



Central Council of the Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
Executive Council
February 20 – 21, & 24, 2025
Wrangell, AK | Hybrid

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

President Richard J. Peterson assumed chair without objection and called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

ROLL CALL

Richard J. Peterson, President	Present
Jacqueline Pata, 1 st Vice President	Present
Clinton Cook Sr., 2 nd Vice President	Present
Robert Sanderson, 3 rd Vice President	Present
Will Micklin, 4 th Vice President	Present
Delbert Kadake, 5 th Vice President	Present
Paulette Moreno, 6 th Vice President	Present
Randy Estrin, Emerging Leader	Present

Also present: Charlene Robertson, Chief Financial Officer, Madeline Soboleff-Levy General Counsel, Roald Helgesen Chief Operating Officer, Gail Dabaluz Deputy Chief Operating Officer, Sarah Dybdahl Director Office of the President, Connor Ulmer Executive Assistant

INVOCATION

3rd Vice President Robert Sanderson provided an invocation.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

M/S 3rd Vice President Robert Sanderson Jr. moved to adopt the agenda as a guide. M/C

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment provided.

REPORTS

President Report

President Peterson provided verbal report of recent activities. Discussion ensued.

BREAK

The Chair called for a break at 10:36 AM. Meeting called back to order at 10:50 AM.

Chief Operating Officer Report

Roald Helgeson provided a report on recent activities. Discussion Ensued.

Deputy Chief Operating Officer Report

Gail Dabaluz provided a verbal report on recent activities. Discussion Ensued.

BREAK

The chair called for a break at 11:57 PM. Meeting called back to order at 12:27 PM.

Chief Finance Officer Report

Charlene Robertson provided an update on the Tribes finances. Discussion ensued.

BREAK

The char called for a break at 1:22 PM. Meeting called back to order at 1:35 PM.

Strategic Planning

Executive Council and Executive Team went into strategic planning.

RECESS

Recessed for the day at 3:45 PM.

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting back to order at 8:59 AM.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment provided.

Alaska Permanent Capital Management Co. Report

Alaska Permanent Capital Management provided an update on the Tribes trust. Discussion ensued.

General Counsel Report

Madeline Soboleff-Levy provided an update on recent activities. Discussion ensued.

Tlingit Haida Tribal Business Corporation

Richard Rinehart provided an update on Tlingit Haida Tribal Business Corporation. Discussion ensued.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Donation Requests

President Peterson provided an update and recommendation on the donation process.

M/S 3rd Vice President Rob Sanderson for President Peterson to approve donation up to \$500 with requestor showing that active efforts are being made to fundraise and for requests to be forwarded to the Executive Council for special circumstances. M/C

Tribal Assembly Resolution 24-18

4th Vice President Will Micklin provided additional information on Tribal Assembly Resolution 24-18 and suggested next steps. Discussion ensued.

M/S 3rd Vice President Rob Sanderson for a resolution be drafted for Tribal Assembly on making the proper review and draft statutory amendments related to Tribal Assembly Resolution 24-18 to be presented at the 2026 Tribal Assembly for consideration. M/C

Proposed Resolution

2nd Vice President Clinton Cook provided background on a proposed resolution to be written on opposing a State land sale in Mable Bay. Discussion ensued.

M/S 2nd Vice President Clinton Cook moved for a draft resolution to be written opposing the proposed land sale in Mable Bay in South Prince of Wales. M/C

BREAK

The chair called for a break at 10:57 AM. Meeting called back to order at 11:05 AM.

North Pacific Fisheries Management Council Meeting

3rd Vice President Rob Sanderson provided an update on the recent North Pacific Fisheries management Council meeting in Anchorage he attended. Discussion ensued.

Board of Fish Meeting

3rd Vice President Rob Sanderson provided an update on the recent Board of Fish meeting in Ketchikan he attended. Discussion ensued.

At the request of the Executive Council, Executive Session is moved to Monday, February 24 at 1:00 PM.

REPORTS

Government Affairs

Heather Gattie provided a report of recent activities of the Government Affairs team. Discussion ensued.

BREAK

The chair called for a break at 12:11 PM. Called back to order at 12:26 PM.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Constitution Committee Update

4th Vice President Will Micklin provided an update on the Constitution Committees work. Discussion ensued.

Tribal Assembly Update

Sarah Dybdahl provided a verbal update on Tribal Assembly planning. Discussion ensued.

ACTION ITEMS

Resolutions

M/S 1st Vice President Jackie Pata moved to adopt EC 25-12 Authorization to Apply for The CIRI Foundation A Journey to What Matters Grant, EC 25-13 Authorization to Apply for Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act Consultation Grant, EC 25-14 Authorization to Enter into an Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act 105(l) Lease for Storage in Juneau, EC 25-15 Authorization to Apply for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grant, EC 25-16 Authorization to Apply for an Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Grant, EC 25-17 Authorization to Accept Allocation for a U.S. Department of Agriculture Local Food Purchase Assistance Cooperative Agreement Program Grant, EC 25-18 Authorization to Apply for the Administration for Children and Families Tribal Maternal Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program Grant, EC 25-19 Authorization to Apply for U.S. Department of Justice FY 2025 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Funding, EC 25-20 Authorization to Apply for a U.S. Department of Transportation Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program Grant, EC 25-21 Authorization to Apply for the SAMSHA Circles of Care for American Indian Alaska Natives Grant, EC 25-22 Authorization to Apply for SAMHSA Strategic Prevention Framework Grant.
M/C

M/S 1st Vice President Jackie Pata moved to adopt resolutions that are programmatic, EC 25-23 Establishment of a Traditional Trades Program, EC 25-24 Affirming Support for Tribal Self-Determination in Education and State-Tribal Education Compacting, EC 25-25 Upholding the Federal Trust Responsibility to Protect Tribal Education Programs, EC 25-26 Executive Order 14210 Impacts to Indian Programs. M/C

Ratification of Resolutions

M/S 1st Vice President moved to ratify resolutions that were passed by poll vote before the Executive Council meeting, EC 25-01 through EC 25-11. M/C

Minutes

M/S 1st Vice President Jackie Pata moved to adopt December 11, 2024 meeting minutes. M/C

RECESS

The chair called for recess at 1:13 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The chair called the meeting back to order in Executive Session on Monday, February 24 at 1:01 PM.

Rise and Report

Selection for the 90th Tribal Assembly Host is Isreal Shotridge, Hostess is Judy Helgesen.

Selection for the 90th Tribal Assembly theme is Honoring the Past, Empowering the Future.

ADJOURN

The chair adjourned the meeting at 3:00 PM.