

**Karuk Tribe – Council Meeting
September 27, 2018 – Meeting Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 10am by Vice-Chairman Super.

Present:

Robert Super, Vice-Chairman
Michael Thom, Secretary/Treasurer
Renee Stauffer, Member at Large
Alvis “Bud” Johnson, Member at Large
Kristen King, Member at Large
Charron “Sonny” Davis, Member at Large

Absent:

Russell “Buster” Attebery, Chairman
Arch Super, Member at Large
Joseph “Jody” Waddell, Member at Large

Robert Super read the Mission Statement and Sonny Davis completed a prayer.

Agenda:

Renee Stauffer moved and Bud Johnson seconded to approve the agenda, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Consent Calendar:

Michael Thom moved and Kristen King seconded to approve the Consent Calendar, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Robert asked about signing for the purchase of a vehicle for Children & Family Services tomorrow on the holiday. Michael will be covering signatory for the vehicle.

Lester arrived so Michael inquired about the LIHEAP budget. Lester informed the Council that the budget is done after the proposal is funded. There were also changes on the resolution in the packet, so he has those final changes.

Minutes of August 23, 2018:

Michael Thom moved and Renee Stauffer seconded to approve the minutes of August 23, 2018, 4 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Kristen King).

Language:

“Here in Orleans” was spoken in Karuk for the Council and audience.

Guests:

1) Renee Stauffer, Council Member:

Renee is present to present Martha former school employee with a gift from the Tribal Council. The Council wanted to acknowledge her work and thank her for dedication to the children over the years.

Martha thanked the Council and she hoped to make a little difference in the lives of the children. Her career was rewarding and she was happy with the amount of kids she was able to become close with over her course of employment.

2) David Tripp, Tribal Member:

David has been trying to refinance his home and he finally got a company who would refinance without the particular water issue. He went to the USFS and found out that he has to pay the State \$150 but for the spring that's located on USFS land, means he needs a special use permit. He has contacted Indian Health Services regarding E.coli and at this point the USFS has agreed to drop all the back charges. He has debris on his property that must be cleared. He is requesting help from employees or dump fees, etc. to have the property cleaned up. He would need vehicles, a trailer, etc. He is asking for assistance in cleaning up the mess.

He is hoping to discuss it with NCIDC as well but he hasn't had the opportunity to speak with them yet.

Robert suggests having his request presented to KTHA as well. He noted that the KTHA has dumpsters that could be requested. David believes that if he had some crews and trucks it may help. He would take the items to the Happy Camp dump.

Director Reports:

1) April Attebury, Judicial Systems:

April is on travel, report provided.

Josh announced that Tribal Court was recently awarded three large grants. One was for remodeling the Log Cabin bar in Yreka to a Tribal Court, funding for men coming out of jail and prison and also funding for direct services.

Josh also announced that a second DA roundtable meeting was held with Siskiyou County and they will include additional staffing from the County, QVIR, DA, Law Enforcement and Behavioral Health in Siskiyou County.

Kristen King moved and Michael Thom seconded to approve April's report, 4 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Renee Stauffer).

2) Scott Quinn, Director of Land Management:

Scott arrived late, provided his report and action items.

Renee Stauffer moved and Bud Johnson seconded to rescind resolution 16-R-120, 4 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Michael Thom).

Renee Stauffer moved and Kristen King seconded to approve resolution 18-R-109, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Scott will provide a draft of the GIS zoning document he is working on. There will be a process of review to ensure when departments want to make a different plan that it is consistent with the land purchase funds or plans for the Tribe regarding that specific property.

Renee Stauffer moved and Bud Johnson seconded to approve Scott's report, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara. And Scott will be the Director for planning at the next meeting.

3) Josh Saxon, Executive Director:

Josh is present to review his report. He has been busy throughout the month. The compact amendment for workers comp for the casino was passed and on the Governor's desk for signature. There are only 4 days left for the Governor to sign it.

Conferencing is happening in October and will be operating well with the anticipation for some small details to be worked out. There will be some bumps in the road but for next month's meeting will have people in Orleans reporting from Orleans instead of driving to Yreka. Josh noted that he and Eric will be coordinating each site. At this time it will be just open session items and no closed session items.

Robert asked if Community Members are going to be allowed on the agenda. Josh noted that yes, if there is someone at that facility. As this gets moving, there will be more usage by community members. Robert believes that it will be good to have the agenda request form filled out and submitted in advance.

Renee asked Josh for an update on the Orleans Mutual Water Company Meeting. Josh briefly noted that there are preliminary meetings to gauge the Tribes interests and theirs on how to collaborate and move forward. There is a draft access agreement from KTHA attorney's submitted to them and is under review.

Renee Stauffer moved and Bud Johnson seconded to approve Josh's report, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

4) Sara Spence, KTHA ED:

Sara is not present, report provided.

Michael Thom moved and Kristen King seconded to approve amendment (1) with KTHA and Karuk Tribe, 4 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Renee Stauffer).

Michael Thom moved and Kristen King seconded to approve the recertification of lots numbers 3 & 4, 4 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Renee Stauffer).

Michael Thom moved and Sonny Davis seconded to approve Sara's report, 4 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Renee Stauffer).

5) Karen Derry, KCDC OM:

Karen is present to review her report. She has the Head Start grant information and seeking approval to submit for approval.

The resolution number is 18-R-108 for the Office of Head Start. It has been reviewed by the Policy Council, KCDC Board, Emma Lee and Laura Mayton.

Josh asked how the KCDC Board submits approval. It is documented in the minutes of KCDC.

Michael Thom moved and Renee Stauffer seconded to approve resolution 18-R-108, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Karen noted that the Board has changed her reporting. So exactly what is reported to the KCDC Board is what is reported to the Tribal Council.

MKWC wants a copy of the Tribes plan for biomass. The Tribe has paid for this document and in order to release it requires input from the staff or departments. Karen reported that the biomass feasibility study has been sent to Bill and Leaf. Renee asked if there have been discussions in partnering with MKWC. Leaf noted that the Tribe has an ongoing partnership but there is no

partnering specifically regarding this avenue. This is not a new issue or the first time this has been looked at, and he's unsure of the next steps, but internally at DNR they have not had the opportunity to review the feasibility study. Michael asked that the DNR staff review this document and DNR report on it next month at the DNR Meeting to provide additional information. Karen noted that the next step is a marketing plan and a business plan, to move forward.

Renee Stauffer moved and Bud Johnson seconded to approve Karen's report, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

6) Lester Alford, TANF Director:

Lester is present to review his report. He has one action item which is travel to Seattle WA with three of his staff.

Michael would recommend a Council Member or Committee Member attend the training so they begin to provide coverage when staff are gone.

Michael Thom moved and Renee Stauffer seconded to approve out of state travel for Tina, Anthony, Lindsay and a Council/Committee Member, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

He then reported that there are 38 clients currently on TANF. All information wasn't in the system for the work participation rate, but he reiterated after view of the system they did make the benchmark.

Lester reported that the Tribe pays for the additional amounts of services for in-home health. Technically the Tribe ran out of funding in the second quarter and the Tribe then pays the difference to the assistance.

In CSD there is funding that needs to be spent by December. Michael asked if at the end of the year there funding that is left over is carried over. Lester noted that it is not, but he requests the required 10% carryover. Lester commented that there is some funding, but CSD is a use or lose state funding opportunity. NEW is a carryover option. Michael asked to complete advertising to provide more assistance to Tribal Members. Lester noted that the CSD portion he monitors is \$20,000 but the overall funding is more than \$100,000. He noted that in order to raise the income threshold has to be requested. Michael noted that in 1980, with his previous work, lead the Indian agency got up to \$400k, with him showing the unmet need.

Renee Stauffer moved and Kristen King seconded to approve Lester's report, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

7) Laura Mayton, CFO

Laura is present to seek formal approval of the agreement with Symetra under agreement 18-A-154 and the Council already approved this direction.

Renee Stauffer moved and Kristen King seconded to approve agreement 18-A-154, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

The Tribes liability insurance is due to renew on October 1st. The Tribe had to increase the liability insurance to 10 million dollars, and due to the increased liability and crime this cost is \$121,352. She would like to renew liability and crime insurance for this fiscal year.

Michael Thom moved and Kristen King seconded to approve liability and crime insurance for this coming year, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

She then has change orders for the casino. She asked for closed session to conduct those items.

Michael Thom moved and Kristen King seconded to approve Laura's report, 4 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Renee Stauffer).

8) Leaf Hillman, DNR Director:

Leaf is present to seek approval of the Karuk tribal Environmental Plan 2018. This information includes updating over the years but there were some smaller updates including partnering participation from other agencies. Robert asked about solid waste management and the notation of it, although there is no current program operating. Leaf explained that this is something that is a goal of the Tribes and to gain access to recycling options, but EPA is not providing stable funding sources to support that work at this time. It will stay reflected in the document because it is a priority of the Tribe.

Michael Thom moved and Renee Stauffer seconded to approve the Karuk Tribe Environmental Plan 2018, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Leaf then presented out of state travel for Marshall Super, Jill Beckman, and Kenny Sauve to Santa Fe, NM, October 14-23, 2018. It will be for fire effect monitoring and tech workshop.

Michael Thom moved and Bud Johnson seconded to approve out of state travel for the three employees, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Lisa then requested approval of resolution 18-R-104 to the Indian Tenure Foundation funding. This funding will coincide with her other activities that are currently done.

Renee Stauffer moved and Bud Johnson seconded to approve resolution 18-R-104, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

In a part of this funding there is funding for portions of the Food Security position and she will draft more proposals to keep the Pikyav Field Institute afloat. She is working on keeping five positions and hers funded.

She then presented a contract 18-C-184 to do the work for the Pikyav Field Institute for \$45k to complete tasks in the grant proposal.

Michael Thom moved and Kristen King seconded to approve contract 18-C-184 with Kathy McCovey, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Michael Thom moved and Renee Stauffer seconded to approve Leaf's report, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

9) Misty Rickwalt, Director of Transportation:

Misty is present to review her report. There are three items in her report that are in the close out phases, red cap bikeway, bridge work in Orleans and Itroop Rd in Happy Camp.

The Hillside Road widening is near completion with the contractor needing to finalize some punch list items. The Clinic parking lot is done, so this totals 4 projects completed in her first

year. She is working with the DNR staff on the DNR parking facility. They are at 90% of their plans. They are at 40-70% on the Kahtishraam parking facility.

The bus stop for Orleans and Housing is nearing completion.

She has been working with Josh and Ryan on the secured parking in Happy Camp Admin Complex. They will use the same kind of gridlock that is used in the parking lots.

Renee Stauffer moved and Sonny Davis seconded to approve Misty's report, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

10) Dion Wood, TERO Director:

Dion is not present, report provided.

Dion requested that a TERO Commissioner attend travel on behalf of TERO Commission.

Michael Thom moved and Sonny Davis seconded to approve out of state travel for the TERO Commissioner, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Kristen King moved and Michael Thom seconded to approve Dion's report, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

11) Eric Cutright, IT Director:

Eric is present to seek approval of fiber optic line for the FSC in Happy Camp and add another pole into the agreement 11-A-046 (2).

Renee Stauffer moved and Kristen King seconded to approve amendment (2) to 11-A-046, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Michael Thom moved and Bud Johnson seconded to approve Eric's report, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Phone Votes:

1. Request approval of resolution 18-R-091. Passed.
2. Request approval to retain the services of Palmer Kazanjian. Passed.
3. Request approval of resolution 18-R-102. Passed.
4. Request approval of the revised Clerical Assistant position description for KTHA. Passed.

Closed Session:

Consensus: to table request from Tribal Member DT to KTHA.

Consensus: all spending from Third Party and Discretionary shall be approved by a vote of the Tribal Council.

Renee Stauffer moved and Sonny Davis seconded to approve the costs related to Tribal Member GA to September 24th, 2018, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Michael Thom moved and Renee Stauffer seconded to approve Change Order #17 for RRC, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Kristen King moved and Bud Johnson seconded to approve resolution 18-R-107, 4 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Renee Stauffer moved and Bud Johnson seconded to approve insurance for the Orleans gym volleyball (Josh Saxon), 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Consensus: The Tribe will invite KTHA, KCDC, to the Tribe's holiday party, but it will be allowable for the entities to determine their holiday party, on the same day.

Renee Stauffer moved and Kristen King seconded to close all offices Christmas Eve, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Michael Thom moved and Kristen King seconded to approve resolution 18-R-115 with change, 3 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Sonny Davis).

Michael Thom moved and Bud Johnson seconded to approve resolution 18-R-114 with change, 3 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Sonny Davis)

Bud Johnson moved and Kristen King seconded to approve resolution 18-R-113 with change, 3 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Sonny Davis).

Kristen King moved and Michael Thom seconded to approve resolution 18-R-116 with change, 4 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Employee Drawing: Robert Corum

Informational: the ED will follow up regarding childcare home in Yreka.

Next Meeting Date: October 25, 2018 at 10am in Yreka CA.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Super, Vice-Chairman

Recording Secretary, Barbara Snider