

Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter Meeting
February 16, 2014 @10:00am

AGENDA

- I. Order of Business:**
- a) Call meeting to order
 - b) Pledge of Allegiance
 - c) Invocation
 - d) Review and Adopt Agenda
 - e) Review and Adopt Minutes
 - f) Announcements:
 - 1. February 17, 2014: (office closed) Holiday Martin Luther King, Jr., Day
 - 2. February 23, 2014: Farm Board Meeting
 - 3. February 20, 2014: Local Senior Council Meeting
- II. Business Action Items:**
- a) Chapter Financial Budget January 2014
 - b) Monetary donations of \$50.00 each:
 - 1) Shanabah John – educational expenses
 - 2) Darlene Kedelty – medical expenses
 - 3) Deidra Wilson – travel medical expenses
 - c) Requesting of the Navajo Nation Veterinary & Livestock Program to conduct low cost spay and neuter clinic for dogs and cats of the Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter and surrounding community.
 - d) Supporting the Re-authorization of Lukachukai Community Board of Education, Inc.
 - e) Opposing the Legalization of Marijuana in the State of Arizona
 - f) Opposing Legislation 0373-13 of the RDC acknowledge ROW and Surface use by the Uranium Resources, Inc., of its Church Rock properties licensed by the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission License No. #SUA-1580; Authorizing a Subcommittee which was approved on December 23, 2013 and any further Uranium Mining activities on or near the Navajo Nation.
 - g) Chapter Financial Scholarship Assistance Spring Semester 2014
 - h) Supporting the request of an investigation of Dempsey Harvey, Acting Captain of the Chinle Police District who issued a directive letter to terminate the take home privileges of Police Units for the Officers within the Chinle Agency service area causing a huge delay and creates a concern for response time and public safety mainly in the remote area of Tsaile/Wheatfields and Blackrock communities and in addition to request an immediate Audit of the Chinle Police District.
- III. Reports:**
- a. Navajo Gardening Wellness Nutrition Survey
 - b. Apache County Rural Addressing
- IV. Date and Time of Next Regular Chapter Meeting:**
March _____, 2014 at _____ am/pm
- V. Adjourn:**

Thank you for your meeting attendance

Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter Meeting Minutes February 16, 2014 @10:00am

Order of Business:

Meeting called to order at 10:45am by Mr. David Kedelty, Chapter Vice-President
Pledge of Allegiance by group
Invocation provided by Mr. David Kedelty, Chapter Vice-President

Review and Adopt Agenda:

Motion by Lucita Roy, second by Mildred Sliversmith
With changing agenda to consider Item Reports before Action Business Item and
To move item "h" as item "a"

Votes: 20/01/08

Review and Adopt Minutes:

Motion by Anglia Brown, second by Willis Becenti
Presented with verbal review of January 19, 2014 regular meeting minutes and the February Planning Meeting minutes.

NO Questions or concerns.

Votes: 25/00/12

Announcements:

- February 17, 2014: (office closed) Holiday Martin Luther King, Jr., Day
- February 23, 2014: 1:00pm Farm Board Meeting
- February 20, 2014: 10:00am Local Senior Council

Reports:

- a. Navajo Gardening Wellness Nutrition Survey Power Point presentation with hand outs as attached.

Questions/Concerns/Recommendations:

Council Delegate to allocate funding for diabetes

During the process of gardening we have rabbits and other animals that prey on the garden. Is there a way or a solution that can be shared?

Today's time and in comparison to the pass of the elderly farm and gardening work there is a big difference.

Is funding is possible maybe survey the Hopi's for their ways of successful gardening.

- b. Apache County Rural Addressing: Power point presentation by MC Baldwin no handouts. Partnership with the Apache County. FY10 funding; Training with nine working objectives. Develop a data base (master street plan). Partners should have been NDOT with street identification. 110 chapter resolution with support of E-9-1-1 with additional Agency Council's support. Who can really help from the chapter level. Community members are welcome and this committee becomes "LRAC" Local Rural Address Committee. The duties of LRAC is to gather data of population of people and identifying safety in mind of services. Type of home, house phone, what road is near by what services are available and put into maps. . April 30, 2014 Rural Addressing Summit in Tsaile.
Apache County – here for selection of LRAC.
In closing: located in Tse Bonito at the Navajo DOT

Business Action Items:

- a. Supporting the request of an investigation of Dempsey Harvey, Acting Captain of the Chinle Police District who issued a directive letter to terminate the take home privileges of Police Units for the Officers within the Chinle Agency service area causing a huge delay and creates a concern for response time and public safety mainly in the remote area of Tsaile/Wheatfields and Blackrock communities and in addition to request an immediate Audit of the Chinle Police District.
Motion by Angela Brown, second by Elsie Paquin.
Sponsor: Resolution heading read for record.

Questions/Concerns/Recommendations:

- Is this relating to Dempsey Harvey who lives in Shiprock and travels with a tribal police unit Any directives should be across and he should not be excluded. I support the resolution.
- Support the resolution with its statement
- A couple of questions: Resolutions asking two letters and there is always two sides to a story. We need a copy of the rules why this statement is issued.
- Each division has protocol and as a community we are just jumping into a situation. In thought get politics out of there and hear the officer. We don't have enough data to support what is said.
- If you want data and record...it can be backed up with full data. People he has done wrong to know.
- He has a boss in Window Rock and stepping over that or he's being allowed. He does have policy but he does not abide by that. Black Mesa and other chapters are supporting this. There was vehicle positioned here at the chapter community for services but it's not anymore. In addition there is favoritism to only a few in employment status.
- In case of such emergency from here for response is will take about or more than 2 hours. I voice my concern this type of issue. What is wrong with just working together these days?
- In media of TV (first responder) this is the police officers and need to support that.
- We need to think this thoroughly in relation to the policy and procedures. With statement of actual violation. In addition what does this do to the NEED of service? And what is the alternative plan for immediate need of community services. There are needs of policing throughout our Navajo Nation i.e. Schools in case of emergency.
- On February 10, 2014 a Memorandum is issued by Dempsey Harvey. Upon of work park the vehicle due to cutting of funds; Officers not being told; No response to calls; before home inform of off work; upon request of assistance it is not done; requesting overtime hours without work done. This memorandum is not concurred by his Supervisor Captain Billson. Law and Order does not place a seating from Chinle Agency.
- It is true that officers here and the one at the Tsaile junction did not provide services upon requested. Maybe the resolution can be amend and only address the audit purpose and take the resolution to the Law & Order on Tuesday.
- You all need to think of this and maybe have the person come here and address this part. You can Table this to the next meeting...if not pleased than you can entertain the resolution. It is very hard for us when we make up our minds.
- Maybe within the Department things happen and now it clarifies why the police unit is no longer here. No one will inform us of the protocol of action made. The main area of the "to protect and to serve" is not there. Audit purpose is need as only assisting the situation with support.

- There are already PD staff relief of duty as retaliation. I understand the chapter's protocol of Planning Meeting for preparation but in this situation it was not planned for because this person has the authority to do. There are funds for police unit. Over stepping the rules and regulations has been done.
- The parking of the tribal vehicle after working hours is allowed. The off duty is off duty and should have other officers to cover as assignment. There has to be active officers on call.
- The resolution we can direct the Law and Order Committee and the Chief Captain to investigate. If there are funding issues that we can assist for requesting to accommodate need with tribal funds. In addition we can ask Dempsey Harvey to address this. Go further and have the Chief Captain address this. There are audit differences we need to identify type of audit.
- Maybe it's the budget issue in the public safety department and the internal issues with protocol (policy).

Stanley Kedely entertain a substitute motions to address a resolution to the Navajo Nation Public Safety Personal and Committee to conduct an analysis if this is action in regards to budget deficiency and to have an internal investigation according to the set policies of action taken by the Law Enforcement, second by Dorothea Litson.

Votes: 18/04/11

b. Chapter Financial Budget (January 2014) (attached)

Motion by Lucita Roy, second by Mildred Sliversmith

- Format is a little confusing. Is there another that is easier to understand with actual/expenses year to date/ accrual (i.e. # of times of Farm Board Meeting/Total available amount.
- There are many times it has been changed but the MIP system is what the staff works with and yes it is confusing. Have a different format for March.
- Emergency Funds is a concern. Where did the money go for the food, coal and wood? As of last year and the year before there has not been any assistance issued. Who was given food and coal.
- The legal option is issue and it does not state NO wood, coal and food assistance. My next step is meeting with Leonard Chee.
- Okay we can meet with Leonard Chee, chapter staff and the officials.
- As of last month chapter approved the \$10,000.00 for elderly services to purchase wood. Legal option by DOJ to Leonard Chee is attached. Budget manual states non-certified chapter governance and certified chapter's usage of funds in allocating funds. Read and share with community of the budget memorandum. "Disallow Sales Tax items" also shared with community. Emergency funds is used in the state of the declaration. 2010 & 2011 are the years emergency declared. This year the Budget and Finance Committee changed rules for funding. You also think about our ways of being Dine' and teaching of doing for ourselves.
- This is a mouth full and don't understand. As we were suppose to meet and you never make time. We need to meet just a few of us. You meeting behind hills does not work.
- There is no need for this type of talk and we just voiced to meet with Leonard Chee.
- As a Senior Citizen we have close contact with the officers. There are a few of us that need wood. I hate the talk of restricted funds for elderly services. But you allocate funds for Las Vegas. In addition you only have the same PEP workers this I hate too. We have kids but they have their own lives.

Votes: 19/00/11

c. Requesting Monetary Donations of \$50.00 each:

Motion by Angela Brown to combine the 3 items for action, second by Willis Becenti

1. Shanabah John – student travel to Washington, D.C. May 25 – 30, 2014
2. Deidra Wilson – medical travel expenses (3days)
3. Darlene Kedelty – medical travel (3days treatment)

Votes: 31/00/05

- d. Requesting of the Navajo Nation Veterinary & Livestock Program to conduct low cost spay and neuter clinic for dogs and cats of the Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter and surrounding community.
Motion by Willis Becenti, second by Lucita Roy

Votes: 31/00/05

- e. Supporting the Re-authorization of Lukachukai Community Board of Education, Inc. July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2016.

Motion by Stanley Kedelty, second by Elise P

Questions/Concerns/Recommendations:

A concern on how the board of education is handling the Invite DODE to answer the questions of Grant Status.

Votes: 22/00/13

- f. Opposing the Legalization of Marijuana in the State of Arizona

Motion by Mildred Sliversmith, second by Lucita Roy

Votes: 29/00/06

- g. Opposing Legislation 0373-13 of the Resources and Development Committee acknowledge Right of Way and Surface use by the Uranium Resources, Inc., of its Church Rock properties licensed by the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission License No. #SUA-1580; Authorizing a Subcommittee which was approved on December 23, 2013 and any further Uranium Mining activities on or near the Navajo Nation.

Motion by Stanley Kedelty, second by Dorothea Litson

NO SPONSOR

DEFER to the next Chapter Planning Meeting and contact a the RDC member.

Votes: 30/00/04

- h. Chapter Financial Scholarship Assistance Spring Semester 2014

Motion by Lucinda Davis, second by Mildred Sliversmith

Name:	School:	Amount:/NOTE:
1. Almangralene Begay	Tulsa Welding School	\$400.00
Supported by parent as applicant is in school.		
2. Kory Klee	Dine College	\$600.00
Chapter Official supported application. Next chapter meeting applicant to voice.		
3. Jerren Ben	Navajo Technical College	\$600.00
Presented himself and extend sincere appreciation of chapter assistance.		
4. Brooke Benally	University of Phoenix	\$600.00
Presented herself and extend appreciation for chapter assistance.		
5. Amber Begay	University of New Mexico	\$600.00
Supported by parent as applicant is at work and taking classes and appreciate the funds.		
6. Jeremiah Ned	Mesa Community College	\$400.00 (pending transcript)
Supported by step parent for the funds which will be applied towards and appreciated.		

