



Executive Council

Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
ADOPTED January 24, 2014 Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair Edward K. Thomas called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM.

Edward K. Thomas	President	Present
Will Micklin	1 st Vice President	Present
Rob Sanderson Jr.	2 nd Vice President	Present
Yodean Armour	3 rd Vice President	Present
Richard Peterson	4 th Vice President	Present
Harold Houston	5 th Vice President	Present
Lowell Halverson	6 th Vice President	Present
Konrad Frank	Youth Representative	Present

Also present were:

Melissa Kookesh, Recording Secretary
Corrine Garza, Chief Operating Officer
Theresa Belton, Chief Financial Officer
Raeanne Holmes, Executive Assistant
Tana Bell, Secretary to the President
Edith McHenry, Administrative Assistant
William Ware, Tribal Transportation Manager
Paul Olson, Consultant/Attorney at Law
Clara Gray, Monarch Tannery President
Ed Gray, Monarch Tannery

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

M/S Robert Sanderson / Lowell Halverson to adopt the agenda as amended by moving the Sea Otter Marketing Cooperative Proposal to follow the adoption of the agenda, to add under Business Items: the letter from Ketchikan Community Council, and add the LLC Code from THTBC after resolutions. C/U

Sea Otter Marketing Cooperative Proposal

VP Rob Sanderson to allow Paul Olson to call in on behalf of the Sea Otter Marketing Cooperative Proposal, no objection so ordered.

Paul Olson gave a briefing on the proposal. The recommendation is for support on a feasible study of the Sea Otter Marketing Cooperative Proposal which will provide more information. Mr. Olson feels it would be best to house this under the tribe. If the tribe is to move forward with this proposal it is recommended for the tribe to work with the Sealaska Heritage Institute along with Organized Village of Kasaan who already have the business aspect developed.

REPORTS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Thomas gave an updated report on the validity of the bad addresses of our tribal citizens. The State of Alaska and Federal Government does a reapportionment every ten years and this keeps us up to date.

President Thomas was invited to attend meetings in Washington DC by the Sealaska Corporation to address some of our other issues besides the land legislation which included Contract Support Costs, Bureau of Indian Affairs funding, and Carcieri Fix. Alaska Federation of Natives Julie Kitka was also in attendance and the meetings that were set up were very productive. They were able to meet with White House Official Raina D. Thiele who replaced Charlie Galbreith and President Thomas was able to share his concerns of the Obama Administration.

Our 2014 Native Issues Forums have been scheduled and we will have a special NIF for Julie Kitka when the Alaska Federation of Natives Board of Directors visiting the legislature.

President Thomas also gave an update on the Andrew Hope Building progress. One of the proposals that have come forward is to put carpet instead of tile which will help the acoustics. The third floor will not be ready, but a back up plan will be in place. The Office of the President office will not be remodeled until after President Thomas' successor is in office.

Tribal Assembly will be led by Melissa Kookesh and Raeanne Holmes. The organization will be creating a Facebook Page and we will be launching it.

President Thomas provided a report on the Contract Support Costs. He would like to seek an injunctive relief through our attorney. No objection, so ordered.

Lastly, President Thomas addressed the letter sent to our office from the Ketchikan Community Council.

Chief Operating Officer's Report

Chief Tribal Operating Officer provided a report to the Executive Council on the trust fund increased by \$2.3 million; the tribe was randomly selected to participate in the CSC Ramah Class Action lawsuit; the 2014 indirect cost proposal has been submitted and will be 49.68%; BEDD has made a lot of progress; the Tribal Transportation Department Manager was available to address the issues brought forth from the Douglas Indian Association; as well as giving an update on the other departments.

Chief Financial Officer

The Chief Financial Officer provided her report to the Executive Council. She gave a very preliminary report on the December 2013 – she will forward an updated report once the books are closed. She reported on the deficit; annual auditors; W-2; and the Ramah Activities. She reported on the general; compact: E&T, JOM, ICWA; federal; and the variance report.

Tribal Transportation Department Update

This item was covered during the COOs report.

Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

The Office of the President will contact the individuals and let them know they will need to submit their names and resume for consideration for the 2014-2017 seats.

Resolutions

M/S Lowell Halverson / Robert Sanderson to adopt EC 14-06 *Support for the Native Language Immersion Bill*. C/U

THTBC LLC Code

VP Richard Peterson introduced the THTBC LLC Code that would like to adopt it and reserve the right to amend it after reviewing Title III. The Chair recommends adopting it once it is reviewed by our attorney and in conjunction with Title III.

M/S Richard Peterson / Robert Sanderson to adopt the THTBC LLC Code to bring forward for legal review. C/U

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Chair ruled there was no need for an Executive Session.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Robert Sanderson – missed the invocation, KIC elections are over and he was not seated as a Board of Director, thank you for coming forward on these issues so quickly.

The Chair thanked VP Sanderson for his years of service and all he has done for our people.

Richard Peterson – Thank you to Edith for all of her work she has done to date, he also attended his first CAAN meeting and to thank Melissa Kookesh for guidance. Address the letter sent out to the gentleman who was not so friendly and appreciates the response given to him.

Harold Houston – Thank you for the President's Report and he appreciates his willingness to address any issues with the community council.

President Thomas – thanks for the comments given to our staff.

ADJOURN

The Chair ruled the meeting adjourned at 3:10 PM. No objection, so ordered.