Organized Village of Kasaan

Regular Tribal Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, 2022
OVK Office or Zoom
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1. Call to Order: 2:08 PM

2. Roll Call:
   - President Jones: present
   - Randi Braz: present
   - Dorothy Smith: present
   - Ronald Leighton: absent
   - Della Coburn: present
   - Stormy “Glenn” Hamar: present

3. Additions and/or Deletions to Agenda:
   1. Tlingit & Haida Community Directed Community Funds – Randi Braz
   2. New Steps – Stormy “Glenn” Hamar
   3. Employee Appreciation Gesture -Randi Braz
   4. HR Training – Stormy “Glenn” Hamar
   5. Finance – Stormy ”Glenn” Hamar
   6. Executive Session – Stormy ”Glenn” Hamar

4. Accept Agenda:
   Stormy “Glenn” Hamar made a motion to accept agenda as amended Randi Braz seconded the motion

   Roll Call Vote:
   - Randi Braz: yes
   - Dorothy Smith: yes
   - Ronald Leighton: absent
   - Della Coburn: yes
   - Stormy “Glenn” Hamar: yes
   Motion Passed

5. Persons to be Heard: none

6. Previous Minutes:
   1. 5.2022 Regular Tribal Council Meeting

   Randi Braz made a motion to adopt the 5.2022 Regular Tribal Council Meeting Minutes
   Stormy “Glenn” Hamar Seconded the motion

   Roll Call Vote:
7. Reports: Committees and Staff:

1. President’s Report: President Jones
   - Met with contractor for Tribal Hall
   - Son-I-Hat Pole coming home end of August
   - Lots of Meetings and Conferences everything moving along smoothly

2. Committee Reports:
   1. POWTEC: Ronald Leighton, Glenn “Stormy” Hamar
      - A few people from POWTEC coming to Kasaan on August 11th, Stormy “Glenn” Hamar suggests we express appreciation, maybe a nice dinner, present cultural gifts or something in that nature, all were interested
   2. Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium: Dorothy Smith
      - Special Meeting June 3rd, no information released about attending
      - Dorothy Smith will not be at the next meeting due to traveling
      - Randi Braz will be attending as the second if available, the meeting is in Petersburg
      - Martin Benning will be reporting back to Dorothy Smith on SEARHC’s staff schedule so we can see what it looks like to get the Kasaan office staffed and back on schedule, no timeline discussed
   3. Prince of Wales Tribal Conservation District: Della Coburn
      - No comment/report
   4. Southeast Alaska Indigenous Transboundary Commission: Mike Jones
      - No meeting for this Commission since last Tribal Council Regular meeting, nothing to report

8. Reports: Staff:

1. Administration:
   1. Acting Administrator: Alyssa Fischer
   2. Acting Executive Assistant: Alexandra Voelker
   3. Office Secretary: Vacant
   4. IT: Vacant
   5. Finance & Grants: Nannette Scamahorn

2. Economic Development:
   1. Director: Bradley Clark
   2. Food Security Specialist: Rose Ruel

3. Natural Resources Department:
   1. Brownfields: Vacant
   2. Tribal Conservation District: Environmental Planner: Dennis Nickerson, Environmental Technician: Machelle Edenshaw
   3. Tribal Stewardship Consortium: Environmental Planner: Dennis Nickerson, Environmental Technician: Machelle Edenshaw
   4. IGAP: Coordinator: Carol Fletcher – NO REPORT

4. Culture & History Department:
   1. Historian: Mike Jones

5. Tribal Justice Services:
   1. Administrator: Laneice Congdon
   2. Data Coordinator: Vacant
   3. Victim Advocate: Vacant
   4. Community Wellness Coordinator: Vacant

6. Transportation: Director: Sara Yockey, Project Manager: Bill Yockey, Operator: Tony Savage

7. Culture Learning Center & Library: Librarian: Vacant
9. Unfinished Business:

1. Retirement Plan
   • The Council agrees to do a work session surrounding this to see about long-term feasibility

2. Tribal Council Meeting Date & Time Change
   • Everyone is in agreement to change the Tribal Council Regular Monthly Meetings to the second Wednesday of every month at 1 pm

Stormy “Glenn” Hamar made a motion to adopt resolution 22-06-005 Randi Braz Seconded the motion

Roll Call Vote:
   Randi Braz: yes
   Dorothy Smith: absent
   Ronald Leighton: absent
   Della Coburn: yes
   Stormy “Glenn” Hamar: yes

Motion passed

3. Tlingit & Haida Community Directed Community Funds – Randi Braz
   • There has been discussion around putting our ARPA funds to education and cultural center
   • Other Councils in Southeast Alaska have a Community Council open to their Tribal Citizens to get input on how to allocate funds
   • Community size of Kasaan requires us to operate differently, we have a delegate
   • Our delegate is Paula Peterson
   • Randi Braz would like to know how/if our money was allocated
   • Need to find out because T&H holds the funds and divvies it out for project decided
   • Other Southeast Tribes used it for relief for citizens
   • Stormy “Glenn” Hamar suggests we check-in with our delegate and that President Jones visits or calls delegate Paula Peterson to see about this
   • President Jones accepts this and will meet with Paula Peterson

4. New Steps – Stormy “Glenn” Hamar
   • Alyssa Fischer proposes a work session
   • Stormy “Glenn” Hamar is in agreement
   • the Council is in agreement
   • Friday July 15th will be the first work session 10AM at the office

10. New Business:

1. Vacant Tribal Council Seat
   • Tribal Council seat is still vacant
   • Email of interest received and read from Beth Taylor

Stormy “Glenn” Hamar made a motion to place Beth Taylor in the vacant Tribal Council seat Della seconded

Roll Call Vote:
   Randi Braz: yes
   Dorothy Smith: yes
   Ronald Leighton: absent
   Della Coburn: yes
   Stormy “Glenn” Hamar: yes

Motion passed

Council will contact Beth Taylor
2. Employee Appreciation Gesture - Randi Braz
   - Randi would like to show appreciation for our employees by getting them lunch or dinner and a gift
   - The Council is in agreement
   - Everyone agrees on the 26th of August and looking into finances about money set aside for this

3. HR Training – Stormy “Glenn” Hamar
   - Bill Cole from POWTEC said we can use their HR person Kiersten Stephens
   - She can answer questions and meet with us and help us resource
   - Randi Braz agrees this is a good resource and that we should utilize
   - Stormy “Glenn” Hamar also mentioned she could help us formulate an employee review form
   - Council requested that our original ones be sent out to them to see if they need revising or updating

4. Finance – Stormy “Glenn” Hamar
   - Recent distribution of 359,000 dollars from POWTEC to OVK
   - Largest allotment every received or given
   - Goes into general funds
   - Stormy “Glenn” Hamar wants to make sure the spending is carefully thought out and spent by the Council’s wishes
   - Work session suggested for this but not date decided on yet

11. Executive Session:

   Stormy “Glenn” Hamar made a motion to go into Executive Session Randi Braz seconded the motion

   Roll Call Vote:
   - Randi Braz: yes
   - Dorothy Smith: yes
   - Ronald Leighton: absent
   - Della Coburn: yes
   - Stormy “Glenn” Hamar: yes

   Executive session ended at 4:30 PM

   Council would like a work session to better understand Finances and Grants

12. Resolutions:

   1. Resolution 22-06-005 Regular Tribal Council Meeting Date and Time Change

13. Informational:

   - Starting July 6th the Staff will now be in office on Wednesdays
   - KAVILCO board will be in town on the 6th, 7th, and 8th of July
   - President Jones Inquired about Potluck for them said everyone can get back to him
   - Randi Braz said the T&H small business ARPA funds are still open for application and she is willing to help any tribal citizens needing assistance with this

13. Council Comments:

   - Stormy “Glenn” Hamar expresses his appreciation to all staff and Council and his excitement for our future

14. Audience Participation:

   - Laneice Congdon says the Washeteria will be completed on schedule by June 30th
15. **Announcements:**

16. **Adjournment:**

   Stormy “Glenn” Hamar made a motion to adjourn the meeting Dorothy Smith seconded

   **Roll Call Vote:**
   - Randi Braz: yes
   - Dorothy Smith: yes
   - Ronald Leighton: absent
   - Della Coburn: absent
   - Stormy “Glenn” Hamar: yes

   Motion passed

   **Meeting adjourned 4:44 PM**