

Organized Village of Kasaan

Regular Tribal Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 13th, 2022

In Person at the OVK Office or Zoom

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1. Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 1:06pm

2. Roll Call:

Tribal Council:

President Jones: present
Randi Braz: present
Della Coburn: excused
Dorothy Smith: present
Glenn "Stormy" Hamar: present
Ronald Leighton: present
Elizabeth "Beth" Taylor: present

Staff Present:

Alex Voelker
Alyssa Fischer
Laneice Congdon
Rose Ruel
Nannette Scamahorn
Carol Fletcher
Sara Yockey

Public Present

None

3. Additions/Deletions:

Additions:

New Business:

Randi Braz Added: Grants and Finance Work Session

Randi Braz Added: Grievance Team Review

Ronald Leighton Added: Karta Subsistence

4. Accept Agenda:

Motion: Ronald Leighton motioned to accept agenda as amended

Second: Dorothy Smith

Roll Call Vote:

Randi Braz: yes
Della Coburn: excused
Dorothy Smith: yes
Glenn "Stormy" Hamar: yes
Ronald Leighton: yes
Elizabeth Taylor: yes

Motion: passed

5. Persons to be Heard: none

6. Previous Minutes:

1. 6.23.2022 Regular Tribal Council Meeting
2. 7.7.2022 Special Tribal Council Meeting: 90-Day Probationary Acting Administrator Review

Motion: Randi Braz motioned to table the meeting minutes until a later date

Second: Dorothy Smith

Roll Call Vote:

Randi Braz: yes
Della Coburn: excused
Dorothy Smith: yes
Glenn “Stormy” Hamar: yes
Ronald Leighton: yes
Elizabeth Taylor: yes

Motion: passed

7. Reports: Tribal Council Committee: no reports given

8. Reports: Staff: reports attached in packet

9. Unfinished Business: none

10. New Business:

1. Committees & Chairs:

Vocation, Education, and Retraining Committee

Motion: Ron Leighton motioned for Randi to be Chair of the VERC.

Second: Dorothy Smith

Roll Call Vote:

Randi Braz: abstain
Della Coburn: excused
Dorothy Smith: yes
Glenn “Stormy” Hamar: yes
Ronald Leighton: yes
Elizabeth Taylor: yes

Motion: passed

Election Committee

Motion: Ron Leighton motioned to accept Beth Taylor as a member of the Elections Committee

Second: Randi Braz

Roll Call Vote:

Randi Braz: yes
Della Coburn: excused
Dorothy Smith: yes
Glenn “Stormy” Hamar: yes
Ronald Leighton: yes
Elizabeth Taylor: abstain

Motion: passed

Judiciary Committee

No interest in additional position available seat removed

Housing Committee

Motion: Randi Braz motioned for President Jones to be the chair of Housing Committee

Second: Ronald Leighton

Roll Call Vote:

Randi Braz: yes
Della Coburn: excused
Dorothy Smith: yes
Glenn “Stormy” Hamar: yes
Ronald Leighton: yes
Elizabeth Taylor: yes

Motion: passed

Totem Pole Committee

Extra seat removed no interest

Discussion:

Ron would like to see the Mining Symposium Reformed, it used to be hosted by the OVK Brownfields Department (which has recently been dismantled). Alyssa suggests a Work Session with Tribal Council, Finance & Grants Manager and any Staff with additional knowledge of how the Symposium was hosted, date/ time to be determined.

2. Grants & Finance Work Session

Discussion:

Randi Braz would like a Finance & Grants and Work Session with Nanette so the Tribal Council can better understand the OVK Finances. The Tribal Council all agrees this would be a good idea. Stormy Hamar would like Randi Braz to organize the Work Session sometime after August 18th, 2022.

3. Grievance Review Team

Motion: Randi Braz makes a motion to go into Executive Session

Second: Ronald Leighton

Roll Call Vote:

Randi Braz: yes
Della Coburn: excused
Dorothy Smith: yes
Glenn “Stormy” Hamar: yes
Ronald Leighton: yes
Elizabeth Taylor: yes

Motion: passed

Executive Session: started at 1:56 PM

Executive Session: ended at 2:35 PM

Motion: Stormy Hamar motioned to elect Randi Braz, Elizabeth Taylor, and Himself to the Grievance Team and to elect President Jones as chair of the Grievance Team instead of HR (Nannette Scamahorn).

Second: Ronald Leighton

Roll Call Vote:

Randi Braz: yes
Della Coburn: excused
Dorothy Smith: yes
Glenn “Stormy” Hamar: yes
Ronald Leighton: yes
Elizabeth Taylor: yes

Motion: passed

4. Karta Subsistence

Discussion:

Ronald Leighton would like to inform The State Alaska that the Tribe should take back ownership, monitoring, fisheries management, and the issuing of Subsistence Permits. He says the State is catering to the Commercial Fishing boats. He would also like to see monitoring and permitting for all fisheries. There is discussion about what areas this would include. Ronald Leighton mentions Chasina Point to Sealion Rock, Skowl Arm, to Polk Inlet, Cholmley, and all points in between these locations. President Jones asks what first steps does Ronald Leighton suggest. Ronald Leighton suggests these steps:

Step 1: Compose a Letter to USFS & Fish & Game concerning Karta.

Additional discussion on who owns the land at Karta and where the jurisdiction between the USFS and Fish & Game is. Questions were brought up about the different permits and activities that are allowed based on who issues the permits. Ronald Leighton would like to find out where John McAlister’s property is located at in Karta Bay. There is discussion between President Jones and Ronald Leighton about the USFS and the history of Karta Bay. Conversation about finding a grant to build cabins where the USFS would not own or manage them. Discussion ends

with President Jones and Ronald Leighton having a Work Session together to determine next steps.

11. Resolutions:

Motion: Stormy Hamar motioned to approve Resolution 22-07-007 for the TTIP
Second Motion: Ronald Leighton

Roll Call Vote:

Randi Braz: yes
Della Coburn: excused
Dorothy Smith: yes
Glenn “Stormy” Hamar: yes
Ronald Leighton: yes
Elizabeth Taylor: yes

Motion passed.

Discussion:

Ronald Leighton asks Transportation Director about the two rocks before the tree that could damage the grader blades and mentions that he would like them removed. Transportation Director response that she is aware of the rocks and they will be removed as these issues are included in the heave maintenance plan.

12. Informational: none

13. Council Comments:

Stormy Hamar appreciates the efforts and attendance to the meeting and congratulates Elizabeth Taylor for taking on the responsibilities of a Tribal Council member.
President Jones also appreciates the efforts and attendance

14. Audience Participation:

Carol Fletcher (IGAP Coordinator for OVK) mentions how nice it is to be involved in the meetings again and observe the Tribal Council. She also appreciates that Staff is allowed to participate without having to take leave .

Sara Yockey (Transportation Director) mentions that she thinks it is inappropriate that the Tribal Council went into an Executive Session to discuss her grievance without her present and that she is upset that she has not been able to speak to the Tribal Council as a whole and will let the Tribal Council know if she will be quitting on Monday (07/18/2022).

President Jones clarified her grievance was not discussed and it was simply to decide who is on the grievance team.

Tribal Administrator (Alyssa Fischer) clarified that the Tribal Council is following the policies and procedures and if there are questions, please reference OVK’s Policies and Procedures 10.1.

Rose Ruel (Food Security Specialist – OVK) applauds the Tribal Council on the process of having a grievance review team.

15. Announcements:

Randi Braz (Community Navigator for Tlingit & Haida) mentions that the Tlingit & Haida backpack program is due today. All enrolled Tribal Citizen youth are encouraged to apply and if assistance is needed she can be reached by phone.

16. Adjournment:

Motion: Ronald Leighton motioned to adjourn

Second Motion: Glenn "Stormy" Hamar

Roll Call Vote:

Randi Braz: yes

Della Coburn: excused

Dorothy Smith: yes

Glenn "Stormy" Hamar: yes

Ronald Leighton: yes

Elizabeth Taylor: yes

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:23pm.



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