

Walker River Paiute Tribe

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THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE'S LAW & ORDER CODE COMMITTEE

PREAMBLE

In order to insure and promote a strong tribal judicial system established by the governing body through ordinances and resolution and the Law & Order Code's for all members of the Walker River Paiute Tribe, as well as all community members, the Walker River Paiute Tribal Council appoints members to the following Constitution and Bylaws of the Law & Order Code Committee.

Article I – Membership

Section 1: The Membership of the Law & Order Code Committee of the Walker River Paiute Tribe shall be subject to the following qualifications.

(a) Any enrolled tribal member of the Walker River Paiute Tribe living on the Walker River Paiute Reservation who has a very sincere interest in upgrading and becoming involved in revising the Law & Order Code for all tribal and community members.

Article II - Composition

<u>Section 1:</u> The Walker River Paiute Tribe's Law & Order Code Committee shall consist of five (5) members selected and approved by the Walker River Paiute Tribal Council.

<u>Section 2:</u> The Law & Order Code Committee so organized shall elect from its own members a chairman, vice-chairman and secretary, and such other officer as deemed necessary, an appointed Law Enforcement advisor, and an appointed Tribal Court advisor. Advisory members will not be members of the Law & Order Code Committee.

Section 3: In order to maintain continuity and expertise within the Law & Order Code Committee, the five (5) members shall serve staggered terms. Three (3) members will initially be appointed to three (3) year terms, the other two (2) members will serve two (2) year terms.

Section 4: In order to insure active participation on the Law & Order Code Committee, each member shall be monetarily compensated for one (1) regular monthly

meeting and all special meetings. The Tribal Council shall set the amount to be paid to individual members.

Section 5: A quorum shall consist of three (3) Committee members in good standing.

Article III - Election

Section 1: The Tribal Council of the Walker River Painte Tribe shall appoint and approve all members to the Tribe's Law & Order Code Committee.

Section 2: New Law & Order Code Committee members, being appointed to fill expired terms will be so appointed at the regular Tribal Council meeting held January of each year. Names for consideration need to be submitted to the Tribal Council by the first week in January.

Section 3: The Law & Order Code Committee shall elect its officers at its first regular meeting in January. Officers shall re-elect on an annual basis and can be re-elected during their term.

Section 4: Law & Order Code Committee can be appointed to consecutive terms.

Article IV - Vacancies & Removal

Section 1: Members, failing to complete appointed terms, will be replaced as necessary by the Tribal Council. Appointees to incomplete terms will not be considered full appointees, but will complete the term of whomever he/she is replacing.

Section 2: Any Law & Order Code Committee member who misses three (3) consecutive meetings, without a valid excuse, shall be removed from the Committee.

Article V - Powers & Duties

<u>Section 1:</u> The Law & Order Code Committee of the Walker River Paiute Tribe shall have the following powers and duties:

- (a) Review and revise Law & Order Codes.
- (b) Review and make recommendations to the Tribal Council, such as codes, ordinances, resolutions and judicial appointments.
- (c) Meet with court personnel, Law Enforcement, prosecutor, chief and associate tribal judge on a quarterly basis for recommendations, changes or amendments to the Law & Order Codes.
- (d) The committee will advise the Tribal Council on recommendations for periodic judicial reviews.
- (e) The Law & Order Code Committee shall not nor have any involvement in personnel complaints.
- (f) The committee will not hear any appeals on individual cases.

- (g) No committee member shall be allowed to be involved in any political aspects of the judicial system.
- (h) The Law & Order Code Committee will only accept written complaints regarding the Law & Order Code.

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Article VI - Duties of Officers and Advisors

<u>Section 1:</u> The Chairman of the Law & Order Code Committee shall have the following duties:

- (a) Preside at the regular and special meetings in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order unless this Constitution and Bylaws otherwise specifically directs.
- (b) Call special meeting when sufficient cause exists.
- (c) Be the official representative of the Law & Order Code Committee whenever possible.

Section 2: The Vice-Chairman of the Law & Order Code Committee shall have the following duties:

- (a) Preside at the regular and special meetings in the absence of the Chairman.
- (b) Shall call special meetings when sufficient cause exists.
- (c) Shall be the first alternate, in the event that the Chairman is unable to attend to duties, such as being the official representative at meetings, etc.

Section 3: The Secretary of the Law & Order Code Committee shall have the following duties:

- (a) Keep minutes of the regular and special meetings.
- (b) Keep a register of all members and the dates of their terms on the Committee.
- (c) Keep attendance of members and advisors.
- (d) Issue all meeting notices and agendas.
- (e) Shall safe guard all documents of the Law & Order Code Committee.

Section 4: Advisors of the Law & Order Code Committee shall have the following duties:

- (a) Attends meeting and makes recommendations to the committee of any problems they see with in the Law & Order Code.
- (b) Advisors will not have a voting power.

Article VII - Order of Business

<u>Section 1:</u> The following shall be the order of business for any meeting:

I - Meeting Called to Order

- II Roll Call
- III Reading of minutes of the previous meeting or meetings, except in the case of a special meeting.
- IV Old Business
- V New Business
- VI Discussion
- VII Miscellaneous Announcements, etc.
- VIII Adjournment

Section 2: Roberts Rules of Order shall govern in all matters unless the Constitution and Bylaws directs otherwise.

Article VIII - Amendments

Section 1: All amendments to this Constitution and Bylaws must be proposed verbally or in writing at a regular meeting.

Section 2: Proposed amendments may be adopted by a majority vote of a quorum of the Law & Order Code Committee membership and unless adopted by such a vote, shall be deemed lost.

Article IX - Miscellaneous

<u>Section 1:</u> All matters not specifically provided for in this Constitution and Bylaws shall be governed by the Walker River Paiute Tribal Council.

<u>Section 2:</u> Law & Order Code Committee will refrain or abstain from making decisions or voting on a motion, in there is a suspicion or a possibility of being in conflict on interest.

Article X - Meetings

Section 1: The annual meeting of the Law & Order Code Committee shall be held in January of each year.

<u>Section 2:</u> The regular monthly meetings of the Law & Order Code Committee shall be held on the second Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. at the Tribal Conference Room, or at such other place and time, that may be designated.

Special Meetings may be called with in twenty-four (24) hours by the

Chairman or Vice-Chairman. The Object of the special meeting shall be stated in the request and no other business, other than what is stated, will be discussed.

Section 4: Notice of all meeting shall be given to all Committee members at least two (2) full days before the meeting. Notification may be written or oral.

Certification

It is herby certified that the foregoing Constitution and Bylaw for the Law & Order Code Committee of the Walker River Paiute Tribe Council composed of six members, or whom 6 constituting a quorum were present at a meeting held on the 13 day of January 2005 and that such Constitution and Bylaws was adopted by the affirmative vote of # 2 FOR # 2 AGAINST and # 0 ABSTENTIONS, pursuant to the authority contained in Article VI, Section 1(e), of the Constitution and By Laws of the Walker River Paiute Tribe of Nevada approved on March 26, 1937.

, Chairperson