

**Joint Village Strategic Planning  
MEETING NOTES  
Tuesday, September 20, 2022  
10 AM MST  
Zoom Videoconference and Telephone**

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Bailey Anderson at 10:10 am MST.

**2. Self-introductions**

Meeting attendees included Bailey Anderson, Claudina Burgener, Alene Garcia, Ronald Honahni, Waylon Honga, Norman Honie, Dyron Murphy, Jarvis Namoki, Sam Shingoitewa, Fred Shupla, Oriel Tootsie, and Neil Yazzie.

**3. Presentation by Waylon Honga**

An economic development presentation by Waylon Honga took place. A brief description of his presentation is included below.

For 30+ years the Hualapai Tribe enjoyed a robust economy built around Route 66. In 1979 Interstate 40 opened and bypassed our reservation which crushed our economy. I use this historic event to illustrate;

- What an economy is and how it grows
- The importance of infrastructure; water, sewer, electric lines, roads & telecommunications
- What tribal governments can do to grow their economies
- Taxation as the key mechanism governments use to fund services

We also tried casino gaming but our casino opened and closed in 1995. We refocused our efforts on tourism and we have done well. In 2019 our gross revenues were approximately \$100 million dollars and we collected approximately \$7 million in tax revenue.

After the presentation was over, Honga asked the group for any questions or comments they had. Claudina Burgener asked for a copy of the presentation and Honga noted that he would try to get this to Bailey Anderson to distribute to the meeting participants.

Fred Shupla thanked Honga and expressed that he was hoping someone would talk about this. Shupla suggested giving this presentation to a bigger audience. Honga affirmed that he has given this presentation to others and would like to do it again for tribal members and decision makers.

The group then discussed many specifics of Honga's presentation and spoke of the importance of it.

**4. Other Business**

Claudina Burgener informed Bailey Anderson that she would be sending over the updated YPC budget as well as the signed resolution. Anderson noted that she would look forward to the email.

**5. Next Meeting**

The next regular JVSP meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 27 at 10 am Arizona Time.

**6. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:31 am MST.