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SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
October 20, 2005

Attendance:

Tribal Council:	Jim Peters, Chairman
	Andy Whitener Vice-Chairman
	Vince Henry, Sr. Secretary
	Patti Puhn, Treasurer
	Will Penn, 1 st Council Member
	Pete Kruger, 2 nd Council Member (absent)
	Charlene Krise, 3 rd Council Member
Executive Director	Ray Peters
Deputy Executive Director	Dave Whitener, Sr.
Recording Secretary	J. Ruby Fuller
Legal	Kevin Lyon

Jim Peters called the meeting to order at 9: 07 a.m. Andy Whitener offered the opening prayer.

MINUTES/AGENDA

Jim asked for changes and or additions to the agenda. Andy stated he would like to report on the meeting he attended yesterday. Charlene Krise and Dave Whitener also requested time to make reports on meetings they attended.

Andy made motion to approve the agenda with the above noted additions. Vince Henry seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 against.

Andy made a motion to approve the September 29, 2005 minutes as amended. Charlene seconded the motion. The motion was approved, five in favor and 0 against. Charlene moved to approve the September 30, 2005 as amended. Vince seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 in favor and 0 against.

TRAVEL REPORTS AND PLANS

There will be an **Appreciation Luncheon** for Ed Fox at the Spirit Mountain Casino on **Wednesday, October 26, 12:00 noon** for his contributions to the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board as the Executive Director. Will Penn plans to attend.

NCAI will be held in Tulsa **October 30 – November 4**. Jim Peters, Ray Peters and Vince Henry plan to attend. (Charlene urged those who are going to NCAI to attend the funding technology workshops)

Charlene Krise plans to attend the **Potlatch Fund 2005 Annual Gala, November 19, in Seattle**.

TRAVEL REPORTS AND PLANS *(Continued)*

The **SPIPA – Native Art Dinner/Auction** is scheduled for **November 5** at the Lucky Eagle Casino in Rochester. Council agreed to sponsor two tables.

Tribal Chairmen have been invited to a **Tribal Leaders' dinner** at the Governor's mansion on **November 9**. Jim is planning to attend.

The **Centennial accord** will be held on **November 10** at Eagles Landing Hotel in Rochester. Jim, Andy and Ray plan to attend.

Andy would like to attend the **NIGA Leadership Training & Mid-Year meeting** **November 14 -15** in Hollywood FL.

The **Coast Salish Gathering IV** is set for **December 1-3** in the Wex 'liem Community Building, Lummi Nation. Charlene plans to attend.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE

Culverts: Ray Peters presented a Fish Culvert Improvement Contract for Council approval. Patti moved to approve the contract contingent upon Natural Resources approval of the plans. Vince seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of five in favor and 0 against.

Property acquisition update: Ray updated Council on property acquisition pending.

Elected Official Resolution: This will be brought back to Council when the entire council is in attendance. The resolution was discussed.

NWITC

June O'Brien spoke about the future of the Outpatient Program. June has begun a training program to advance current tribal member employees.

LEGAL

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Action taken: Charlene made a motion to approve **Resolution #05-97A**, the Clear Bay Settlement Agreement and **Resolution #05-97** the Common Interests Privilege Agreement between the Squaxin Island, Puyallup and Nisqually Tribes. Andy seconded the motion. There was discussion. The motion carried, 5 in favor and 0 against.

LEGAL (Continued)

Kevin Lyon presented **Resolutions #05-98, #05-99 and #05-100**, Independent Contractor Agreements for Judicial Services for Thomas L. Meyer, Anita E. Neal and Leslie K.S. Ching respectively. Andy moved and Will Penn seconded the motion to approve the resolutions. There were questions for Kevin and discussion. The resolutions were approved by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 against.

Kevin presented **Resolution #05-101** which establishes a Tribal Certification Program of Puget Salish Language Teachers. Charlene moved to approve the tribal language certification program. Patti seconded the motion. **Resolution #05-101** was approved by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 against.

PLANNING

Brian Thompson presented the following resolutions for Council approval:

Resolution #05-102: **Resolution #05-102** authorizes the South Puget Sound Intertribal Planning Agency to prepare, submit, negotiate, execute, and administer a grant proposal, agreement with the Office of Community Services' Community Services Block Grant for its allotment of up to \$25,000. Patti made a motion to approve **Resolution #05-102**. Will seconded the motion. The resolution was approved by a vote of 3 in favor and 0 against. Andy and Charlene were absent from Council Chambers.

Resolution #05-103: **Resolution #05-103** authorizes the submission of the Indian Housing Plan for the Squaxin Island Tribal Housing Program for Fiscal Year 2006 to the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Patti made a motion to approve **Resolution #05-103**. Vince Henry seconded the motion. The resolution was approved by a vote of 3 in favor and 0 against. Andy and Charlene were absent from Council Chambers.

Resolution #05-104: **Resolution #05-104** appoints staff as Squaxin Island Incident Commander and Emergency Operations Center Supervisor. Andy made a motion to approve the resolution. Charlene seconded the motion. The motions carried 5 in favor and 0 against.

LITTLE CREEK CASINO RESORT UPDATE

Personnel Policies and Procedures: Doug Boon presented changes to LLC Personnel Policies and Procedures for approval. Council will review the changes to the personnel manual and will make a decision by the next regular Tribal Council meeting.

Pending Projects: Doug provided Council with a list of projects that are pending. These included the restaurant remodel, event center, spa, second tower and the golf course plans. **Event Center:** Doug presented construction designs for tobacco factory building remodel for the Event Center. Doug was directed to continue to refine the designs with LCOB

LITTLE CREEK CASINO RESORT UPDATE *(Continued)*

Golf Course Project: Andy made a motion to move beyond Phase 1 and 2 of the Golf Course project barring any issues resulting from the ongoing NEPA review being conducted at this time. Charlene seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 in favor and 0 against.

Phase 1 Development phase - feasibility study and planning, NEPA Review
Phase 2 Planning and Design
Phase 3 Construction.

The restaurant remodel, spa and second tower required no action and are still within review by the LCOB.

ISLAND ENTERPRISES, INC. UPDATE

Island Enterprises is interested in purchasing some undivided interest in property that is in trust. Bryan Johnson asked Council's approval to assist the property owners draft a letter to the Bureau of Indian Affairs indicating there are willing sellers and a willing buyer. Andy made the motion to approve Bryan's request and Charlene seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 against.

ALLEN PARKER, THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE

United League of Indigenous Nations: Allen Parker from The Evergreen State College gave a power point presentation regarding establishing a United League of Indigenous Nations. Jim, Vince and Ray agreed to attend the workshop that will be held on this subject at the NCAI Conference in Tulsa.

TRIBAL MEMBER CONCERN

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE *(Continued)*

Ray presented **Resolution #05-105** authorizing monies held by General Government from the two percent distributions in excess of those amounts necessary to fully perform the Tribe's obligation under the agreements with the Mason County Sheriff's Office

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE *(Continued)*

(MCSO) and Mason County Fire District #4 (MCFD#4) through the end of Fiscal Year 2005, and in excess of those amounts necessary to perform the Tribe's continuing obligations under the agreements with the MCSO and MCFD#4, to be distributed to the General Government for purposes of funding tribal police, fire, and treatment enhancement programs, including problem gambling, adversely affected by Class III gaming. Andy moved to approve **Resolution 05-105** and to sweep the accounts containing the excess. Charlene seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 against.

1% Appointment: Council appointed Pete Kruger to sit on the 1% Commission.

The next regular Council meeting is scheduled for November 17, 2005

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

