

TSAILE/WHEATFIELDS CHAPTER PLANNING MEETING
January 6, 2012

PROPOSED AGENDA

I. ORDER OF BUSINESS

- a. Call meeting to order/Invocation
- b. Review/Accept Agenda
- c. Announcements:

II. BUSINESS ITEMS:

a. RESOLUTIONS:

- 1. Supporting the N12 to the Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan as priority listing.
- 2. Supporting the N12 Camel back area for rehabilitation project as soon as possible.

III. REPORTS:

- a. Regional Business Development Office
- b. Dine College Land Grant Office
- c. University of Arizona
- d. Apache County Sheriff Department

IV. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

January 15, 2011 at 10:00AM

V. ADJOURNMENT:

**TSAILE/WHEATFIELDS CHAPTER
MEETING MINUTES
January 6, 2012**

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Meeting called to order at 1:45PM by Zane James, Chapter President
Invocation provided by Lettie Nave

Review/Accept Agenda: (reviewed by Margie R.S. Begay)
Motion by Orlando Charley, second by Lorena John

Questions/Comments/Addition:

1. Chapter quorum status for discuss not on agenda as indicated.
2. Water shed study report request on not agenda.
3. Chapter scholarship amendment did the committee meet?
4. Requesting scholarship funds for son – was told to be here. (chapter administration)

Votes: 13/00/06 - to add discussion on recommendation of what chapter quorum number should be.
Water shed report under Dine College Land Grant. Chapter scholarship amendment on hold. The requesting scholarship funds within the chapter administration for application and to be present or represented at the regular chapter meeting.

Announcements:

Farm Board: January 8, 2012 at 10:00AM

CLUPC

Local Senior Council with change of date from the 24th moved to January 26, 2012 at 10:00AM

NAC District 11 meeting January 29, 2012 at 10:00PM

Chinle Agency Council Meeting January 7, 2012 9:00AM Lukachukai Chapter House

Region Four Council Meeting January 16, 2012 at 9:00AM Rock Point Chapter House

Chinle Agency Roads Committee Meeting January 11, 2012 at 9:00AM Chinle Chapter House

Navajo Nation Council Session from week of January 23-27, 2012

REPORTS:

Motion by Orlando Charley, second by Lorena John

- a. Regional Business Development Office: Author Hubbard Jr. with Chinle Office. A couple of project going before Navajo Nation Council bound finance at 150million dollars. Funds to position. Business site for review 1) Cross Road Store (old Samuel Yazzie) and 2) Joe Edison at Junction Tsaile. Economic Development will generate sales taxes for this chapter one these development go in place. 3rd at the Business site of the Wheatfields lake business site lease expired 10 years ago and we are addressing the contention of fuel. Navajo EPA to move in and clean up once that's done the lease will be told to vacate the premises.

Questions/Comments/Recommendations:

- Time and time again the community raised issues on the contamination of fuel and not vacating the people. Can they apply again?
RESP: at the time of advertisement they can apply
- The concern was on the business site lease agreement which is report at 10 years. Obviously we don't want to advertise with the contamination exiting. We have met with the Navajo Nation EPA numerous of time. In the report you report that there's continuation.
- Are the people on site aware of the update information? I hope they are kept informed.

- Lavon is aware and has been to the Local Senior Council meeting with his son and in the process of selling his trucking business.
- With the Lakeside contamination are you for certain? And time frame for advertisement for business.

RESP: EPA conducted the needs assessment and yes the contamination is there. Any advertisement will be until the cleanup is completed.

- b. Dine College Land Grant: Benita Litson working at Dine College as a Director to Land Grant Office as outreach of education, base on community needs on behalf of livestock. Institution faced with development of sustainability of living. Education is provided on multi things within the community food, planting, and etc. ranging from Tuba to Crownpoint. There are 12 born spices what our farmers would grow in this area we teach. Business Regional office would be my contact regarding number of things for our Farmers selling. Many Farms, Tuba City and Teenospos we are working with on local farmers market. College registration set up for next week and classes resume after next week.

Questions/Comments/Recommendations:

- David Kedelty: Your sister informed you would report on watershed program and...
RESP: Will that is what I'm telling you what I do and that is what I asked? And what are you going to do about it? Now I'm working on the Windy area with restoration and capture water and educating our youth.
- Chapter President: Ray Redhouse questions on the water shed study result. What would you recommend on the study and maybe the CLUPC and Farm Board could call a joint meeting and invite Benita and really encourage prior to the February Planning Meeting.
RESP: I see the Department of Agriculture wanting to see at a larger scale of development.
- Lorena Eldridge the mountains with much water/rain that causes erosions. When I approach RDBS they are telling us that there are much concerns...

- c. University of Arizona: Shandiin Wood works with the college health and try to work with communities. Train the whole community and prepare for emergency situation within 4 areas in case such emergency should happen. Study the elderly in the home, assess community homes with heavy equipments, number of 4X4 truck for volunteer service and do we have an emergency plan in place. If so we can review and study for amendment if need. Resources to catalog with number of community nurses, medical field work people, identified people with experience in working as cashiers who would step in and inventory ie. medical supply in such a case of emergency. How many people from the local area would be willing to help with their 4X4 or equipments. Catalog would be help for your local chapter to use. Would like a feed back.

Questions/Comments/Recommendations:

- Dine College has done this type of work and information is available at the College. Suggest to add him to our joint meeting.
RESP: Base in Tucson and can be available for such meetings.
- How many chapters have you assessed?
- RESP: This is the only chapter that I really have contacted with talking with some Chapter Officials.
- Someone outside identifying us (T/W Chapter) for a study is awesome to provide another avenue with opportunity to tap into resources for our community.

d. Apache County Sheriff Department: Anthony Brown, was informed to view the chapter for security purpose as Rock Point had an incident the other night. Really do not have a report but again for observation at the instruction of the Sheriff Department.

- Did you respond to the Tsaille incident the other night?

RESP: No was just informed.

Votes: 15/00/07- Accepted all reports made

Introduction of Dine Policy Institute going after a grant to development of Farmers Market.

Consideration of a polite project for about 2 years. Provide local assess for health and provide the community to sell produce.

The other grant is to establish a language group at Dine College. Ask to be added to the Chapter meeting on the 15th.

Motion by Dorothea Litson to add 2 resolutions supporting Dine Institute as action item at the chapter meeting, second by Orlando Charley.

Votes: 20/00/04

BUSINESS ITEMS:

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Supporting the N12 to the Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan as priority listing.

Motion by Orlando Charley, second by Lorena John

- What will the resolution address?
- Will the safety issue address right of way fencing?
- Chipping of the road is a big safety issue fencing is another big need because of the animals, if any livestock is on the highway should that be of the grazing committee to address? Growth of the trees that shadow the icing of the road causes accident. Our Council Delegate to voice on the road issue with his other chapters.
- Roads should be left to the Roads Departments and not the chapter to discuss.
- Support the road improvement that should be done by Road Maintenance Department. Road need to have right of way fencing and it is a government (BIA) road and our roads should look like a super highway. The chapter should not have to deal with the right of way fencing cost or maintenance.
- The new established Regional Four Council supports same of the issues here and has passed resolution to the next Agency Roads Committee meeting.
- Resolution will address as it is the main outlet of road for all use ie. School/business, etc., safety of issue of right way requesting fencing is inclusive in the construction possible amend to plan and design with fencing, to address the high rate of accidents with fatalities, so you're recommendations are important.

Votes: 17/00/05 – item be moved to the Chapter meeting agenda

2. Supporting the N12 Camel back area for rehabilitation project as soon as possible.

Motion by Mildred Sliversmith, second by Lorena John

- This request is being asked of the Chinle Agency Council January 7th and be moved to the Chinle Agency Roads Committee for support to the Navajo Nation Resources and Development Committee.

Votes: 29/00/03– item be moved to the Chapter meeting agenda

3. Recommending to the Tsaille/Wheatfields chapter to amend chapter meeting quorum status.
Motion by Dorothea Litson, second by Orlando Charley
 - The purpose for recommending change of chapter meeting quorum status is mainly the wait time. It is ridiculous to wait 2 or 3 hours just to make quorum of 25 member count.
 - Much discussion with recommending quorum number of counts for chapter meeting:
 - *Decrease to: 15, 18, 20
 - *Increase count to 50 base on the large chapter register population of 1300 voters.
 - *Keep the current count at 25 with possible increase of chapter meeting advertisement. The 25 number really represents the community.
 - What is the policy to amend chapter quorum number?
 - If the decrease is favored it will cause chaos.
 - Chapter staff is requested to sit in the chapter meeting to make quorum when they shouldn't. Scheduling is very important.
 - As elected people and the chapter resources we have responsibilities. There is much talk but at times we only need maybe 2 people but we wait.
 - This quorum status is issue everywhere not only at this chapter but with others and gave example.
 - Announcements of the agenda is a need.

Votes: 15/01/11– item be moved to the Chapter meeting agenda– item be moved to the Chapter meeting agenda with 4 options of quorum status recommendation of 15, 18, 20 & 25.

4. Supporting grant proposal by the Dine Policy Institute to establish a Farmers Market at Dine College.
Motion by Lettie Nave, second by Dorothea Litson
Votes: 24/00/02 – item be moved to the Chapter meeting agenda with presenter noting they do have a resolution.

5. Supporting grant proposal by the Dine Policy Institute for Language Master Plan at the Dine College.
Motion by Lettie Nave, second by Lorena Eldridge
 - Chapter President elaborated on the Tsaille Master plan to incorporate language revitalization between the head start and the elderly services.
 - Council Delegate supports this effort.

Votes: 26/00/03– item be moved to the Chapter meeting agenda

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Discussion to possible move the meeting time to accommodate community to not wait so long.

- 12:00pm - After church
 - 1:00pm –Lukachukai has chapter meeting schedule at 1:00pm
 - 9:00am – too early
- Keep at 10:00AM

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Paula Begay to adjourn the meeting at 4:35PM, second by Lucita Roy

Votes: All favor