



## *Executive Council*

Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska  
OCTOBER 12, 2015 – 10:00 AM (Alaska Standard Time) IN PERSON MEETING  
ANCHORAGE MARRIOTT: 820 W. 7th Ave, Anchorage, AK 99501  
ADOPTED Minutes

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The chair called the meeting to order at 10:26 AM.

### **ROLL CALL**

Richard Peterson, President	Present
Will Micklin, 1 <sup>st</sup> VP	Present
Rob Sanderson, Jr, 2 <sup>nd</sup> VP	Present
Lowell Halverson, 3 <sup>rd</sup> VP	Present
Jolene Edenshaw, 4 <sup>th</sup> VP	Present
Marvin Adams, 5 <sup>th</sup> VP	Present
Jackie Pata, 6 <sup>th</sup> VP	Present
Marina Anderson, Emerging Leader	Present at 12:10 PM

Also present:

Staff: Corrine Garza, COO; Lynette Page, Controller; Grace Singh, Special Assistant to the President; Megan Gregory, Secretary to the President, and Carley Jackson, Recording Secretary

Guests: Aida Melton and Christine Crosley with National Institute of Justice; Diane Halverson of Seattle, Ben Goenett of Anchorage; Gil Stokes of Anchorage; Tasha Hotch of Anchorage; Glory Hole Homeless Shelter/ Juneau Housing First Project; Norton Gregory of Juneau/ THRHA. Tied in telephonically: Richard Rinehart, CEO of THTBC; Janice Hotch, President of JTHCC, and Patty Cottle of Kalwock.

### **INVOCATION**

Rob Sanderson, Jr. provided invocation.

### **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

M/S Rob Sanderson moved to adopt the agenda with an addition of Transboundary and SEACC testimony after business item F. C/U

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment was given by a number of Tribal Citizens:

- Janice Hotch, President of Juneau community council regarding housing issues pertaining to THRHA processes and the difficulties they face, Janice also gave comment on constitutional alignment with the CCTHITA. Jackie Pata, 6<sup>th</sup> VP gave response.
- Patty Cottle, gave public comment on housing issues in Klawock and rental costs for that community and requests that CCTHITA advocate for the small communities regarding the costs. Patty also address the application process for burial assistance program and the difficulties caused by the process. Jolene Edenshaw responded with a question of clarification for the housing portion of this comment. Jackie Pata, Norton Gregory, Maria Lovischuk, Will Micklin and Ben Goenett all responded to the concerns regarding the housing portion

The chair called to end public comment due to time constraints. No objection, so ordered.

## **Reports**

### President's Report:

President Peterson gave report on Land into Trust and issues pertaining to that. Jackie Pata gave a response/ recommendation of utilizing a handbook versus regulations.

President Peterson continued to give an update on:

- Thane Property and plans.
- Strategic Planning is in full swing and a tremendous success. Future endeavors will be a delegate survey and Executive Council input.
- Update on his regular meetings with the presidents of Sealaska, THRHA and SEARHC in an effort to collaborate and deliver more resources for our tribal citizens.
- UAS meetings and working together with them and was recently appointed to the University's Advisory Council, as well as the Tribal Advisory Council.
- Possibility to turn the VTRC into a tribal college and have that hosted at UAS.
- Debra O'Gara recently hired as CCTHITA's New Tribal Court Judge.
- Expansion of funds for an ICWA Attorney.
- Awards of various large grants including a grant from the Dept. of Justice.
- 477 restructure
- THRHA
- JTHCC

### COO Report:

Corrine Garza provided report on the activities of CCTHITA- See attached report.

## **LUNCH**

The chair called for recess for lunch at 12:20 PM. The chair called for a relaxed agenda. No objection, so ordered. Session resumed at 1 PM.

## **BUSINESS (ACTION) ITEMS:**

- A. National Baseline Study- Department of Justice- National Institute of Justice- Aida Melton and Christine Crosley gave presentation on Native Americans and domestic violence study, how sampling would happen. The presenters requested guidance as to how to begin the study- See attached.

## **REPORTS (Continued)**

CFO Report: Presented by Lynette Page

Lynette Page, Controller; provided report on the finances of CCTHITA- See attached report.

THTBC Report: Richard Rinehart provided an update on the vacancy of the THTBC board and candidates; revenue was just behind plan, as well as, growth strategies and potential smaller acquisitions, award of 8A funding, request of EC to align policies between THTBC and CCTHITA in regards to Second Chance program graduates and other various topics.

## **BUSINESS (ACTION) ITEMS (Continued),**

- B. Contribution Request for Funding for AFN Film- Cory Wolfe: Julie Wolfe came on behalf of her husband Cory to present this request (see attached documentation).

M/S Marvin Adams moved to approve the contribution of \$4000.00.

Amended to approve the contribution with conditions of provided budget information and the funds released at an appropriate time for the project. C/U

- C. BIA Settlement Funds Plan.

President Peterson clarified that the recent settlement on BIA contract support costs was paid to cover the costs of the federal government failing to uphold the BIA compact contracts. Consequently Central Council had to pull money out of the trust fund to keep the programs sustainable. It was suggested that the settlement money restore the savings in the trust fund account.

- D. Action Time Line for Tribal Assembly: goal for December in person meeting to discuss TA in detail and decide on various contributing factors; i.e.:  
Combining the rules and resolutions committees to better screen for technical and content issues and proper distribution of consent and debate resolutions

- E. Strategic Planning Notes: next steps are to include the EC for their input

- F. Resolution 15-41: Authorized Signers for Official Tribal Documents

M/S Rob Sanderson moved to approve 15-41. C/U

- G. Tribal Transboundary/SEACC- Rob Sanderson gave report on the activities of Tribal Transboundary in working with Salmon Beyond Borders and SEACC and the testimonies given by those groups. Rob Sanderson requested working with President Peterson and Grace Singh on the enforcement of disconnecting from those groups. Will Micklin offered suggestion to seek congressional support. President Peterson suggested banding together between tribes and hosting a peaceful protest during celebration.

**BREAK**

The chair called for a 10 minute recess at 2:45 PM. No objection, so ordered.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The chair called to enter into executive session at 3 PM. Regular session resumed at 4:15 PM.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Richard Peterson, Will Ware, Corrine Garza, Lowell Halverson, Marvin Adams, Jackie Pata, Will Micklin all gave “good of the order”.

**ADJOURN**

The chair called for adjournment at 4:23 PM. No objection, so ordered.