

Tribal Council Actions

Wednesday, February 8, 2006

5:00 p.m. — Meeting was called to order by Tribal Council Chairwoman, Cheryle Kennedy. A quorum was present.

Present was Angie Blackwell, Jack Giffen, Jr., Cheryle Kennedy, Reyn Leno, Chris Mercier, Jan D. Reibach and Kathleen Tom.

Excused was Wink Soderberg (travel) and Wesley "Buddy" West (travel).

Invocation was done by Jan D. Reibach.

PREVIOUS MINUTES — APPROVE/AMEND

■ Reyn Leno moved, Jack Giffen, Jr. seconded to approve the January 25, 2006, Tribal Council regular meeting minutes as presented. **Motion carried 6-0-0.**

NEW BUSINESS

LEGISLATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE

■ **Enrollment Requirement Ad-Hoc Committee Off-Site Meeting.** Jack Giffen, Jr. moved, Chris Mercier seconded to approve a motion allowing the Enrollment Requirement Ad-Hoc Committee to have their regularly scheduled meeting at the Embassy Suites Hotel Portland Airport for February 12, 2006, in Portland, OR. **Motion carried 6-0-0.**

■ **Enrollment Emergency Determination.** Reyn Leno moved, Chris Mercier seconded to adopt **Resolution No. 031-06** approving Tribal membership for a minor numbered #5528, because based on the investigation and recommendation of the Enrollment staff, the minor meets the eligibility requirements for enrollment as defined in the Enrollment Ordinance and Tribal Constitution and is eligible for emergency determination under Section (c)(2)(C) of the Enrollment Ordinance. **Motion carried 6-0-0.**

■ **Enrollment Emergency Determination.** Chris Mercier moved, Angie Blackwell seconded to adopt **Resolution NO. 032-06** approving Tribal membership for a minor numbered #5534, because based on the investigation and recommendation of the Enrollment staff, the minor meets the eligibility requirements for enrollment as defined in the Enrollment Ordinance and Tribal Constitution and is eligible for emergency determination under Section (c)(2)(C) of the Enrollment Ordinance. **Motion carried 6-0-0.**

■ **Enrollment Emergency Determinations.** Jack Giffen, Jr. moved, Chris Mercier seconded to adopt **Resolution No. 033-06** approving Tribal membership for minors numbered #5540 and #5541, because based on the investigation and recommendation of the Enrollment staff, the minors meet the eligibility requirements for enrollment as defined in the Enrollment Ordinance and Tribal Constitution and are eligible for emergency determination under Section (c)(2)(C) of the Enrollment Ordinance. **Motion carried 6-0-0.**

■ **Clackamas Hydro Settlement Agreement.** Reyn Leno moved, Jan D. Reibach seconded to adopt **Resolution No. 034-06** authorizing the Tribal Council Chairwoman, with the assistance of the Tribal Attorney's Office, to finalize and execute said Agreement. Discussion followed. **Motion carried 6-0-0.**

■ **Oregon Youth Conservation Corps (OYCC) Recreation Grant Application.** Reyn Leno moved, Jack Giffen, Jr. seconded to adopt **Resolution No. 035-06:** 1) approving the grant application to the Oregon Youth Conservation Corps for partial funding of the 2006 Natural Resources Division OYCC summer youth crews, grant not to exceed \$10,000; 2) indirect costs would be paid for by the Tribe, which are not covered by the grant; and 3) authorizing the Natural Resources Division Manager, with the assistance of the Tribal Attorney, to finalize and execute said agreement. Discussion followed. **Motion carried 6-0-0.**

■ **Oregon Youth Conservation Corps (OYCC) Youth Crew Grant Application.** Angie Blackwell moved, Reynold L. Leno seconded to adopt **Resolution No. 036-06:** 1) approving the grant application to the Oregon Youth Conservation Corps for partial funding of the 2006 Natural Resources Division OYCC summer youth crews, grant not to exceed \$11,111; 2) indirect costs would be paid by the Tribe, which are not covered by the grant; and 3) authorize the Natural Resources Division Manager, with the assistance of the Tribal Attorney, to finalize and execute said grant if awarded. **Motion carried 6-0-0.**

■ **COTA (Lewis & Clark) Support Grant Application.** Angie Blackwell moved, Reyn Leno seconded to adopt **Resolution No. 037-06** approving the Tribe's application to the Circle of Tribal Advisors (COTA) to the Lewis & Clark Bicentennial for \$9,000 to support the Tribe's hosting of the National Park Service's Corps of Discovery II exhibition at Grand Ronde and authorizing the Tribal Council Chairwoman or, in her absence, the Vice Chair to execute documents required for this funding. Discussion followed. **Motion carried 6-0-0.**

■ **Grand Ronde Food & Fuel Company Board of Directors Appointments.** Reyn Leno moved, Jan D. Reibach seconded to adopt **Resolution No. 038-06** appointing Angie Blackwell, Chris Mercier, Wink Soderberg, Kathleen Tom and Wesley West to the Grand Ronde Food & Fuel Company Initial Board of Directors replacing June Sell-Sherer, Ed Larsen, Ed Pearsall, Bob Haller, Val Grout and Valorie Sheker-Robertson as Board members. Discussion followed. **Motion carried 6-0-0.**

■ **Enrollment New Members.** Jack Giffen, Jr. moved, Reyn Leno seconded to adopt **Resolution No. 039-06** approving the Tribal membership of individuals numbered #5530, #5531, #5532 and #5533, because, based

on the recommendation of the Enrollment Committee, the individuals meet the applicable requirements of the Constitution and the Enrollment Ordinance. Discussion followed. **Motion carried 6-0-0.**

■ **Enrollment Infant Determinations.** Reyn Leno moved, Chris Mercier seconded to adopt **Resolution No. No 040-06** approving four (4) infants numbered #5535, #5539, #5542, and #5543 for Tribal membership, because, based on the investigation and recommendation of the Enrollment staff, the infants have been found to meet the eligibility requirements for enrollment as defined in the Enrollment Ordinance and Tribal Constitution. **Motion carried 6-0-0.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminders (Council Members attending...Listed in Bold/Italics)

■ Tribal Leadership Forum is scheduled for Sycuan Resort & Casino, March 21-22, 2006 in San Diego, California. Contact information: www.tribalselfgov.org/triballeadershipforum.asp (**Angie Blackwell, Chris Mercier, Wink Soderberg and Wesley "Buddy" West**)

■ Indian Gaming '06 Trade Show, April 2-5, 2006. More information to follow. (**Jack Giffen, Jr., Reynold L. Leno, Wink Soderberg and Wesley "Buddy" West. Dependent her schedule, Cheryle A. Kennedy may attend**)

NOTICES

■ NIGA Gaming Management Training Program administered by Conrad Hilton College/University of Houston. Scheduled for February 28-March 1, 2006 or April 2-3, 2006. Rooms, registration and airline arrangements need to be made. Dependent on curriculum content, **Angie Blackwell, Jack Giffen, Jr. and Cheryle Kennedy may attend**

■ Off-Site General Council Meetings

Sunday, April 2, 2006, is scheduled for 11 a.m. at the Valley River Inn, 1000 Valley River Way, Eugene, Oregon 97401.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ **Charlotte Gray #1517** asked whether more than a quorum would be present at the General Council meeting to be held in Eugene, Oregon on Sunday, April 2, 2006. Council members Angie Blackwell and Kathleen Tom indicated they will no longer be attending. Council member Jack Giffen, Jr. expressed that he would fly out later.

■ **Linda Olson #17** remarked on the following: **a.** If the majority of council will be attending Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians Winter Conference, who will be at the office. Council member Chris Mercier advised he would be in the office. **b.** Asked who of council attended the Oregon State Police Tribal Gaming Section Joint Task Force meeting. Council member Jack Giffen, Jr. attended and advised that 8 of the 9 Oregon Tribes were present. **c.** Asked who of council or staff attended The Bureau of Indian Affairs Northwest Regional Tribal Budget Meeting on February 2, 2006, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the BIA Northwest Regional Office in Portland, Oregon. Councilwoman Kennedy identified that no members of council or staff attended due to various commitments. However, the Tribe receives appropriations information from the BIA regularly and reviews diligently.

■ Council member Giffen, Jr. provided a brief summation of the National Indian Gaming Associations' Legislative Summit which was attended by himself, Wink Soderberg and Wesley "Buddy" West. Activities included: 1) information was heard on the misappropriation of lobbying funds by a Washington, D.C. firm from Tribes, 2) visit with Congressional Leaders, and 3) attendance at Senator John McCain's hearing on Johnson IGRA amendments.

■ Council member Reibach offered the following remarks: **a.** The Tribe plans no action to cutback the Acupuncturist's hours at the Health & Wellness Center. **b.** The Elders' pension benefits will continue to be paid on the tenth (10th) of each month. No plans are in effect to change the date of payment.

■ **Maxine Rock #1173** asked that we consider Alvin Littlehead and his family in our prayers, who has been diagnosed with a terminal illness. In addition, could the Tribe consider financial assistance to the family? Councilwoman Kennedy stated that the council would take her request under consideration.

OTHER BUSINESS

■ **Linda Olson #17** made the following remarks: 1. Commented on the cost of attending off-site functions by Tribal Council and asked that council evaluate the best usage of attendees and number of Council attending. 2. Inquired as to how many council members will be staying overnight in Eugene prior the General Council meeting on Sunday, April 2, 2006. Lodging arrangements have not been made. However, several of the council members will drive down the day of the meeting. 3. Inquired as to the Chemawa property plans and whether the poles had been moved. Eric Scott, Tribal Engineer, advised that the council has reviewed a master plan regarding the property, which is to include retail, distribution and medical space use.

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