ROUND VALLEY INDIAN TRIBES

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ROUND VALLEY RESERVATION ESTABLISHED 1856

MINUTES July 27, 2019

The regular rescheduled meeting of the Round Valley Tribal Council was called to order by President James Russ on July 27, 2019 at 9:09 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, Mr. Lewis Whipple, Mr. Robert Whipple (arrived at 9:10 a.m.), Ms. Cordova & Ms. Willits

Opening Prayer by Ms. Cordova

Item No. 2: Agenda/approval - Action Item - 2019-07-27-01:

MOTION NO. 1:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve the agenda and to table the minutes.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question; Ayes: Russ, Bettega, L. Whipple, R. Whipple, Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

Item No. 3: Minutes – May 9, May 16, May 18, May 23, May 30, June 5, June 13 & June 15, June 20, June 27, July 2, 2019 - Action Item – 2019-07-27-02: Tabled under agenda approval

Item No. 4: Darlene Crabtree, Tribal Controller – RE: Financial report - **Action Item – 2019-07-27-03**: Ms. Crabtree was not present. Mrs. Henry acknowledged and introduced herself as the new Tribal Administrator and a brief about her qualifications. She has been here for three weeks and her focus is making sure we are caught up on all grants, that the draw downs are done on all grants. There should be reports and a strategy of where we are going. Her door is always open and is available to meet with anyone. If her door is closed she is in a meeting. Discussion followed – 2017 audit – should be finalized mid-August; will start the 2018, the goal

Discussion followed – 2017 audit – should be finalized mid-August; will start the 2018, the goa is to have this finished by the end of the year, the auditing firm is Moss Adams; look to go to a new software – Accu Fund; the IDC rate was submitted and is under review; etc.

MOTION NO. 2:

Mr. Lewis Whipple made a motion to approve the report.

Mr. Bettega seconded the motion.

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

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

Item No. 5: Tribal Council – RE: Report – update current projects and issues

-Ms. Willits reported on a meeting she attended – RE: FERC – AdHoc Committee – discussed and looked at was having a free flowing river, she felt it was a good meeting and feel that they made a good point of why we want a free flowing river. They broke out into small groups and it ended up, in why we want – no dams in the river, the cost to run (five million dollars year), power plant. The Tribe didn't know the meeting was scheduled, it was on the radio and it was felt that someone from the Council should attend. A lot of people in attendance are worried about the water and the impact it will have if the dam is removed. A lot of them are pro tribes and support the free flowing river; etc. There is another meeting on Tucsday, the attorneys will be meeting with PG&E.

Lengthy discussion followed – of the studies that needed to be done; no funding to get them done; PG&E filed bankruptcy and say has no funds to do the studies and feel that they can just walk away from this – the Attorney say we may have to sue PG&E for damages; of the deadline to file notice of intent has passed, if no one else comes in the it will become an orphan project; etc.

Compassionate Use Ordinance: Mr. Steve Brown was acknowledged and stated that he would like to have an executive session with the Council in regard to this matter, first than have the three public meetings to let the members voice their opinions; etc.

Discussion followed and the Council stated that they are willing to meet with Mr. Brown at the end of the meeting.

Also discussed was the Judicial Committee; the structure of the Committee – personality problems; of no one showing up for the meetings; of the Ordinance processes; the Initiative and Referendum process outlined in the Constitution; the marijuana laws and changes – medical vs. recreational; of changing the title of the Compassionate Use Ordinance; of the Ordinance making no reference to green houses; of putting standards in the Ordinance (cleaning up the land); that under Federal law – marijuana is still illegal- and if a Tribe gets 638 funds, these funds can be pulled; of the need to have a meeting with the U.S. Attorney and getting an opinion on this matter; of California being a 280 state and there is case law that can change this whereby the Tribe can make their own laws; of other tribes growing hemp – big market for; of the Council asking the Chief of Police not to bother any member until this Ordinance is changed; of the illegal grows; trespassing of non-tribal members that is happening; the trashing of tribal land – garbage, chemicals (maybe put in an organic clause in the Ordinance); etc.

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council to set August 8th an hour before the special meeting with the Judicial Committee.

Item No. 6: Patricia Henry, Tribal Business Administrator - RE: Report - Action Item - 2019-07-27-04: Mrs. Henry acknowledged and stated that she is in the process of reorganizing the tribal programs, to make better use of the time and services and will attempt to organize the programs into groups-departments: Human Services (any program that deal directly with people) will be located at TANF; NRD (land, air and water - there will be a ranger department who will oversee and protect the resources); etc.

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Otaka Redhawk was acknowledged and informed the Council that she has been working half-time with the Pinoleville Rehabilitation Program at the Yuki Trails and she assists people with the applications. It is a program that is for Native American enrolled in a federally recognized Tribe, in Lake, Mendocino and Sonoma counties. They are now in the process of submitting a grant application for re-funding and she is here requesting a resolution of support. Discussion followed.

MOTION NO. 3:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve a resolution of support for the Pinoleville Pomo Vocational Rehabilitation Program in applying for a continuing grant.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

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

Item No. 7: Randy Wolfin, Casino – RE: Report (report received) - **Action Item – 2019-07-27-05**: Mr. Wolfin was not present.

Item No. 8: Mona Oandasan, TRED RE: Report (report received) -Action Item – 2019-07-27-06: Ms. Oandasan was present and reported, (see Attachment No. I, for the report).

MOTION NO. 4:

Mr. Lewis Whipple made a motion to approve the report.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

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

Item No. 9: Patricia Rabano, Tribal Historic Preservation Program – RE: Report (report received) - **Action Item – 2019-07-27-07:** Not present.

Item No. 10: Toni Bettega, NRD - RE: Report (report received) - Action Item - 2019-07-27-08: Not present.

Item No. 11: Lydell Azbill, Golden Oaks Motel – RE: Report (report received) - **Action Item – 2019-07-27-09:** Not present. Mrs. Henry did the update. Belcor is down there working on the rooms, so we have seven rooms now. She has been down there every day and is pacing their work. The boss came up from Santa Rosa to check on the progress being made and she is going to ask him to do a report to the Council on Thursday.

Item No. 12: Justin Britton, Water Association – RE: Report - Action Item – 2019-07-27-010: Not present.

Item No. 13: Michelle Downey, EPA 106/319 – RE: Report (report received) - **Action Item – 2019-07-27-011**: Not present, out on travel

Item No. 14: Tina Want, Convenience Store – RE: Report (report received) - **Action Item – 2019-07-27-012**: Ms. Want was present and reported, (see Attachment No. II, for the report).

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Need more people on call; has been working on maintenance and grounds keeping; a lot of old appliances; the pizza machine caught on fire, thought they needed a new one, she took it apart, it needed a new motor she order it and replaced it, it is working fine now so she save money on this as a new one would cost \$6,000; ice cream machine, trying to find someone to fix it, she clean it up to see what was wrong, understand it was only a leak; inventory is working on (had problem, no pass word) it is casy to do as everything has a price tag; air conditioner for the C-Store had Reliance come out and fix air conditioner (problem to many people turn on/off and it froze), when they came out they added another air conditioner for the deli; gas prices, she keeps up on this/checks every day, we are making money on gas; etc.

Short discussion – look into EBT; fleet credit card – find out why does not work; to look at expanding; tax – contact Lester Marston about this matter;

MOTION NO. 5:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve the report.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Short discussion – Tribal Council commended Ms. Want on her report financial - \$352,000/355,000 month cash sales, as this is the first time a report like this has been given to the Council

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

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

Item No. 15: Reports (written) received from Program Managers not on the agenda - Action Item - 2019-07-27-013:

- Mark Britton, Senior Center
- Yolanda Hoaglen, Domestic Violence & SAP
- Cindy Hoaglen, TANF

MOTION NO. 6:

Mr. Lewis Whipple made a motion to approve the written reports received.

Mr. Bettega seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, L.Whipiple, R.Whipple, Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

Item No. 16: Non-Agenda Items:

a. Short discussion followed about salaries and wage scale. Mrs. Henry is working on a GS scale for the Tribe and will be bring this forward for the Councils' review and approval

Item No. 17: Set date, time and agenda for next meeting

a. August 1, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. - Special Meeting

Item No. 18: Closing Prayer by President Russ

Item No. 19: Adjournment - Action Item - 2019-07-27-014:

MOTION NO. 7:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:04 p.m.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

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

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

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

Submitted by:

Executive Secretary, Round

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