



# **Tribal Council Monthly Meeting Minutes**

## **Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 4:00 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 4:00 PM

Present Council:

Carol Martinez, President  
Nathan Lopez, Vice President  
Vacant, Secretary  
Heather Conn, Treasurer  
Jaclyn Eide, Council Member, Call-in  
Brandon Ware, Council Member  
Adam Ware, Council member

Excused: None

Absent: None

Quorum: [X] Yes [ ] No

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

**II. Approval of Previous Minutes**

- Approval of Minutes April 16th, 2025
- Approval of Minutes March 19th, 2025
  - Nathan Lopez moved to approve April and March's Minutes, Brandon Ware seconded
  - a) Motion passed 5 - 0

**III. Amendments and Approval of Agenda**

- Nathan Lopez moved to approve the agenda, Brandon Ware seconded
- Motion passed 5 - 0

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

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

- Katie and Anthony with Spruce Root and USFS - Tribal input on the Tongass as an Indigenous place.

**VI. Reports**

- A. Finance - Hillary MacDonald
  - We now have to explain what we are drawing down from ASAP and why.
- B. IGAP - Brandon Thynes
- C. Facilities - Any Edfelt
- D. Housing - Jalyn Pomrenke
- E. Roads/TTP - Susan Harai



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- F. ICWA/638 - Rachelle Larson
- G. TA Assistant - Stephanie Aikins
- H. Tribal Administrator - Jalyn Pomrenke
- I. SEARHC Quarterly Report - Tracy Welch
- J. PIA Enterprises LLC Report - Nathan Lopez
  - Trying to plan a PIA Citizens meeting. When? Would like to use it to advertise vacant 5th seat on LLC Board, and provide expense reports and overall updates.
  - Policy for selling assets was approved, all staff positions are filled, gutters are done, the new credit card is approved and auto pays are being updated, vehicle repair went well.

## **VII. Unfinished Business**

- A. Re-Approval of Email Vote for Sale of Asset for PIA Enterprises
  - Motion to approve: Jaclyn Eide, Brandon Ware Seconded
    - Motion passed 5-0
- B. Approval of Email Vote for PIP Grant
  - Motion to approve: Jaclyn Eide, Heather Conn Seconded
    - Motion passed 5-0
- C. Approval of Email Vote for Excellence Scholarship
  - Motion to approve: Jaclyn Eide, Heather Conn Seconded
    - Motion passed 5-0
- D. Discussion on Canoe design
  - Try through T&J Insurance-Doug Chilton and one person could come down to work on design and skippering classes
  - Ronda Man at T&H could also put on skipper courses
- E. Re-Approval of Operating Funds from ARPA to PIA Enterprises LLC
  - Tabled
- F. Continued Discussion on Starting Bingo Operations
  - Could easily add pull-tabs to existing permit. This comes with a lot of paperwork and tracking. Alaska Indoor pPorts Distributing is a wholesaler for these types of operations. Bingo setup is slightly expensive with a basic BINGO machine being around \$14,000. Additional needed supplies are approximately \$3,000 more to start off the operation. General Liability Insurance is \$500 per year.
  - Closing the Hall could take up Hall space
  - Need to determine where the income money would go, JOM, Basic Needs Pantry? Need to show how the money works.



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**VIII. New Business**

- A. JHH Policy Change to Allow Alcohol for Event Rentals
  - Tabled
- B. Approval of PIA Excellence Scholarship Policy
  - Tabled
- C. Approval of Tribal Grid Resilience Program Projects
  - Tabled
- D. Approval of Resolution # 25-8 to adopt the 2025 LRTP Update
  - Motion to approve: Heather Conn, Brandon Ware seconded
    - Motion passed 5-0
- E. Approval of IGAP FY26 Budge
  - Motion to approve: Heather Conn, Brandon Ware seconded
    - Motion passed 5-0
- F. Approval of PIA Enterprises/Tides Inn QB Company file move
  - Motion to approve: Nathan Lopez, Heather Conn seconded
    - Motion passed 5-0
- G. Approval to Remove the JHH from the State Historical Registry
  - Tabled
- H. Approval of Sample Letters of Interest for Council Seat & Ent. Board
  - Tabled

**IX. Comments from Council Members**

**X. Next Meeting**

- June 18, 2025

**XI. Executive Session @ 6:01 pm**

**XII. Adjourn**

- Bradon Ware moved to adjourn at 6:20 PM
  - Heather Conn seconded
  - Motion passed 5 - 0, 0 absent
- Meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM

Minutes Approved by \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As Presented [ ☐ ]      As Amended [ ☐ ]