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Special Board Meeting
MINUTES
March 9, 1996

President Loretta Stroud called the meeting to order at 3:06 pm.

Roll Call: Loretta Stroud, Pam Gundersen, Glen Gardner Jr., Douglas Holmberg, Arleen Gardner, Janet Wilson, and Peggy Osterback all present.

Others present we're Anne Dushkin, Administrator, and Edee Jacobsen, tribal member.

Glen motion at this time to approve the agenda. Arleen Second. Motion carried. 6 - 0.

At this time Dick Jacobsen and David Osterback, both tribal members joined the meeting.

Old Business:

A. Aleut Indian Justice Fund (Docket 369)

There was information passed out received on the Docket 369 fund in the board packets. There were two letters from BIA in Juneau faxed by Saldie White. The information in the letters stated that the docket funds can be used to purchase and develop land, business development and interest, education assistance, community and development, assistance to the elderly and handicapped. The second letter more specifically stated the Docket money can be used for the operation of the QTT office. To withdraw the funds for this purpose a Resolution would need to be submitted. There was a copy of the Docket account passed out to the board members that showed the interest for the last twelve months and any activity to the account. Board member Peggy Osterback had received a copy of this previous to the meeting per her request. The remaining board members viewed this information at the meeting. There was a question raised that part of the Docket funds belong to Unga Tribe. After further discussion it was decided that a community meeting would need to be held before the funds can be spent. There was further discussion on bills that are outstanding and need to be paid. Peggy asked about the tribal operations funds. It was explained that it is up to Congress to let Bureau of Indian Affairs know the exact amount of funding that will be approved. It is any ones guess when Congress will let BIA know. BIA will not

approve the total amount of this until they know from Congress. At this point BIA has approved half of the proposed amounts for this Tribe. The tribe has to wait until BIA gets the funds from Congress before the Tribe can receive the funds. There was further discussion on the date for a community meeting. President, Loretta stressed to the board that there is a lot of upcoming needs and there is not going to be funds to cover. It is not like the board has a half a year to decide some of these issues. Basically the month of April would not be a good time to have a community meeting due to the fact that the Board of Fish meetings are scheduled in April and a lot of people will be leaving town. Dick at this time pointed out that there maybe a survey around the Shumagin office that would state what the community wanted to use the docket money for. Edee also stated that the Tribe had done an extensive survey of what the Tribes priorities are and this should be in the office somewhere. Loretta stated that the Tribe still does not have all of the paper work from the past yet and asked what year the survey was done? It was decided that a community meeting would be scheduled for the first week in April. A comment by Pam at this time to have the meeting on the date we set it for this time. It seems that every time we have a meeting set it gets pushed up from the date we set.

B. Gaming (Agreement Shumagin/QTT)

There was a MOU between Shumagin and QTT that Shumagin's lawyer had drafted up in the packets. At this time it was discussed that even if the board agrees and signs the MOU at this time there are no funds to do the gaming activity where the board stands now. The money used to open the gaming account was taken out of the general fund. Glen asked what will it take to get the business operating? Loretta answered at least five thousand dollars. You need at least two thousand in for the prizes, you have to buy the rippies, small amount of equipment, pay someone in office to take care of the accounting part of the business and pay your operators. Suggestion made to apply for a loan to start the business. As a government entity and non profit you could get a pretty good interest rate.

At this time Glen move to proceed and adopt the MOU between Shumagin and QTT. Douglas second. Roll call vote taken, Loretta yes, Arleen yes, Pam yes, Glen yes, Douglas yes, Janet yes, and Peggy yes. Motion carried 6 - 0 in favor.

At this time Dick stated that he was not intending to stay for the whole meeting and at this time gave an update of the Building project. The person that was going to do the drawings for the project had been fired that is why there are no drawings yet. A sketch was shown on the chalk board of what the AEB has in draft form as of now for the floor plan. It is about twenty five hundred square feet which includes five offices, closet, kitchen, two handicapped bath rooms and a large meeting room. It comes out to about sixty four dollars a square foot to do the building with wood foundation. Total cost of about twenty five hundred dollars to have the drawings completed. About \$12.25 a square foot for shipping. Sampson is one of the interested barge services to bring the materials up to Sand Point. As for Sealand when the cargo is not in containers, Sealand can negotiate any price

they wish to ship materials. Pointed out was that QTT could draw up drafts of how they would like their portion of the building to be added to what the AEB has planned. The builders would need this information early enough so they could possibly make the adjustments to include the Tribes addition(s). As soon as AEB gets their drawings they would share with the Tribe. The lots were discussed. Dickey stated the Gary Ferguson's is a nice lot. He still needs to talk to Billy Cumberlandidge and Curtis Perry. Basically Dick was told because of the relationship through marriage he was in conflict on working the land issue with Billy and Bob Jutneer would have to handle that negotiation. There was further discussion on the lot and the positioning of the actual building. It was decided that the Tribe would get back to AEB once there was some actual drawings and the land issue was settled. Dick was thanked for his time to attend our meeting and the update. A question was asked if the AEB could include the Tribe in this project or not? It was assured that it was okayed at a Bureau meeting in Cold Bay and the minutes would prove it.

C. Ratify Resolution 96 - 17 EAT to contract.

There was a discussion on the Resolution. One Board member questioned when the Resolution was presented in an open meeting. It was explained that there was a teleconference by phone to all board members. Board member Peggy chose not to participate in the phone poll teleconference. At this time Glen move to ratify and adopt Resolution 96 - 17 as presented. Janet second. Roll call vote asked for, Loretta yes, Arleen yes, Pam yes, Glen yes, Douglas yes, Janet yes, and Peggy no. Motion carried 6 - 0..

D. Resolution 96 - 18 EAT to compact.

There was an explanation on the Resolution that this one is to compact which is different than contract. Eastern Aleutian Tribes is now mature enough that they can compact. This Resolution covers different services than 96 - 17. There was further discussion on the wording of the Resolution. At this time Arleen move to adopt Resolution 96 -18 as presented. Janet second. Roll call vote asked for, Loretta yes, Arleen yes, Pam abstain, Glen yes, Douglas abstain, Janet yes, and Peggy no. Motion carried with 4 yes, 2 abstain and 1 no.

At this time item F was moved up as Pam had to leave for computer class.

F. Code of Ethics.

Peggy asked that the changes to the code of ethics be pointed out. It was explained that the additions or changes are, wording was added to numbers, 1, 6, 11, which more clearly defined these issues. And numbers 12, 13, and 14 were new additions. The changes and additions were an improvement to the Code of Ethics. These changes were recommended by Attorney Lloyd Miller. There was further discussion on the changes. At this time a motion was made by Arleen to adopt the code of ethics with new changes and additions. Second by Janet. Roll call vote taken, Loretta yes, Pam yes, Glen yes, Douglas yes, Arleen yes, Janet yes, and Peggy abstain. Motion carried 6 yes, and 1 abstain.

There was a question asked about length of meetings if there is any thing written up to this effect. Discussion about time, date, and length of meetings. No meetings over three hours long and no weekend meetings would be nice. Also added was that when dates are set to have the meetings at these date(s). Explained was some times you don't have a quorum which is why some meeting dates get changed. More information will be provided on this issue at a later date. Also a suggestion made to check on Glen voting on the Eastern Aleutian Tribes issues if he is in conflict or not as he is the representative for this Tribe on the EAT board. Pam at this time was excused from the remainder of the meeting to attend her computer class.

E. UAN update/ Resolution 96 - 19.

There was a suggestion for the Tribes attorney review the agreement before it is passed. It was stated that he already has. There was discussion on the wording in the UAN agreement. The three year and one year terms wording was questioned. The chair person on the Tribal board have different terms. There was concern about the fishery issues being included in the agreement. Further discussion on the Joint Powers Agreement with UAN. At this time a motion was made by Glen to adopt Resolution 96 - 19 as amended removing the ratifying of the the Joint Powers Agreements, second by Douglas. Roll call vote taken Loretta yes, Arleen yes, Glen yes, Douglas yes, Janet yes, Peggy yes. Motion carried with 6 yes and 0 no.

G. Carrs Gottstein Response

This was an update from the Carrs Gottstein store issue. They had at this time declined to work with the Tribe in putting a store out here in Sand Point. They did however offer to put the Tribe in line with other interested people or doing a distribution to this area from their store in Anchorage. No action taken here.

Recess taken at this time. Loretta called the meeting back to order at 4:43 pm.

H. Enrollment Cards and/or Board Approval.

At this time there were fifteen new names approved for membership to the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe. The names were, Robert D.Curtis Jr., Gerald Lee Ferguson, Michael Collin Ferguson, Ashley Elizabeth Ferguson, Jennifer Lynn Fadden, Edwin George Gundersen, Carrie Ann Erickson, Wade G.Johansen Jr., Lundy James Johansen, Ole Gordon Johansen, David Wayne McCarty, Michael Duane McCarty, Katharine Marie McCarty, Brandon Smith, and Arriah August Loose. Douglas move to approve and adopt for membership the above fifteen names to the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe. Peggy second. Motion carried 6 - 0.

New Business

A. GSA Representative(s) State/Federal Surplus items.

This was explained that it is a form so the Tribe can as a non profit bid and or buy surplus

items from State or Federal Government at low prices. The form needs two names of people that can represent the Tribe. Glen at this time stating that the Tribe has no funds for being a participant expressed this should be tabled. Arleen move to table the GSA forms at this time. Glen second. Passed 6 0 .

B. BIA/ Sand Point Road Project

There was a meeting with Rodney P. Kinney and Greg from BIA in Juneau where they brought to the Tribes attention the Red Cove Road Project being implemented with BIA road funds here in Sand Point. It was stressed the importance of having local hire when the project does get on line. Also that the Tribe if it so desired could take over the project before it is contracted out. Some of the board members felt the Tribe was to immature to handle such a large scale project at this time. Tribal member, David Osterback pointed out the importance of working hand in glove with BIA for the Tribe to get the contractors to hire locals. From past experience this does not always happen once projects are contracted out. It is very important to make it very clear to BIA that the Tribe wants to be a part of the hiring practices.

C. Hawaii Meetings March 25 - 27th., 1996 (Indian Gaming and Criminal Law for Tribal Courts, Police & Casino Security)

Being that there are no such funds set aside for this specifically to attend this meeting, it was decided that this meeting would be attended only if funding could be found. The reason it was brought to the boards attention is due to fact that the Board is interested in pursuing into the gaming business of pull tabs.

D. Tribal Newsletter/ Logo contest and naming of newsletter

Glen moved at this time to start the newsletter and have a logo contest. It was decided that everything the Tribe is active on should be included in the newsletter. Douglas second the motion. Passed 6 - 0. There was a suggestion made to name the Newsletter Qagan Tayagungin, Eastern Fishermen by tribal member David Osterback.

Informational:

A. Kotia Guill.

An update on Kotia Guill coming out to Sand Point to do the Aleut dance classes and costume bead work was given at this time. It is scheduled for Kotia to arrive Monday March 11, 1996 and leave March 26th., 1996 back to Atka. So far it is set up for her to work with the children at the school. Once she is here maybe it can be scheduled for her to work with adults in the evenings.

B. ANHB/Strategic Planning

This was informational for the board. Glen Gardner Jr. is the representative for Sand Point on this board. Noted was that they had misprint in the information and listed Glen as the President of the Tribe. Glen gave a brief report of his recent trip to Juneau with

ANHB. He reported it was a big step up from the politics he is used too and it was quite eye opening being able to attend the meeting in Juneau. It was rather shocking. There is a lot of very important issues and the government looks at Alaska as a guide. They hold Alaska in high regard and use it as an example for the rest of the U.S. in the lower forty eight. Basically how things are done in Alaska sets the standard for health issues else where. Glen was one of the three people appointed new to the ANHB Board at this meeting. The strategic planning enclosed in the packets was more informational for the board. There was further discussion on the new Alaska Native Medical Center being built in Anchorage.

C. Dept. Of Law/ Honorable Georgianna Lincoln

This was informational for the Board. No action taken on this issue. It was an update from Governor Tony Knowles to the Honorable Georgianna Lincoln of additional information for the State to work with the Tribes on various issues that do arise. Also information about the status of Tribes as being federally recognized in Alaska. The State felt using litigation over the issue of tribal status was a major impediment to the state-local partnership.

D. BIA/ Indian Tribal Justice Act PL 103-176.

This was informational that BIA is proposing to establish regulations as mandated by the Indian Tribal Justice Act. This requires the Secretary of the Interior to establish a base funding formula for the distribution BIA is accepting comments on this issue. No action taken here.

E. First Lady's /Volunteer Awards

This was informational also. Any one that wants to nominate for the First Lady's Volunteer Award the tribe has the forms needed to send in name(s). No action taken.

F. QTT /Federally recognized Tribe

G. Fishery teleconference 3/5/96 Update

Recently Beth Stewart was in Sand Point and held a meeting with interested fishermen and others of Sand Point. The discussion was Area M salmon season. Many people attended. After the meeting it was a consensus that the Area M fishermen should not wait until after the Board of Fish meetings in April of '96 as time is getting short. It was decided that a litigation would be sought to get the Court to open the June salmon season for Area M. As it stands now the Board of fish cannot reopen the June season it is in the Court and has to be reopened by the Court. This was more informational to pass on to the QTT board members that did not attend the teleconference.

H. Fishery Tribes Joint/ Babe Newman

There is not a lot of new update on this issue at this time. The King Cove Tribe has not yet sent out resolutions for all the Tribes to join and exercise their rights as Aleut people. As

soon as more information is received the board will be kept up to date. No action taken.

Other informational:

David Osterback shared with the board about people in South East Alaska that have a heritage program in place and they give out scholarships and do bibliographies on the elders. Suggestion to get AEB to hire a historian for the Tribe and get some of the culture and heritage from our area recorded before it is too late. David also explained that they have a book out with their language on one side and English on the other. David was thanked for his ideas and sharing.

Arleen at this time move to go into Executive Session to discuss Board member ethics and behavior. Glen second. Went into executive session at 5:36.

Came out of executive session at 5:42. There was no action taken in Executive session.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.