

**SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL
COUNCIL MEETING
November 2, 2012**

Attendance:

Tribal Council	Dave Lopeman Arnold Cooper Andy Whitener Pete Kruger, Sr. Ray Peters Jim Peters Charlene Krise	Chairman Vice Chairman Treasurer Secretary 1 st Council Member 2 nd Council Member Council Member
Legal Counsel	Kevin Lyon	
Tribal Administrator	Don Whitener	
Recording Secretary	Melissa Puhn	

Dave Lopeman called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m.

Ray Peters brought up a sponsorship request for the upcoming Capital Land Trust breakfast; they are asking for \$2,500. Council agreed by consensus to donate.

Dave brought up the letter from the Elders, written by Elizabeth Heredia on the Elders' behalf. Most of the Tribal Elders feel the sanction put on the Canoe Family be lifted. Arnold Cooper stated that the decision is up to the Tribal Elders. Dave suggested that at the Elders request, Council go ahead and lift the sanction. A copy of the letter will be kept with the Council Minutes.

Jim Peters wants the entire Canoe Family to always show respect to the Tribal Elders regardless of their forgiveness or not. He reminded that spouses need to be treated with the same respect that Tribal Elders be treated.

Don Whitener added that at the Veterans Committee meeting, they all agreed that it's time to move on.

Jim wants to make sure that the Canoe Family is respectful of Squaxin Island Tribe when they are representing Squaxin Island Tribe. They need to be kept accountable considering the Tribe is funding their activities.

Council discussed the Drug Task Force and the drug eradication efforts.

Council discussed Initiative 502, Marijuana Reform, and how that could potentially affect the tribe on a Federal level. If this passes, a detailed policy will need to be prepared.

Andy shared that he has been assisting the Veterans on setting up landscaper to do maintenance on the Veterans Memorial, and the pond. The estimate is around \$130,000 to clean it up, and maintain the area. There is a water leak in the liner and the paddles need to be removed, cleaned and reinstalled; as well as a new liner needs to be laid down. After much discussion about what needs to be done; Council supports the maintenance plan and estimate of \$130,000.

Ray would like to follow up with Michael Starr regarding the presentation that was shared earlier this morning.