



**Tribal Council Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, July 16, 2025 at 5:00 PM**  
**PIA Conference Room**

PETERSBURG INDIAN ASSOCIATION  
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**I. Call to Order/Roll Call** - Called to order by President Carol Martinez at 5:17 PM

Present Council:

Carol Martinez, President  
Heather Conn, Treasurer - Call-in  
Jaclyn Eide, Council Member - Call-in  
Brandon Ware, Council Member  
Adam Ware, Council Member  
Jeanette Ness, Council Member - Voted in during the meeting

Excused: Nathan Lopez, Vice President

Absent: None

Quorum: [X] Yes [ ] No

Present Staff: Jalyn Pomrenke, Tribal Administrator  
Hillary MacDonald, Finance Director

**II. Approval of Previous Minutes**

- Approval of Minutes May 21st, 2025
  - Brandon moved to approve May's Minutes, Adam seconded
    - a) Motion passed 4 - 0, 1 excused

**III. Amendments and Approval of Agenda**

- Motion to add action item to New Business, Add discussion of Petersburg Borough Resolution 2025-17
- Brandon moved to approve the agenda, Adam seconded
  - Motion passed 4 - 0, 1 excused

**IV. Persons to be heard related to the Agenda**

- Matt Carle - SEARHC Strategic Plan Update
- Karl Hagerman - Presenting information on Tribal Grid Resilience Projects-appreciated talking with the Council. The Council has previously supported this grant that is only open to Tribal Governments. This non competitive grant's purpose would be to reduce the frequency of power outages. The total grant funding would equal \$271,000 and PMPL will provide the match of \$40,000. PIA would not be out any money. We are on year 3 of 5 for this grant and there are two separate projects: 1) Purchase and deployment of A line meters (smart meters); and 2) Upgrade the utility Scada system that is used to monitor and operate the hydro and diesel systems when outages happen.



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**V. Persons to be heard unrelated to the Agenda**

**VI. Reports**

**A. Finance - Hillary MacDonald**

- PIA Enterprises QuickBooks is not on Swizznet, currently having issues that we will fix.

**B. IGAP - Brandon Thynes**

**C. Facilities - Any Edfelt**

**D. Housing - Jalyn Pomrenke**

**E. Roads/TTP - Susan Harai**

**F. ICWA/638 - Rachelle Larson**

**G. TA Assistant - Stephanie Aikins**

**H. Tribal Administrator - Jalyn Pomrenke**

**VII. Unfinished Business**

**A. Re-Approval of Email Resolution 25-11**

- Motion to approve: Brandon, Adam Seconded
  - Motion passed 4-0, 1 excused

**B. Discussion on AFN Membership**

- Carol - discussion about the lack of assistance at AFN
- Brandon - Tlingit & Haida just rejoined. It would give us a bigger voice as a small Tribe
- Motion to approve membership and Right to Vote at AFN: Brandon, Adam Seconded
  - Motion passed 4-0, 1 excused

**C. Approval of Tribe Grid Resilience Program Projects**

- Motion to approve: Brandon, Adam Seconded
  - Motion passed 4-0, 1 excused

**D. Resolution to move \$250k to Operations for PIA Enterprises (ARP 2024)**

- Motion to approve: Adam, Brandon Seconded
  - Motion passed 4-0, 1 excused

**VIII. New Business**

**A. Letter of Interest for Vacant Council Seat, Jeanette Ness**

- Motion to approve: Brandon, Adam Seconded
  - Motion passed 4-0, 1 excused

**B. Approval for the Sale of TTP Equipment**

- Motion to approve: Adam, Brandon Seconded
  - Motion passed 5-0, 1 excused



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**C. Approval for Financial Director to Negotiate and Sign  
NICRA Agreement**

- Motion to approve: Brandon, Adam Seconded
  - Motion passed 5-0, 1 excused

**IX. Comments from Council Members**

- **Basic Needs Pantry Comment Cards**
  - Heather - appreciated the comments
  - Jaclyn - all positive

**X. Next Meeting**

- August 20, 2025

**XI. Executive Session**

**XII. Adjourn**

- Bradon moved to adjourn at 6:30 PM
  - Adam seconded
  - Motion passed 5 - 0, 1 excused
- Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM

Minutes Approved by Carol Mary Date: 8/20/25

As Presented [ ]      As Amended [**X**]