

# Vote on Resolution for Special Election for Cedar Band Chairperson

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Dear Chairwoman Slayton and PITU Council members

I am writing this email to let it be know that I am recinding my last vote on the Resolution for the Special Election for the Cedar Band Chairperson that was presented for vote to the council on February 1, 2018. My vote will be a NO and any other motions for the Special Election will continue to a NO vote. I believe this to be a grave err for the PITU to continue down this path I can only see bad feelings and a community that would be unable to work together for the best interest of the Paiute Tribe. I have been told by the Cedar Band Attorney that if the Council is to agree with holding off the election and come to the bargaining table to discuss changing the PITU Constitution That we change this situation for the better. I for one think that is the best solution to the current problem. May times we think that we are doing what we feel is the best for the people but honestly we hurt more then we heal. And I believe this to be one of those times. You may disagree with me and you are entitled to your own opinion all I can ask that you think about what I have said and make a valued decision to stop the Special Election for the Cedar Band Chairperson.

I am not just voicing my opinion but also the opinion of my Shivwits Band Council. As you know we are elected into these position to listen to the people and my Council has full heartedly put their support behind the Cedar Band Council. As a Council they past a resolution that expresses it support for the efforts of the Cedar Band and Kanosh Band to exercise the full scope of federal recognition of their respective Bands under the Restoration Act. And that the Shivwits Band Council hereby directs its Chairperson , to vote consistent with this Resolution and support Band Sovereignty in every respect, when voting as a member of the Paiute Tribal Council.

I am also adding excerpts from our own Shivwits Bylaws regarding the duties of Chairperson (Bylaws Article VII, Section 4, (d) and (e) for reference.

(d) Duty to Report. The Chairperson shall report in the monthly general membership meetings as to the affairs of the Shivwits Band, The Chairperson shall include in this report all matters within his or her knowledge that may interest or require the attention of the Band Members.

(e) Duty to implement Council Policy, the chairman shall implement and carry out all directives and policies of the Shivwits Band Council. The Chairperson's actions are not legally binding on the Band until the Band Council has deliberated and enacted an appropriate resolution authorizing the actions. In closing I would again ask that the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah not proceed with the Special Election of the Cedar Band Chairperson.

Respectively,  
Patrick Charles   
Shivwits Band Chairperson.