



Tribal Council Monthly Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 15, 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 5:12 PM

Present Council:

Carol Martinez, President
Nathan Lopez, Vice President
Heather Conn, Treasurer
Jaclyn Eide, Council Member
Adam Ware, Council Member
Jeanette Ness, Council Member

Excused: Brandon Ware, Council Member

Absent: None

Quorum: [X] Yes [] No

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

II. Approval of Previous Minutes

- Approval of September 17, 2025 Meeting Minutes
 - Jeanette moved to approve, Adam seconded
 - a) Motion passed 5 - 0

III. Amendments and Approval of Agenda

- Read reports first, Nathan added Canoe Design to Old Business
 - Jaclyn moved to approve amended agenda, Jeanette seconded
 - a) Motion passed 5 - 0

IV. Persons to be heard related to the Agenda

V. Persons to be heard unrelated to the Agenda

VI. Reports

- A. Finance - Hillary MacDonald
- B. IGAP - Brandon Thynes
- C. Facilities - Any Edfelt
- D. Housing - Leann Johnston
- E. Roads/TTP - Susan Harai
- F. ICWA/638 - Rachelle Larson
- G. OVC - Annica Tomlinson
- H. TA Assistant - Stephanie Aikins
- I. Tribal Administrator - Jalyn Pomrenke



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J. PIA Enterprises - Nathan Lopez

The Enterprise Board met last month with an update of funds after the one year mark. We had some bigger purchases and some slow months, but rental cars did really well. Highliner had a net of \$131,000 while Tides Inn net \$44,000. The August 2024-August 2025 statement went really well. We are looking at what we can do to increase prices based on winter and summer pricing and interior vs. exterior room prices. We're updating decor in the rooms and around the building slowly.

VII. Unfinished Business

A. Canoe Design

- Nathan: We need an official policy for canoe group. Inspiration from One People Canoe Society. Doug at One People Canoe Society can help determine design. We could contact T&H about insurance/training for captains. How would Council feel about Nathan reaching out to Doug to see about how to get the ball rolling on a design?

VIII. New Business

- A. Confirm Email Vote for PIA to Enter into Contract with McKinley Research Group to Conduct a Needs Assessment for Tribal Victim Services
 - a. Motion to approve: Heather, Nathan Seconded
 - i. Motion passed 5-0
- B. Confirm Email Vote for approval of TTP Maintenance Funds for the Banana Point Floats with the Petersburg Borough
 - Motion to approve: Jeanette, Nathan Seconded; followed by discussion
 - Heather: I'm supporting voting yes, but we expect the same support in return for recognition and claims over tribal land.
 - Motion passed 5-0
- C. Discuss and Approve Harai and Associations, LLC One Year Contract
 - Motion to approve: Heather, Jaclyn Seconded;
 - Motion passed 5-0
- D. Discuss and Approve Temporary Rental of Parking Space for Tidal Network
 - Adam abstains for conflict of interest: It's a tower on its own trailer. We were unable to get it on Mill Road property and need it stored for a little while.
 - Motion to approve: Jaclyn, Nathan Seconded
 - Motion passed 4-0
- E. Approve Updated Election Policy
 - Motion to approve as edited: Heather, Jaclyn Seconded
 - Motion passed 5-0
- F. Discuss and Approve Election Budget
 - Heather motions to approve with Election Chair going up to 40 hours, Nathan Seconded
 - Motion passed 5-0



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- G. Resolution No. 25-17: Urging the U.S. Department of Agriculture to not Rescind the Roadless Rule and to Include Strong Protections for Old-growth Forests in the Tongass National Forest
 - Motion to approve as edited: Heather, Adam Seconded
 - Motion passed 5-0
- H. Discuss and Approve to Join the Alliance of Sovereign Tribes of Southeast Alaska
 - Motion to approve as edited: Heather, Nathan Seconded
 - Motion passed 5-0
- IX. **Comments from Council Members**
 - LIHEAP is not processing any funds due to government shut down
- X. **Next Meeting**
 - November 19, 2025
- XI. **Executive Session**
- XII. **Adjourn**
 - Nathan moved to adjourn at 7:27 PM
 - Heather seconded
 - Motion passed 5 - 0
 - Meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM

Minutes Approved by Carey Montz Date: 11/19/25

As Presented [☒] As Amended [☐]