

**Karuk Tribe – Council Meeting
June 27, 2019 – Meeting Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 10am by Chairman Attebery.

Present:

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

Absent:

None.

Buster read the Mission Statement and Sonny completed a prayer for the audience.

Agenda:

Renee Stauffer moved and Bud Johnson seconded to approve the agenda with changes, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Consent Calendar:

Renee Stauffer moved and Michael Thom seconded to approve the consent calendar, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Minutes of May 23, 2019:

Renee Stauffer moved and Arch Super seconded to table the minutes of May 23, 2019, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Language:

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Old Business:

None listed.

Guests:

1) Orleans Youth Council:

Buster welcomed the youth council. He announced that he just returned from the NCAI Conference and there were youth representatives in attendance from other Tribes and he hopes that our Tribe has representatives attend at some point.

Aja noted that the youth are working on the youth crew and are on the youth council. They are in attendance today to see how the Tribe is running and interact with the meeting forum.

Ruby King, Mariah Brewington and Emma Boykin introduced themselves to the audience and the Council.

Renee welcomed the youth to the meeting. Buster announced that they will be the future of the Karuk Tribe and the Council is here to assist the youth.

Kristen asked how many are in the youth council. There are five youth council participants. They meet weekly.

2) Shaye Borque:

Shaye is present to seek approval of an agreement for DNR and the University of Washington to attend travel. Most of the funding is for staff members. It is under agreement 19-A-079. They can take seven students but there are only a few confirmed. The course starts Monday and they will do some activities on the river. The ages are 15 and up. This funding was received last minute and they tried outreach but there isn't a way to get some youth involved with so many working for youth jobs. It doesn't have to be kids and they could get credit from HSU for the field work if there were some older interns interested. Renee asked what happens if they aren't able to have adequate participation. There is still work that will be done. Debbie asked that an email be sent to all employees to share the information on this activity. Cheena is trying to help as well to provide information to others.

Arch Super moved and Robert Super seconded to approve agreement 19-A-079, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Buster thanked Shaye for this work for the youth. He asked to send notice of who is attending to Renee and Kristen to obtain Orleans interest. Arch asked if some of the youth workers could attend if they wanted to. Dion wasn't sure if funding allowed this or what the opportunities would be, but he is willing to work on this with Shaye.

Buster then noted that HSU has a new President coming in and he can assist in making introductions.

3) David Tripp, Ceremonial Leader:

David is present to seek Council approval of funding for ceremonies. He first thanked the Tribal Council for supporting the Karuk Mountain Dance for 23 years. The ceremonies start on August 2nd.

Earl suggested that the ceremony use the DNR space for dumpster and add another one for services. Due to community members and local wildlife it's better to use a dumpster that is locked up.

Arch Super moved and Robert Super seconded to approve David Tripp's request, insurance, garbage, portable toilets and water trucks for the Mountain Dance Ceremony, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

4) Debbie Bickford, Human Services Office Manager:

Debbie is present to seek approval of a grant proposal for Pat Hobbs who was called into Jury Duty last minute. She presented resolution 19-R-075 for the five year plan.

Laura noted that it is reoccurring funding and would be non-issue.

Arch Super moved and Verna Reece seconded to approve resolution 19-R-075, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Director Reports:

1) **Scott Quinn, Director of Land Management:**

Scott is present to review his report. He first updated the Council on the Bunker Hill property and a letter from Caltrans and the legal description was submitted to the BIA and once they approve it that will be moving forward.

He is working with Loretta on a draft letter that provides clarification on Title insurance.

Consensus: to submit letter to the BIA providing clarification.

He then noted that for the Happy Camp Community Center, he asked for updated information for properties up on Hillside. He is hoping to get an estimate from a contractor for the fee to trust applications and he is fairly confident they could handle the Tribes applications.

Scott is working on the Sherwood property and another property in HC that is adjacent. Scott noted that he will provide the Tribe information on other parcels.

Arch asked that Scott continue working on the contract for fee to trust to allow coverage for the Tribe prior to his leaving.

Buster asked about the City opposing the land into trust applications for Yreka. Scott overviewed that he believes the City is opposing because they think the Tribe has a project for the land identified, and they believe they're going to lose tax dollars. The Tribe provided a response clarifying the concerns. Buster would like to sit down and work with Scott on the comments from the City of Yreka. The BIA will take the Tribes letter and the City's letter and weigh it, and their determination will be made and if it's favorable to the Tribe then the City can appeal.

Robert asked if the Tribe was a partner on the Greenway project. Scott noted that the Tribal staff worked with their staff on flood plains which would be sufficient water for fisheries.

Arch Super moved and Verna Reece seconded to approve Scott's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

2) **April Attebury, Judicial Systems:**

April has no action items but provided a highlight on program activities. The Wellness Court and Re-entry staff has been relocated to their new office space on Main Street.

They are still looking for space for the Victim Service Program. Scott, Josh and April have been working on a Justice Center and they have provided updated information to Josh. There will be an update provided once he is back in the office for the option B site. Scott drafted a letter to the City requesting commercial water and sewer.

The transitional housing program is moving along and it is being used.

Robert asked if she has been in contact with KCDC to work on housing for domestic violence clients such as tiny homes. Josh, Trista and April will be working on grants for small emergency shelter services in the RV Parks to have some discussions on that ability.

Verna Reece moved and Renee Stauffer seconded to approve April's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

3) Lester Alford, TANF Director:

Lester is present to provide updates to his report. He has a lease agreement for office space and the Orleans Summer youth program contract is under review. There is continued services being provided to the TANF clients and it is based on client participation. He is assessing the youth services for the Horse Program and they seem to like it.

Buster asked what happened with the disgruntle contractor request. Lester noted that he hasn't been updated on that matter. Buster asked if they are threatening litigation over the issues. Lester noted that he hasn't heard that but the TANF staff did work on discussions but the contractors did work without a contract with the Tribe.

Arch asked about the Fair and he would like to bring a schedule to TANF to provide time slots for clients. Lester would like to have that and if there are clients who need hours, he can provide that information to them and they can participate in their hours.

Arch Super moved and Renee Stauffer seconded to approve Lester's report, 7 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Robert Super).

Lester noted that shipping containers procurement needs approval. Robert asked where it would be stored and Lester reported on the property. Procurement doesn't require Council approval if under \$5,000.

4) Sara Spence, KTHA ED:

Sara is not present, report provided.

KTHA may want a wage garnishment ordinance for debts owed to KTHA. Arch explained that there are some employees that can pay their debts but they need to discuss an order to be issued. Renee and Kristen asked that people who have passed away be taken off the debt list. This would just require a Council approval on this moving forward.

There are also discussions on land and fencing for stopping people walking from KTHA to RRC. It was noted at the Gaming Meeting that they will walk the property and attempt to find solutions such as additional no trespassing signs.

Buster noted that he is on a data committee with TBIC and he would like to obtain data on the needs of the Membership including the waiting list. From meetings with KTHA it was found that they are not going to increase land purchases for homes.

Renee Stauffer moved and Bud Johnson seconded to approve Sara's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

5) Karen Derry, KCDC:

Not present, no report was provided. There wasn't a KCDC Meeting and the Board requires that the ED submit the report as presented to them.

Tabled to closed session.

6) Dion Wood, TERO Director:

Dion is present to seek approval of the TERO policies and procedures. Dion noted that they have reviewed them a couple times. Josh, Arch and the Commission made edits. The TERO Commission approved the policies and procedures as well.

Arch Super moved and Robert Super seconded to approve the TERO program policies and procedures, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Dion then reviewed his report noting that the Caltrans I and Caltrans II pilot project will be underway.

He wanted to talk to the Council about dam removal. He noted that RES is subcontracted from Hewitt and they have called a meeting with the Tribes and unions and they want to know how they can work together. The Yuroks have gotten onboard with this and are fired up with the company and are attending the meeting. Dion noted that even with the Tribes sovereignty the people will have to be union. There will be PLA's provided as well. Dion will be present at the meeting. Laura recommends that someone from the Council attend with Dion. Kristen and possibly Arch will attend.

Dion noted that there were 54 youth workers hired. It was challenging but a great orientation day. Dion has pictures and will share them with the Council. The orientation also allowed for the youth to provide information to staff on tribal operations.

TERO is supporting the computer centers \$10,000 each for funding.

Coming up in August is the Tribal Employment Rights Convention. He would like to send three TERO Commissioners to ID.

Michael Thom moved and Robert Super seconded to approve three TERO Commissioners to attend ID, August 6-9, 2019, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

The identified childcare facility needs to be rezoned and it is zoned as residential. Right now the modular is office space. Scott asked when they plan to renovate it and if they will do the renovation, if it will start with floor plans. Dion asked if it's a fee to trust application will be effected if it's in the application. Scott doesn't believe it would be an issue to re-zone the modular and he should submit the application for rezoning.

There is a Commissioner vacancy and there were 2 letters of intent received. There were 2 letters of intent received. It will be further discussed in closed session.

Dion asked for dates to meet with the Tribal Council and with childcare representatives to assist in childcare design.

Renee Stauffer moved and Robert Super seconded to approve Dion's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

7) Laura Mayton, CFO:

Laura did not provide her report. She presented an action item of insurance renewal with Tribal First. It has gone up this year due to inquiring more property and costs. She would like to seek approval to renew the Tribes Insurance.

Arch Super moved and Verna Reece seconded to approve insurance coverage with Conover AVI, Tribal First, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

She then noted that the Government portion of the audit is complete and the Tax Market project is holding it up. The audit will be turned in the first or second week of July.

Robert Super moved and Verna Reece seconded to approve Laura's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara

8) Alex Watts-Tobin, THPO:

Alex is present to seek approval of a few items.

He first presented 19-A-077 and 19-A-078. They are both cultural monitor agreements one with Indian Health Services and the other with Siskiyou Telephone. The wrinkle with agreement 19-A-077 was to clarify ownership of cultural artifacts if found. Alex noted that the Tribe could ask private land owners for artifacts.

Robert Super moved and Renee Stauffer seconded to approve agreement 19-A-077, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Arch Super moved and Bud Johnson seconded to approve agreement 19-A-078, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

His third action item is resolution 19-R-071 for the THPO grant.

Arch Super moved and Verna Reece seconded to approve resolution 19-R-071, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Robert asked about cultural monitoring on jobs on and along highway 96. Alex relayed the Tribes frustration with cultural monitoring but they are working with Caltrans on this matter. He will provide an update at the DNR Meeting. Robert noted that there is Yreka Housing and facilities in Yreka so we have the right to be out there. Also, artifacts were found outside of the Tribes map, so that needs to be addressed. Michael commented as well that the Tribe should contact the Shasta Tribe to ask that they provide a monitor as well.

Earl presented a letter of support for SRRC to put in a grant to the Bella Vista Foundation to work with Tribes and Siskiyou County to put together a regional evasive species strategy. He presented a request to provide a letter of support for SRRC to put in for the funding under resolution 19-R-073.

Renee Stauffer moved and Michael Thom seconded to approve resolution 19-R-073, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

DNR report tabled.

9) Misty Rickwalt, Director of Transportation:

Misty is present to review her report. She is providing Tribal Transportation attorney services. They have been under contract since 2015 and provide services to the transportation department.

Robert Super moved and Renee Stauffer seconded to approve agreement 15-C-097 modification (4), 7 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Arch Super).

Adam Larson is requesting to use the Red Cap grant application as an example in acquiring safety grants. She would need Council approval to seek the application to provide it in training and how to use different forms of data.

Michael Thom moved and Robert Super seconded to approve release of the Tribes safety grant as requested for training purposes, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Arch asked that the document include a stipulation for training purposes only.

The Yreka Wellness Center parking lot is out to bid and bids are due July 1st. Misty would like to receive data and information on accidents on Apsuun Rd to assist in her grant writing. She asked that she be provided that information. Robert asked that she work with Sara and Charles on data. Misty noted that she would like information from several places and she does currently work with KTHA staff. If there are other people who identify information to please share it with her.

She met with Vincent Martinez of FEMA. He offered to come up and host community preparedness trainings in HC, YR and OR. She would like to work with Randy White and work toward providing that service in the communities. Robert would like to have them attend the Reunion as well.

She noted that each Member Tribe contributes two fish to the dinner that are members are bringing. She invited the Council to attend that week long meeting which is informative or attend September 25th dinner at Bear River.

Verna Reece moved and Sonny Davis seconded to approve Misty's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

10) Executive Director:

Not present, no report.

Robert Super moved and Sonny Davis seconded to table Josh's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 puuhara.

Phone Votes:

1. Request to approve contract 19-C-067 \$2,700 from discretionary for land attorney assistance. Passed.
2. Request to approve out of state travel for Bari Talley to DC June 20th, pending Supervisor approval. Passed.
3. Request to approve up to \$50 each to identified staff, working on and for Staff Day. Passed.
4. Request to provide rehabilitation services for #D00536. Passed
5. Request to waive policy and allow the employee to use their Birthday day after the three month timeframe. Passed
6. Request to approve resolution 19-R-035 authorizing submission of the IMLS grant proposal. Passed
7. Request to pay the two descendants education scholarships from the reunion \$250 (each), totaling \$500 from Council Discretionary. One student is from Texas and the other from Nevada. Passed
8. Request to approve 2 weeks lodging for Tribal Member #GD from Third Party. Passed.

9. Request the use of a trailer located at the ranch to move her belongings to housing in Orleans tomorrow. Passed

Closed Session:

Renee Stauffer moved and Kristen King seconded to approve Inaam ceremony services, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Consensus: attorney will be assigned to draft a lease for Somes Bar units.

Consensus: to refer former KTHA Employee #TE to the KTHA BOC for clarification.

Robert Super moved and Michael Thom seconded to accept TERO recommendation and reappoint Debbie Whitman to the TERO Commission, 7 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Arch Super).

Informational: previous TERO Planning indicated that retiring Commissioners would be used for a panel should there be an identified need or conflicts with current TERO Commissioners.

Informational: Follow up on the fencing quote for Somes Bar needs done when the fencing and DNR progresses.

Informational: Council compensation was reviewed by the Tribal Council.

Council Directive – ED shall provide write up for Director not submitting their report or attendance at meetings.

Council Directive – Health CEO shall adjust employee work schedule to accurately reflect 5 days per week.

Arch Super moved and Bud Johnson seconded to approve the Interim General Counsel work schedule for one month, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Next Meeting Date: July 25, 2019 at 10am in Yreka.

Adjourned at 3:27pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Russell Buster Attebery, Chairman

Recording Secretary, Barbara Snider