



Regular Washoe Tribal Council Meeting Minutes
July 14, 2017
Stewart Community

A. CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 pm

Presiding Officer: Neil Mortimer, Chairman

B. ROLL CALL

Council Members Present

Chad Malone, Carson Colony
Rueben Vasquez, Dresslerville Community
Jacqueline Steele, Stewart Community
Irvin Jim, Woodfords Community
Mahlon Machado, Off Reservation (late)

Ellen Fillmore, Carson Colony
William Smokey, Dresslerville Community
Stan Smokey, Stewart Community
Deirdre Jones-Flood, Woodfords Community
Jeremy Steele, Off Reservation

Council Members Absent

Lorraine Keller, Reno/Sparks

Jeremy Steele, Secretary-Treasurer, confirms quorum.

C. READING OF THE AGENDA: No amendments to agenda.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 2017. Motion to approve minutes by Rueben Vasquez, Dresslerville; seconded by Stan Smokey, Stewart. **The vote was (6) for, (0) against, (4) abstentions.** Motion carries.

E. OLD BUSINESS

1) Steve Campbell, Washoe Tribe Prosecutor

- a) Amendments to Title 5: Elder Abuse Code. The history of Title 5 and the need for it to be passed is discussed. Motion to approve by Irvin Jim, Woodfords; seconded by Stan, Stewart. **The vote was (9) for, (0) against, (2) abstentions. Resolution Number: 2017-07-WTC-072.** Motion passes.

F. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- 1) **Annette Alvarado, Interim Housing Director** – Update on Washoe Housing Authority and the projects that are being done in the communities by Housing.

- 2) **Courtney Hardin, Elder Center Director** – Update on the Elder Centers’ staff. Goals & objectives, funding sources, meals, accomplishments, concerns & issues, and other activities are presented in a PowerPoint.

G. COMMUNITY AND CHAIRMAN REPORT(S)

- 1) **Carson Colony** – No action items.
- 2) **Dresslerville Community** – No action items. Chairman Vasquez has questions about the upcoming school year for Education Director. Is there a plan to address inadequate staffing? Plan to staff all schools to have multiple Education Advisors. Question about JOM Committee status. Parent Committee needs to be established before JOM Committee can begin. Dresslerville Community Council officially has a vacancy because Elvia McDonald has resigned from her position.
- 3) **Off Reservation** – No action items. Announcement regarding Off Reservation Meeting on July 22nd at 10:00 am at the TANF HQ and Oakland TANF Office. Off Reservation will have a booth at the Wa She Shu It’ Deh for members to update their addresses.
- 4) **Reno/Sparks** – Absent.
- 5) **Stewart Community** – No action items. Stewart has their generator up and running now. It is to ensure the community has water in a power outage. There was a slight delay with the initial set up, but it has been fixed and should be ready to work in the event of an emergency.
- 6) **Woodfords Community** – No action items. With homes going green in the community, a need for a generator for homes has been identified. It will ensure that people don’t lose their power for utilities in their homes. Chairman Jim has been working with Alpine Energy Action Team to find grants and funding for a generator for the Woodfords Community.
- 7) **Chairman’s Report** – Being the immediate supervisor for the Maintenance Department, the Chairman reads the maintenance report as in person report. There is a question about vehicle repair. Chairman elaborates that Elders are the generally the only ones who get assistance from the maintenance crew depending on what the repairs entail.

Dinner break: 6:58 pm

Back from dinner break: 7:37 pm

H. NEW BUSINESS

- 1) **Angie Wilson, Washoe Tribal Health Clinic Director**
 - a) Amendment to HAC By-Laws. Changes the HAC composition of ex-officio members from Health Center Director and Chief Medical Officer, to only Health Center Director. It is explained that most medical boards and committees like the HAC usually do not have the CMO attend the meetings. Motion to approve by Jacqueline Steele, Stewart; seconded by William Smokey, Dresslerville. **The vote was (8) for, (0) against, (3) abstentions. Resolution Number: 2017-07-WTC-073.** Motion passes.
- 2) **Darinda Caldera, Head Start Director**
 - a) 2017 Head Start COLA funding application resolution. We were unable to apply for COLA because the application was not on the Head Start system. Deadline is 7/14/17, but Darinda has been in contact with the program specialist, Walter Jordain, but did not receive a return call before the deadline. She wants to move forward with the resolution giving permission to apply for the COLA grant application. Motion to approve by Rueben, Dresslerville; seconded by Irvin, Woodfords. **The vote was (10) for, (0) against, (1) abstention. Resolution Number: 2017-07-WTC-074.** Motion passes.

3) Roberta Reed, Controller

- a) UBS Financial signatory change resolution. Changes signature authority from former Vice-Chairwoman Deirdre Jones-Flood to current Vice-Chairman Mahlon Machado. Motion to approve by Chad Malone, Carson Colony; seconded by Irvin, Woodfords. **The vote was (8) for, (0) against, (3) abstentions. Resolution Number: 2017-07-WTC-075.** Motion passes.
- b) Bank of America signatory change resolution. Changes signature authority from former Vice-Chairwoman Deirdre Jones-Flood to current Vice-Chairman Mahlon Machado. Motion to approve by Irvin, Woodfords; seconded by Jacqueline, Stewart. **The vote was (8) for, (0) against, (3) abstentions. Resolution Number: 2017-07-WTC-076.** Motion passes.
- c) US Bank signatory change resolution. Changes signature authority from former Vice-Chairwoman Deirdre Jones-Flood to current Vice-Chairman Mahlon Machado. Motion to approve by Chad, Carson Colony; seconded by William, Dresslerville. **The vote was (8) for, (0) against, (3) abstentions. Resolution Number: 2017-07-WTC-077.** Motion passes.
- d) Schwab signatory change resolution. Changes signature authority from former Vice-Chairwoman Deirdre Jones-Flood to current Vice-Chairman Mahlon Machado. Motion to approve by Irvin, Woodfords; seconded by Stan, Stewart. **The vote was (8) for, (0) against, (3) abstentions. Resolution Number: 2017-07-WTC-078.** Motion passes.
- e) RAMAH Schwab account creation resolution. Allows RAMAH settlement money to be placed in a separate account to accrue interest until such time that the Tribe decides the best use of the money. Motion to approve by Irvin, Woodfords; seconded by Chad, Carson Colony. **The vote was (8) for, (0) against, (3) abstentions. Resolution Number: 2017-07-WTC-079.** Motion passes.

4) Mahlon Machado, Washoe Tribal Vice-Chairman

- a) Ceiba Legal Contract. The background of the need for this contract and the current amendment is discussed. Amendment appoints Ceiba Legal with some of the duties that are usually reserved for the in house General Counsel (i.e. contract review, etc.). Motion to approve by Irvin, Woodfords; seconded by Stan, Stewart. **The vote was (8) for, (0) against, (3) abstentions. Resolution Number: 2017-07-WTC-080.** Motion passes.

Motion to go into closed session by Rueben, Dresslerville; seconded by Stan, Stewart. **The vote was (10) for, (0) against, (1) abstention.** Closed session begins at **8:24 pm**.

Motion to come out of closed session by Deirdre, Woodfords; seconded by William, Dresslerville. **The vote was (10) for, (0) against, (1) abstentions.** Closed session ends at **9:44 pm**.

There is a consensus of the Tribal Council that we will form Ad Hoc Legal Committee to be the liaison between the Tribe and Ceiba Legal. Tribal Council volunteers are Chad Malone, Carson Colony, William Smokey, Dresslerville, and Mahlon Machado, Off Reservation / Vice-Chairman. They will serve on the committee for six months, until the Ceiba Legal addendum to serve as legal counsel is completed.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Irvin, Woodfords; seconded by Rueben, Dresslerville. **The vote was (10) for, (0) against, (1) abstention. Motion carries.** Meeting adjourned at **9:47 pm**.