

Minutes of Meeting
79th Annual Tribal Assembly
Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
April 9-12, 2014
Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall
Juneau, Alaska

"For Our Future Generations"
"Haa Eetí Káa Yis" • "Gudgwáa tláas xáat'aay"

Day IV: Saturday, April 12, 2014

President Richard Peterson called the fourth session of the 79th Tribal Assembly to order at 8:33 a.m., Saturday, April 12, 2014.

INVOCATION / SPECIAL MUSIC

Juneau Delegate Jerry Bennett provided the invocation.

George and Velma Paul of Juneau provided special music.

ROLL CALL

Recording Secretary Melissa Kookesh completed the roll call. A quorum was declared. No objection, so ordered.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

M/S Fred Lauth / Jessica Dominy moved to adopt the minutes of April 11, 2014. C/U

MEMORIAL

2nd Vice President Robert Sanderson Jr. led the memorial service, Selina Everson provided the opening prayer, Haida Descendants, Percy Kunz, and Carol Trebia provided special music, and Shirley Kendall and Lance Twitchell offered words of encouragement. See Appendix D for memorial donation list.

OATH OF OFFICE

Senator Albert Kookesh administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Executive Council members:

- Will Micklin, 1st Vice President
- Rob Sanderson Jr., 2nd Vice President
- Lowell Halverson, 3rd Vice President
- Jolene Edenshaw, 4th Vice President

- Marvin Adams, 5th Vice President
- Jacqueline Johnson Pata, 6th Vice President

Tribal Court Chief Justice, Debra O’Gara administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Tribal Court Judge Lance Twitchell.

GROUP PHOTO

A Delegate group panoramic photo was taken by Ron Klein of Northlight Photography.

SESSION CHAIR

Klawock Delegate Yodean Armour was appointed and assumed the chair without objection.

REPORTS

Inside Passage Electric Authority

CEO/General Manager Jodi Mitchell provided the Inside Passage Electric Cooperative (IPEC) report.

RECESS

The Chair ruled a recess from 11:15 a.m. to 11:17 a.m. No objection, so ordered.

ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET

M/S Harold Houston Sr. / Marvin Adams to adopt the Fiscal Year 2014 Proposed Amended Budget and 2015 Budget. M/C

RECESS

The Chair ruled a lunch recess from 11:48 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. No objection, so ordered.

CONSIDERATION OF THE PRESIDENT’S RULING

M/S Jacob Cabuag / Holly Churchill to table the President’s Ruling on Bad Addresses indefinitely as amended. M/C

M/S Gerry Hope / Harold Houston Sr. to amend to have discussion referred to the President’s Committee and report back to the Tribal Assembly for action. M/C

REPORTS

Judiciary Committee / Tribal Court Report

Chief Justice Debra O’Gara provided the report of the Judiciary Committee.

M/S to accept the report of the Judiciary Committee. C/U

Resolution Committee Report

2nd Vice President Robert Sanderson Jr. gave a report to the delegation on the resolution process and committee recommendations. There were 43 resolutions submitted and of those, 37 were submitted by deadline.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tribal Government Rules – Will Micklin

M/S Will Micklin / Jacob Cabuag to adopt Resolution TA 14-03 *Tribal Assembly Committee on Governance*. M/C

M/S to amend Resolution TA 14-03, *Tribal Assembly Committee on Governance*. M/C

M/S Harold Houston / Mike Corpuz Resolution TA 14-04, *Amendment to Tribal LLC Code and Constitution's Definition of Territory and Jurisdiction*. M/C

M/S Will Micklin / Lance Twitchell to adopt Resolution TA 14-05, *Designation of the Juneau Tlingit & Haida Community Council to Elect a Member to the SEARHC Board of Directors* as amended. M/C

M/S Gerry Hope / Ralph Wolfe to adopt Resolution TA 14-06, *Tribal Identification of Tlingit-Haida Regional Housing Authority and Qualification and Appointment of Board of Commissioners* as amended. M/C

M/S Gerry Hope / Marvin Adams to adopt Resolution TA 14-08, *Recognition of the Seattle Community Council as a Political Subdivision* as amended. M/C

M/S Gerry Hope / Harold Houston to adopt Resolution TA 14-20, *Integration of Tribal Values* as amended. M/C

M/S Fred Lauth / Gerry Hope to amend Resolution TA 14-20 by changing word in resolutions from “critical” to “essential”. M/C

M/S Lance Twitchell / Janice Hotch to amend the final resolve clause of Resolution TA 14-20. M/C

M/S Will Micklin / Gerry Hope to adopt Resolution TA 14-27, *Changing the Twenty Dollar Bill*. M/C

M/S Will Micklin / Jack Strong to table Resolution TA 14-28, *Native American's Image on US Currency*. M/C

Finance – James Jack

The Finance Committee Chair reported that none of the resolutions needed funding.

Cultural / Heritage – Fred Lauth

M/S Fred Lauth / Marvin Adams to adopt Resolution TA 14-11, *Tribal Certification for Tlingit and Haida Artists Residing Outside of Alaska*. M/C

M/S Fred Lauth / Holly Churchill to adopt Resolution TA 14-13, *Resolution Supporting Development of a Sea Otter Native Handicrafts Marketing Cooperative* as amended. M/C

M/S Ed Hotch / Merle Hawkins to amend the TA14-13. M/C

M/S Fred Lauth / Ralph Wolfe to adopt Resolution TA 14-15, *Forming the Central Council Language Department*. M/C

M/S Fred Lauth / Gerry Hope to adopt Resolution TA 14-16, *Supporting Heritage Language and Pathways to Teaching* as amended. M/C

M/S Lance Twitchell / Mike Corpuz to amend Resolution TA 14-16 by striking the second whereas clause. M/C

M/S Fred Lauth / Gerry Hope to adopt Resolution TA 14-17, *Supporting HB 216 - Official Languages of the State* as amended. M/C

Health & Human Services – Millie Schoonover

M/S Millie Schoonover / Jack Strong to adopt Resolution TA 14-05, *Designation of the Juneau Tlingit & Haida Community Council to Elect a Member to the SEARHC Board of Directors* as amended. M/C

M/S Millie Schoonover / Bill Martin to adopt Resolution TA 14-09, *Suicide Prevention* as amended. M/C

M/S Millie Schoonover / LaVerne Wise to adopt Resolution TA 14-10, *Request for Expansion of SEARHC Chiropractic Medical Services*. M/C

M/S Millie Schoonover / Laverne Wise to adopt Resolution TA 14-24, *Seeking Community Homeless Solutions for Southern Southeast Alaska*. M/C

M/S Millie Schoonover / Jessica Dominy to adopt Resolution TA 14-29, *Negative Effects on Canadian Transboundary Mining*. M/C

M/S Millie Schoonover / LaVerne Wise to adopt Resolution TA 14-31 *United Tribal Transboundary Mining Workgroup*. M/C

M/S Millie Schoonover / LaVerne Wise to adopt Resolution TA 14-34, *Amendment of Definition of Tribe in State of Alaska SB51 Article 3 & PRWORA*. M/C

M/S Millie Schoonover / Jack Strong to adopt Resolution TA 14-35, *Request for Greater Office of Children Services Caseworker/Clerical Support on Prince of Wales Island*. M/C

M/S Gerry Hope / Harold Houston Sr. to adopt Resolution TA 14-22, *Veteran Housing Development in Southeast Alaska*. M/C

M/S Brooke Leslie / Gerry Hope to amend Resolution TA 14-22. M/C

M/S Brook Leslie / Gerry Hope to adopt Resolution TA 14-23, *Support for Indian Veterans Housing Rental Assistance Demonstration Program*. M/C.

Economic Development – Richard Peterson

M/S Marvin Adams / Gerry Hope to adopt Resolution TA 14-01, *Request for Startup Capital from Sealaska Corporation for Tlingit Haida Tribal Business Corporation*. M/C.

M/S Marvin Adams / Gerry Hope to adopt TA 14-02 as amended. M/C.

M/S to withdraw motion to adopt Resolution TA 14-02. Budget already adopted.

M/S Marvin Adams / Jack Strong to adopt Resolutions TA 14-12, *Support for the Reynolds Creek Hydroelectric Project*. M/C

Education – Dionne Cadiente-Laiti

M/S Gerry Hope / Harold Houston to adopt Resolution TA 14-07, *Development of Publication on the History of Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska* as amended. M/C

M/S Dionne Cadiente-Laiti / Andrea Cesar to amend Resolution TA 14-07. M/C

M/S Andrea Cadiente-Laiti / Laverne Wise to adopt Resolution TA 14-21, *Support for House Bill 317 Traffic Control Devices Near Schools*. M/C

Natural Res./Fisheries/Subsistence – Ed Hotch

M/S to adopt Resolution TA 14-14, *Request to Find Funding for Subsistence Department Development* as amended. M/C

M/S to amend Resolution TA 14-14. M/C

M/S Ed Hotch / Harold Houston Sr. to adopt Resolution TA 14-18, *Authorization and Support for Increased Customary and Traditional Harvest of Herring Eggs in the Sitka Area*. M/C

M/S Ed Hotch / Gerry Hope to amend Resolution TA 14-18. M/C

M/S James Jack / Holly Churchill to adopt Resolution TA 14-30, *Request for Tribal Representation on the North Pacific Fishery Management Council and Bycatch Reduction for Halibut and Chinook Salmon*. M/C

Judiciary – Susettna King

M/S Susettna King / Harold Houston Sr. to adopt Resolution TA 14-26, *Repeal Section 910 of VAWA as it Pertains to Alaska Native Women and Families* as amended. M/C

M/S Susettna King / Marvin Adams to adopt Resolution TA 14-32, *Support of the Landless Southeast Alaska Native Communities*

M/S Susettna King / Rachel Moreno to adopt Resolution TA 14-33, *Comity Between Alaska State Court and Alaska Tribal Courts* as amended. M/C

Governmental Affairs (Fed/State) -

The Government Affairs Committee reported the resolutions they addressed have already been adopted.

M/S Janice Hotch / Harold Houston Sr. move to take Resolution TA 14-05, *Designation of the Juneau Tlingit & Haida Community Council to Elect a Member to the SEARHC Board of Directors* off the table. M/C

M/S Janice Hotch / Jacob Cabuag to amend Resolution TA 14-05 for clarity. M/C

Late Resolutions

M/S Marvin Adams / Harold Houston Sr. to suspend the rules to allow the consideration of late resolutions. M/C

M/S Marvin Adams / Harold Houston Sr. to adopt Resolution TA 14- 14, *Funding Support for Tribal Tourism Development and Technical Assistance* as amended. M/C

M/S Marvin Adams / Gerry Hope to amend Resolution TA 14-14. M/C

M/S David Leask / LaVerne Wise to defer all late resolutions to the Executive Council. M/C

1st Vice President Will Micklin requested that every community give their contact information to the Office of the President for the President's Committee.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Delegates reported on community raffles as well as provided community announcements.

CLOSING PRAYER

Ella Bennett provided the closing prayer.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m. on Saturday, April 12, 2014.