

COMMUNITY LAND USE PLANNING COMMITTEE  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2017

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Tsaile/Wheatfields

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1. ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Call to order

The Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter Community Land Use Planning Committee meeting was called to order at 1:26 p.m. by President Lucinda Davis. The President declared a quorum present to conduct business of the CLUPC.

Present: Lucinda Davis, Interim President  
Thomas Litson, Interim Vice President  
Marjorie Johnson, Interim Secretary  
Willis Becenti, T/W Chapter Veterans Commander

B. Invocation

The invocation was offered by Willis Becenti, T/W Chapter Veterans Commander.

C. Adoption of Agenda

The Agenda was presented for review and approval. A MOTION was made by Willis Becenti, seconded by Thomas Litson to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion was approved by a vote of 3 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention.

D. Approval of Minutes – January 8, 2017

The minutes of the January 8, 2017 CLUPC meeting was read into the record by the Interim Secretary. A MOTION was made by Marjorie Johnson, seconded by Thomas Litson to approve the minutes as read. The motion was passed by a vote of 3 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention.

NOTE: Minutes of the December 28, 2016 CLUPC meeting was not available and have not been approved by the CLUPC membership.

E. Announcements

1. T/W Veterans meeting on Tuesday, 2/14/2017, at 4:00 p.m. The revised T/W Community Cemetery Plan of Operation will be presented to the Veterans.
2. T/W Chapter Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 2/15/2017 at 10:00 a.m. (maybe 1:00 p.m.) CLUPC representative requested to attend meeting to present TW Chapter Community Cemetery Policies and Procedures. Thomas and Cindy plan on attending.
3. Navajo Nation Election office re-opened election for Farm Board/Grazing Committee positions to Friday, 2/17/2017 at 5:00 p.m.
4. New Mexico Organic Farming Conference, February 17-18, 2017 at Pyramid-ABQ.

## 2. REPORTS

### A. Interim President: Lucinda Davis

No report; the President continues working on the 5 year plan update. Her focus is on water/infrastructure issues, waterlines, electric lines. Her experience with the Chapter provides information on policies and budget line items.

### B. Interim Vice President: Thomas Litson

Thomas scheduled the last permit holder meeting of his term on January 9, 2017. The meeting was postponed due to inclement weather conditions. A meeting of the Permit Holders was held January 10, 2017. Black Rock people brought up road conditions and money issues that make it difficult for them to management their livestock. Main topics include the HNH study (hydrology study), recommended road route, money for gravel, and lack of representation for Black Rock residents.

Chinle Unified School District (CUSD) Superintendent is concerned about Tsaile area bus routes. CUSD met with NDOT to address road issue. Thomas asked Chapter President to find Chapter petition and resolution supporting improvements to CR 8077; documents were emailed to CUSD but the same packet was located at Chinle with all environmental clearances from N12 to Tsaile Elementary School. Chapter President recommended the road be added into N12 project. CUSD stated it wants to complete the project as soon as possible and will proceed with its partnership with NDOT to complete.

Thomas also reported NPS is requesting permit from canyon residents who enter the canyon to care for their property. His family met with NPS Superintendent who requested advanced notice prior to going into the canyon, families are opposed to this.

BIA is not releasing any grazing permits. Derrith Watchman stated BIA is working on documents but permits are idling at BIA.

### C. Interim Secretary: Marjorie Johnson

Email was sent to Chapter Service Coordinator requesting updates on five issues, with no response: (1) funds budgeted for public hearings remain available for CLUPC use; (2) request for Internet access for CLUPC office – no response; (3) update on Cemetery resolution – update provided by Veterans Commander; (4) Committee membership – CSC sent email stating Kathy John and Ken Nataani resigned from Committee so only three members available for quorum. Presidents she requested Internet access already and request needs to be continued.

### D. Members: Willis Becenti reported concerns; he had a question on the easement road to the Cemetery because he was informed it was not part of the packet. Paula confirmed no feasibility was done for easement. Willis Becenti stated the Chapter FY 2017 budget allocated \$6,500 for chapter feasibility study and recommends it be used for the easement. There is also \$34,000 from the Sales Tax that has not been allocated and he recommends CLUPC request this amount be earmarked for cemetery fencing.

A MOTION was made by Thomas Litson to amend the agenda to include Sales Tax Budget under New Business, seconded by Marjorie Johnson. Motion passed by a vote of 3 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention.

At the Lukachukai Veterans meeting, questions were raised on proposed cemetery within Lukachukai Chapter boundaries. Thomas Litson clarified there are no Chapter boundaries, boundaries are at Grazing District level. Grazing District 11 includes Round Rock, Lukachukai and Tsaile Chapters: Round Rock - Unit 1, Lukachukai - Unit 2, and Tsaile/Wheatfields - Unit 3. It was further clarified that when the Cemetery acreage is approved the cemetery becomes public domain. Willis Becenti continues working on the proposed National Veterans Cemetery at Round Rock.

Motion to accept reports made by Thomas Litson, seconded by Willis Becenti and passed by a vote of 3 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention.

### 3. OLD BUSINESS

- A. CLUPC membership update: CSC reported receipt of resignations from Kathy John and Ken Nataani. CLUPC vacancies were announced at February Planning Meeting, notices are posted at the Chapter house and letters of interest are being accepted by CSC. CLUPC Plan of Operation was read with regard to Committee membership; POP allows for two ex-officio members. A recommendation was made by Marjorie Johnson to request Ken Nataani and Devon Begay serve as ex-officio members on CLUPC. CLUPC President was requested to contact both individuals.
- B. Tsaile/Wheatfields Community Cemetery Plan of Operation – The proposed Plan of Operation is on the Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter meeting agenda; a member of CLUPC is requested to present the Plan of Operation/CLUPC Resolution. Final policies will be sent to all members; President will sign resolution, scan and send to Paula for presentation at Wednesday's Chapter meeting. Thomas will provide Plan of Operation and CLUPC resolution to Veteran's Commander for presentation at the Veteran's meeting.
- C. Five-Year Tsaile Wheatfields Community Land Use Plan REVISION; Lucinda is working on updating water resource issues, i.e. water lines, utility lines and also has knowledge and experience with Chapter policies and procedures. Thomas is working on land and agricultural updates and stated CLUPC will need to collaborate with Farm Board to update issues. Thomas completed some goals and will incorporate information to update the Plan. Marjorie recommended the Committee, at the next meeting, review the chart that has mission statements and goals listed for various areas, i.e. public safety, education, farming and update strategic plans for the next 5 years. The Chart will be emailed to members for their information and recommendations for updates Request will be made to CSC to have projector available at the next meeting to begin detailing updates.

D. Rural Addressing Update: Marjorie Johnson reported on progress on the Rural Addressing project. Committee reviewed data on the laptop. The first task was to compare data gathered by America Corp students last summer with the data compiled by CLUPC. This has been completed with matching entries identified and cross referenced. There are duplicating entries due to the students interviewing one family member while another person is listed on CLUPC data sheet. Marjorie stated she will meet with Chapter members to correlate entries based on family information, one lists wife while other may list husband. She will then use Addressing Authority software to enter GIS coordinates on CLUPC data. Marjorie will send information on Black Rock residents for Thomas to confirm; he volunteered to provide GIS coordinates for Black Rock homes. Information will then be combined into one data base. Many of the homes listed by America Corp include Dine College, Tsaile Clinic and Public School facilities that will increase the data for Tsaile/Wheatfields. Marjorie will continue working on this project from Albuquerque.

#### 4. NEW BUSINESS

1. Sales Tax Budget Request: The Committee discussed information received on 2017 Sales Tax funds of \$89,000 allocated to the Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter. The budget is being discussed by the Chapter and funds have been earmarked for various Chapter needs. CLUPC recommends the remaining amount, approximately \$39,000, be earmarked by the Chapter for completion of the Cemetery.

A MOTION was made by Thomas Litson, seconded by Marjorie Johnson to submit CLUPC recommendation to earmark remaining Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter Sales Tax of approximately \$39,000 to cover cost for Cemetery easement and fencing. The Motion was passed by a vote of 2 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention. The request will be emailed to the CSC prior to Wednesday's Chapter meeting.

#### 5. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the CLUPC will be held Sunday, March 12, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

#### 6. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Thomas Litson, seconded by Marjorie Johnson for adjournment. Motion passed by a vote of 2 in favor, 0 opposed and no abstentions. The meeting adjourned at 3:52 p.m.

Submitted by: Marjorie Johnson, Interim Secretary