



## *Executive Council*

Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska  
Tuesday, July 28, 2020 – 10 AM (Alaska Standard Time)  
TELECONFERENCE MEETING  
DRAFT MINUTES

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Peterson assumed chair without objection and called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

### **ROLL CALL**

Richard J. Peterson, President	Present
Yodean Armour, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Present
Jackie Pata, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Present
Will Micklin, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President	Present
Rob Sanderson, Jr. 4 <sup>th</sup> Vice President	Present
Ralph Wolfe, 5 <sup>th</sup> Vice President	Present at 10:13am
Catherine Edwards, 6 <sup>th</sup> Vice President	Present
Shawaan Jackson-Gamble, Emerging Leader	Present

Also present: Chief Financial Officer Theresa Belton, General Counsel Madeline Soboleff Levy, Chief of Project Development William Ware, Tribal Operations and Self Governance Manager Helene Bennett, Executive Assistant Cara Gilbert, Special Assistant Heather Gatti, Secretary to the President Carley Jackson, Recording Secretary Rebecca Lee, Richard Rinehart, and soon-to-be Chief Operating Officer Roald Helgesen.

### **INVOCATION**

4<sup>th</sup> Vice President Rob Sanderson, Jr. provided the invocation.

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

M/S 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Jackie Pata moved to adopt the agenda. M/C

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Roald Helgesen took the opportunity to introduce himself, give some background and thank the Tribe for their continued work in political sovereignty and economic sovereignty. President Richard Peterson welcomed Roald to Tlingit & Haida.

### **REPORTS**

### President's Report

President Richard J. Peterson provided an oral report on his recent activities. The Lunchtime Chats have been well received by the communities and has given the Tribe opportunities for transparency. The initiation of the Small Business Grant Application started last week for tribally owned businesses with enrolled tribal citizens. Several property purchases are underway to assist in community housing needs. Tribal Assembly planning is in full swing with many thanks to Will Micklin for his help. Roald Helgesen has been hired as the Chief Operating Officer and will be oriented August 4<sup>th</sup>. AFN is still planning to meet but final decision regarding a virtual convention will be determined in August.

### General Counsel Report

General Counsel Madeline Soboleff Levy summarized her written report covering activities for the month of July.

### Special Assistant Report

Special Assistant Heather Gatti summarized her written report covering activities for the month of July.

### Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Report

CFO Theresa Belton summarized her written report covering finances for the month of May.

### Chief of Project Development Report

Will Ware provided a verbal report and updates on various projects. The fireworks stand was able to sell out of fireworks within 9 days of opening. The purchase agreement for the R&M Building has been signed and are working with Northwest Architects to design space for men's transitional housing. They are also sending out bids to contractors for the work. Recently partnered with Reentry and Recovery and Southeast General Contractors to create a livable courtyard out of the trailers donated by Kensington Mine. The Letter of Intent for purchase the Bonnell Building has been signed. Upon acceptance, they are able to rent 2 of the 5 bays immediately to previous owners for \$3000 per month that will be credited to the purchase price. The Haven House purchase is still early in negotiation. Thane Immersion Park is modifying grant funding for canoes. There were 40 applications received from the Small Business Grant. Applicants must be owned by a tribally enrolled citizen with less than 50 employees. Smokehouse Catering is now providing deliverable meals and desserts and Sacred Shine is open again after closing for a few days in the midst of the rise in COVID cases.

### THTBC Report

Richard Rinehart provided a verbal summary of his confidential written report covering activities and projected amounts for the year.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### Tribal Assembly

Delegates were notified of Tribal Assembly being virtually held on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020. Tribal Operations met with the App developer and will send out solicitations in the next few weeks for the elected positions. Helene is meeting with Program Compliance regarding voting measures

and specifics. They are prepping mailboxes to include a tablet, individual Tlingit & Haida email addresses for each delegate, swag bags, informational sheets, and IT video and potentially tablet stands. Tribal Operations is hoping to mail out in September for opportunity to swear in new delegates.

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

None

### **EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

The Chair ordered to enter Executive session at 11:49am. No objection, so moved.

Executive session concluded at 12:23pm.

### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

The Executive Council offered comments for good of the order.

### **ADJOURN**

The Chair ordered to adjourn at 12:37 PM. No objection, so moved.