



Regular Washoe Tribal Council Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2016
Stewart Community

A. CALL TO ORDER

Presiding Officer: Neil Mortimer, Chairman

B. ROLL CALL

Council Members

Neil Mortimer, Chairman	Stan Smokey, Stewart Community
Gary Nevers, Carson Colony	Jeremy Steele, Off Reservation
Chad Malone, Carson Colony	Lisa Christensen, Dresslerville Community
Rueben Vasquez, Dresslerville	Irvin Jim, Woodfords Community
Deirdre Flood, Woodfords	Jacqueline Steele, Stewart Community
Lorraine Keller, Reno/Sparks	Mahlon Machado, Off Reservation

Kathleen Simpson, Secretary/Treasurer, confirms quorum.

C. READING OF THE AGENDA: Chairman Mortimer

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Amended November 13, 2016 Minutes. Motion to approve made by Jacqueline Steele, Stewart Community, seconded by Irvin Jim, Woodfords Community. **The vote was (10) for, (0) against, (1) abstention. Motion carries.**

E. OLD BUSINESS

- 1) **Gordon T. Forrester, Owners Representative, Project Accountant**
 - a) Travel Plaza Update – Soft opening date will be February 17th. Casino opening late June or early July.
- 2) **Pauline Howe, Finance Director**
 - a) Tribal Chairman's Salary – Increase in the Chairman's salary to \$41.02. Motion to approve by Stan Smokey, Stewart Community, seconded by Gary Nevers, Carson Colony. **The vote was (9) for, (0) against, (2) abstentions. Motion carries. Consensus to start increase on Monday, February 15, 2016.**

The Chairman asks for a motion for Tribal Council to go into Closed Session for Enrollment. Jeremy Steele, Off Reservation made the motion, Gary Nevers, Carson Community seconds. **The vote was (11) for, (0) against, (1) abstention. Motion**

carries. Motions table to reconvene. The vote was (1) for, (0) against, (1) abstention. Motion carries.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1) Stan Smokey, Ranch

a) East Fork of the Carson River Phase 1 & 2 Resolution – Motion to approve made by Irvin Jim, Woodfords Community, seconded by Lisa Christensen, Dresslerville Community. The vote was (11) for, (0) against, (1) abstention. Motion carries.

2) Nancy Nizankiewicz, Interim Housing Director

a) Lease Modifications Resolution – Reading of the resolution. The Chairman recommended review by Legal. Housing will give this information to Legal to get in touch with the Housing attorney. Motion to table until Legal can review made by Lorraine Keller, Reno/Sparks, Rueben Vasquez, Dresslerville Community seconded. The vote was (5) for, (1) against, (6) abstentions. Motion carries.

G. COMMUNITY AND CHAIRMAN REPORT(S)

a) Carson Colony – Gary Nevers. No action items.

b) Dresslerville Community - Lisa Christensen. Rueben Vasquez read the resolution recommending Aaron Smokey's appointment to the Health Advisory Committee. Motion to approve made by Jacqueline Steele, Stewart Community, seconded by Irvin Jim, Woodfords Community. The vote was (8) for, (0) against, (4) abstentions. Motion carries.

c) Off Reservation – Jeremy Steele, no action items. Off Reservation is planning on contracting for an Off Reservation website.

d) Reno/Sparks – No action items.

e) Stewart Community – Jacqueline Steele. No action items. The Community obtained the Catholic Church as they terminated their lease.

f) Woodfords Community – Irvin Jim - No action items.

Chairman's Report – The 2016 WHA plan was finalized. The budgets for all the Communities were passed. Met with Matt McKinney on the old Dressler ranch, 40 acres which includes the cemetery. Had a Carson River site tour at the golf course on the Tribe's property. Had the monthly manager's meeting. Met with IT on the first implementation, approving Cole Larson as the IT Manager. Met regarding the Prosecutor RFPs. Someone has been approved contingent on her background check. Worked with Dresslerville Council to help with the insurance claims. Burial Committee is currently not functioning. Asked anyone interested to submit their letters of interest. Meeks Bay lease coming up in 2018, 20 years in operation. There are spikes in the water quality, contamination from creek and we're continuing to work with Jeff Marsolais with the Forest Service to resolve the issues. Waiting for a list of the violations from the Lahontan Water Quality Board.

Vice Chairwoman Flood reported that Dance Hill was put under Historical Preservation notification. Darrel Cruz worked on for four years.

Chairman updated the purchase of modular for the Center. Met with Sherry Rupert, Nevada Indian Commission regarding support for the Lak a Lel Be Pow Wow.

Gary Nevers, Carson Colony asked about the ancestral hike and if was possible to continue that. The Chairman indicated he would support this out of his cultural budget.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Irvin Jim, Woodfords Community, seconded by Gary Nevers, Carson Colony. **The vote was (11) for, (0) against, (1) abstention. Motion carries.**
Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.
