

**Ugashik Traditional Village  
Council Meeting  
March 20, 2025**

**ATTENDEES:**

Fred Matsuno, President  
Hattie Albecker, Vice President  
John Hagen, Treasurer  
Julie Gaumond, Secretary  
Daniel Pingree, Jr, Member at Large

Steven Alvarez, Tribal Administrator  
Betti Malagon, Finance Manager  
Maurice Enright, BBEDC Liaison  
Clementine Shangin, Tribal Admin. Assist.  
Dolli Enright, IGAP Assistant  
Irma Rhodes-King, ARPA Projects Coord.  
Rochelle Lind, ARPA Admin. Assistant  
Larry Carmichael, IGAP & Special Proj. Manager

**From:** Julie Gaumond

**Date of Submittal:** April 18, 2025

**1.0 Call to Order by Fred Matsuno, President, at 9:07 AM Alaska Time**

**2.0 Council Member Roll Call by Julie Gaumond, Council Members Present:** Fred Matsuno, President; Hattie Albecker, Vice President; John Hagen, Treasurer, Julie Gaumond, Secretary and Daniel Pingree, Jr., Member at Large.

**Council members absent:**

**3.0 Staff Roll Call, by Julie Gaumond, Staff Present:** Steven Alvarez, Tribal Administrator; Betti Malagon, Finance Manager; Larry Carmichael, IGAP & Special Projects Manager; Clementine Shangin, Tribal Administrative Assistant; Mike Enright, BBEDC Liaison; Dolli Enright, IGAP Assistant, and Irma Rhodes-King, ARPA Projects Coordinator and Rochelle Lind, ARPA Admin Assistant

**Staff absent:**

**4.0 Tribal Members present:** Margaret Turnbow, Eileen James

**5.0 Accept Agenda**

**ACTION: MOTION TO ACCEPT AGENDA**

1<sup>st</sup>: Hattie Albecker

2<sup>nd</sup>: Daniel Pingree Jr.

Motion passed: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

**6.0 Accept Meeting Minutes**

**ACTION: MOTION TO ACCEPT MEETING MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 20, 2025**

1<sup>st</sup>: Daniel Pingree, Jr.

2<sup>nd</sup>: John Hagen

Motion passed: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

## 7.0 Special Guest Presentation: None

## 8.0 Reports –

### Tribal Manager/Administrator Report to Council – March 20, 2025

#### Grants Update:

##### Assistance Programs:

- **American Rescue Plan Funding:** Implementation for the following program initiatives have continued.
  - The 2024 \$750 Utility Assistance phase 4 program began in January. To date we have provided \$45,404.89 in assistance. \$43,154.89 in payments made to utility companies (79 checks issued) and \$2,250 for UTV fuel (3 payments). A total of 62 Tribal Members have received assistance.
  - The new 2024 ARPA \$2,500 rental assistance: To date we have provided \$169,394.76 in assistance to 70 Tribal Members. A total of 125 payments have been made.
  - Housing Improvement Program – To date 37 Tribal Members have received assistance. 98 payments have been made and one to UTV for lumber. Total outgoing payments: \$396,741.90
  - 89 Walmart cards were distributed to tribal member households. Nine were given to staff (One is being saved for Irma). 19 cards were distributed to Elders.
- **BBEDC Block Reimbursement Requests**
  - **FY 2020:** I am in the process of revising the budget of the remaining \$5,066.40. This will be budgeted to travel for staff to help cover the costs of staff traveling to the village this summer.
  - **FY 2023:** \$22,596.68 for labor and materials for the Flying D has been received. Also, a direct payment request to the State of AK for the grader in the amount of \$23,095 was submitted. We will receive \$4,619.60 in admin.
  - I am working on reimbursement requests for miscellaneous materials and labor expenses from 2023, 2024 and 2025.

##### **Current balances of the open grants are as follows:**

- **2020: \$5,066.40.**
  - **2022: \$251,781.25**
  - **2023: \$336,578.73**
  - **2024: \$247,670.28**
  - **2025: \$512,752.80**
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- **BBEDC Tribal Liaison Library:** I am currently working with MuralNet reviewing internet providers' proposals for providing internet service for the coming year.
  - **BBEDC Arctic Tern:** I am in the process of working on the 2025 application. We have Brandi Hendron-Rice and Quintus Delap as possible workers.

- **BIA - ICWA:** I am working on the FY25 grant application (ICWA's timing is always off). It is due next Friday.
- **EPA – IGAP:** Betti will have an update on her report.
- **BIA – ATG:** We received Modification 8 with a net increase of \$114,900.00. All paperwork has been submitted. I don't have a fully executed document yet. As soon as that is received, we can draw down the funds.
- **BBEDC – CPR/First Aide Recertification:** The application has been submitted. SAVEC will be able to provide instructors. The dates we gave them for delivering the class are any day between June 19-22. Once the date has been confirmed, we can start posting and recruiting participants.
- **State of Alaska Designated Legislative Grant:** We have been awarded \$75,000 from the state of Alaska through the Designated Legislative Grant Program. These funds are for offsetting the costs of our Fuel Depot. I am working on reimbursement requests for some of the work that Eddie did last summer.
- **NAHASDA – Staff are currently working on the FY24 grant application. Note that NAHASDA is always working a year behind the calendar year.**
  - **FY22:** All reimbursements have been received. FY22 is closed
  - **FY23 Budgeted:** \$39,858.00 (\$32,358 for assistance & \$7,500.00 for Admin). Total expended to date: \$14,873.00 Nine tribal member families have been helped.
  - **FY24** allocation is \$50,458.00 All of our administrative requirements have been met. We have a resolution to review and approve. We will submit all paperwork this month and request the new MOA from BBHA.

## **Projects:**

- **Health Aide:** I reached out to Timothy again, but have not heard back. I will follow up this coming week.
- **Audit –**Pete continues to work on 2023 audit. Betti, Clementine and I have been getting information, documents and files to Pete.
- **Flying – D Landing Craft:** Larry will have details.
  - The Flying D is currently in dry dock in Seward. Down payments for the work being done on the engine rebuild and the fish holds upgrades have been made and repair has started.
- **Lake & Pen Grid Resiliency Funding: Nothing new to report.** Nothing to report on this.
- **2024 Spring/Summer Projects: Nothing new to report.** The following projects have been discussed for implementation. Additional discussion and ideas are encouraged.
  - **Community Center:** I have spoken to Eddie about a full upgrade of the Community Center (paid from older CBG). We discussed new flooring, bathroom,

kitchen cabinets, possibly windows, and exterior siding. Eddie was there this week taking measurements.

- **New gravel site:** Conveyor belt is in the village. **Done**
- **ARPA Hybrid Energy Systems:** As far as our responsibility is concerned, project is **Done**
- **ARPA Water Improvement:** Nothing new to report. **Done**
- **Fuel Depot:** The Following have been completed:
  - **Fuel Tank Depot Housing Unit:** A new building covering the tanks and containment has been completed. **Done**
  - Pumping Equipment has been ordered and delivered. **Done**
  - We are looking at having Eddie install a roll-up door.
  - Larry will have more details on what still needs to be completed.
- **New Equipment Bldg: The new loft has been built.** - **Done**
- **Road to the Win-Ray:** This project has been tabled until ???.
- **Disposal work on Win-Ray:** Tabled until ???.
- **Fuel Truck:** The new fuel truck is in the village - **Done**
- **Caribou Cabin/Covid Isolation House:** Eddie was in the village this week taking measurements and assessing what needs to be done to get this project completed.
- **Trencher** – Is in the village and has been utilized. **Done**
- **Purchase Rock Crusher** – No updates yet.
- **Extend Landfill:** **Done**

### Staffing & General Information:

- Irma continues to convalesce, and we're praying and hoping for her recovery.

Steven Alvarez – Tribal Administrator: Submitted via email on Wednesday, March 19, 2025

### Questions to Steven

- ? Hattie stated she received a call from Timothy, and he is unable to come to the village this summer as the Health Aid this year, Steven stated he and Hattie get together and discuss.
- ? Fred stated he spoke to John and let him know we might need someone
- ? Mike stated he brought up the BBAHC and they will help and look and will contact him if they find anyone.
- ? Larry stated he has suggests on the tribal library. He suggests having a murphy system for the tribal library. Steven is opposed to this. Mike suggests removing the pool table. Hattie suggests an addition. Discussion. **Discussion in executive session.**
- ? Timothy will not be there between June 23 and July 6. He states he has another boy in mind.
- ? Daniel using the covid building, repurpose the covid house and move the pool table there....
- ? Fred asked about Lake and Pen funding, why is it taking so long? Steven stated he doesn't know if the funding is on hold now because of the new administration. Steven stated the grant is going to them and they will be distributing.
- ? Hattie stated she thought they instructed Steven check with Igiugig.

- ? Irma asked if the NAHASDA resolution will be reviewed, Fred stated yes, and that it was on the agenda.

## **Betti Malagon, Finance Manager FY25 March 2025 UTV Monthly Report**

### **Monthly Routine:**

- Bi-weekly Payrolls completed as scheduled. Timely IRS Tax Liability Deposits completed through EFTPS.
- Accounts payable, once approved, are completed.

### **Projects:**

- **EPA-IGAP:** Drawdowns are current through January 2025. Funds are on hold, so am unable to draw down February or March 2025.
- **UTV Audits:** CPA, Pete sent me the FY23 Audit for UTV Council Approval. Steven will put this on the April agenda.
- **AccuFund:** The Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF) Annual Report is due by March 31, 2025. Will talk with Steven regarding what has been spent and what is budgeted for the remaining funds and get this filed Friday or early next week.
- FY25 Quarter 2 will end March 31, 2025, already!! I will prepare the 940 and ESC reports Early April.

### **Banking:**

- Key Bank General account reconciliations are completed through February 2025.
- Bank of America credit card reconciliations I've begun working on should be completed early April.
- Northrim Bank, Ugashik Enterprise LLC bank reconciliations are also completed through February 2025.

### **Betti Malagon**

*Finance Manager*

Ugashik Traditional Village

### **Questions to Betti:**

- ? Fred asked if all of the ARPA funds are obligated? Steven stated yes, they are obligated by a process suggested by the navigators at AFN – by basically creating a MOA within ourselves. UTV with an MOA with UTV. The feds don't need all the details, just the statement that the monies have been obligated.

## **March 2025 Environmental Program Update**

### **Program Updates.**

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- 1.3 Going to ATCEM this month
  - 2.3 Going to 7 Generation this year, missed it in 2024
  - 3.2 Going to the village 4 times this coming year for work on Landfill expansion

- 3.5 Furthering development of gravel pit for use in village
- 4.2 ANTHC will be sending out surveyors for the 2 homes that will get septic systems
- 4.3 Working on Hybrid energy systems.

End of first quarter for IGAP 2025

#### hazcom and safety plans

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Verify fire extinguisher locations in village for Emergency Action Plan

Village will need to have CPR refresher in 2025, possible tourniquet training

#### solid waste management plan

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BRIC grant with Bristol Environmental has been put on hold because we have not finished the Tribal Hazard Mitigation Survey. I have the survey in office. We need to fill this out.

We got funding for Nancy and Mikey's septic systems. Mark Landon to set up new village visit.

Funding with Agnew Beck for Solid waste transport location at the Barge landing is no longer available

Toilet have been priced out, now we need someone to commit to installing them.

Community commercial washer is having problems, repair or replace????

#### air quality and Dust control

Road dust not an issue at this time

The village road is somewhat potholed, the village needs to address this next year. Ideas????

#### Ongoing projects and concerns

Still waiting on the info on wells assessments and voltage conversion. (Setup for June 25-30<sup>th</sup>)  
Need downpayment!!

Continued investigation on someone to shadow me this coming year so I can be more productive. Possible Alex Lind.

Working on getting the Kvichak Queen sold to Randy Zimin, Talked to Northrim Bank, this should go through

The another player for the Kvichak Queen, Peter Tracker wants to buy Barge @ \$80K and store boat in village. 5 years.

Planning on having Electrician come out in June to wire village for hybrid power and well conversion, "all villagers with Hybrids will need to be present. They are coming out June 25<sup>th</sup> through the 1<sup>st</sup> of July

Planning on installing fencing around Land Fill in 2025

Planning on more development of the gravel pit for use in the village and use of the conveyor belt, concrete blockades

Eddie to come out and replace side panels on Fuel depot building to let in more Light.

I am looking into putting explosion proof lighting in Fuel depot.

I am purchasing foldable ladders to setup access to tops of fuel tanks.

The check from BBEDC to pay the grader should have been sent.

Working on with EnE's next year contact, Cost of fuel to and from Seward.

Still looking for Crew members for Boat.

Boat was lifted by Seward marina on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

A to Z sand blasting is doing paint removal and paint for Fish holds, NEW HURTALS ON TANKS.

Fish tanks may need additional welding to stop leaking into and out of.

A to Z is also doing painting on blasting on boat hull

Jag will come out and assess the fish hold for metal repair/replacement, happening the week of 24<sup>th</sup> March

DD services to do functions test on RSW after we splash Flying D

Verifying we can have Starlink on boat, grid is full in Anchorage area, should be open in Bristol bay.

Sent out props to Bristol Bay supply for repair.

Rebuilding only one of the 2- 871 engines in boat, started on March 1<sup>7th</sup>. (Retuning and replacing next year)

Hope to rebuild the front hatch beneath ramp wench

Need the boat deck up painted , and zinc's replaced. This to be done by Michael Enright, Alex Lind

140K generator for RSW power will be functioned tested by Bob Rubey.

Pipe to cover primary with connectors to 140 kw have to installed.

Jag to come in and replace electrical panels with breakers,

Need to get the AIS tracking system replaced for this year, Jag to install.

Also getting Jag to install new control panel (Basler 2020) for 30kw generator

Want to purchase a concrete mixer from Egegik. Working on Logistics of purchase. DO WE WANT THIS???

No need for Eddie Clark to quote on putting a building up, funding gone

Looking into putting partial concrete into New equipment building, D6, D5, and Excavator will destroy concrete

My suggestion for computer kiosks in community center, Murphy desks to be folded up and out of the way

### Training & Conferences

ATCEM and is coming up and I will attend

I went to AFE, working with Santina about doing 4<sup>th</sup> year backhaul for EPA villages with the Flying D. Unknown if this will happen.

## **Questions to Larry:**

- ? Fred asked for clarification on the North Road, does he mean the road alongside the airport? Larry stated there is an easement on the south side of the runway, that is where the road runs east/west and that's an easement that runs all the way to the river. His suggestion is to continue the easement to the river so that all fishers can park off the road and then access the river. Hattie asked Maurice how the beach was there? Maurice stated that the beach was good, and past Mike's site, the beach is good, good gravel and good beach past the corner.
- ? Hattie asked about installing the incinerator toilets, she doesn't think we should wait on ordering. Larry stated that he thought the villagers would install the toilets themselves. Larry further stated that he was instructed to put the order on hold until someone was there to install the toilets. Steven stated if we leave it up to the homeowners, that's fine, he didn't want toilets just sitting in the village with no plan to have them installed. Hattie stated she recommends giving a deadline, the money must be spent.
- ? Hattie asked if Dolli would be attending ATCEM and 7 Generations training? Larry stated that they didn't have her set up for ATCEM but yes, she could attend 7 Generations training. Hattie stated that 7 Generations is a good program and thought it would be beneficial for Dolli to attend.
- ? Daniel asked if members could be asked if they could install the toilets them themselves.
- ? Larry asked if he was ordering the toilets? Yes. He also asked Hattie what she needed for her system so that he could order everything at one time.
- ? Julie asked Larry if he spoke to Mark about shadowing him, Larry stated that Mark is fishing with Mike this year and would not be available.
- ? Irma asked if Larry could update the fuel spreadsheet, review it with Rochelle so that Daniel Pingree, Jr. can get his fuel.
- ? Larry stated that we need to consider the fuel for the village. He suggests taking the blue fuel truck to Pilot Point with the Flying D to purchase fuel. We will need to determine on how to budget this – Steven stated we currently budget \$7,500 for the community center and \$7,500 for the cannery from the block grant. If the council wants to allocate more money from the block grant for fuel, we can do that. We can also revise the previous block grants and put it towards fuel. Crowley will not deliver to us unless we purchase 10,000 gallons.
- ? Fred asked if the Flying D could bring in fuel. Larry stated yes, anything is possible.
- ? Hattie stated with the hybrid systems the fuel consumption should be lower. She also states she believes the block grant will go back up to \$750,000.
- ? Maurice asked if there are warranties on the hybrid generators. He states it looks like the front main seal has a major oil leak. He will send pictures to Larry and he will speak with Bob Ruby.
- ? Fred asked about a concrete mixer. Larry believes we could get one from Igiugig for about \$10,000 - \$15,000, he suggested sending Manny out to inspect it. The differential is out and hopefully we can use it as a 2-wheel drive.
- ? Daniel stated he and Danny will be sending in their mitigation survey.
- ? Daniel stated that he thought they reviewed tourniquet training during first aid training. Larry stated that it's his idea that everyone gets trained in first aid, with tourniquet training.



- ? Fred asked when the Flying D will depart Seward, Larry set up everything so that all of the maintenance items will be completed by May 15. The Flying D must leave Seward by June 1<sup>st</sup> and it will give 15 days – to get to the Bay. He added a few extra days, to be on the safe side.

## *Clementine Shangin*

### **Regular Duties:**

- I have been working weekly A/P (UTV & Flying D) . Working on getting caught up on credit card invoices PRs.
  - Ordering supplies for the office & the village office
  - Keeping the Office Clean
  - Filing & organizing paperwork from my desk.
  - Submit enrollment applications & make tribal cards as needed.
  - Help Betti when needed with audit documents.
  - Make airline reservations when needed.
  - Logging mail when I can
- ✓ Completed the intent to run.

### **Questions for Clementine:**

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## **VILLAGE STAFF MONTHLY REPORTS – March 2025**

### **Maurice (Mike) Enright BBEDC Liaison (On Leave)**

#### **Regular monthly duties:**

- Check emails post when needed
- Pick up and burn garbage when Dolli was gone with the help of John
- Pump fuel for residents
- Send timecards to office
- Sit in on monthly BBEDC Liaison meetings
- Keep community center clean
- And other office duties

#### **Special Projects:**

Was on vacation most of the month only been back in the office for a week

- Attended BBAHC board meetings
- Check village generator oil and water
- Shovel snow
- Check elder
- Call to get internet fixed

### **Questions for Maurice:**

? Daniel asked how the houses are looking? He stated great, but Bo's outhouse blew over again..

## **Dolli Enright: IGAP Asst. & Interim Tribal Liaison**

### **Regular Monthly Duties:**

- I check email and post when needed.
- I keep the C-Center clean.
- I pick up the garbage and burn with weather permitting, with Mikey or Art's help.
- I do the monthly visual monitoring form at the end of each month.
- I do the mail and deliver the mail when needed.
- I help Elders when needed.
- I take pictures of any concerns and any projects going on in or around the village and send to Steven.
- I call Steven Wednesdays for any updates.
- I do other tasks or projects that are assigned by the Tribal Administrator or by the Environmental Coordinator.
- And I do any other office duties when needed.

### **Special Projects:**

When Mikey is on vacation or attending meetings out of the village I do the following:

- Send in timecards
- Check emails
- Post when needed
- Check on Elders
- Other office duties

### **Questions for Dolli:**

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## **COUNCIL REPORT MARCH 2025 – IRMA RHODES-KING**

Irma stated that Steven gave all of the numbers in his report, she gave a update on FY 24, all yearly requirements are met, the resolution has been prepared and next week they will send the budget to Steven. Then they will request the MOA from BBHA. The funding is set at \$50,458 and then we will have to advertise the funds on the website.

### **Questions for Irma:**

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## **ARPA Administrative Assistant Monthly Report- March 2025**

- I am steadily working on ARPA HIP check requests, ARPA \$2500.0 phase 3, ARPA \$750.00 phase 4 funding requests.
- I keep up with the hard copy filing and E-filing for all ARPA programs.
- I am a registered Notary Public for UTV, executing it for the tribal members.
- I'm in correspondence with BIA/ICWA to get signed up for the next training, I am also attending the meeting March 27<sup>th</sup> Tribal State Collaboration Group Meeting for ICWA at the Alaska Native Heritage Center.

- I'm going to correspond with local tribes for ICWA training/shadowing Knik tribe, Eklutna and APIA.
  - I have been making sure to add certified mail to large checks that are being mailed out.
- Quyanna  
Rochelle Lind-Sanchez

### **Questions for Rochelle:**

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## **9.0 Old business**

**9.a Flying D Status – Larry** – covered in Larry's report. Additionally, Rick Reynolds is rebuilding one of the engines, only one engine this year and tuning up the other one, the cam shafts were compromised, that's why only one engine is being rebuilt this year, the other will be rebuilt next year. JAG will be addressing the electrical on the boat, he will have the generator mounted on the deck so they will have power to run the RSW. JAG is a large commercial enterprise that repairs military and state-owned vessels.

Fred asked if he would be able to take tribal members supplies out to the village. He stated yes and to contact him. Brice Contracting will be delivering the connex.

There are approximately 48 – 12 x 12s, he is in the process of trying to sell them and once he sells them, he will have a usable connex sitting in Seward and we will need to decide what to do with it. Sell it, move it to the village or leave it in Seward and we will have to start paying lease space. The connex is in fare shape. Larry stated that they have 12 x 12's in the village that Bo could use for his outhouse. Julie will check with him.

Larry stated that he will need the supplies on 4/22 so he can get everything in the connex.

**9.b. Summer Projects 2025** – Steven stated there are three projects on the docket, the upgrades to the community building, which is going to be extensive and will be a post fishing project. Eddie came in and took measurements last month, Steven hasn't received an estimate from him yet. Eddie will also install a roll-up door on the fuel depot building. Eddie also took measurements and what is needed to complete the Covid house. Steven also stated we must get an assessment and contract from whomever will be doing the septic upgrades, the project doesn't have to be finished but the payments have to be done before the end of the year.

**9.c. CPR/First Aid class Summer 2025** – Steven stated they set tentative dates with SAVEC, they were able to get their instructors recertified, we are looking at the third weekend of June.

Fred asked if we still have fire blankets in the village, Larry stated yes, each household will be given two, he will also provide a template of where fire extinguishers are located within the village.

## **10.0 New Business:**

### **10.a. Resolution 2025 – 16 NAHASDA Grant Funding**

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2025 – 16 NAHASDA GRANT FUNDING**

1<sup>st</sup>: Hattie Albecker

2<sup>nd</sup>: John Hagen

Motion passed: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

### **10.b. Resolution 2025 – 17 – Tribal Enrollment for Dominique Nederbrock**

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE REVISED RESOLUTION 2025 – 17 TRIBAL ENROLLMENT FOR DOMINIQUE NEDERBROCK**

1<sup>st</sup>: Daniel Pingree, Jr.

2<sup>nd</sup>: John Hagen

Motion passed: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

### **10.c. Resolution 2025 – 18 – Tribal Enrollment for Mateo Natividad**

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE REVISED RESOLUTION 2025 – 18 TRIBAL ENROLLMENT FOR MATEO NATIVIDAD**

1<sup>st</sup>: John Hagen

2<sup>nd</sup>: Daniel Pingree, Jr.

Motion passed: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

### **10.d. Resolution 2025 – 19 – Tribal Enrollment for Juan Natividad III**

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE REVISED RESOLUTION 2025 – 19 TRIBAL ENROLLMENT FOR JUAN NATIVIDAD III**

1<sup>st</sup>: Julie Gaumond

2<sup>nd</sup>: Daniel Pingree, Jr.

Motion passed: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

### **10.e. Sale of Kvichak Queen – Larry – currently nonissue.**

**10.f. – BBEDC update** – Hattie, crab revenues will be distributed by the end of April and no later than the first of May. The IFQs (individual fishing quotas) the federal disaster funds are estimated to arrive to BBEDC in July. The BBEDC rep from Igiugig was directed to ask the Ugashik rep and inquire with the council if they are interested in selling the Flying D. They are very interested in purchasing it. Larry asked if he should contact Igiugig and have a discussion, Fred stated not yet. Hattie explained that she told the BBEDC rep that we still have a year left on our contract with AGS.

Fred asked if she has an estimate of the revenues that will be distributed? Hattie stated no, she expects it to be a few thousand dollars.

## **11. Open forum:**

Hattie stated she had reached out some other tribes to see how they are handling tribal enrollment. Blood quantum or lineage related to a member of the base roll. She talked to Port Heiden, Pilot Point, Igiugig, Portage Creek and Ekok, they have ended blood quantum and are enrolling applicants that are related to a member of the base roll. Daniel confirmed, he also has spoken to some folks about this issue.

Mike asked how far down the tree does it go, or does it ever stop. Hattie stated that she thought as long as the individual can prove that they are directly related to a member of the base roll. Mike further asked, even if they had never been to the village? Even if they don't know where

it's at? Hattie stated, yes. Mike responded, unbelievable. Daniel stated that he is in favor of lineage. Steven stated that the whole concept of blood quantum is a government policy where the end game was assimilation. If the government can eventually eliminate Native Americans and Alaska Natives as anything other than everyone else, so by instituting a blood quantum policy, that eventually the number of Native Americans that it has to fulfill their treaty obligations is going to diminish. It's a government policy of assimilation, the same as the government policy of assimilation that they had with boarding schools. The government doesn't want to continue to fulfill its obligations to the Native Americans and indigenous people of the country because it's a big burden and if they can find ways to get everyone assimilated, they are no longer anything different and that's the whole reason behind blood quantum. He went on, there are many tribes in the lower 48, a lot in Oklahoma, the Northeast, the ones that were severely, early on, impacted by contact with Europeans that must adopt this in order to not become extinct. He is one that doesn't like blood quantum and it's a policy that works against us as an indigenous people. There are some tribes that are all about it because they want to hold on to what they have and not share it – there are some tribes that are matriarchal in tradition that require blood quantum to come from your mother – he personally believes that blood quantum is not a good thing.

John stated that he believes blood quantum is not to our benefit. We want to grow our tribe and blood quantum will extinguish our tribe and it's not in our best interest. He also stated that it is more of a burden on our enrollment committee and potential tribal members.

Maurice asked if he gave some of his native shares to his wife, would that make her eligible to be a tribal member? John stated no, because she is not a lineal descendent.

Fred asked Hattie if the enrollment committee is using the criteria 1/16<sup>th</sup> blood quantum? She stated yes.

Daniel stated he will be going to BBNA and if there is anything you want him to bring up, let him know. He will bring up funding questions.

Margaret Turnbow asked if the community center as a choking rescue device. Steven stated yes, he has ordered two.

Eileen James – annual meeting minutes asked why does it have to be discussed in executive session? She asked if there will be items deleted? Fred stated, not that he was aware, there are some personnel issues in there and some discussion of the constitution. Also, Walmart cards given to staff? Wasn't that funding for UTV members only? Steven stated, no. ARPA funding can be used for staff salaries, and it is not restricted to just tribal members.

**Executive session items – annual meeting minutes and constitution, Flying D Captain and crew and tribal library.**

**Next Mtg.:** April 21, 2025, at 9:00 AM Alaska Time

## **12. Executive Session –**

### **MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1<sup>st</sup>: Hattie Albecker

2<sup>nd</sup>: Daniel Pingree, Jr.

Motion passed: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

**MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1<sup>st</sup>: Hattie Albecker

2<sup>nd</sup>: Daniel Pingree, Jr.

Motion passed: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

**MOTION TO APPROVE ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES FROM ANNUAL MEETING ON AUGUST 24,2024**

1<sup>st</sup>: John Hagen

2<sup>nd</sup>: Daniel Pingree, Jr.

Motion passed: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

**MOTION TO REMOVE BLOOD QUANTUM AND MOVE TO LINEAGE FOR TRIBAL ENROLLMENT. THIS MUST BE PUT BEFORE ALL TRIBAL MEMBERS.**

1<sup>st</sup>: Hattie Albecker

2<sup>nd</sup>: Daniel Pingree, Jr.

Motion passed: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

**MOTION TO ALLOW MANNY ENRIGHT TO EVALUATE THE CONCRETE MIXER IN IGIUGIG**

1<sup>st</sup>: Daniel Pingree, Jr.

2<sup>nd</sup>: John Hagen

Motion passed: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

**MOTION to adjourn at 1:49 PM**

1<sup>st</sup>: Daniel Pingree, Jr.

2<sup>nd</sup>: Hattie Albecker

Motion passed: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

**Adjourned at 1:49 PM Alaska time**