

Quartz Valley Indian Reservation  
Business Council  
Monthly Meeting  
February 26, 2024  
12:00 pm

**Quorum Established:**

Harold Bennett	Tribal Chairman	Present
Kevin Case	Tribal Vice-Chairman	Present via zoom
Frieda Bennett	Tribal Treasurer	Present
Isaiah Williams	Board Member 1	Present via zoom
Charlene Henry	Board Member 2	Present
Lisa Carle	Member at Large	Present
Veronica Butterfly	Member at Large	Present
Timothy Bennett	Member at Large	Present via zoom

Absent

Evette Lewis                      Secretary              Called in – Joining late if she can.

Guest:                      Mary Benedict – Tribal Administrator

**Call Meeting to Order:**

Harold Bennett, Tribal Chairman calls meeting to order at 12:14 pm; minutes recorded by Frieda Bennett, Tribal Treasurer.

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion:                      **Frieda Bennett** moves to approve the February 26, 2024, agenda with additions; Tim Bennett seconds the motion.

Vote:    7 For    0 Against              1Abstentions

**Approval of Minutes - Tabled**

*Isaiah Williams will have the minutes out to the council by the end of the week.*

**Enrollment**

KS enrollment- Discussion and update

**Reports**

Tribal Administrator

Water System –                      received one bid for the water system and it was over the allocated amount.  
Waiting to hear back from IHS Engineer.  
Temporary system – having a 2<sup>nd</sup> source putting in a bid.

Land Usage Plan

MAT of the land.  
Land assignments for projects.  
Community meeting to discuss projects and assignments of land.  
TA will have legal counsel look at the SV Plan.

Website

Still under development – needs more details about programs and services.

Offer Training to a couple of individuals.  
Tribal Members Portal – Quarterly Password to include minutes,  
Employee Portal – employment documents

Fox Property Water pump went out upon fixing the issue discovered a leak.  
TNGF funding is paying for the overall project to be fixed.  
Renovation project underway.

Tribal Chairman  
Duplexes Monitoring Well is located on parcel for duplexes not a Drinking Well.  
Temporary - The well drillers are submitting solutions for temporary water system.  
Pressurizing vs. holding water.  
Request IHS to sit in a meeting with Council.  
Received two bids – TA will be moving forward with the bid considering lowest cost, length of  
timeline, most feasible for property.

Housing Meeting with Grindstone is getting lined up.

TCCAC Tribal Child Care Association California  
Education Director is the Chair of the Association  
represents over 80 tribes and meets with State Agencies at least 2 times a year to ensure tribal  
issues are being discussed.

Native Connections Last Grant is closed but were awarded Braveheart award out of 161 Tribes.  
April 2024 meeting Quartz Valley Indian Reservation will be honored.

Scott Valley Watershed BOR wants a tribe to be a pass through for sub-grantees.  
QVIR would receive administrative costs of \$30K a year for 3 years.  
Transparency is needed and having a 3<sup>rd</sup> party to ensure the work is done.  
BC supports the idea of moving forward with this project as the grant recipient.

CNIGA Revenue Sharing wasn't discussed at the last meeting.  
The next meeting will need to be attended.  
Chairman has been appointed to the Revenue Sharing Board – to speak on behalf of a tribe  
receiving revenue sharing – formulas and ideas are being discussed.

CRIHB Tribal Chairman is now the Government Consultation Committee Chairman.  
Discussing services area and funding that follows  
Meeting – March 4 – 9, 2024 – Tribal Chairman, Tribal Administrator, and Anav Office Manager to  
attend.  
Topic – Influx in immigration, influx in California Medical Wage Rate for Small Tribes.

Reservation Economic Summit (RES)  
Tribes to attend and have the opportunity to discuss ideas/opportunities; also meet with  
investors.  
Summit dates are March 11-13, 2024.  
Registration \$1200.00 per person  
Requesting a couple of BC members to attend – Isaiah possibly attending. Lisa Carle will be  
attending.

Steer Project Cows have been slaughtered, freezers have been purchased, generators getting hooked up.

Tribal programs will be purchasing meat to give out in Food boxes to get meat to Tribal members.

Budget meeting Meeting tomorrow, Tuesday, February 27, 2024.  
Presenting Anav Budget and Tribal Budget

Elections Election Ordinance has been submitted. It's a bit lengthy so we want to focus on these two items for this upcoming meeting.  
A polling day.  
Election Committee  
Frieda Bennett and Lisa Carle will be leading Focus Conversation for Election Ordinance – Determining dates, getting announcement out, sending out ordinance.

Tribal Treasurer Will be doing budget meeting tomorrow, February 27, 2024.

### **Old Business**

Boards & Committees Questions regarding Board & Committees for QVIR  
Need to determine who is on each board?  
What positions are vacant?  
What are the terms?  
Announcements of vacant positions will be announced at this March 2024 meeting for all vacant positions based on terms. Board Member #2- Charlene Henry will be taking the lead on vacant positions and ensuring announcements are made at the meeting.  
What is the purpose of the Board/Committees - Do the Boards/committees need a voting process for direct service awards; are they needed for policy review.  
What is the standard of board members?

Burning Policy Tabled

Opioid Settlement Fund  
Class action lawsuit against Big Pharma  
Certain demographics had more exposure to opioids than others; tribes were defined as one of these demographics. Tribes were given the opportunity to receive a portion of the settlement.  
QVIR applied and received \$85K for the first settlement payment.  
Need to determine how to utilize this funding.

PIMTAV  
What is the goal for PIMTAV – Economic Development?  
Need to determine purpose of building.  
Is it a loss for QVIR.  
The appraisal has been done and the owner is requesting much more.  
QVIR still has 1 year on the lease – QVIR needs to determine what we will do for the remaining portion of the lease.

Directive – Tribal Administrator and Office Manager to move forward with developing a RFP for specialties provider at PIMTAV and put together a budget and bring it back to BC for approval.

**New Business** **None**

**Executive Session** **Housing Director**  
Entered at 3:55 pm  
Exited at 4:16 pm

**Announcements**

Budget meeting tomorrow 12 pm  
Interviews being hosted on Friday, March 1, 2024 @ 8:30 am

**Adjournment**

**Motion**

Frieda Bennett moves to adjourn the meeting at 4:18 pm, Tim Bennett seconds the motion.  
Vote: 7 For 0 Against 1 Abstention

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**BE IT RESOLVED,**

That the Quartz Valley Indian Reservation presiding Executive Official is hereby authorized to sign and the Tribal Secretary/Treasurer to attest this document (\_\_\_February 26, 2024\_\_\_\_\_ Minutes) to give it full force and effect. The foregoing is adopted by majority vote of \_\_\_4\_\_\_\_\_ For, \_\_\_0\_\_\_\_\_ Against, \_\_\_1\_\_\_\_\_ Abstention(s) and \_\_\_0\_\_\_\_\_ no vote at this duly called meeting of Quartz Valley Indian Reservation General Community Council at which a quorum was present on the \_\_\_25\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_March\_\_\_\_\_, 2024

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Tribal Chairperson/  
Tribal Vice-Chairperson

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Date

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Tribal Secretary/  
Tribal Treasurer

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Date