



Presentation to the General Council

Tribal Entities, Tribal Boards & Committees, and Tribal Court



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Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe Legal Department

The legal department represents and provides services to the Tribal government, those services include but are not limited to:

- Contract negotiation and review
- Assistance in land acquisition and the land-into-trust process
- Developing tribal law and policy
- Improving internal controls and administrative efficiency
- **Legal department attorneys cannot provide direct legal services to Tribal members**

Civil Legal Aid Attorney: Paul Cullen

- Can provide direct services to Tribal members
- Call 206-786-4311 or visit the Court Clerks at Court Services to schedule an appointment



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Recap – Last Legal Department Presentation

- General Council Authority
- Tribal Council Authority and Process
- How to Change the Constitution
- How to Access Committees and Boards
- Tribal Records Access and Request Policy



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Today

- Tribal Council's delegation of powers
- Tribal Entities
- Tribal Boards and Committees
- Tribal Court

Next time: Tribal government administration: structure, authority, and access



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Delegation to Entities, Boards, and Committees

Tribal Council can delegate power to Tribal entities, boards, and committees.

Benefits

- High subject matter expertise
- Can be more efficient/make quicker decisions
- Independence and autonomy from Tribal government
- Sometimes required by federal law

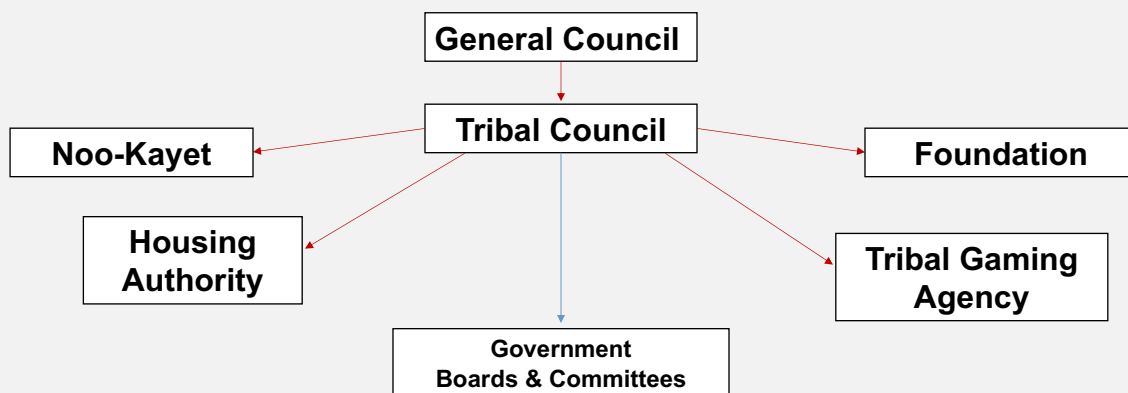
Drawbacks

- Less transparent and accessible than Tribal Council
- No direct political accountability
- Less community knowledge
- Lack of oversight
- More layers of approval and review



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Delegation from Tribal Council



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Noo-Kayet



Noo-Kayet Investments is a federally-chartered corporation that is owned solely by the Tribe

- Rights of shareholders are vested in and exercised by the Tribal Council
- Includes the Point Casino & Hotel, Gliding Eagle Market, Point Market, High Point Cannabis, Ascension, and Miller Bay Properties.

Purpose:

- Engage in business and promote economic development of the Tribe
- Provide a vehicle for the Tribe to accomplish financing of projects of the Tribe for essential governmental services
- Provide for efficient and effective use of Noo-Kayet's resources while protecting the long-term interests of the Tribe
- Accomplish segregation of Tribal governmental assets and liabilities from Tribal business assets and liabilities



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Noo-Kayet (cont'd)



Governing Board: Noo-Kayet Board of Directors

Authority:

- Purchase, lease, own, manage, operate, and use, real or personal property
- Incur debts and raise, borrow and secure payments
- Create subsidiaries or subdivisions

Limitations:

- Cannot enter into agreements on behalf of the Tribe, pledge credit of the Tribe, or dispose of or encumber real or personal property of the Tribe
- No regulatory or taxing jurisdiction

Access: Board meetings occur the 4th Thursday of every month and include time for Tribal member open comments. To submit an agenda item, call **360-297-7414** no later than the morning of the meeting.

Tribal members can also bring concerns to CEO Troy Clay directly at **360-297-6186** or **360-204-0583**, or in-person at the Noo-Kayet offices at Gliding Eagle.



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Port Gamble S’Klallam Foundation



The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization created for the benefit of the Port Gamble S’Klallam Tribe, its members, and its mission.

Includes Heronswood Garden, and manages grants, sponsors classes, and manages certain tribal fundraising and scholarship funds

Purpose:

- To support charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes, and for the protection and enhancement of natural resources

Governing Board: Board of Trustees

Authority:

- Solicit and distribute funds for the operation of the Foundation
- Engage in activities that further the Foundation’s purposes



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Port Gamble S’Klallam Foundation (cont’d)



Limitations:

- Operations are limited to charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes and for the protection and enhancement of natural resources
- Net earnings cannot be transferred to private parties
- Cannot participate in political or lobbying activities
- Financial information is publicly available

Access:

- The Board of Trustees meets twice a year during the regular Tribal Council meeting
- Meetings advertised in the Tribal Council meeting agenda
- Anyone can attend and share comments, no prior request or permission is needed



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Housing Authority

The Housing Authority is a semi-autonomous instrumentality of the Tribal government

Purpose:

- Provide housing, housing assistance, and related services to Tribal members
- Rectify unsanitary and unsafe housing conditions on Tribal lands
- Provide employment opportunities through housing construction and repair projects

Governing Board: Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

Authority:

- Acquire housing, construct or reconstruct housing, and infrastructure development
- Provide housing assistance and services
- Borrow or lend money
- Enter into housing lease agreements with individuals, enforce those agreements, and bring eviction actions against tenants or homebuyers pursuant to Tribal law



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Housing Authority (cont'd)

Limitations:

- Cannot grant lot assignments
- Must lease lands from the Tribe for housing projects
- Federal compliance and funding obligations

Access:

- The Board of Commissioners meets the 4th Thursday of every month
- Contact the Housing Authority at **(360) 297-2646** for the time and location of the meetings



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Tribal Gaming Agency



The Tribal Gaming Agency (TGA) is an independent regulatory agency

Purpose: Regulates gaming activities on Tribal lands to fulfill federal requirements to engage in gaming operations

Governing Board: Tribal Gaming Commission

Authority:

- Regulate Tribal gaming operations to ensure compliance with Tribal, federal, and any applicable state laws
- Create license standards, issues licenses, and perform background checks
- Monitor compliance with internal controls
- Review gaming records
- Take enforcement actions, including suspension or revocation of license



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Tribal Gaming Agency (cont'd)



Limitations:

- Limited to regulatory duties, not managerial
- Must comply with requirements under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, federal regulations, state compact, and Tribal law

Access:

- Contact Nic Armstrong at **(360) 297-9696** if you would like to learn more about TGA and the Commission
- Patrons can file petition for relief with the Commission pursuant to Title 20.01.13



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Government Boards and Committees

- Utility Board
- Enrollment Committee
- Baseball Field Committee
- Child Protection Team
- Children & Family Services Committee
- Cultural Committee
- Early Childhood Policy Council
- Education Committee
- Elders Advisory Committee
- Election Committee
- Fish Committee
- Health Advisory Committee
- Hunting Committee
- Investment Committee
- Law and Order Committee
- Lot Advisory Committee



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Tribal Court

- Branch of Tribal Government
- Created by Article V of the Constitution
- Judges are appointed by the Tribal Council
- Exercises “Judicial Power”
 - Criminal Jurisdiction
 - Civil Jurisdiction
- Programs/Services:
 - Probation & Pretrial
 - Crime Victim Services
 - Child Advocate Program
 - Transitional Housing
 - Welcome Home Project
 - Human Dignity Re-entry Model
 - Success Coaching
 - Circle Work
 - K-CPTS Re-entry Task Force
 - Culture Services



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Thank You!

Remaining Questions?

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