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ORGANIZED VILLAGE OF SAXMAN
MEETING MINUTES – JUNE 1, 2026 AT 6:00 PM

A.CALL TO ORDER by Joseph Williams at 6:03 pm.
B. PRAYER by Nora DeWitt.

C. ROLL CALL:
CODE: E=Excused; UE=Unexcused; P=Present; Z=Zoom

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Tribal Administrator Amy DeTienne via zoom, Administrative Assistant Mariya Williams

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS
None

E. CONSIDERATION OF THE AGENDA
Motion to consider agenda by Amos Gray. Second by Nora DeWitt.
All in favor, motion carried.

F. CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVAL OF MINUTES
F.1. Meeting Minutes February 17, 2026

F.2. Meeting Minutes March 2, 2026

F.3. Meeting Minutes March 17, 2026

April 27, 2026 was this done? Please check if not need to add to agenda.

F.4. Meeting Minutes May 4, 2026

F.5. Meeting Minutes May 18, 2026

F.6. Meeting Minutes Q3 2025 Joint Meeting OVS/COS

F.7. Meeting Minutes February 23, 2026 Q1 Joint Meeting OVS/COS

F.8. Meeting Minutes May 5, 2026 Q2 Joint Meeting OVS/COS

F.9. Special Meeting with Sealaska Heritage Institute May 27, 2026

Motion accept meeting minutes. Motioned by Nora DeWitt. Second by Amos Gray.
Discussion:
N.DeWitt: Wish to pull. F.4. May 4th and F.5. May 18th.
All in favor, motion carried.

Corrections
F.4. May 4th Meeting minutes. Meeting on meeting minutes with Nora and Margaret.
DM. Point of order. Can meet later, already been passed.

N.DeWitt Point out F.6., F.7., and F.8. not in the packet.
F.4.,F.5., and F.8. with Nora and Margaret and Mariya to go over meeting minutes.

G. STAFF REPORTS
G.1. Tribal Administrator and All Administrative (Building Supervisor, IGAP, and Finance) Reports – Amy DeTienne. Report will be verbal.
Excited with potential partners with SHI. How to bring programs to comfort our community members. Chief at the firehall who he recommends. Rosita from T&H and President Peterson also had suggestions. Programs to bring in for people to talk to. Submit all four years to IEGAP to Johhny tomorrow. Working on grant while on travel to submit shortly.
No questions.

G.2. President Report – Joseph Williams
Met with Mayor. Good things in progress. Met with Harvey and the loss for family is tremendous.
Questions for President Report? No questions.

G.3. Travel Report TSG - Jeannette Rosier
Very good report. Could we have her put her name on it. Will write her name on it when scanning.

G.4. Travel Reports – AFN/ TSG/ Round table
Xavier Dalton, Rosie Daniels, Chuck Denny, Nora DeWitt, and Delina Mahi.
Need to get reports in.

H. OLD BUSINESS
H.1. FCC Broadband
BACKGROUND: Update on status.
Max Lopez is not reachable at this time he's traveling. Will have update later. – TA.
N. DeWitt - On broadband. Vote for email poll for broadband. Will get to service agreement and printing out email poll. Vote was a yes majority. It did pass. Report.
Motion to accept email poll on broadband. Motioned by Nora DeWitt. Second by Amos Gray.
Discussion: None
All in favor, motion carried.

H.2. Alliance of Sovereign Tribes of Southeast Alaska
BACKGROUND: Update on status.

ND- canceled meeting this month. No update, no meeting this month.

H.3. OVS Withdrawal From CCTHITA/ Title 1 Contract with BIA
BACKGROUND: Update on status.
Proposed date is June 22nd.
N. DeWitt and T. Swink will have to zoom in
4:00 pm on June 22nd.

H.4. Pentecostal Property
BACKGROUND: Update on status.
JW.Stand firm on not signing a waiver. William vandal to church and church to OVS.
Request / motion would be real estate agent in need or under writer. Write it out. To be clear when in twenty years from now. It is to OVS in the future.
Motioned by Nora DeWitt. Second by
Would like to research. Would prefer to defer to next meeting. What is means to have underwriter on a deed. Without understanding.
J. Williams we can have her explain to better understand.
T. Swink would like to research.
M. Brew same would like to know more about it. AG is there a timeline? No timeline said, J. Williams.

H.5. Totem Poles
BACKGROUND: Update on status.
Just keeping it on the meeting. So we can keep moving forward. Focused on Chief ebbits pole. Also talk on Lincoln pole. Logs we have for them will they work?

H.6. Roads
BACKGROUND: Update on status.
Keep submitting documents.

H.7. Canoe Journey
BACKGROUND: Update on status.
Important to follow routes. For those who will ask for it. Looking into route for celebration this year. Keeping track where they camped. How the weather affected it.

H.8. Sawmill
BACKGROUND: Update on status.
Full successful day of training with Robert "Bubba" DeWitt and Mark Dundas. Tomorrow Greg Guthrie and David Guthrie will train the day after tomorrow. Cycle them through to get extra training.
Chains for extension. In order to do 25 foot boards. Need to utilize extensions. So need more chain. A.DeTienne and J. Williams will visit more. Please about training.-JW

H.9. Flag/letterhead and Logo Design acquisition

BACKGROUND: Update on status.
N. DeWitt and A. DeTienne talked with Michael Milne during the flag committee met. Went with Amy DeTienne recommendation to pay $1000.00 for designed. The artist already won the contest for the flag. However the committee decided they want to pay for letterhead and logo for apparel. Because M. Milne presented six designs and modified them numerous times. Significantly low then to other design artist sales. Would like to use non-profit to pay.
Motion to pay M. Milne with Haa Kusteyix monies for $1000.00. Motioned by Amos Gray. Second by Trudi Swink.
Roll call vote to pay Michael Milne $1000.00.

ROLL CALL VOTE YES; Nora DeWitt, Trudi Swink, Margaret Brew, Amos Gray. VOTE NO; 0 VOTES NO. ABSTAINING VOTES; 0 VOTES Abstaining.

Motion to have an MOU made for ownership of design between ovs and Michael Milne
Motion by Amos Gray. Second by Margaret Brew.
All in favor, motion carried.

I.3 TERO
BACKGROUND: Update on status.
Response from HDR. Didn't think was valid with the state.
Would like to get with N. DeWitt and J.Williams for gameplan. Will defer until next meeting.

<u>I. NEW BUSINESS</u>
I.1. Graduates/End of School Bash
BACKGROUND: Audrey Daniels, Layla Demmert (didn't graduate). Consideration to add Chance Shields and Louise Meta White. Both live between parents. Which is the same as last year's graduate OVS approved for award.

Motion to add Chance Shields and Louise Meta White for award for graduation.
Motioned by Amos Gray. Second by Nora DeWitt.
Discussion:
Descendents versus residents of saxman.
Policy about this.

ROLL CALL VOTE YES; Nora DeWitt, Trudi Swink, Margaret Brew, Amos Gray. VOTE NO; 0 VOTES NO. ABSTAINING VOTES; 0 VOTES Abstaining.

I.2. Office closure
BACKGROUND: Closed Friday July 3rd.
Motion to close July 3rd. Motioned by Nora DeWitt. Second by Margaret Brew. All in favor, motion carried.

I.3. Forestry date extension

BACKGROUND: T&H sent out an email notifying the date to comment has been extended to Monday June 15th.
Don't want to ignore it. Maybe request tribal consultation. Forestry service person here in Ketchikan, gone until August 2026.
Motion to request a consultation on forestry date extension by resolution. Motioned by Nora DeWitt. Second by Amos Gray.
All in favor, motion carried.

J. COUNCIL COMMITTEES

J.1. Start-up/Transition Committee Meeting- need a meeting
Build a budget and how to spend money. Drawdown funds.
Will put what spent of funds. Afterward can set meeting.
June 8th after J.4. will switch J.1. first and J.4. second on June 8th. Before Nora goes to HSC mtg.

J.2. Flag design and letterhead -need a meeting
Amy will work on MOU.

J.3. 2027 Canoe Planning – need a meeting
JW and TA to get started for chairs. To give tasks.
Meeting on Monday.

J.4. Constitution Committee – meeting was held 5/9/26
June 6th 2:00 pm Constitution. Can move to Monday? 3:00 pm on June 8th.

J.5. Broadband Committee – need a meeting
No need of a meeting yet. Need a meeting with KIC
Wed June 10th to meet with KIC.
A. Gray and T. Swink will zoom in. M. Brew will zoom in.
On council one week. Council decided because president of vape fox said they could. They decided on the spot to keep it in. At the time it was a good decision. At the time cape fox wrote for themselves. Not for saxman. Cape fox 1.3 mil. The guy stole money. They lost it. Not sure how much he took. Balance was turned back to federal government. Lost the grant for not reporting and responsible with funds.
Issue with KIC is property layover. KIC constitution says owned property land sea and air, gateway borough. Its all in the air and all unresolved right now with cape fox and KIC.
Broadband is a business. KIC says no it's a service to help with HIS services.
Thinking of percent to ask to negotiate with KIC. Percentage of saxman of whole map. Never came over with a map. We are under pressure. If we don't resolve this. It will go out to sale. It will go to public. Chances to stay with tribes are slim.
Will be deferred.

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION

NONE

L. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
NONE

M. NEXT MEETING DATE(S)

M.1. June 15, 2026 Regular Meeting
TS and ND will be excused.
D. Mahi might be gone. Surgery in SEA for 1 month.

N. COUNCIL COMMENTS
A. Gray-Good meeting quick meeting. Like hearing about updates. Glad to get work done on sawmill. Getting things done.
N.DeWitt -No comment
D.Mahi -good meeting. Would like to know if you want me to come to your meeting. Please call me. I don't text or email.
M.Brew -No comment.
T.Swink -When is meeting? 5:30 meeting for water and sewer handout.
GG- Late to meet kid off to celebration. Talking to nora. Would like to discuss role better. Role to be a sponge.
M.Williams-No comment.
A. DeTienne- No comment.
J. Williams- Good short meeting. We do have a hurting council members.

O. ADJOURNMENT
Motion to adjourn AG. Second by Nora DeWitt. All in favor, motion carried. Adjourned at 7:26 pm.

TA Assistant Mariya Williams: ____________________

President Joseph Williams: ____________________

OVS Meeting Date Approved: 07-06-26