

ROUND VALLEY INDIAN TRIBES

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MINUTES

September 14, 2026

The special meeting of the Round Valley Tribal Council was called to order by Vice President Neil Britton on September 14, 2026, at 10:25 a.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. Parker (arrived at 10:30 a.m. & left at 2:18 p.m.), Mr. Britton, Ms. Hoaglen, Mr. Whipple, Mrs. Henao & Ms. Whitehurst

Opening prayer by Ms. Jill Hoaglen

Item No. 2: Agenda/approval - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-01:**

MOTION NO. 1:

Ms. Hoaglen made a motion to approve the agenda as is.

Mrs. Henao seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst

Nays: 0

Abstention: 0

Motion carried.

Item No. 3: Unfinished Business:

Note: Mr. Parker arrived at 10:30 a.m.

a. Mona Oandasan, TRED – RE: FTT: Riffe - **Action Item – 2026-08-24-02:**

MOTION NO. 2:

Mr. Whipple made a motion to accept the item as informational.

Mr. Britton seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Parker, Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst

Nays: 0

Abstention: 0

Motion carried.

Item No. 4: New Business:

a. Mona Oandasan, TRED – RE: 2026-08-31-02-I - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-02:** MOA with RVIHA

MOTION NO. 3:

Mr. Britton made a motion to table the items.

Ms. Hoaglen seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Parker, Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst

Nays: 0

Abstention: 0

Motion carried.

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b. Kelda Britton, Nome Cult Committee – RE: Use of Hidden Oaks Park - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-03:** Use the Hidden Oaks Park Saturday September 19, 2026 for the Nome Cult Walkers.

MOTION NO. 4:

Mr. Britton made a motion to approve the use of the Hidden Oaks on September 19th and to waive the fee's.

Mr. Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Parker, Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst

Nays: 0

Abstention: 0 Motion carried.

c. Brina Covarrubias – RE: Finding her Tribe - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-04:** Moved to executive.

MOTION NO. 5:

Mr. Whipple made a motion to move item into executive session.

Mr. Britton seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Parker, Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst

Nays: 0

Abstention: 0 Motion carried.

d. Tribal Business Administrator – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-05:**

ii) Follow up with Child Care construction site visit - The money that was needed to be drawn down at the end of this month moved up to the 18th, they suggested we draw it down before the 18th. Sewer is holding them up.

iii) Della Davis lift station project – IHS and R&R Horn Construction is going out today.

e. Tribal Council – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-06:**

i) Friends of the Eel River – Save the Eel – Meeting tomorrow in Fortuna CA.

ii) Bauer Ranch update – Tribal Nature's Solution grant – TBA doesn't think Council should sign off on it until they know more about the project.

iii) Tribal Nations Solution grant – After we purchased the 1,100 acres we have a savings. TBA had a zoom meeting with the lady and brought her up to speed because she was new and she looked at the paperwork and that we could use the extra money and purchase the Hurt property, he asked her if it's the same process and it is we will need to have an assessment appraisal done. Possibly make him an offer.

iv) EPA – Consent Decree / Order Amendment – First thing to do is Amend it and the guy said it will be approved and then we will get a time frame of when follow up work.

v) Trailer in Hidden Oaks – Someone is trying to move one. Mark Grant is the one moving trailer he is helping Mr. Shawn Want. He said he needs tires, RVIHC said they have tires people can use to move the trailers.

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Item No. 5: Executive Session - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-07:**

- a. Mona Oandasan, TRED – RE: Non-compliant homesites
- b. Mona Oandasan, TRED – RE: Residential Request
- c. Wyatt Smith, Fisheries – RE: Various
 - i) Hiring Strategy
 - ii) Budget Approval request for NOAA grant
 - iii) Eel River update
- d. Pang Moua – RE: TCA
- e. Fiscal Dept. – RE: Various – financial
- f. Colleen Downey, C-Store – RE: Update
- g. Michael Hoaglen, Golden Oaks Motel – RE: Update
- h. Tribal Police – RE: Update
- i. Tribal Business Administrator
 - i) Tribal Ready – Work order 4 (NTIA)
 - ii) CPUC grant status
 - iii) Personnel
- j. Tribal Council – RE: Various
 - i) BIA water management funding

MOTION NO. 6:

Mr. Whipple made a motion to go into executive session at 11:16 a.m.

Mr. Britton seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Parker, Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst

Nays: 0

Abstention: 0

Motion carried.

Item No. 6: Regular Session - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-08:**

MOTION NO. 7:

Ms. Hoaglen made a motion to reconvene into regular session at 2:34 p.m.

Mrs. Henao seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Parker, Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst

Nays: 0

Abstention: 0

Motion carried.

Decisions from executive session:

a. Mona Oandasan, TRED – RE: Non-compliant homesites - **Action Item – 2026-08-31-014:**

b. Mona Oandasan, TRED – RE: Residential Request - **Action Item – 2026-09-08-08:**

MOTION NO. 8:

Mr. Britton made a motion to table the items a & b.

Mr. Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Parker, Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst

Nays: 0

Abstention: 0

Motion carried.

d. Pang Moua – RE: TCA - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-010:**

MOTION NO. 9:

Mrs. Henao made a motion to approve by resolution the TCA for minor child.

Ms. Hoaglen seconded the motion.

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Question: Ayes: Parker, Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst
Abstention: 0 Motion carried.

Nays: 0

c. Brina Covarrubias – RE: Finding her Tribe - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-04:**

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council to accept the item as informational.

c. Wyatt Smith, Fisheries – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-09:**

iii) Eel River update -

MOTION NO. 10:

Mr. Whipple made a motion to approve of sending the letter to FERC.

Mr. Britton seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Parker, Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst

Nays: 0

Abstention: 0 Motion carried.

ii) Budget Approval request for NOAA grant

MOTION NO. 11:

Mr. Whipple made a motion to approve to send letter and to approve the Budget.

Mr. Britton seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Parker, Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst

Nays: 0

Abstention: 0 Motion carried.

MOTION NO. 12:

Mr. Whipple made a motion to approve the letter of support for funding Friends of the Eel River.

Mr. Britton seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Parker, Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst

Nays: 0

Abstention: 0 Motion carried.

i) Hiring Strategy – Item discussed

e. Fiscal Dept. – RE: Various – financial - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-011:** No update

f. Colleen Downey, C-Store – RE: Update - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-012:** Item discussed

g. Michael Hoaglen, Golden Oaks Motel – RE: Update - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-013:** Item discussed

h. Tribal Police – RE: Update - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-014:** Item discussed

i. Tribal Business Administrator - Various - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-015:**

iii) Personnel - temp pool

MOTION NO. 13:

Mr. Whipple made a motion to approve the temp pool list.

Mr. Britton seconded the motion.

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Question: Ayes: Parker, Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst
Abstention: 0 Motion carried.

Nays: 0

Interviews – THPO Officer

MOTION NO. 14:

Mr. Whipple made a motion to approve of going with the recommendation of hiring Travis Britton for the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) position.

Ms. Hoaglen seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Parker, Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst
Abstention: 0 Motion carried.

Nays: 0

- i) Tribal Ready – Work order 4 (NTIA) – Item discussed.

Note: Mr. Parker left at 2:18 p.m.

- ii) CPUC grant status

j. Tribal Council – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-016:**

- i) BIA water management funding -

MOTION NO. 15:

Mrs. Henao made a motion to table the item.

Mr. Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst
Abstention: 0 Motion carried.

Nays: 0

- i) Upgrade Prodigy software – The Enrollment Department needs to upgrade the system. Also, needs a new computer, it's way outdated.

MOTION NO. 16:

Mr. Whipple made a motion to approve the purchase of the Prodigy software Entrust Sigma DS2 \$3,376. funds coming from C-Store.

Ms. Hoaglen seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst
Abstention: 0 Motion carried.

Nays: 0

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

- a. September 19, 2026 @ 9:00 a.m. - Regular Meeting
- b. September 21, 2026 @ 10: 00 a.m. - Special Meeting

Item No. 8: Closing prayer by Mr. Robert Whipple

Item No. 9: Adjournment - **Action Item – 2026-09-14-017:**

MOTION NO. 17:

Mrs. Henao made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:38 p.m.

Mr. Whipple seconded the motion.

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Question: Ayes: Britton, Hoaglen, Whipple, Henao & Whitehurst
Abstention: 0 Motion carried.

Nays: 0

Minutes taken and typed by Aryssa Bettega, Executive Secretary, Round Valley Tribal Council.

Submitted by:


Aryssa Bettega, Executive Secretary
Round Valley Tribal Council

Date approved: October 13, 2026