**Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter Meeting**

**April 13, 2014 @10:00 am**

**AGENDA**

1. **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**
2. Call meeting to order
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Invocation
5. Review and Accept Agenda
6. Review and Accept Minutes
7. Announcements:
8. April 14, 2014 @10:00am Youth Council Meeting at the Wheatfields Chapter House
9. April 16, 2014 @1:00pm: Dineh Central Arizona WUA Meeting
10. April 16, 2014 @ 9:00am: CSC/AMS Meeting at the Cottonwood Chapter House
11. April 17, 2014 @ 10:00am: Local Senior Council Meeting
12. April 20, 2014: Easter Sunday
13. April 21, 2014: Transportation Day at the Navajo DOT Tse Bonito Complex
14. April 21-25, 2014: Navajo Nation Spring Council Delegate Session
15. April 26, 2014: Song & Dance sponsoring by Local Senior Council
16. April 28, 2014: Chapter Office Closed Navajo Nation Sovereignty Day
17. April 22-24, 2014: Grazing workshop at Dine College
18. April 30, 2014: Rural Addressing Summit at Dine College
19. Election Announcements:

* Donald Benally, Navajo Nation President

1. **BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS:**
2. Accepting and approving the March 2014 Chapter Budget
3. RATIFICATIONS of chapter expenses:
4. $**50.00** monetary donation for David Kedelty appointment in Flagstaff, Arizona
5. **$1,976.63** expenses for the Navajo Nation Resources Development Committee Meeting on April 8, 2014, including refreshments, meals, Pendleton blankets with embroidery.
6. $100.00 burial assistance for the late Beverly Mitchell
7. Supporting resolution of the Division of Health for land withdrawal for Veterans Wellness Facility
8. Supporting resolution for the Safety of Dams regarding the Tsaile Dam with update presentation
9. Supporting the Navajo Nation Council to approve the Plan of Operation for Chuska Regional Council.
10. Accepting and approving budget amount of $3,509.00 for the CLUPC to address the E911 Rural Addressing/Road Naming Project.
11. Requesting **$50.00** monetary donation for 2014 District 11 Grazing/ Land Use/ Homesite Assembly on April 22 – 24, 2014.
12. Requesting **$50.00** monetary donation for Tsaile Elementary School 8th grade class trip.
13. Requesting **$50.00** monetary donation for 12th Annual Navajo Hopi Honor Run
14. Supporting to waive the Applicability of Resolution No.RCJY-142-92 with respect to Nathaniel/Christina Bitsilly’s Homesite Lease Application within the Navajo commercial Forestry Area and within the Wheatfeilds Chapter, Apache County, Arizona.
15. Requesting to obtain a 10X80 ft. area to place a Cluster of PO Boxes outside the Chapter House to provide US Mail service to the community.
16. Requesting support for land withdrawal for Tsaile Clinic
17. Chapter Scholarship for Shawna Yoe
18. **REPORTS:**
19. Nelson S. Begaye, Council Delegate
20. Minnie Tsosie, Supervisor of Tsaile Senior Center
21. Paula Begay, CSC
22. Lewis Shirley, Apache County District II
23. Janie Henderson, Ind. Ed. Cmte
24. **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:**

May \_\_\_\_\_, 2014 at \_\_\_\_ am/pm

1. **ADJOURNMENT:**

**Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter Meeting**

**April 14, 2014 @10:00 am**

**MINUTES**

**ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

1. Meeting called to order at 11:00am by Mr. David Kedelty, Chapter Vice-President
2. Pledge of Allegiance by group
3. Invocation provided by Honorable Nelson S. Begaye, Council Delegate
4. Review and Adopt Agenda:

Motion by Lucita Roy David Tsosie

Votes: 19/00/11

1. Review and Accept Minutes:

Motion by David Tsosie, second by Rita Gishie

Votes: 20/00/07

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5. April 17, 2014 @ 10:00am: Local Senior Council Meeting
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7. April 21, 2014: Transportation Day at the Navajo DOT Tse Bonito Complex
8. April 21-25, 2014: Navajo Nation Spring Council Delegate Session at Window Rock Chamber
9. April 26, 2014: Song & Dance sponsoring by Local Senior Council at Dine College
10. April 28, 2014: Chapter Office Closed Navajo Nation Sovereignty Day
11. April 22-24, 2014: Grazing workshop at Dine College
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13. Election Announcements:

* Donald Benally, Navajo Nation President: Greeted and introduced his members. Has 4 children, he’s Veteran, was a Council Delegate, served on Native American Committee. Our children today really need jobs. 180,000 idling for employment. 12 years ago, about 34% unemployment rate today its reaching 75% need. Same with housing need which has been visited. Sad to say our people live in old vehicle etc. Scholarship is a need and only half of funds is allocated. About 7000 want to continue but does not have the funds. Our elderly teachings base on their need which was talked of 12-13 years ago for elderly facilities which never happened. 3billion floats on Navajo,80% goes off reservation and only 20% stays on Navajo. About 11million is paid to a Whiteman Attorney to process our leaders. This type of money could be used for housing or scholarship. School Board experience of developing NASBA and today its DBOSBA. Elaborated on the 1868 Treaty Health, Community development, School, Public Safety was to be taken care of by the government. Federal funding is not given to us, every year we are bailing out the government. This I will target and work with the US President. We need to support our people in the medical field. 24 Council is not working and need to be strengthen.

* Barbara Silversmith, Clerk of Superior Courts of Apache County. She is of Hunters Point. Worked for 30 years in this field. Has worked for 5 different Judges.

**ADD:**

April 23, 2014 @ 5:00pm: Farm Board Meeting after the Land Use workshop

April 17, 2014: Nabi Committee meeting to preparation and develop the Spring Council Session.

**BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Accepting and approving the March 2014 Chapter Budget

Motion by Daniel Haskie, second by Lucita Roy

This report is in correction status and will be provided upon the completion of the staff.

Chapter President informed we will bypass and get back to this later in the meeting.

1. RATIFICATIONS of chapter expenses:

Motion by David Tsosie, second by Daniel Haskie

1. **$50.00** monetary donation for David Kedelty medical appointment in Flagstaff, Arizona
2. **$1,976.63** expenses for the Navajo Nation Resources Development Committee Meeting on April 8, 2014, for refreshments, meal, pendleton blankets with embroidery.

**NOTE:** on the meeting date received a call from legislative services with RDC cancelled meeting. Many of our community people that arrived for the meeting were fed. At that same time the CLUPC meeting was in their meeting and the Navajo Nation Vice President arrived and fed.

**Comments/Questions/Recommendation:**

* Are we still going to meet with them?
* Yes, the RDC is meeting tomorrow and they will informed us.
* We need to be properly informed why they did not keep their schedule as we have expended much chapter fund for this event. Very disappointed in RDC with the late minute cancellation.
* If they should schedule again we the chapter committee need to assist with food items.

1. **$100.00** burial assistance for the late Beverly Mitchell

Votes: 21/01/05 Note: the motioning party addressed the motion was for 1 item but the chapter President added the 3 items.

1. Supporting resolution of the Division of Health for land withdrawal for Veterans Wellness Facility

Motion by David Tsosie, second by Lorena Eldridge

CLUPC presented item and elaborated on the Chapter Planning meeting request. The sponsor indicated that the Chapter President informed there is land. However in the meeting of the CLUPC discussion and finding is that there is no land. This proposal is possible but not at the location it was recommended for. It can be discussed further and possible identifying land.

The 10 acres is not withdrawn and this issue came upon the CLUC really fast. Besides finding is that the Division of Health really needs more than 10 acres.

**Comments/Questions/Recommendation:**

* 10 acres was already temporary withdrawn for different items. we don’t have project ready here and if the land is withdrawn and a need arise we would have the site.
* Veterans meeting it is informed that maybe there is land elsewhere.
* March 12 CLUPC meeting had problems and would like to rename as NHA project. There is no grazing permittee right now.
* Let the process take its course. Yes we can sit here and approve the land site but there is need for further assessment that CLUPC need to do and to most important to document.
* Due to the beauty of the land the Division of Health recommends this facility here
* CLUPC has not yet forward this recommendation to the chapter yet. In addition Mr. Haskie wants this facility near the Senior Citizen.
* Since we are not one on this item and we need to give timeline and withdraw this item.
* Consent was given for asphalt pit then given to Navajo DOT so the land was given back to the permitted. According to acknowledge there are 5 permitted. Have they been informed? We still need to respect the elderly.
* Where is the resolution and what does it say?

**NOTE:** motioning party withdrew their motion.

1. Supporting resolution for the Safety of Dams regarding the Tsaile Dam with update presentation

Motion by Lucinda Davis, second by Thomas Litson

Powerpoint presentation covered the Tsaile Dam construction profile with amends taking safety measures.

**Comments/Questions/Recommendation:**

* These contractors who are they?
* There will be 5 contractors handled by the BIA who will be picked up soon with one season. But it is already behind. Bids are reviewed by the BIA.

Votes: 19/00/06

1. Supporting the Navajo Nation Council to approve the Plan of Operation for Chuska Regional Council.

Motion by Thomas Litson, second by Lupita McClannah

CSC presented on the item with information that the Chinle Agency Council supported.

Votes: 21/00/05

1. Accepting and approving budget amount of $3,509.00 for the CLUPC to address the E911 Rural Addressing/Road Naming Project.

Motion by Lorena Eldridge, second by LeeAnne Thompson

CLUPC President with working on the item for identification within the Wheatfields, Blackrock and Tsaile area with each residence to be mapped. We are at the last end of the mapping the information. We had two workers who has gone home to home for verification of residence. A public hearing has been done and the amount has changed to **$3,174.93**.

**Comments/Questions/Recommendation:**

Is this amendable? Yes.

There is a privacy issue with this as some people don’t care for chapter business.

Votes: 19/01/04

1. Requesting **$50.00** monetary donation for 2014 District 11 Grazing/ Land Use/ Homesite Assembly on April 22 – 24, 2014.

Motion by Kathy John to combine all the monetary donation requests, second by Lorena Eldridge

1. Requesting $50.00 monetary donation for Tsaile elementary school 8th grade trip
2. Requesting $50.00 monetary donation for the 12th Annual Hopi Honor Run

Votes: 21/00/04

1. Supporting to waive the Applicability of Resolution No.RCJY-142-92 with respect to Nathaniel/Christina Bitsilly’s Homesite Lease Application within the Navajo commercial Forestry Area and within the Wheatfields Chapter, Apache County, Arizona.

**Forward to Planning Meeting due to no show of sponsor**

1. Requesting to obtain a 10X80 ft. area to place a Cluster of PO Boxes outside the Chapter House to provide US Mail service to the community.

Motion by Paula Begay, second by Thomas Litson

Sponsor indicated that is to serve this chapter community. This has been done in Round Rock chapter. There will be no cost to the post office holder. Only an area of setting up the boxes. These

**Comments/Questions/Recommendation:**

* This is a good idea for our community members
* We have people going to Lukachukai, Tsaile, Chinle, Navajo and Window Rock.
* Where would the boxes be?
* That is up to all where you would approve. You could check it 24 hours open.
* The Tsaile post office has
* Would like to install about 900 boxes for this community and can always add on. The security of the mail the PO box is security to withhold any break ins.
* Be aware of mail to be taken is a federal crime. Would there be any agreement that the chapter needs?
* Paper work to allow assigned post office boxes.
* A Village post office is another option with purchasing stamps and etc.
* Cost saving for the postal services. For what reason it does not work will take other measures.
* If the chapter can get a written document saying that there is not cost then it would be reasonable on behalf of the community.

Votes: 22/00/06

1. Requesting land withdrawal for Tsaile Clinic – Sponsor requested to move to next chapter meeting but the CLUPC has not acted on it.
2. Chapter Scholarship for Shawna Yoe

Motion by Lucita Roy, second by Kathy John

AMS informed there are two requesting and provided the second applicant.

1. Shawna Yoe……presented herself
2. Cory C. Yazzie…presented by parent

Votes: 23/00/03

**REPORTS:**

1. Nelson S. Begaye, Council Delegate: Departed to another meeting
2. Minnie Tsosie, Supervisor of Tsaile Senior Center: NO SHOW
3. Paula Begay, CSC deferred to next meeting
4. Lewis Shirley, Apache County District II: Introduced himself and spoke to work as feed back to the people. Purchase a new motor grader two weeks ago. About 400 miles for services. 200 miles to grave as a goal which 190 has been done. Gravel is hauled from St. Johns which is about 5 hours with wear and tear on the truck. Our roads become washed boarded fast. Last year we did over a mile. Even with little snow there is road assessment made. In September there was rain and the culverts were filled and some washed out. Plans of doing some more improvement in the Ram Pasture area using the gravel from Tsaile area. Materials used always become of a concern to people. Health walk in the planning stage. Last year a trail was developed in Tsaile. Every turkey with additional packages is given to the elderly. Wood is stocked piled and coal is also provided. All this is supported by the Supervisor. We will be working on 3 roads in this area. If the road is a county road with damage we will be there to correct it. We are meeting and discussing improvements every morning.

**Comments/Questions/Recommendation:**

* Appreciate the bus routes being worked on.

1. Janie Henderson, Indian Education Committee: NO SHOW

Votes:

23/00/03

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:**

May 2, 2014 at 1:00pm

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Votes: **All in favor**