Call to Order at 3:00 p.m.
Roll Call: Member Duane Garfield, Member Eduardo Hernandez, Member Vernon Vera
Absent: Member Felipe Martinez

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- Claudia Elliott, thanked the Committee for including the “Oral Communications” portion on its agenda.

SCHEDULED MATTERS
1. LOCAL COORDINATION AGREEMENT

Porterville City Manager John Longley indicated that the agreement was currently being drafted, and spoke of the need to first create the articles of incorporation and bylaws for the nonprofit corporation. Porterville City Attorney Julia Lew, via teleconference, indicated there were changes to the last draft and that she would provide a memorandum along with the drafts for everyone’s review. Ms. Lew added that the draft articles and bylaws would also be made available to the public. Mr. Longley recommended that Ms. Lew, working in coordination with Tribal General Counsel Charmaine McDarment, prepare and present a final draft of the articles of incorporation and bylaws for the Committee’s review at the next meeting.

COMMITTEE ACTION: The Committee approved staff’s recommendation to consider approval of the draft articles of incorporation and bylaws at the next meeting.

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AYES: Hernandez, Vera, Garfield
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Martinez

Disposition: Direction given to staff.

2. DISCUSSION OF AB 1884

Tribal Administrator Rodney Martin updated the Committee on the status of AB 1884, indicating that the bill had passed committee unanimously, and that it might be before the floor of the Assembly as early as the next day. He noted that once the Assembly passed the bill, it would move onto the Senate, once again beginning in committee.
Mr. Pete Carrillo, Silicon Valley Advisors, provided additional information with regard to AB 1884, and thanked the Committee Members for their testimony. He surmised there would be no problems with the Assembly approving the bill, and indicated that it would likely go to the Local Government Committee in the Senate in June. Noting the lifecycle of a bill, he explained that once through the Senate Committee, it would then go to the Senate Floor, and if approved, on to the Governor for signature. Mr. Carrillo spoke briefly of the Assembly Member Maze’s efforts, and made mention of Assembly Member Parra and Assembly Member Coto’s co-authorship.

Committee Member Hernandez voiced concerns with the discussion in Sacramento pertaining to the selection of the fifth member of the JPA. He indicated that he understood that the City Council would select two members, the Tribal Council would select two members, and the fifth would be a Tulare County resident selected by both the Tribe and the City Council. He stated that a miscommunication took place that had the fifth member of the JPA being a County Supervisor.

Mr. Longley indicated that he had thought that a County representative was to have attended that day’s meeting, and suggested that the Committee appoint one City member, and one Tribe member to meet with the County to discuss the subject.

A brief discussion ensued, after which both Chairman Garfield and Member Hernandez agreed with Mr. Longley’s recommendation of scheduling a meeting with the County.

Mr. Martin advised that while Assembly Member Maze initially voiced a strong position for changing the language, ultimately he changed his mind. He stated that the language in the bill with regard to the appointment of a fifth member remained as the Committee Members had intended. Mr. Martin then indicated that the only amendment made to the bill was an extension of the sunset clause from 2029 to 2039.

Ms. Lew suggested an additional amendment with regard to the language in paragraph 1, noting it should match staff’s analysis.

At 3:20 p.m., a representative of Tulare County joined the meeting.

Mr. Martin commented that he would have Mr. Carrillo follow-up with Assembly Member Maze with regard to the issues discussed. The County representative was then briefed on the previous discussion regarding AB1884.

**COMMITTEE ACTION:**

MOVED by Member Hernandez, SECONDED by Member Vera that the Committee form an ad hoc committee to meet with the County of Tulare to discuss their interest in participating as a member of the JPA; and that Chairman Garfield and Member Hernandez be appointed to that ad hoc committee.

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It was decided that Mr. Martin would schedule the meeting.

Disposition: Ad Hoc Committee formed; direction given to staff.

Mr. Longley suggested that in light of the speed at which AB 1884 was moving through the legislature, the next meeting should be scheduled early in the week.

Ms. Lew provided a brief report on the status of the special counsel item, indicating that she had sent the letter to approximately ten attorneys, and that she had already begun to receive responses. Ms. Lew stated that she would likely have proposals for the Committee’s review at the next meeting.

Mr. Longley requested that an item be placed on the next agenda to consider appointing Porterville Chief Deputy City Clerk Patrice Hildreth as the Committee’s Clerk.

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 3:31 p.m. to the meeting of May 27, 2008 at 11:00 a.m.

Patrice Hildreth, Chief Deputy City Clerk

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Duane Garfield, Chairman