



Executive Council  
Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska  
October 12-13, 2023 – 9 AM (Alaska Standard Time)  
Hybrid MEETING  
**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Richard J. Peterson assumed chair without objection and called the meeting to order at 9:07 AM.

**ROLL CALL**

Richard J. Peterson, President	Present
Jacqueline Pata, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Present
Rob Sanderson, Jr., 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Present
Catherine Edwards, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President	Present
Will Micklin, 4 <sup>th</sup> Vice President	Present at 9:58 AM
Clinton Cook Sr., 5 <sup>th</sup> Vice President	Present, Excused at 11:09 AM
Delbert Kadake, 6 <sup>th</sup> Vice President	Excused, Present 10/13/2023 at 10:14 AM
Lauryn Framke, Emerging Leader	Present

Also present: Office of the President Director Sarah Dybdahl, Chief Operating Officer Roald Helgesen, General Counsel Madeline Soboleff Levy, Chief Development Officer William Ware, Government Affairs Manager Heather Gatti, Office of the President Executive Assistant Connor Ulmer, Office of the President Coordinator Sandrenia Blue, Special Assistant for Tribal Development Sherry Aitken.

**INVOCATION**

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Rob Sanderson, Jr. provided the invocation.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

M/S 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Rob Sanderson, Jr. moved to adopt the agenda as a guide. M/C

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

The opportunity for public comment was provided. Public comment was given.

**REPORTS**

President's Report

President Peterson gave a verbal report of his recent activities. Discussion ensued.

## **BREAK**

The chair called for a 10-minute break at 11:18 AM.

### Emerging Leader Report

Laryn Framke gave a verbal report on the Youth Commission. Discussion ensued.

### Chief Financial Officer's Report

Interim CFO Karen Taug gave a verbal overview of the Financial Report. Discussion ensued.

### Chief Operating Officer's Report

Chief Operating Officer Roald Helgesen gave a verbal overview of the Tribal Operations report. Discussion ensued.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Chair called to enter Executive Session at 2:13 PM on October 12, 2023. No objections, so moved.

Regular session resumed at 3:55 PM. No objection, so moved.

### Chief Development Officer's Report

Chief Development Officer Will Ware gave a verbal overview of the Tribal Development's report.

### General Counsel's Report

General Counsel Madeline Soboleff-Levy gave a verbal overview of the General Counsel's report.

### Government Affairs Report

Government Affairs Manager Heather Gatti gave a verbal overview of the Government Affairs Report.

### THTBC Report

Discussion ensued.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### 2024 Executive Council Meeting Schedule

### November EC Meeting Date

These two items will be sent out as a Priority Poll.

### Dot Lake Village

M/S Micklin moved to support Dot Lake with no objection. M/C

AFN - 1:00 PM Thursday, October 12, 2023

Julie Kitka AFN President and Joe Nelson Co-Chair gave an update on AFN affairs. Discussion ensued.

Kuskokwim Litigation Subsistence Case

M/S 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Jacqueline Pata moved to support Kuskokwim Litigation Subsistence M/C

NCAI Constitutional Changes – Lumbee

This was moved to the Executive Session for discussion- no action was taken.

**BUSINESS ITEMS**

Resolutions

23-83 Authorization to Enter into an ISDEA 105(l) Lease for the Hydaburg Specialty Seafood Processing Plant

23-85 Opposing Changes in DOI Policy for Federal Recognition of Alaska Native Tribes  
Moved to Executive Session

23-86 Opposition to Proposed Revisions Indian Arts and Crafts Board Under the Indian Arts and Crafts Act Of 1990

23-87 Authorization to Apply for the Lenfest Oceans Program Grant

M/S 4<sup>th</sup> Vice President Will Micklin moved to adopt EC 21-83, EC 21-86, and EC 21-87 to as a group M/C

Ratification of Resolutions

Res. 23-81 Citizen Participation Certification for 2023 Indian Community Development Block Grant Application

Res. 23-82 Authorization to Establish a New Bank Account for Southeast General Contractors

M/S 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Rob Sanderson moved to adopt EC 21-81 and EC 21-82 as a group M/C

**ARPA REQUESTS**

Seattle ARPA Request #8 - Supplemental Relief

Anchorage ARPA Request #5

Juneau ARPA Request #7 - Reallocation of Funds

M/S 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Rob Sanderson moved to approve the ARPA requests as a group M/C

**MEETING MINUTES**

August 18, 2023, Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2023, Special Executive Council Meeting Minutes

M/S 4<sup>th</sup> Vice President Will Micklin moved to adopt the minutes as a group M/C

## **DONATION REQUESTS**

First Alaskans Institute - Elders & Youth Conference

First Alaskans Institute - Smoke House Gala

Healing Hand Gala

Ketchikan High School Science Bowl Team

M/S 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President Catherine Edwards moved to approve a donation for \$1,000 for First Alaskans Institute Elders & Youth Conference, First Alaskans Institute Smoke House Gala, and Ketchikan High School Science Bowl. M/C

M/S 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Rob Sanderson moved to approve a donation for \$5,000 to Healing Hands M/C

## **BREAK**

The chair called for a 15-minute break at 10:37 AM.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Chair called to enter Executive Session at 11:06 AM on October 13, 2023. No objections, so moved.

Regular session resumed at 1:33 PM. No objection, so moved.

## **BREAK**

The chair called for a 5-minute break at 3:40 PM.

## Resolutions

EC 23-84 Authorization for Acquisition of Real Property in Haines

EC 23-85 Opposing Changes in DOI Policy for Federal Recognition of Alaska Native Tribes

M/S 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Rob Sanderson moved to approve EC 23-84 M/C

M/S 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President Catherine Edwards moved to table EC 23-85 without objection.

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

The Executive Council offered good comments on the order comments.

M/S 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Rob Sanderson moved to approve a donation to Sandrenia Blue in the amount of \$1,000.00 to help cover funeral expenses for loss in the family.

## **ADJOURN**

The chair called for adjournment at 1:57 PM. No objection, so ordered.