

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 13-24

of the

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Tribe, its members, its lands, its enterprises and its agencies by the authority of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Squaxin Island Tribe, as approved and adopted by the General Body and the Secretary of the Interior on July 8, 1965; and

WHEREAS, under the Constitution, Bylaws and inherent sovereignty of the Tribe, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is charged with the duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of tribal members, and of protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources and rights of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe possessing reserved powers, including the powers of self-government; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has been entrusted with the creation of ordinances and resolutions in order to fulfill their duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of tribal members, and of protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council adopted Chapter 2.36, the Budget Ordinance in a continuing effort to resolve the difficulties in eligibility and benefit determinations, the Squaxin Tribal Council has adopted a needs based program for its elderly and disabled members, which not intends to codify; and

NOW BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby adopts the following amendments to the Squaxin Island Budget Ordinance, Chapter 2.36.110 Aged and Disabled Program.

A. The Tribal council hereby establishes a program to provide financial assistance to the aged and disabled.

B. The program established under this section is a needs based program in which eligibility is determined based on the applicant's eligibility for other assistance programs in which income or resources are used as eligibility criteria.

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- C. The following individuals are eligible for assistance under this section:
 - 1. A Tribal Elder who declares under penalty of perjury on a form approved by the Tribal Council that he or she is eligible for supplemental Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, or other state or federal assistance programs on the basis of income or resources.
 - 2. A disabled tribal member who declares under penalty of perjury on a form approved by the Tribal Council that he or she is eligible for supplemental Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, or other state or federal assistance programs on the basis of income or resources.
 - 3. A Tribal Elder or disabled member who is currently eligible for one or more federal or state needs-based programs, and has annual income, other than exempt treaty fishing rights related income, and federal, tribal or state assistance, is at or below the federal poverty level.

D. A person receiving aid under this section may not receive per capita benefits authorized under section 2.36.100. Only one program may be used at a time by a Squaxin Island tribal member. In order to qualify for aid under this section, the recipient must first sign a waiver in a form satisfactory to the Tribal Council disclaiming any right to per capita benefits under section 2.36.100.

E. The Tribal Council, on an annual basis, shall authorize the distribution of funds to eligible participants in the program, determining an annual amount for each participant after consideration of available funding and the participant's level of income and/or resources.

CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby certifies that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the special meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this $\frac{28}{28}$ day of $\frac{Mard}{2013}$, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of $\underline{4}$ for and $\underline{0}$ against, with $\underline{0}$ abstentions.

David Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by:

Peter Kruger, Sr., Secretary

Arnold Cooper, Vice Chairman

Chapter 2.36

BUDGET ORDINANCE

Sections: 2.36.010 Title. 2.36.020 Purpose. 2.36.030 Definitions. 2.36.040 Review of prior fiscal year. 2.36.050 Establishment of budget authority. 2.36.060 Collection and prioritization of budget requests. 2.36.070 Preparation and consideration of a draft budget. 2.36.080 Preparation and approved of a final budget. 2.36.090 Regular and emergency budget amendments and over-expenditures. 2.36.100 Enterprise revenue distribution. 2.36.110 Aged and Disabled Program 2.36.100 Later Program

2.36.110 Aged and Disabled Programs

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member. In order to qualify for aid under this section, the recipient must first sign a waiver in a form satisfactory to the Tribal Council disclaiming any right to per capita benefits under section 2.36.095100.

E. The Tribal Council, on an annual basis, shall authorize the distribution of funds to eligible participants in the program, determining an annual amount for each participant after consideration of available funding and the participant's level of income and/or resources. Payments will be distributed monthly in equal amounts.