

Skagway Traditional Council

# Regular Meeting



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February 8, 2022, 12 PM / In-Person & Zoom

1. Meeting called to order at:

Jaime called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM

2. Attendance:

**Present**

Jaime Bricker, President

Andrew Beierly, Vice Chair

Marla Belisle, Secretary

Judean Gordon, Member at Large

Sara Kinjo-Hischer, TA

Katie Klug, TAA (Note taker)

**Absent**

Savannah Ames, Treasurer

3. Approval of Agenda:

**Andy motions to approve the agenda, Marla seconds, all in favor:**

AYE 4/ NAY 0/ ABSTAIN 0/ ABSENT 1

4. Approval of Minutes:

**Marla motions to approve meeting minutes from 1.21.2022, Andy seconds, all in favor:**

AYE 4/ NAY 0/ ABSTAIN 0/ ABSENT 1

5. Presidents Report:

Jaime apologizes for running late, she had just spoken over the phone with Mayor Cremata regarding Skagway RV Park. Andrew Cremata had asked Jaime to talk with the council about requesting a larger portion of the land from MOS. Jaime wanted to be transparent and clarified with the Mayor her conflict of interest, her new role at MOS deals with managing the RV Park contract. Jaime relayed that Mayor Cremata stated it is his opinion on the matter and feels it would be worth the council pursuing. Jaime stated the council could have further discussion on the matter.

6. Program/Committee Reports:

- SEARHC: *Emailed to Council, on file – Last received report 1.27-1.28.22*

Judean states SEARHC audit came out well and the company is growing. Jaime asks Judean if she can discuss conversations regarding Dahl memorial clinic. Judean is not at liberty to discuss but will update the council when allowed.

- Financial: *Last received report December 2021*

Sara states Carlos just submitted reports to the auditor. Sara states he was on vacation and is about a month behind but will update financial reports soon.

- Administrator Report: *Last received January 2022*

Sara shares with the council she emailed the Government-to-Government request to NPS regarding discussion on the Period of Significant and name change of Chilkoot Trail to National Historic Trail.

Salmon in the classroom, Salmon is being released today. Sara shares the ETEP survey winners. Sara discusses with the council SEARHC has not reached out or updated STC in regarding future or Skagway. Sara asks the council if they would like to write a letter to SEARHC. Sara states IHS Rights are held under SEARHC and involves the STC. Judean feels in agreement, very little communication has been happening. Judean can reach out to SEARHC if requested by the council.

Sara submitted the letter to MOS regarding the 1% Art program and listened to the last finance meeting. Sara also shared that Lance Twitchell contacted her to request a letter of support for a Grant application, a documentary program on how boarding schools affected the loss of Native language.

- Environmental Department Report: *Last received January 2022*

Sara needs council approval

- Cultural Resource Department Report: *Last received January 2022*

Sara shares with council members she was interviewed by Mike Swasey & Melinda Munson pertaining to Pius Mission School.

## 7. Public Comment/Correspondence:

Jaime wanted to speak to the council members on behalf of her role as tourism director for MOS. She shares that the Skagway Visitor Advisory Board will be meeting for a workshop February 14th and 15th. Jaime has proposed a line item for the work session to add a Cultural Heritage Tourism component to MOS marketing plan. She asks the council for approval if this proposal proceeds and would like to come to the council for advice. Sara asks if MOS would be taking on Cultural Tourism or telling stories of Tlingit History. Jaime states she would come to STC for directions.

## 8. Agenda Items:

1. Barb Broaderson Collection

Sara has left a message with Barb, believes she may be out of town and will reach out again soon.

2. Housing - RFQ

Sara has not put together an RFQ, yet. She has sent an email to the Housing Authority since the last discussion pertaining to the 10th property, high electricity bill. She would like the council to come up with some ideas for a solution. Sara states the council may want to temporarily subsidize electricity if the property gets rented.

9. New Agenda Items:

1. Resolution 2022-XX Tribal Fish & Game Advisory Board

Sara states the proposed resolution is a Tribal Fish & Game Advisory Board, different from the States Fish & Game and would take some restrictions off. Sara believes this is more specific to hearing eggs.

**Judean motions to approve the Tribal Fish & Game Advisory Board Resolution, Andy seconds, all in favor:**

AYE 4/ NAY 0/ ABSTAIN 0/ ABSENT 1

2. Resolution 2021-15 Resolution Number Correction

Sara states clerical numbering mistake for Resolution 2021-15, skipped over and would like acknowledgment for record keeping.

**Marla motions to approve Resolution 2021-15 Number Correction, Andy seconds, all in favor:**

AYE 4/ NAY 0/ ABSTAIN 0/ ABSENT 1

3. Resolution 2022-XX Tribal Transportation Funds

Sara states this is the Tribal Transportation Funds that come every 3 yrs with a new contract that needs council approval.

**Marla motions to approve Tribal Transportation Funds, Andy seconds, all in favor:**

AYE 4/ NAY 0/ ABSTAIN 0/ ABSENT 1

4. Sole Source: TSI Service Agreement

Sara reiterates discussion from the last meeting. The TSI Service agreement presented will save cost for STC.

**Andy motions to approve TSI Service Agreement, Marla seconds, all in favor:**

AYE 4/ NAY 0/ ABSTAIN 0/ ABSENT 1

5. Cue Health Testing Solution

Sara would like to know how the council feels about changing Covid testing company. The new testing company would allow rapid test results, and can be used for travel across the border. Sara signed an NDA and cannot give too much information but shares the cost would be 50% less than what STC pays right now. Sara shares to keep the cost down she would need to do a 12-month subscription. Sara will email what she can share with the council members cost wise over email.

6. Discussion: Period of Significance

Sara shares she discussed more with Lance about NPS sharing stories prior to the Gold Rush and he was in agreement, wondering what consequences could come from it. Lance shared with Sara he is not positive how NPS was allowed to take over the trail, charge permit fees with no Tribal involvement. Sara states this could be discussed more at the Government-to-Government consultation.

7. ARP Budget

Sara shares with the council the allocated ARP funds were approved by the lawyer to be used towards purchasing the farm; it is considered healthy, sustainable living. The council would like to move the allocated Premium Pay & Health Care line items back into unbudgeted ARP funds for potential projects. Sara states the funds need to be designated before 2024 in order to be used. Jaime would like to have another work session meeting to discuss the potential use of the unbudgeted 9 million.

**Marla motions to approve removal of Premium Pay & Health Care/Covid Undiagnosed from the ARP Budget, Judean seconds, all in favor:**

*AYE 4/ NAY 0/ ABSTAIN 0/ ABSENT 1*

**Judean motions to approve amended budget that eliminates the Premium Pay & Health Care/Covid Undiagnosed from the ARP Budget, Marla seconds, all in favor:**

*AYE 4/ NAY 0/ ABSTAIN 0/ ABSENT 1*

8. Tlingit name for trails

Sara has put in a request with Lance and is waiting to hear back.

9. EPA Tribal Environmental Plan (ETEP)

Sara wanted to bring the ETEP survey forward to the council and shared that approximately 20% participated in the survey. Jaime states she loves the write up and would like to use the information on skagway.com for visitors.

**Marla motions to approve the ETEP Plan for 2023-2027, Andy seconds, all in favor:**

*AYE 4/ NAY 0/ ABSTAIN 0/ ABSENT 1*

10. Announcements:

Nothing to announce

**11. Executive Session:**

Council will have further discussion next meeting pertaining to executive topics.

**12. Meeting Adjourned at:**

Jaime adjourned the meeting at 1:30pm