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**ROUND VALLEY RESERVATION ESTABLISHED 1856**

**MINUTES**  
**August 15, 2019**

The special meeting of the Round Valley Tribal Council was called to order by President James Russ on August 15, 2019 at 1:20 p.m. in the Buffalo Room located within the Tribal Administrative Building located on the Round Valley Indian Reservation.

Roll call and the following Council Members were present: Mr. Russ, Mr. Bettega, Mr. Lewis Whipple (left at 4:30 p.m.) Mr. Robert Whipple, Mr. Rabano Jr., Ms. Cordova & Ms. Willits

Also present: Patricia Henry, Jake Crawford, Thomas Allman

Opening prayer by Ms. Cordova

Item No. 2: Agenda/approval - **Action Item – 2019-08-15-01:**

**MOTION NO. 1:**

Mr. Lewis Whipple made a motion to approve the agenda.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, L. Whipple, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0  
Abstentions: Bettega (out of the room) Motion carried.

Item No. 3: Executive Session - **Action Item – 2019-08-15-02:**

- a. Jake Crawford, Native Fish Society – RE: Collaborating RVIT – Eel River/Potter Valley
- b. Sheriff Allman RE: Government to Government consultation
- c. Patricia Henry, Tribal Business Administrator – RE: Various
  - i) Job Description – Full Time Culture & Language Specialist
  - ii) Approval of Salary Schedule as attached
  - iii) Restructure
  - iv) Approval of Justice Systems Purchase Order for Tribal Court
  - v) Organizational Chart – rough draft
  - vi) T-SCAN
- d. Michael Henry, Chief, Tribal Police Dept. – RE: Update
- e. Darlene Crabtree, Tribal Controller – RE: Various – financial
  - i) Accu-fund – MIP service quote
- f. Angel Esquivel – RE: Lease for property
- g. TRED – RE: Various – Land
  - i) Arnola Panther – RE: Requesting land behind Carlos Figueroa
  - ii) Patricia Merrifield
  - iii) Various Assignments (cleanups)

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- iv) Arlene Cantrell
- v) Residential Land Request
- vi) Paul Dildine
- h. Jessica Goodrow, ICWA/DV Legal
- 1. Tribal Council – RE: Various
  - i) Lewis Whipple – RE: BOC concerns
  - ii) Mr. Rabano Jr., - RE: Personnel issues

**MOTION NO. 2:**

Mr. Robert Whipple made a motion to go into executive session at 1:25 p.m.

Mr. Lewis Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, L. Whipple, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: Bettega (out of the room) Motion carried.

**Item No. 4: Regular Session - Action Item – 2019-08-15-03:**

Decisions from executive session:

a. Jake Crawford, Native Fish Society – Collaborating RVIT – Eel River/Potter Valley - **Action Item – 2019-08-15-04:** Mr. Crawford was present and met with the Tribal Council, (1:26 p.m. to 2:20 p.m.)

b. Sheriff Thomas Allman - RE: Government to Government consultation - **Action Item – 2019-08-15-05:** Sheriff Allman was present and met with the Tribal Council, (2:23 p.m. to 3:08 p.m.).

**MOTION NO. 3:**

Ms. Willits made a motion to accept as informational item a and b.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, L. Whipple, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: Bettega (out of the room) Motion carried.

**g. TRED – RE: Various – Action Item – 2019-08-15-09:**

i) Arnola Panther – RE: Requesting land behind Carlos Figueroa - **Action Item – 2019-06-27-014:** Mrs. Panther was present and met with the Council.

**MOTION NO. 4:**

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve, pending measurement of property.

Ms. Cordova seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, L. Whipple, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: Bettega (out of the room) Motion carried.

vi) Paul Dildine - **Action Item – 2019-08-08-09-vii:** Ms. Oandasan and Mrs. Dildine was present:

**MOTION NO. 5:**

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve to change the lease to assignment, to approve the extra acreage by resolution.

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Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, L. Whipple, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits  
Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

ii) Patricia Merrifield - **Action Item – 2019-07-11-015:** Ms. Merrifield was not present.

**MOTION NO. 6:**

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to accept as informational.

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, L. Whipple, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits  
Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

iii) Various Assignments (cleanups) - **Action Item – 2019-07-18-014-iii:**

**CONSENSUS:** It was the consensus of the Council for Ms. Oandasan to send them a list of areas that needed to be cleaned up.

iv) Arlene Cantrell

**MOTION NO. 7:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to accept as informational.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, L. Whipple, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits  
Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

v) Residential land request – (add to list Jeremiah Luna and Allan McCoy)

**MOTION NO. 8:**

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve to add the names to the list.

Mr. Bettega seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, L. Whipple, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits  
Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

Michael Warden – RE: Right of way request: Ms. Oandasan asked if the Council had made a decision on this matter. It was answered that a decision was made at a prior meeting to deny the request (paper work will be in TRED mailbox)

h. Jessica Goodrow, ICWA/DV – RE: Various – (purchase of vehicle) - **Action Item – 2019-08-15-010:** Ms. Goodrow and Ms. Cindy Hoaglen were present:

**MOTION NO. 9:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve to purchase a vehicle, not to exceed \$ 27,697.00.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Short discussion – kind of vehicle (Durango or van) Ms. Goodrow and Ms. Hoaglen to decide.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0  
Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

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f. Angel Esquivel – RE: Lease for property – **Action Item – 2019-08-08-08:** Not present, no action.

c. Patricia Henry, Tribal Business Administrator – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-08-15-06:**

vi) T-SCAN – NRD – no cost

**MOTION NO. 10:**

Mr. Rabano Jr., made a motion to approve.

Mr. Bettega seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits      Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0      Motion carried.

iv) Approval of Justice Systems Purchase Order (\$ 55,830.00) for Tribal Court - **Action Item – 2019-08-08-013-i:**

**MOTION NO. 11:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve the purchase.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits      Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0      Motion carried.

i) Job Description – Full time Culture & Language Specialist – no action.

ii) Approval of Salary Schedule as attached - **Action Item – 2019-08-08-05-ii:**

iii) Restructure - **Action Item – 2019-08-08-05-iii:**

v) Organizational Chart – rough draft - **Action Item – 2019-08-08-013-ii:**

**MOTION NO. 12:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to table ii, iii, and v.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Short discussion – Council agreed to do a few more items, then recess the meeting and meet on Monday and go into a work session.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits      Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0      Motion carried.

d. Michael Henry, Chief, Tribal Police Dept – RE: Update - **Action Item – 2019-08-15-07:**  
Not seen by the Council

e. Darlene Crabtree, Tribal Controller – RE: Various – financial - **Action Item – 2019-08-15-08:** Ms. Crabtree and Mr. O'Brien.

i) Accu-fund & MIP service quote

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council to add this item to the work session scheduled for Monday, August 19<sup>th</sup>.

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1. Tribal Council – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-08-15-011 -**

i) Lewis Whipple – RE: BOC concerns

**MOTION NO. 13:**

Mr. Betttega made a motion to table this item.

Mr. Rabano Jr., seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Betttega, R. Whipple, Rabano Jr., Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

ii) Carlos Rabano Jr., - RE: Personnel issues.

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council for the TBA to check into.

**Meeting recessed at 6:29 p.m.**

**Meeting reconvened on August 19, 2019 at 10:35 a.m.**

Council Members present: Mr. Russ, Mr. Betttega, Mr. Robert Whipple, Ms. Cordova & Ms. Willits

Item No. 5: Unfinished Business:

a. Minutes – May 16 and May 30, 2019 - **Action Item – 2019-07-27-02:**

b. Mark Britton, Senior Center – RE: Grant NCIDC approve to submit by resolution - **Action Item – 2019-08-08-012:** No action

Item No. 6: New Business:

a. Tracy Comalli-Betttega – Little League Presentation in appreciation for all the support - **Action Item – 2019-08-15-012:**

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council to place this item on the Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> agenda.

b. Toni Betttega, NRD – RE: Water Mgmt Planning & Pre-Development funding - approval **Action Item – 2019-08-15-013:**

**MOTION NO. 14:**

Mr. Betttega made a motion to approve by resolution.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Betttega, R. Whipple, Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

c. Jessica Goodrow – RE: Approve vehicle purchase - **Action Item – 2019-08-15-014:** Taken in executive session – see Motion No. 9:

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d. Eric Hoaglin – RE: C-Store Donation request – approve for Senior Bingo certificates

**Action Item – 2019-08-15-015:**

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council to refer this item to Mrs. Henry.

e. Patricia Henry, Tribal Business Administrator – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-08-15-016:**

i) Donation High School Banner

CONSENSUS: It was the consensus of the Council to purchase one banner and for Mrs. Henry to look into this.

ii) Quotes for fencing “in-house” material only

**MOTION NO. 15:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to approve \$7,867.86 (higher quote with steel posts).

Mr. Robert Whipple seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

f. Tribal Council – RE: Various - **Action Item – 2019-08-15-017:**

i) David Dehnert – RE: LLC – (Ordinance) - **Action Item – 2019-08-08-015-i:**

Update, no action

ii) FERC Planning Committee:

**MOTION NO. 16:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to accept as informational.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Short discussion – a meeting is to be set up with Mr. Joe Ely.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

iii) John Haschak – RE: RV Municipal Advisory Council – appoint Council(s)

**MOTION NO. 17:**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to accept as informational.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Short discussion – the meetings are the Wednesday nights at 5:00 p.m. – Mr. Russ and Mr.

Bettega are the ones that will attend the meetings.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Cordova & Willits Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0 Motion carried.

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

a. Thursday, August 22, 2019 @ 1:00 p.m. - Special Meeting

Item No. 8: Closing prayer – None:

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Item No. 9: Adjournment - **Action Item – 2019-08-15-018:**

**MOTION NO. 18;**

Mr. Bettega made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Ms. Willits seconded the motion.

Question: Ayes: Russ, Bettega, R. Whipple, Cordova & Willits

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried.

Minutes of August 15, 2019 taken by the Executive Secretary and the minutes (reconvened meeting) of August 19<sup>th</sup> taken by Ms. Willits.

Submitted by:

  
Executive Secretary, Round Valley  
Tribal Council