

ROUND VALLEY INDIAN TRIBES

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MINUTES March 1, 2019

The special meeting of the Round Valley Tribal Council was called to order by President James Russ on March 1, 2019 at 9:19 a.m. in the Buffalo Room within the Tribal Administrative Building located on the Round Valley Indian Reservation.

Roll call and the following Council Members were present: Mr. Russ, Mr. Bettega (arrived 9:24 a.m.), Mr. Robert Whipple (arrived 9:24 a.m.), Mr. Rabano Jr., Ms. Cordova & Ms. Willits

Also present: Kimberly Stillwell Aurdina Phillips, Jasming Whipple, Laura Betts, Jessica Goodrow, Kimberly Franco, Carlos Bettega, Julia Russ, Monica Sayad, Cindy Hoalgen, J.D. Hoaglen-Wright & Sally Arellano

Opening prayer by Ms. Cordova

Item No. 2: Agenda/approval - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-01:**

MOTION NO. 1:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve the agenda with additions.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried

Item No. 3: Unfinished Business:

a. Luis Oliver – RE: Letter support from Council - **Action Item – 2018-02-21-07:** Not present, will take if shows up to the meeting

Item No. 4: New Business:

a. Monica Sayad – RE: Discussion – continued involvement in World Forum & other Impact - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-02:** Mrs. Sayad was present and gave an update:

1) National Indian Head Start Board – set on this board, they have four face to face meetings/four times a year – it's an education and advocacy meeting and is one of the members that make up the quorum. She is not going to this meeting in March. She would like to discuss this with the Council if she should continue serving on this Board

2) World Forum – next meeting will be April 8/11, 2019 in Macao, China. The Council approved for her to attend this last year. This year she is in this group and has been asked to speak and is seeking Council approve to attend, if not she will use her on leave as she is very

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dedicated to what they are doing. There are nine representatives on this board and only two are tribal members.

3) Impact Aid 874 – she was asked to participate, she did not know she was supposed to be going to these meetings. She started and was excited and she was vocal on education for the students but it became a very challenging Board to serve on and felt she was not affective, so she has not been attending them.

Short discussion followed about the composition of the 874 Committee; of the Council wanting more accountability of where the funds are going/used;

4) National Indian Education Association – we sent representatives from Head Start Board to attend these meetings, she has not attended these meetings. Most tribes send someone. She encourages someone to attend as it's on Indian Education. Joleen Whipple is interested in attending these meetings – It's for Child Care and is allowable for T/TA

MOTION NO. 2:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve travel for the Global Leadership -2019 World Forum April 8/11, 2019 in Macao, China.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: Bettega (out of the room)

Motion carried.

Mrs. Sayad stated that she will get back on the agenda to discuss the four items presented, which maybe for executive session.

b. RVTT Director – RE: Active Shooter Training, March 5, 2019 – approve for RVTT to enter into contract with Mr. Martire, CEO Central Calif., Investigative Services - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-03:** Ms. Hoaglen was present.

MOTION NO. 3:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve the contract with Mr. Martire.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: Bettega (out of the room)

Motion carried.

c. Laura Betts – RE: Pine Grove Cemetery – wood cutting and vandalism to graves - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-04:**

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council for Mr. Rabano Jr., to contact Tribal Police to patrol and post notice (no trespassing/no wood cutting)

d. Tracy Comalli-Bettega – RE: Sponsor the kids (uniforms, baseballs, bats, etc.) - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-05:** Ms. Comalli-Bettega requested that this be done at the end of the meeting.

e. JD Hoaglen Wright – RE: Lack of Tribal Police help - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-06:** Ms. Hoaglen-Wright was present along with Ms. Audrina Phillips. Ms. Hoaglen-Wright acknowledged and informed the Council of her concern of Tribal Police not responding to a call she made in regard to Audrina Phillips trailer being on fire. Also, what was happening with Audrina's homesite there has been problems there since 2000, what do they have to do so she can get on her homesite. Ms. Phillips stated that she is coming to the Council for a resolution to

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this problem before someone gets hurt. She cannot go over there for fear of being hurt, she would like to go on her lot to start making improvements, but she can't. If this cannot be resolved can she get another piece of land. She asked Mendocino County Sheriffs Dept. about this and they told her she had to come to the Council regarding this matter.

Ms. Hoaglen-Wright asked why can't the Council demand that the individual leave, as Audrina has all her paperwork.

Discussion followed and it was stated that this was the first time that the Council have seen the paperwork and would like time to review it; of taking this matter to tribal court (Mr. Rabano Jr., explaining the process); etc.

f. J. Doreen Hoaglen-Wright – RE: Monolithic Dome Conference - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-07:** Ms. Hoaglen-Wright stated that she is asking the Tribal Council to send her and her friend to a Monolithic Dome conference (information handed out to the Council) which will held April 9th with the pre-registration the end of this month

Short discussion followed about what the monolithic domes were – are being built on the Navajo Nation at Taloni Lake, Arizona. These domes are relatively new architectural concepts particularly for residential housing – information reviewed.

MOTION NO. 4:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to accept item e and f and informational only.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: Bettega (out of the room)

Motion carried.

g. Yvonne Duran – RE: See if can have a road made from tribal land to her property - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-08:** Ms. Duran was not present, informed the Executive Secretary that due to the weather conditions she may not be able to attend this meeting, if so to table:

MOTION NO. 5:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to table this item.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

h. Trina Fitzgerral, Tribal Business Administrator – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-09:**

ii) Justin Britton – RE: Work session – Tribal Authorization letter Cannabis

MOTION NO. 6:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to extend the tribal authorization letters for cannabis for another 30 days.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

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Work Session – Cannabis Prop 64:

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council to schedule this meeting for Saturday, March 9th at 9:00 a.m., for community input

- i) OST authorization to receive infor., provide disbursement instructions/etc – adopt by resolution

MOTION NO. 7:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve by resolution to that the four Council Officers be designated individuals to work with OST on disbursement instructions/etc., for the Tribe.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

i. Tribal Council – RE: Various - Action Item – 2019-03-01-010:

- i) Kaitlyn Leedy – RE: Motel

Mr. Rabano Jr., updating the Council – insurance guy will be out next week to come out and do an assessment – look at damage; also the fire marshal will be into do an assessment on where the fire started; etc.

Discussion followed and it was questioned if they had fire extinguishers at the motel and did the employees take a course on how to use them (

MOTION NO. 8:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to accept as informational.

Mr. Bettega seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

ii) Jessica Goodrow/Julia Russ – RE: Court Advocate grant: Ms. Goodrow and Ms. Russ were present. Ms. Goodrow informed the Council that they have been working on a court advocate grant which would be for two staff, with a budget of \$34,000. They are working on the job descriptions. One of the questions they have is where to put these two individuals who will need a place for supervised visits – suggested places Family Resource Center; TANF (place preferred – to add to the TANF meeting agenda; Clinic;

CTAS – short discussion followed – extended to march 12th; encouraged to apply for CTAS II – for a Planner who could work on the Strategic Plan; also discussed was the Tribal Police and funding availability to pay to retain them and a public safety plan; etc.

- iii) Jessica Goodrow/Julia Russ – RE: Indian Education (Diversion) grant

The grant is being worked on. Status show that there is a huge problem with truancy at the school; 19 kids are being bullied; not a lot of students seeking to go to college; looking at funding for a truancy officer, we have a Meth., Officer but is pulled away to address other issues; Ms. Russ is working two hours on this grant in the afternoon, it is time consuming and she is asking for help to put this grant together, as there is a huge gap for education; JOM – is there any

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funds in this grant (used for school supplies); of the Tribe's financial problems – no draw downs; etc.

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council for Ms. Goodrow and Ms. Russ to move ahead with the grant and get the information needed.

d. Tracy Comalli-Bettega – RE: Sponsor the kids (uniforms, baseballs, bats, etc.) – **Action Item 2019-03-01-05:** Ms. Goodrow informed the Council that Ms. Bettega wanted to table this item.

MOTION NO. 9:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to table this item.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

Item No. 5: Executive Session - Action Item – 2019-03-01-011:

a. Trina Fitzgerral, Tribal Business Administrator – RE: Various

b. Sergeant Vincent Cordova, Tribal Police Dept. – RE: Update

c. Darlene Crabtree, Tribal Controller – RE: Various – financial

d. Bernadine Whipple, HR. – RE: Various

i) Personnel TANF – Merit increases

e. TRED – RE: Various – Land

i) Change name for consent

ii) Request to amend Resolution #RV-2014-06

iii) Irene Azbill – RE: Land

iv) Letter from Audrina Phillips

v) TRED – RE: Land Sale (Mr. Tyler)

f. Jessica Goodrow, ICWA/DV Legal – RE: Various

i) Kimberly Franco/Carlos Bettega Sr.

g. Sally Arellano – RE: Status update/etc.

h. Tribal Council – RE: Various

i) Employee Retirement

ii) Consultant to review court policies/ordinances

iii) Education update

iv) Joseph Marques

v) ITCC – RE: Appointment of delegate

MOTION NO. 10:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to go into executive session at 11:59 a.m.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

Item No. 6: Regular Session - Action Item – 2019-03-01-012:

MOTION NO. 11

Mr. Bettega made a motion to reconvene into regular session at 2:44 p.m.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

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Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

Decisions from executive session:

a. Trina Fitzgerral, Tribal Business Administrator – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-013**: No business items, out ill.

b. Sergeant Vincent Cordova, Tribal Police Dept – RE: Update - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-014**: Out on training.

c. Darlene Crabtree, Tribal Controller – RE: Various – financial - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-015**: No business items.

g. Sally Arellano – RE: Status update/etc. – **Action Item – 2019-03-01-019**: Ms. Arellano was present and met with the Council.
CONSENSUS – FYI only

d. Bernadine Whipple, HR – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-016**:

i) Personnel TANF – Merit Increases

MOTION NO. 12:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to amend the previous motion made and to go back to June 20, 2017.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0
Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

e. TRED – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-017**:

ii) Request to amend Resolution # RV-2014-06 - **Action Item – 2019-02-07-010-i**: Ms. Wilma Frazier and Ms. Oandasan were present.

MOTION NO. 13:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve to amend Resolution RV-2014-06 by resolution.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0
Abstentions: Bettega (out of the room) Motion carried.

i) Change name for consent

MOTION NO. 14:

~~Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to amend the previous motion~~ and to approve to add Floyd Red Tail Hawk Billy.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0
Abstentions: Bettega (out of the room) Motion carried.

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iii) Irene Azbill – RE: Land

MOTION NO. 15:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve the terminate the lease by resolution.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: Bettega (out of the room)

Motion carried.

MOTION NO. 16:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve by resolution an assignment to Randall Azbill Sr.,

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: Bettega (out of the room)

Motion carried.

iv) Letter from Audrina Philips

MOTION NO. 17:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to direct Ms. Oandasan to send a follow-up letter to Mr. Acie Hoalgen, giving him 15 days to vacate do t non-compliance.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

v) TRED – RE: Land Sale (Mr. Tyler – tabled 1-31-2019)) - **Action Item 2019-01-31-07:**

MOTION NO. 18:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve to make a counter offer of \$ 15,000.

Mr. Beteaga seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

f. Jessica Goodrow, ICWA/DV – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-018:**

i) Kimberly Franco/Carlos Bettega Sr.

MOTION NO. 19:

Ms. Willits made a motion to have Tribal Police pick up the video's from the two entities – Casino and the Convenience Store.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

h. Tribal Council – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-03-01-020:**

iv) Joseph Marques – Mr. Marques was present and Ms. Goodrow was present by request of the Council.

MOTION NO. 20:

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Mr. Raano Jr., made a motion to have Ms. Goodrow call CPS and have the children return to the parent and to take jurisdiction over the children.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

i) Employee Retirement

MOTION NO. 21:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve pay for the next pay period of 80 hours.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

ii) Consultant to review court policies/ordinances

MOTION NO. 22:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to table this item.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

iii) Education update

MOTION NO. 23:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to accept as informational.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

v) ITCC – RE: Appoint a Delegate

MOTION NO. 24:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to appoint Ms. Rosalie Cordova as Delegate to ITCC.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

Item No. 7: Set agenda, date and time for next meeting:

a. March 7, 2019 @ 1:00 p.m. - Special Meeting

Item No. 8: Closing prayer by Alberta J. Azbill

Item No. 9: Adjournment - Action Item – 2019-03-01-021:

MOTION NO. 25:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:52 p.m.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

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Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

Minutes taken by Alberta J. Azbill, Executive Secretary, Round Valley Tribal Council.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alberta J. Azbill", is written over a horizontal line.

Executive Secretary, Round
Valley Tribal Council