

Regular Tribal Council Amended Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 6th, 2025 @ 1:00 pm @ 'Láa Náay In Person or Zoom Meeting ID: 759 276 6583

Passcode: 685506 & Phone #: 888-475-4499

1) Call to Order

President Jones called the meeting to order at 1:06 pm

2) Roll Call

Mike Jones, Tribal President, present Della Coburn, present Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, present Dorothy Smith, present George Nix, present Stephanie Hamar, present Elizabeth Wadsworth, present

Staff:

Beverly Bennett Teri Feibel Tim Willis LaNeice Congdon Erin & Ben Blair Jason England - Zoom Carol Fletcher - Zoom

Kris Kain- Zoom

Audience

Blayke Nix, Zoom Randi Braz – Zoom Elizabeth Taylor - Zoom Mathew Spence Emmett & Bryan Rain Felkl

3) Deletions/Additions to Agenda

Della Coburn adds to Old Business; Emergency Housing; West Property; Constitution Workshop; Asst. Maintenance Worker & Committee Meetings Glenn "Stormy" asks to move Resolutions translated from Motions to the Resolutions section.

4) Adoption of Amended Agenda

Action: Accept Amended Agenda Motion: Glenn "Stormy" Hamar Second Motion: George Nix Motion: Passed Roll Call Vote:
Della Coburn, yes

Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes George Nix, yes Stephanie Hamar, yes Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

5) Adoption of the Minutes

A) Regular Tribal Council Meeting Minutes, December 9th, 2024

Action: Adopt Previous Tribal Council Meeting Minutes as presented Dec. 9th, 2024

Roll Call Vote:

Della Coburn, yes

Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes George Nix, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

Motion: Passed

Motion: Stephanie Hamar

Second Motion: Dorothy Smith

6) Staff Reports (in packet or orally)

7) Unfinished Business

A) Consent Calendar

Phone Poll Vote for Resolution 25-01-001 Update Signers on Wells Fargo Account

<u>Action: Motion to Adopt Consent Calendar & Amend Resolution 25-01-001 to add</u>

Beverly Bennett & Teri Feibel as signers missed on original Resolution

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Dorothy Smith Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: Elizabeth Wadsworth Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Motion: Passed

Dorothy Smith, yes
George Nix, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

B) Unfinished Discussion Items

- 1. Emergency Housing by Della Coburn; Beverly Bennett explains that we are working on it.
- 2. West Property Rental; Maintenance is finishing up small fixes and then we can rent small cabin.
- 3. Constitution Workshop by Della Coburn; she would like us to have a workshop soon.
- 4. Asst. Maintenance Worker by Della Coburn; she says we need to keep this position filled
- 5. Committee Meetings by Della Coburn; we need these to be scheduled.

8) Persons to be Heard

- A) Mat Spence, Optimera Business Development Manager speaks on Tribal Spectrum provided proposals for improving cell phone coverage and leveraging tribal spectrum assets. He emphasized the benefits of a permanent cell phone network and spectrum leasing, which could generate revenue and provide better service. Matt highlighted the long-term issues with poor connectivity and the need for tribal control over spectrum. The discussion included potential costs, such as \$780,000 for initial setup, and the importance of leveraging existing infrastructure.
- **B)** Rain Felkl, T& H Tribal Spectrum MOU proposed a \$50 million infrastructure project, offering a nominal lease fee and emphasizing the need to secure spectrum to avoid FCC auction. The council considered the pros and cons of each proposal, focusing on community needs and financial implications.

9) New Business

A) THRHA Tribal Designation by Beverly Bennett provides background on the grant and says

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that legislation specified that home energy rebates is provided to qualified electrification projects. These projects include appliance upgrades for the heat pump, water heater, heat pumps for space heat cooling, electric stock totes and then electric heat pump, dryer, closed dryer. The project can also include non-appliance upgrades for upgrading an electrical load service center or circuit breaker installation, air sealing installation, electric wiring, all the great must meet the minimum energy star requirements.

C) Teri Feibel, Finance Manager says the General Maintenance assistance position is budgeted at \$28,871 for 25 hours a week. She asked for a motion to adopt the Asst. General Maintenance position now. The proposed budget for the general fund includes \$1,397,517 in income and \$946,000 in expenses, leaving a net of \$451,000. The total proposed budget shows \$5,648,000 in revenues and \$3 million in expenses, resulting in a net of \$2.6 million. The group discussed carrying forward \$410,000 from the previous year and allocating \$2 million from ARPA/CARES funds.

Motion to approve \$29,000 for FY25 hiring General Maintenance Assistant Position

Action: Motion to approve \$29,000 for FY25 hiring General Maintenance

Assistant Position

Motion: Passed

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Glenn "Stormy" Hamar Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: George Nix Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes George Nix, yes Stephanie Hamar, yes

Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

10) Resolutions

A) Resolution 24-12-005 Tribal Administrator Policy Amendment

Action: Motion to Table Resolution 24-12-005 until Regular Feb. Meeting

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Stephanie Hamar Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: George Nix Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes George Nix, yes

Resolution: Tabled George Nix, yes Stephanie Hamar, yes

B) Resolution 25-01-002 FY 25 Budget

Resolution: Tabled

Action: Motion to Table Resolution 25-01-002 until Special Meeting 1/16/24

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Glenn "Stormy" Hamar Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: George Nix Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes George Nix, yes Stephanie Hamar, yes

Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

C) Resolution 25-01-003 Adopt Updated Compensation Schedule

Action: Motion to Table Resolution 25-01-003 til Feb. Regular Meeting

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Glenn "Stormy" Hamar Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: Stephanie Hamar Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes

Resolution: Tabled Dorothy Smith, yes

George Nix, yes

Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

D) Resolution 25-01-004 Adopt AP&T MOU for Internet

Action: Motion to Table Resolution 25-01-004 until after Executive Session

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: George Nix Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: Stephanie Hamar Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes

Resolution: Tabled George Nix, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

E) Resolution 25-01-005 Adopt NTIA Grant Funding

Action: Motion to Table Resolution 25-01-005 until Feb. Regular Meeting

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Dorothy Smith Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: Stephanie Hamar Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes

Resolution: Tabled George Nix, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

F) Resolution 25-01-006 To Table Updated OVK Employee Handbook Sections 1 & 2 until further notice.

Action: Motion to Table Resolution 25-01-006

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Glenn "Stormy" Hamar Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: George Nix Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes

Resolution: Tabled George Nix, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

G) Resolution 25-01-007 Authorizing Payment for TCEA 121924LB

Action: Motion to Table Resolution 25-01-007 until after Executive Session

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Glenn "Stormy' Hamar Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: George Nix Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes

Resolution: Tabled George Nix, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

H) Resolution 25-01-008 To offer \$225,000 for life estate purchase of Lot 19 & 20, Blk 1

Action: Motion to Adopt Resolution 25-01-008

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: George Nix Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: Stephanie Hamar Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes

Resolution: Passed George Nix, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

I) Resolution 25-01-009 To offer \$20,000 for purchase of Lot 6, Blk 9

Action: Motion to Adopt Resolution 25-01-009

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Stephanie Hamar Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: George Nix Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes

Resolution: Passed George Nix, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

J) Resolution 25-01-010 Opposing Proposal 156

Action: Motion to Table Resolution 25-01-010 until Special Meeting Jan. 16

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Stephanie Hamar Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: George Nix Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes

Resolution: Tabled George Nix, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

K) Resolution 25-01-011 Adopting Rise Grant

Action: Motion to Approve Resolution 25-01-011

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Glenn "Stormy" Hamar Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: Stephanie Hamar Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Resolution: Passed

Dorothy Smith, yes George Nix, yes Stephanie Hamar, yes Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

- 10) Council Comments -none
- 11) Audience Participation-none
- **12) Announcements-**none
- 13) Executive Session

Action: Motion to Enter Executive Session at 4:22pm:

Motion: Glenn "Stormy" Hamar Roll Call Vote:

Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: Stephanie Hamar Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes

Motion: Passed Dorothy Smith, yes

George Nix, yes

Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

Action: Motion to Exit Executive Session at 6:40pm:

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: George Nix Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: Dorothy Smith Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes

Motion: Passed Dorothy Smith, yes

George Nix, yes

Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

Motions made after Executive Session

A) Motion to donate \$1000 to Lori Braz

Action: Motion to donate \$1000 to Lori Braz

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Glenn "Stormy' Hamar Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: George Nix Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes

Motion: Passed George Nix, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

B) Motion to Adopt Resolution 25-01-007, No 2nd Motion made to approve TCEA 121924LB

Action: Motion to Adopt Resolution 25-01-007

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Stephanie Hamar Della Coburn, no

Second Motion: none Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, no

Dorothy Smith, no

Motion: Failed George Nix, no

Stephanie Hamar, no Elizabeth Wadsworth, no

C) Motion to Table Resolution 25-01-004 AP&T MOU until Feb. Meeting

Action: Motion to Table Resolution 25-01-004 until Feb. Meeting

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Stephanie Hamar Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: Glenn "Stormy" Hamar Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes George Nix, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

D) Motion to have Admin. Post flyer seeking SEARHC Alternate

Motion: Passed

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Action: Motion to have Admin. Post flyer seeking SEARHC Alternate

Roll Call Vote:

Motion: Stephanie Hamar Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: Glenn "Stormy" Hamar Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Dorothy Smith, yes George Nix, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

14) Adjournment:

Action: Motion to Adjourn at 6:47pm:

Motion: Passed – Meeting Adjourned

Motion: Stephanie Hamar Della Coburn, yes

Second Motion: George Nix Glenn "Stormy" Hamar, yes

Stephanie Hamar, yes Dorothy Smith, yes George Nix, yes

Roll Call Vote:

Elizabeth Wadsworth, yes

Attested on 2/03/2025:

Michael Jones, Tribal Council President

Dorothy Smith, Council Secretary