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General Council Meeting Executive Summary VIA Zoom December 17, 2020

#### 1. Call to Order General Council Chair called the meeting to order at 2:11 PM.

# 2. Invocation

Invocation was given by Boots Pond.

#### 3. Ascertainment of Quorum

- X BOT Chair- Kat Brigham
- X BOT Vice Chair-Jeremy Wolf
- X BOT Secretary- Sally Kosey
- X BOT Treasurer-Sandy Sampson
- PL BOT MAL-Armand Minthorn
- X BOT MAL-Corrine Sams
- X BOT MAL-Boots Pond
- X BOT MAL-Jill-Marie Gavin

- X GC Chairman Lindsey X. Watchman
- X GC Vice Chair-Michael R Johnson
- X GC Secretary-Shawna M Shillal-Gavin
- X GC Interpreter-Thomas Morning Owl

At 2:21 PM there were forty (40) tribal members signed in and quorum established. Final tribal member attendance was forty-seven.

#### 4. Approval of Agenda

General Council Chairman Watchman reviewed the agenda and Aaron Hines X-2279 requests to go first on agenda due to Covid-19 vaccines on their way to CTUIR. Kat Brigham asks to go second as she's been asked to go. Jill-Marie Gavin made a motion to approve as amended seconded by Boots Pond. Chairman Watchman reviewed the amended agenda. The motion carried by voice vote.

#### 5. Approval of Executive Summary - November 11 & November 19, 2020

Martina Gordon made a motion to approve Executive Summary of November 11, 2020 seconded by Denise Wickert, motion passed by voice vote.

Martina Gordon x-1123 motion to approve Executive Summary of November 19, 2020 seconded by Mary Halfmoon; Roberta Wilson requested clarification on correction; motion passed by voice vote.

#### 6. Old Business

#### Covid-19 Incident Command Team (ICT) Update

Incident Commander Chuck Sams provided the latest Covid-19 data from the CTUIR. The report is available by request.

Sally Kosey motion to accept the report, Michael R Johnson seconded.

#### Discussion:

Sandy X-776, how many do you have signed up right now, how long will they be testing and can you give the information out where they can go? Chuck responded that you can show up for testing. Today they are going to 4:30. Focusing on community members and tribal government staff.

Roberta Wilson, X-763 is there a specific name for this test? Chuck, there is a name and I will defer to Lisa Guzman or Carrie Sampson-Samuels this is a PCE test and will be sent out to California.

Thomas Morning Owl stated his concern that we have employees at Wildhorse that are associated to the community by their employment at Wildhorse and some of the employees have reported to work with symptoms and consequently been sent home to be on the safe side however with the testing available to nonnative people the turn around to testing the testing results are a lot longer than our clinic testing why is there a difference between the time they can get their results and we can get ours? Chuck responds. Carrie Sampson-Samuels responds as well.

Question called for and motion passed by voice vote with one abstention.

#### 7. New Business

#### A. Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center

Lisa Guzman, YTHC CEO provided the Yellowhawk annual report. Because of the arrival of the first shipment of Covid-19 vaccination was scheduled to arrive this day, Ms. Guzman requested to report immediately and assured the General Council that any questions could be emailed to her and would be answered. Presentation is available by request.

# After discussion, a motion was made to accept the report by Eugena Stacona, seconded by Pam Peterson motion carried by voice vote.

Lisa stated after the motion passed that Yellowhawk works hard to improve services and if you have concerns, please let her know and she will try to get answers for you.

#### B. Board of Trustees Chair Kat Brigham report

BOT Chair Kat Brigham provided her annual report to the General Council.

- Statement that the Board of Trustees seems to have signed over too much authority to the Incident Command Team. Response: BOT is following a resolution and will be reviewing later this year but the ICT is professional staff that gives recommendations to protect the community.
- Regarding concern about the small modular nuclear reactors that ATNI had Resolution 19-10 that opposed the
  Oregon Senate Bill 444 to have any other nuclear reactor plants in Oregon the issue is arising again at New Scale.
  Friday there's going to be a hearing; have you been informed of that? Response: Yes, was included on your email
  and followed up with our legislative staff and lobbyist to check into it. It's going to be a courtesy hearing for
  members only. We are tracking it and when it comes time to provide testimony we will but right now it's a
  limited meeting on Friday.

Cathy Sampson-Kruse motions to approve the report (Discussion: Chairman Watchman recognizes comments from the zoom chat box regarding the concerns raised regarding ICT) seconded by Shawna M. Shillal-Gavin; Jeremy Wolf commented on the ICT report regarding continuity of government which will be reviewed. Question called by Boots Pond and motion carried by voice vote with one abstention.

# C. Board of Trustees Member-at-Large Boots Pond annual report

Provided his annual report which is available upon request.

#### Motion to approve the report by Denise Wickert, second Dena Medellin. Motion passed by voice vote.

#### D. CTUIR Health Commission

Shawna Gavin, Health Commission Chair gave the annual report of Health Commission activities.

# A motion to accept was made by Pam Peterson, second by Denise Wickert motion passed by voice vote.

# E. July Ground Renovation

JD Tovey, Planning Department Director gave a presentation on proposed renovation plans.

Discussion:

- Pathway around longhouse is mandatory for funerals and other ceremonial activities.
- When does this move from conceptual to actual especially the aquatic center? Once the funding is secured. Aquatic center will be further down the road.
- Has the tribe addressed the common flooding in this area? Most flooding gets up to Confederated Way and cutting this out of the route will eliminate a lot of the flooding. Will build a design to incorporate seasonal flooding.
- Any plans for a new building for the elders? Possibly use the new community center.
- Are you planning to incorporate solar and renewable energy, water efficiency, energy efficiency, and other sustainable design ideas? This is definitely a consideration for all projects.
- Suggestion for horse barn and stalls.
- Website: : <u>https://ctuir.org/news/july-grounds-plans-for-communityconsideration/</u>
- Not all have or use internet access, would you be able to print out the survey for those unable to access? Yes there have been efforts to reach out in all directions.
- Several requests for a library.

# After discussion, Eugena Stacona motioned to approve the report seconded by Denise Wickert motion passed by voice vote. Two abstain.

#### F. CTUIR Youth Council

Youth Council Chair Lindsey Pasena-Littlesky gave a report on activities of 2020.

#### CTUIR Youth Leadership Council

Chair: Lindsey Pasena - Littlesky Vice Chair: Latis Nowland Treasurer: Bryson Spino Secretary: Vacant Publicist:Gorgie Hoisington Page 3 of 4

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# Cultural Ambassador: Nizhoni Toledo

Members at Large: JaeDean Looney, Muriel Jones- Hoisington, Chris Minthorn, Izabelle Sigo, Keyen Singer, Summer Wildbill, Alyric Redcrane

The Youth Council asked the General Council to consider renewing GC Resolution 20-001 (attached).

# After discussion, Boots Pond made a motion to approve the requested extension, Roberta Wilson seconds motion passed by voice vote.

#### 8. Open Mic

- Pam Peterson thanked Boots for popping in and reminding her that General Council is today.
- Cathy Sampson-Kruse asks that the minutes reflect comments made during BOT Chair Brigham's report regarding ATNI Resolution 19-10 and the CTUIR legislative team to follow up on topic.
- JD Tovey gave information about tribal membership locations: CTUIR : The numbers will be updated with the census, but our current number are roughly 900 tribal members on reservation, 500 tribal members off reservation but within 50 miles and the remaining tribal members are more than 50 miles away.
- Linda Sampson X-939: keep vigilant on Trojan and Kalama please, maybe a update at the next council. So our voice is present. If not direct action will be needed.

#### 9. Announcements/Notes/Comments

a. Next meeting – January 21, 2021

b. Raffles – GC PPE Kit – Rachel Matamoros; Helen Morrison 1<sup>st</sup> comment on FB post; Travis Olsen, PPE Kit; Gabe Sheoships, Stainless Steel Mug; Cami Lewis-Coffee Mug; Althea Wolf-PPE/Blanket; Cathy Sampson-Kruse PPE Kit; Talia McLaughlin PPE Kit; Gene Shippentower-Flag Blanket

c. Announcements: December 19; Nixyaawii Celebration Committee "Staying Alive"; Climate Adaptation Plan Virtual Webinar; January 8 1-3;

#### 10 Adjournment

Michael R Johnson made a motion to adjourn seconded by Pam Peterson; motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Shawna M. Shillal-Gavin, General Council Secretary