pm:

(Dorothy Smith has joined via phone)

Motion: Elizabeth Taylor

Second Motion: Randi Braz

Randi Braz

Della Coburn, yes

Motion: Passed Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Elizabeth Taylor, yes Dorothy Smith, yes

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# Action: Motion to Exit Executive Session at 4:36pm:

Motion: Elizabeth Taylor Second Motion: Randi Braz

Motion: Passed

Randi Braz, yes
Della Coburn, yes

Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Elizabeth Taylor, yes Dorothy Smith, yes

# 10) Adjournment:

Action: Motion to Adjourn at 4:36pm

Motion: Glenn "Stormy" Hamar Second Motion: Randi Braz

Motion: Passed

Roll Call Vote:

Randi Braz-yes Della Coburn, yes

Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Elizabeth Taylor, yes Dorothy Smith, yes

Attested:

Elizabeth Taylor, Secretary

Miles Ines Michael Jones, Tribal President

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# ENACTED this 11th day of April 2024, by the Organized Village of Kasaan Tribal Council

**CERTIFY** 

ATTEST

President Michael A. Jones

Tribal Secretary Elizabeth Taylor