

ROUND VALLEY INDIAN TRIBES

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MINUTES May 9, 2019

The special meeting of the Round Valley Tribal Council was called to order by President James Russ on May 9, 2019 at 1:15 p.m. in the Buffalo Room within the Tribal Administrative Building located on the Round Valley Indian Reservation

Roll call and the following Council Members were present: Mr. Russ, Mr. Bettega, Mr. Robert Whipple (arrived 1:28 p.m.), Mr. Rabano Jr., Ms. Cordova & Ms. Willits.

Opening prayer by Ms. Willits

Item No. 2: Agenda/approval - **Action Item – 2019-05-09-01:**

MOTION NO. 1:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve the agenda with additions.

Ms. Willits seconded the Motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

Item No. 3: Unfinished Business:

a. Deb Hutt – RE: Inter-Agency MOU meeting – May 3rd. - **Action Item – 2019-05-02-015:**
Not present.

Item No. 4: New Business:

a. Gerrilyn Reeves: RE: The Center of Healing Hearts – facility introduction - **Action Item – 2019-05-09-02:** Not present.

b. Cheryl Bettega, Roads Dept. – RE: Purchase used sweeper - \$ 19,378.18 - **Action Item – 2019-05-09-03:** Mrs. Bettega was present and it was questioned if there were funds for the purchase as it was noticed that the Tribal Controller did not sign off on the agenda request.

c. Bruce Hilbach-Barger – RE: Approve submission of grant to BIA Tribal Energy & Mineral Development – **Action Item – 2019-05-09-04:** Mr. Barger was present and informed the Council that he is requesting approval to submit a grant to the BIA Tribal Energy & Mineral Development. Discussion followed.

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MOTION NO. 2:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve submission of the grant to the BIA Tribal Energy & Mineral Development, by resolution with corrections.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: Russ (out of the room) Motion carried.

Back to Item No. 4-b: Cheryl Bettega – RE: Purchase used sweeper - \$19,378.18:

MOTION NO. 3:

Ms. Cordova made a motion to approve to purchase the used sweeper for \$19,378.18.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: Russ (out of the room) Motion carried.

d. Trina Fitzgerral, Tribal Business Administrator – RE: Various – **Action Item – 2019-05-09-05:**

i) California Indian Days

Mrs. Fitzgerral requested to know if the Council wanted to have a carnival this year.

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council to ask the businesses to sponsor.

Discussion followed about the booth fees (keep as is or raise – sliding scale for members)

Council will decide; to build more booths; to repair the one that was damaged; open the building for showers for the campers (no PG&E); etc.

MOTION NO. 4:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to accept as informational.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

ii) BIA Allocation Resolution – discussed ICWA, CTG, contract support; Indirect cost – covering all salaries; education/JOM funds; etc.

MOTION NO. 5:

Ms. Willits made a motion to approve by resolution the BIA allocation.

Mr. Bettega seconded the motion.

Discussion – Council to set up a conference call with Tina Fourkiller

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

e. Tribal Council – RE: Various – **Action Item – 2019-05-09-06:**

i) Set work session – RE: Restructuring Programs – C-TAS grants expired 9/30/2019

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council to set June 12th for the work session on budgets and restructuring programs (programs end Meth. Grant, COPS, Court funds, CTG)

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- ii) Motel update – given – old parts all asbestos;

MOTION NO. 6:

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to accept as informational.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: Bettega (out of the room) Motion carried.

Item No. 5: Executive Session - Action Item – 2019-05-09-07:

- a. Mr. Randy Wolfen, Casino – RE: Update
- b. Trina Fitzgerral, Tribal Business Administrator – RE: Various
 - i) Personnel
 - ii) Shelter Break In
- c. Sergeant Vincent Cordova, Tribal Police Dept. – RE: Update
- d. Darlene Crabtree, Tribal Controller – RE: Various – financial
- e. Bernadine Whipple, HR. – RE: Various
 - i) Surveillance Policy
 - ii) Employee Records
 - iii) Fiscal Policy
 - iv) Job Description - HR
- f. TRED – RE: Various – Land
 - i) Hasting Law College
 - ii) Land Sale – (Cameron Tyler)
 - iii) Homesite approval at Russ Subdivision
 - iv) Hopper Lane – consent request
- g. Jessica Goodrow, ICWA/DV Legal
- h. Kaitlyn Leedy – RE: Yard Sale
- 1. Dave't Frease/Anna Frease – RE: Water
- j. Tribal Council – RE: Various
 - i) Confidentiality & Common Interest Defense Agreement
 - ii) TANF building – RE: Update
 - iii) LLC

MOTION NO. 7:

Mr. Robert Whipple made a motion to go into executive session at 2:56 p.m.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: Bettega (out of the room) Motion carried.

Item No. 6: Regular Session - Action Item – 2019-05-09-08:

MOTION NO. 8:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to reconvene into regular session at 5:12 p.m.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

Decisions from executive session:

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a. Mr. Randy Wolfin, Casino – RE: Update - **Action Item – 2019-05-09-09:**

MOTION NO. 9:

Mr. Robert Whipple made a motion to approve the promotion - \$20,000.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Russ, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: Bettega (out of the room) Motion carried.

b. Trina Fitzgerral, Tribal Business Administrator RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-05-09-010:**

i) Personnel

ii) Shelter Break In

MOTION NO. 10:

Ms. Willits made a motion to accept as informational i and ii.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

c. Sergeant Vincent Cordova, Tribal Police Dept – RE: Update - **Action Item – 2019-05-09-011:** Not present.

d. Darlene Crabtree, Tribal Controller – RE: Various – financial - **Action Item – 2019-05-09-012:** Not present.

e. Bernadine Whipple, HR – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-05-09-013:**

i) Surveillance Policy - **Action Item – 2019-03-07-014-i:**

iii) Fiscal Policy – Travel Time - **Action Item – 2019-04-18-012-iv:**

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council to set a work session for item i and iii for June 12th.

iii) Employee Records - **Action Item – 2018-10-25-016-iv:**

MOTION NO. 11:

Mr. Robert Whipple made a motion to approve.

Mr. Bettega seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

iv) Job Description HR - **Action Item – 2019-04-25-012-viii -**

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council to table this item until May 16th.

1. Tribal Council – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-02-09-016:**

i) Confidentiality & Common Interest Defense Agreement:

MOTION NO. 12:

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Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve the agreement

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Short discussion – Attorney will add RVIT name to the agreement.

Question: Ayes: Russ, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: Bettega

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

f. TRED – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-02-09-014:**

i) Hasting Law College

MOTION NO. 13:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve to send the letter.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: R. Whipple (out of the room)

Motion carried.

ii) Land sale (Cameron Tyler)

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council for Ms. Oandasan to ask the BIA if they have funds to buy the land.

iii) Homesite approval at Russ Subdivision

MOTION NO. 14:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve by resolution the request for a homesite (Reyes Cesar Moreno).

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: Rabano Jr. (out of the room)

Motion carried.

iv) Hopper Lane – consent request (Dave't Frease)

MOTION NO. 15:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve the consent.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

g. Jessica Goodrow, ICWA/DV – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-02-09-015:** No business items.

h. Kaitlyn Leedy – RE: Yard Sale - **Action Item – 2019-05-02-013:** Not present, no action.

i. Dave't Frease/Anna Frease – RE: Water

MOTION NO. 16:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to accept as informational.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

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J. Tribal Council – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-02-09-016:**

i) Confidentially & Common Interest Defense Agreement – Already addressed

ii) TANF Building - update

MOTION NO. 17:

Mr. Bettega made a motion to accept as informational.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

Item No. 7: Set agenda, date and time for next meeting:

a. May 16, 2019 @ 1:00 p.m. - Special Meeting

Item No. 8: Closing prayer by President Russ

Item No. 9: Adjournment - **Action Item – 2019-05-09-017:**

MOTION NO. 18:

Ms. Willits made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m.


Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

Minutes taken and typed by Alberta J. Azbill, Executive Secretary, Round Valley Tribal Council.

Submitted by:



Executive Secretary, Round Valley
Tribal Council