



Kanatak Tribal Council  
Meeting Minutes (Pending Council Approval)  
8/20/2011

- I. Meeting called to order by President Terrence Shanigan @ 2:14pm AKDT
- II. Roll Call:
  - President Terrence Shanigan - Present
  - Vice President Alex Giacometti – Absent for first 30 minutes of meeting
  - Secretary/Treasurer Kathy Lakoduk - Present
  - Council Member Henry F. Forshey - Present
  - Council Member Shawn Shanigan - Present

Members in attendance: Nicole Breneman, Tess McGowan, Tony Forshey, Alexandria Stailey, Darion McGowan, Jessica Lukitsh and Tony Forshey.
- III. Quorum is established
- IV. New Business:
  - A. Terrence announced that a BIA Roads Meeting will follow today's Tribal Council meeting and invited all members in attendance.
  - B. Emergency Assistance Requests –
    - Tribal member: Tess read member's request to the Council. The Council voted 4 in favor (1 absent) to approve member's request for the \$500 Emergency Assistance.
    - Tribal member: Tess read member's request to the Council. The Council voted 4 in favor to approve member's request for \$500 Emergency Assistance.
    - Member: Shawn read the Emergency Assistance application from Tribal member to the Council. The Council agreed to financially assist with repairs to her car so that she can find a job.
  - C. Membership Applications:
    - Angie Forshey: The Council reviewed Angie's membership eligibility. Tess explained that Angie provided a birth certificate that does not show deceased Tribal member, Frank Forshey, as her father. Angie did provide a copy of her BBNA I.D. card and Henry explained that Angie is his late brother's daughter. Terrence stated that he felt personal knowledge, along with the provided information should be acceptable.

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The Council reviewed the request for Tribal membership from the following applicants:

Infant daughter of a Tribal member who is a base role member.

Alaska resident: daughter of Tribal member who is a base role member.

Alaska resident's children: a daughter and son.

Chantel Worley: granddaughter of the late Frank Forshey. Tess explained that Chantel did not send her birth certificate yet. Terrence asked how she was related to the tribe. Henry explained that she is his great niece.

Shawn explained that Alaska resident's daughter does not have a birth certificate yet as she is very young. Her mother is in the process of obtaining one.

Terrence proposed that the membership applications be accepted but that Shawn and Tess follow up with obtaining the birth certificates. Henry made a motion to accept all applying members, Shawn second's the motion. The Council voted 4 in favor, 1 absent, of approving each membership applicant.

- D. Back To School Gift Cards: Applications and requests have a September 30, 2011 deadline (date was determined by the Council).

Tess explained that 22 gift cards were sent to the school aged members.

Shawn added that he sent an additional gift card to a Tribal member's son and will be sending 3 more to 3 additional children. This brings the total to 26 gift cards = \$2,600.00 for the Back to School Program.

- E. Upcoming Election

1. Election Committee Members Tess provided the names of the Council: Nikki Breneman, Chris Forshey and Ranae Booher.

2. Election Timeline

a. Nikki explained that the Nomination forms were mailed on 8/19/11

b. Tess explained the Election timeline as follows; Nominations forms are due on 9/16/11, Election Ballots to be mailed 9/23/11, Election ballot due date will be by mail on October 22, 2011 and in person by October 23, 2011 and prior to the time the ballots are counted. Terrence stated that he is going to propose electronic voting to the Election Committee. Henry was unsure of an electronic voting process. Tess asked that Henry allow the Election Committee to hear Terrence's proposal and work out that process and then present it to the Council. At that time, the Council can determine if electronic voting would be an agreeable process. Henry agreed to wait and see what the Election Committee proposes.

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- F. Clarification of term of 3 Council seats not up for election. Henry asked the balance of the that the 2 remaining Council. Terrence explained that he and Shawn have 2 years remaining on their term. The year and number of seats were reviewed. The Council seats up for election will be as follows:  
2012 – 2 seats  
2013 – 1 seat  
2014 – 2 seats  
2015 – 2 seats  
2016 – 1 seat  
Following a 2, 2, 1 pattern.
- G. Membership of RONALDA OLIVERA, SHAWN OLIVERA, CHRISTINA RAMIREZ, KATHY HANSEN and ISAAC RAMIREZ. Terrence explained that the Council is going to begin the membership removal process for Christina Ramirez, Isaac Ramirez, and Kathy Hansen. The Council understands that RONALDA OLIVERA is a base roll member and that her membership cannot be removed. However, according to the Constitution, based on RONALDA's past actions, that the Council will begin the process of removing RONALDA's Tribal benefits, voting rights and Council eligibility status.
- H. Discussion of membership status of Chris and Ryan Olivera. The Council is not in possession of any legal records or adoption papers indicating that they were adopted by RONALDA OLIVERA. The Council will request proof of legal adoption and allow reasonable time for the Olivera's to respond. If no proof is provided, their names will be removed from the Tribal Membership records.
- I. Higher Education Scholarships: Terrence explained that 4 Higher Education Scholarships were approved by the Council. Terrence asked if there are any applications being processed. Tess and Shawn confirmed that all applications are complete at this time.
- K. Council input for Tribal Newsletter: Terrence asked the Council if they would like to renew JEANNETTE SHANIGAN's contract for an additional 6 months. Alex motioned to approve, Henry seconds the motion. Terrence, Alex, Kathy, and Henry voted in favor of extending JEANNETTE SHANIGAN's contract for another 6 months. Shawn abstained from the vote. The motion was passed. Shawn stated that he will notify JEANNETTE to confirm her acceptance.
- L. Financial Update: Shawn emailed a Profit and Loss statement to the Council and Executive Director. Terrence said that he will check with the bank regarding obtaining a debit card for Tess.
- M. Henry requested a breakdown of cost of June 19 – 25 Council work days: Shawn sent the breakdown to Henry via email.
- N. Terrence explained that the Council and Executive Director are scheduled to have a conference call with Tribe's Attorney regarding the foreclosure status.

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- V. Members Comments:  
Tony Forshey asked the Council if they would consider purchasing a fishing boat for the Tribal members in PA. Shawn explained that any boat purchase using BBNA funds must qualify for subsistence.  
No other questions were asked.
- VI. Terrence adjourned the meeting at 4:02 pm AKDT.

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