

Skagway Traditional Council

Regular & Induction Meeting



October 20, 2022, 12 PM / In-Person, Zoom

1. Meeting called to order:

Jaime Bricker called the meeting to order at 12 PM

2. Attendance:

Present

Jaime Bricker, President

Andrew Beierly, Vice Chair

Savannah Ames, Treasurer (12:04)

Judean Gordon, Member at Large (via Zoom)

Marla Belisle, Secretary (12:02 via Zoom)

Sara Kinjo-Hischer, TA

Katie Klug, TAA (Note taker)

3. Approval of Agenda:

Andrew Beierly motions to approve the agenda, Judean Gordon seconds, all in favor:

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4. Approval of Minutes:

Andrew Beierly motions to approve Regular Meeting Minutes from 8.17.2022 and Special Meeting Minutes from 9.29.2022, Judean Gordon seconds, all in favor:

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5. Presidents Report:

Jaime Bricker has nothing to report currently.

6. Program/Committee Reports:

- SEARHC: *Emailed to Council, on file – Last received report July 2022*

Judean Gordon states the upcoming SEARHC Board Meeting and Election is at the end of the month.

- Financial: (Sent to Council email from Foraker) *Last received report 2022*

- Administrator Report: *Last received 2022*

Sara

- Environmental Department Report: *Last received March 2022*
- Cultural Resource Department Report: *Last received March 2022*

Sara Kinjo-Hischer will request updates from Reuben Cash for the Environmental & Sarah Cash for the Cultural Resource Department for the next meeting.

7. Public Comment/Correspondence:

Sara Kinjo-Hischer states she received positive feedback from community members regarding STCs correspondence letter to MOS pertaining to garden city property.

8. OLD Agenda Items:

1. Housing, RFQ – Table

9. New Agenda Items:

1. Spork Consulting Contract

Sara Kinjo-Hischer states the Spork Consulting Contract is under her allowance for spending but wanted to discuss with the council. Sara relays working with Spork will let the tribe construct the Farm efficiently and can be done in stages if desired. Council members support the contract and believe it is a great investment.

2. Resolution 2022-12 BEACH Grant

Sara Kinjo-Hischer states the presented BEACH Grant Resolution submitted by Reuben Cash is for the Environmental Department. The Grant has no matching requirement for tribes to apply for the funds.

Savannah Ames motions to approve Resolution 2022 BEACH Grant, Andrew Beierly seconds, all in favor:

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3. 2023 Calendar

Sara Kinjo-Hischer states the 2023 calendar has been updated and reflects the same holidays as last year with amended dates.

Savannah Ames motions to approve 2023 Calendar, Andrew Beierly seconds, all in favor:

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4. Council Stipend

Sara Kinjo-Hischer discusses with the council other tribal government stipend amounts and states many were similar to STC while others were higher. Savannah Ames would like to see the President stipend raised to \$200 or \$250 as she feels President Jaime Bricker does a great deal. Council members agree with Savannah Ames and suggest \$250 for the President stipend. Jaime Bricker thanks the council and would like to accept \$200, she states the stipend has been \$100 for everyone as far back as she remembers and would like to see council members' stipend raised to \$150. Sara Kinjo-Hischer will bring a resolution back for the next meeting that reflects that the President receives \$200 and council members receive \$150 per meeting attended.

5. 2023 STC General Budget

Sara Kinjo-Hischer states the presented 2023 general budget is tentative and some of the line items are still being worked out. Jaime Bricker would like to see if Carlos Tarin would be willing to join or set up a budget meeting sometime. Sara Kinjo-Hischer will reach out to Carlos Tarin and bring back to the next meeting.

6. NPS Dyea Townsite Road Repair

Sara Kinjo-Hischer states the submitted letter from NPS regarding recent flooding that caused damage to Dyea road among other problems. Sara Kinjo-Hischer also discusses the STC response letter to NPS in agreement for repairs but would also like to see more long-term goals in place.

10. Announcements:

- 1) Staff Appreciation Brunch – Friday Oct. 28 at 11 o'clock

Induction Meeting

Called to Order at: 12:30 PM

Attendance: Jaime Bricker, Andrew Beierly, Savannah Ames, Judean Gordon (zoom), Maral Belisle (zoom), Sara Kinjo-Hischer, Katie Klug

Sara Kinjo-Hischer states the election results and suggests to the council changing the ordinance to register voters.

- 23 Ballots Submitted of 60 eligible voters equaling 38%
- Andrew Beierly received 23 votes 50% Marla Belisle received 23 votes 50%
- Reorganization of the Board

President: Jaime Bricker, Vice Chair: Andrew Beierly, Treasurer: Savannah Ames, Secretary: Marla Belisle, Member at Large: Judean Gordon

Judean Gordon motions to keep the board positions as it is now, Marla Belisle seconds, all in favor:

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- Council agrees to change the ordinance.

Savannah Ames makes a motion to Adjourn Induction Meeting, Andrew Beierly seconds, all in favor: Induction Meeting Adjourned at 12:40 PM

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Regular Council Meeting Continue

Attendance: Jaime Bricker, Andrew Beierly, Savannah Ames, Judean Gordon (zoom), Marala Belisle (zoom), Sara Kinjo-Hischer

11.Executive Session: 12:40 PM

Savannah Ames motions to enter Executive Session, Andrew Beierly seconds:

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(Matters related to Staff Bonus, Wellness Benefits and Purchase of Property)

- STC Wellness Benefits Reimbursement Program:** Tribal council approved to include cost associated with the medically related appointment travels as allowable use for the program.
- STC hazard pay for 2021 employed staff:** a one time payment of Hazard pays for staff currently employed in 2021 who worked more than 40 hours was approved:
First motioned by Judean Gordon and seconded by Andrew Beierly

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- STC property Purchase:** Council members directed the Administrator to find more information related to the property in consideration. No action currently.

12.Meeting Adjourned at: 1:30 PM