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ORGANIZED VILLAGE OF SAXMAN MEETING MINUTES – JULY 06, 2026 AT 6:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER at 6:04 pm.

B. PRAYER by Harvey Shields.

C. ROLL CALL:

CODE: E=Excused; UE=Unexcused; P=Present; Z=Zoom

President Joe Williams Jr.	E	Secretary Margaret Brew	P
Vice President Amos Gray	P	Treasurer Nora DeWitt	Z
Councilmember Trudi Swink	P	Councilmember Mike DeWitt	P
Councilmember Harvey Shields	P	Elder Advisor Dena Mahi	P
Youth Advisor – Greg Guthrie Sr.	P		

OTHERS PRESENT: Tribal Administrator Amy DeTienne, Tribal Administrative Assistant Mariya Williams and Rosie Daniels.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS None.

E. CONSIDERATION OF THE AGENDA

Motion in consideration of the agenda. Motioned by H. Shields. Second by M. DeWitt. All in favor, motion carried.

Add to Old Business G.13. Bear Clan Rental.

F. STAFF REPORTS

F.5. AFN Travel Report – Rosie Daniels

Moved Rosie's report up to deliver her report verbally first. She said that she enjoyed the trip for the most part, other than the added expense of Uber rides to get around. And calling Joseph Williams to meet at the front desk to help her check in since she was under 21 at the time. AFN youth and Elders Conference was more focused on up north natives. It would have been nice to have more Southeast Alaska-oriented presentations as well. She found the deer-harvesting class the most interesting part of the whole trip. Councilman DeWitt thanked her for her participation and for representing Saxman at the Youth and Elders conference at AFN.

F.1. Tribal Administrator and All Administrative (Building Supervisor, IGAP, and Finance) Reports – Amy DeTienne

The council asked how the Woodmizer training is going. It was successful in training the 4 maintenance workers from both the city and the tribe. There will be more training for Marcus Blair and Kelly White. There was extensions ordered for the Woodmizer, and the order was placed two years ago. We didn't know we did not get all the necessary parts. We will be getting the legs from Woodmizer in Anchorage. The council also asked about the oil spill. It was confirmed that it's under the city's purview to handle the

oil spill. However, both the city and tribe workers have been working on maintaining the spill for the past two weeks.

F.2. President's Report – Joseph Williams

Defer the president's report until the next scheduled meeting. A phone poll was taken for the excusal of the President from the 07/06 meeting.

F.3. Treasurer Report – Nora DeWitt - Language Symposium

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Language Symposium report. Motioned by Harvey Shields. Second by Mike DeWitt. All in favor, motion carried. If there are any questions regarding the report, they can be asked at the next meeting. Amos Gray said it was a well-written and informative report.

F.4. Social Service – Jackie Johnson

Will be present for the first meeting in August. Jackie Johnson is on vacation for two weeks in July and will not be able to attend the July meetings. If there are any questions for the CCTHITA Social Worker in the August meeting.

F.5. Travel Reports – AFN/ Tribal Self Governance/ Round table

Xavier Dalton, Rosie Daniels, Chuck Denny, Nora DeWitt, and Delina Mahi.

Nora DeWitt said she would provide a written report when she is done.

Delina Mahi provided her report verbally for Tribal Self-Governance in Arizona in April and the Roundtable in Sitka. She said, Roundtable in Sitka was a day and half class on Housing. They said they would provide the housing report after the Roundtable. Despite follow-up phone calls requesting the report. They still have not delivered the report as promised. She said the Tribal Self-Governance conference was in a pleasant car rental, but given a dirty room that had to be cleaned, and they did not until a day and a half later. They said they would give a refund for the one-night stay in a dirty room. The conference breakout sessions were informative. And all the meals they provided were delicious. There was good relationship building with the council in-between sessions. The breakout sessions were all informational and the one that stood out to her the most was when they were discussing security and safety in the community. A “screaming light” when a person is in distress, they can press the button on the light, and it will make a loud noise alerting the need of assistance. That it's on native colleges and campuses, and that she likes that added support to prevent incidents. Another thing that stood out was when the videographer mentioned working with elders for filming and documenting storytelling, that it's okay to make mistakes, and then you learn.

G. OLD BUSINESS

G.1. FCC Broadband

BACKGROUND: Update.

It was recently confirmed that the first application and/or round for Broadband was signed by Tlingit and Haida. That they got the funds for all their communities regarding Broadband. And the second application and/or round of Broadband funds were received by Cape Fox. Next meeting hoping to have more answers regarding new information. Also a Broadband meeting needs to be scheduled.

G.2. Alliance of Sovereign Tribes of Southeast Alaska

BACKGROUND: Next Meeting July 6th.

Motion to approve Chilkat Indian Village resolution to be signed by the president. Motioned by H. Shields and second by M. DeWitt. All in favor, motion carried.
Will get a phone vote regarding handout at meetings Exhibit G.2.b and G.2.c.

G.3. OVS Withdrawal From CCTHITA/ Title 1 Contract with BIA

BACKGROUND: Update.

Need to schedule a constitution meeting.

G.4. Pentecostal Property/Wolf Street

BACKGROUND: Update.

Motion to have waiver signed for specific property only and for a specific period of time only.
After waiver timeframe fulfilled the waiver no longer applies.

Motioned by N.DeWitt and second by H.Shields. All in favor, motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE; YES; T.Swink,H.Shields, M.DeWitt, M.Brew and N.DeWitt. NO; None.

Yes votes; 5. No votes; 0.

G.5. Totem Poles

BACKGROUND: Update. No update at this time.

G.6. Roads

BACKGROUND: Update. No update. Need to have a meeting.

G.7. Canoe Journey

BACKGROUND: Update.

Next meeting for canoe journey to Nisqually is July 8th at 5:15 pm and July 12th.

D.Mahi asked how is canoe journey 2027 progress going. She learned that it takes other tribes 1.5 million dollars to cover and host a canoe journey and there are 13 months left until Saxman is hosting 2027.

G.8. Sawmill

BACKGROUND: Update. Provided update in TA report.

G.9. Flag/letterhead and Logo Design acquisition

BACKGROUND: Update.

A.DeTienne will meet with artist to get Organized Village of Saxman changed to Saxman tribe instead.

G.10. TERO

BACKGROUND: Update. No current updates at this time.

G.11. EPA Clean Water Gov't to Gov't Consultation

BACKGROUND: Update. A.DeTienne said she can forward emails to anyone interested to attend or listen into the meetings.

G.12. Request for Tribal Consultation on Title Monies

BACKGROUND: Update.

Email from Katherine Tatsuda include in the packet. Need to set a day good to have a meeting with the school board.

D.Mahi was say that Rosita Worl said there are funds not used that need to be follow up on. Those monies might cover a year wage for a teacher that was cut, either the pre-school IEA or cultural coordinator. The council decided second meeting in August would be good to meet with school board, August 17, 2026.

H. NEW BUSINESS

H.1. School Board

BACKGROUND: Requested meeting government to government.

Already addressed.

H.2. Bear clan street

BACKGROUND: Rental on Bear Clan street yearly renewal.

Motion to leave rent at the same amount \$1650.00. From July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.

Motioned by H.Shields and second by M.Brew. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion: If the house is in good standing and kept up with two inspections per year, its good to leave rental contract as is.

ROLL CALL VOTE; YES; T.Swink, H.Shields, M.DeWitt, M.Brew, N.DeWitt. NO; None.

VOTES YES; 5. VOTES NO; 0.

I. COUNCIL COMMITTEES

I.1. KNEPC

A.Gray provided a verbal report of previous meetings. He is the Saxman representative for Ketchikan Native Education Parent Committee (KNEPC). T.Swink recommends Rural Cap building on Schoenbar road is empty since the end of 2024. To ask about moving preschoolers to there to better accommodate student versus teacher ratio.

I.2. Constitution

I.3. Broadband

I.3. Canoe

I.2. through I.4. will be scheduled via text to determine best next available date.

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

K. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

L. NEXT MEETING DATE(S)

L.1. July 20, 2026 Regular Meeting

M. COUNCIL COMMENTS

D.Mahi said it was a good meeting. She will be having major surgery August 20th and will be either in Seattle or at home recovering for 30 to 60 days.

M.DeWitt said it was good positive meeting and thank you.

T.Swink said no comment.

M.Brew said no comment.

A.DeTienne said it was a good meeting and good to get back on track and thank you to everyone for their work.

N.DeWitt said no comment.

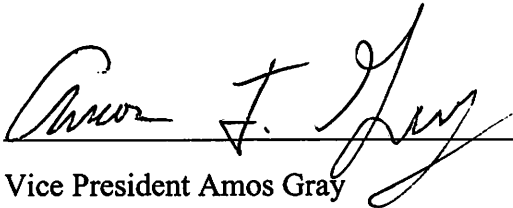
M.Williams said no comment.

H.Shields said no comment.

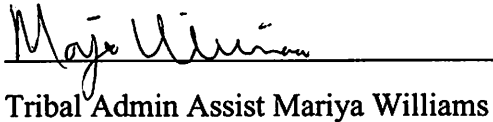
A.Gray said he looks forward to next constitution meeting. That T&H recently opened their casino and look forward to the tribe for working on a smokeshop and look into building a casino or bingo hall. Have a good weekend everyone.

N. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:21 pm. Motioned by T.Swink and second by M.DeWitt. All in favor, motion carried.


Vice President Amos Gray

07-20-26
Date


Tribal Admin Assist Mariya Williams

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