

**TSAILE/WHEATFIELDS/BLACKROCK
VETERANS ORGANIZATION MEETING
Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter
April 8, 2014**

AGENDA

I. OPENING OF MEETING

- a. Meeting Call to Order
- b. Invocation
- c. Roll Call
David Tsosie, David Kedelty, Paula Begay, Roy Anagal & Frank Begaye
- d. Review/Accept of Agenda
- e. Review/Accept Last Meeting Minutes
- f. Announcements
 - 1. April 9, 2014 @ 1 pm; Bingo, Tsaile Senior Center
 - 2. April 12, 2014 @ 7:30 am; Farm Board – Plant/Water/Soil Relation Workshop
 - 3. April 13, 2014 @ 10 am; Chapter Meeting
 - 4. April 14, 2014 @ 10 am; Youth Council Meeting
 - 5. April 16, 2014 @ 1 pm; Dineh Central AZ WUA Meeting, Many Farms Chapter
 - 6. April 17, 2014 @ 10:00 am; Local Senior Council Meeting; Tsaile Center

II. REPORTS

- a. Henry Hank Haskie – Navajo Division of Health
- b. David Tsosie
- c. David Kedelty
- d. Paula Begay
- e. Roy Anagal
- f. Frank Begaye

III. BUSINESS ITEMS

- a. Approving Emergency Financial Assistance from **Veterans Trust Fund.**
 - 1. Julia M. Yazzie, \$300.00 for Utilities expenses (*Need NTUA Utility Bill*)
 - 2. David Kedelty, \$150.00 for travel expense for Appointment at Flagstaff Medical Center.
- b. Approving Emergency Financial Assistance from **Chapter Supplemental Veterans Funds:**
 - 1. Julia M. Yazzie, \$200.00 for Travel expenses for Appointment in Flagstaff on April 15, 2014. (*Need Appointment Slip*)
 - 2. Billy Francis, \$200.00 for Utilities (*Need NTUA Utility Bill*)
 - 3. Richard Anagal, \$200.00 for Propane (*Submit all Receipts after purchase*)
 - 4. Willis T. Becenti, \$200.00 for Bills, Late Fee (*Need Additional Justification*)
 - 5. ~~William Begay, \$200.00 for Travel Expenses for Appointment in Flagstaff, Az. (*Need Appointment Slip*)~~
 - 6. Andrick Bahe, \$200.00 for Firewood and Personal Use.
- c. Requesting the Tsaile/Wheatfields/Blackrock Veterans Organization to presents the Color Guard Flag during the Song & Dance at Dine College Gym on April 26, 2014.

IV. NEXT MEETING

Date: May 13, 2014 @ 5:00 pm

V. ADJOURNMENT

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MINUTES

I. OPENING OF MEETING

- a. Meeting Call to Order by David Tsosie @ 5:13 pm at Wheatfields Chapter
- b. Invocation by Makayla Johnson
- c. Roll Call by Paula Begay
David Tsosie (present), David Kedelty (present), Paula Begay (present), Roy Anagal (absent) & Frank Begaye (absent)

>Mr. David Kedelty excused himself as officers, because he has financial assistance requests on the agenda.

- d. Review/Accept of Agenda by David Tsosie
> William Begay, withdrew his requests for assistance, until next meeting.
Motion by Max Benally, second William Begay
Vote: 06 in favor, 01 opposed and 02 abstained
- e. Review/Accept Last Meeting Minutes of March 13, 2014 by Paula Begay
Motion by Julia Yazzie, second by Willis Becenti
Votes: 10 in favor, 00 opposed and 03 abstained
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II. REPORTS

- a. Henry Hank Haskie, Navajo Division of Health; I'm presenting the Veterans Wellness Initiative, relating to health, education & human services. I work with Veterans, on the NN Dept of Veterans Affairs, there is 10,003 Veterans, we have a lot of veterans. A lot of veterans are homeless, let's get the resources to the Navajo Nation, build a Veterans Center on the Navajo Nation. The NN Council approved the Resolution, start on the wellness and health care facilities for the Veterans, I'm just reporting the task that was assigned of the project. There is a need and for you to be aware of the request. It will be for the veterans and families, assist with balancing there checks, or go back to school, even learning how to cook, take care of yourself. Requesting support, if it comes to chapter in the resolution, it's the beginning of the project.
> Willis Becenti, Chinle has land available, construction to start in 2015, for a 65 unit facilities, you should work with them, and for housing, are you talking about the 2% set aside funds.
> Henry Haskie, Project is falling, it looks really good, there's no resources, no federal money, due to policies – trying to get other funds. We are aware of the projects. They

have clients – 80% is veterans – 75% is from Chinle Agency, were thinking of Tsaille, because of Dine College, and the high level of technology in Tsaille, the beautification of the area, mountains and lakes, a healing place. We're focusing on Tsaille. When complete, we can use it as a model. We're pursuing for federal dollars and matching funds. All employees are veterans and doing it for 40 years. PSED no expertise, I don't want to miss the opportunity, of veterans facilities. Here is policies, the NN Council an advocate documents, there's no middle person, we can use this document, though this legislation.

> William Begay, We are veterans, over 60 years, no one paid attention to us, finally now. We are notice, so many hours and listening to everyone, this resolution, were all different, with different issues, some veterans in hardship, but some of us, when we return, we had ceremonies done, loan available for veterans employed with NTUA, NHA and Navajo Nation, as payroll deduction. I live in a 30 years old trailer, they just look at our income, but we have other needs. I'm 64 years old.

> Max Benally, at Friday Planning Meeting, it was recommended to CLUPC, what did they say? Any discussion or recommendation on the 10 Acres of land.

> William Begay, every month we as veterans we request for assistance for appointment, if could have the facilities here, we could use the funds, for other things.

> Henry Haskie, they just mentioned the 10 Acres and the Master Plan for the Senior Center Development.

> Paula Begay, explained the land withdraw of the within the Tsaille Junction. The 10 Acre is rescinded back to land users and permittee of the area. The CLUPC recommended to re-assessment the development according to the Community Land Use Plan and revisit other areas of land with permit holders.

> Henry Haskie, it's going to happen, here or elsewhere.

> Willis Becenti, the land withdraw in Chinle, the land development for veterans, Wayne Claw is working on that project, get that plan done, just help them.

> Henry Haskie, Whatever you decide, let us know in a form of a resolution.

> George James Sr., thank you very much, land is very sacred, people don't want to give up land for development, we have to consider that.

> Henry Haskie, think about the economic development, the employment for our children.

> William Begay – We're the biggest, there's no land, you comprise for land, here for the future, our kids, you see all this open land for development.

b. David Kedelty – No Report

c. David Tsosie – No Report

d. Paula Begay – No Report

e. Roy Anagal – No Show

f. Frank Begaye – No Show

Motion by Willis Becenti, second by Andrick Bahe

Vote: 14 in favor, 00 opposed and 01 abstained

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Motion by George James Sr., second by David Kedelty

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- > David Kedelty, requested Andrick Bahe, to handle all the posting of colors.
 - > Andrick Bahe, I want to provide training, a refresher course, so we don't step on our shoe strings.
 - > David Kedelty, we need to set a date, there will be Andrick Bahe, Willis Becenti, David Tsosie, Roy Anagal and Frank Begaye.

Motion by Julia Yazzie, second by Irving Chee

Vote: 14 in favor, 00 opposed and 01 abstained

IV. NEXT MEETING

Date: May 13, 2014 @ 5:00 pm

V. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Willis Becenti to adjourn the meeting, second by Max Benally @ 7:30 pm

Votes: 14-00-01