

Tsaile/Wheatfields/Blackrock Chapter

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Council Delegate: Nelson S. Begaye

Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter Planning Meeting Minutes January 4, 2016 at 9:00am

I. ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- a. Meeting called to order at 9:44am by Mr. Zane James, Chapter President
- b. Pledge of Allegiance
- c. Invocation provided by Mr. David Kedelty, Chapter Vice-President
- d. Review and Accept Agenda:
Motion by Nelson James second by Lorinda Davis
Add to agenda:
Chapter President: Resolution Government Reform 101 Chapter to consolidate to 24 Region Chapters.
Lucinda Davis: An item under others
Votes: 11/00/02
- e. Announcements:
 - January 4, 2016: Grazing Meeting at Lukachukai Chapter
 - January 10, 2016: CLUPC Meeting 10:00am
 - January 12, 2016: Veterans Meeting 5:00pm

II. BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS:

A. Ratifications:

Motion by Sarah James, second by Lucinda Davis

1. \$50.00 monetary donation for Darlene Kedelty for medical travel to Flagstaff 01/04/16
2. \$1,158.00 appreciation luncheon for chapter resources 12/28/15

Votes: 12/00/03 – these items will be moving

B. Resolution:

1. The recommending 101 Consolidation

Motion by Nelson James, second by Max Benally

Presented by Chapter President on the recommending iterative by Leonard Tsosie and Alton Shepherd to consolidation of 101 to 24. This means that our chapter would consolidate with Lukachukai, Round Rock, Rock Point, Rough Rock and Wheatfields. They are saying that people are saying that they don't get help from their chapters and the chapter officials are spending too much monies. Community need to voice on this. Mike Halona is saying that they are going out to and conducting public hearings at the larger chapters.

This is a big movement, do you feel you are not being help? If so say so.

This chapter should submit a resolution and address to the Agency Council Meeting on January 9, 2016.

COMMENTS:

- Sarah James: if this happens will their only be a group of chapter officials what is the plan?

- RESP: We don't know, maybe at the next meeting we can invite them for a presentation.
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- Chapter Vice-President: From the Window Rock level they start things without consultation with people. We need to get these people from Window Rock for presentation.
- Lucinda Davis: It is hearsay now and no sharing of information from the Window Rock level. Recommendation for presentation for our people here at the next chapter meeting. It just doesn't seem right. After the presentation then the people can make a discussion.
- Chapter President: we can invite this group to the next meeting. The survey may be bias. It would be good to see these survey.
- Secretary/Treasurer: Maybe the recommendation would be to invite Mr. Halona as the person who is conducting the public hearings and the representatives from Government Development or even the Election's Office.

Votes: 11/00/03

III. OTHERS:

1. Lucinda Davis: Concern of a community awareness: As of yesterday and prior years. I would like for the chapters to know that in the winter camp area there are a lot of cows now with new brands and ear tags 1-74 seen. We don't have the respect anymore for regarding grazing space/areas. Just want to the community and the chapter know.

DISCUSSION:

- Lorinda: There are over 200 heads and we need to be mindful of each other and it is hard to feed other cattle it gets expensive and frustrating. Maybe we can address this at each meeting as reminder. State brand people are hesitate to address. From our family we try to stay within permits and the Grazing Representative can answer to that. That can be mention to people.
- Recommending to the Grazing Official with the brand and tags. Let's keep this on agenda for sharing at the Chapter Meeting again.
- Devon Begay: at times people allow other people bring their cattle. It can get pretty bad.
- Grazing Representative: It is true that these thing happen. We are doing our grazing meeting at Lukachukai now. Only 69 are reporting and some are not reported and some are in probate. BIA does not really help with over grazing and the forms are changing all the time. Some people don't report. BIA and Agriculture department are trying and but not really helping us. State brands the Navajo Nation does not have any MOA with them. With State Brand you have to have your animals confined.

IV. REPORTS:

Motion by Sarah James, second by Max Benally

1. Senior Center Supervisor: No show
2. Indian Education Policy Representative: No show
3. Community Health Representative: No show
4. Health Board Representative: No show
5. Community Land Use Planning Committee: None
6. Farm Board:

Lucinda Davis briefly reported on a joint meeting in Window Rock. New Reservation Wide election took place. New Officials President from Tohatchi, Vice President from Navajo and

Lucinda as Secretary. No stipend for chapter meetings. Stipend cut for Farm Board Meeting. A legislation to be sponsored for reimbursement. All permit holder have to have a conservation plan. Land use permits are on hold. NEPA compliance has to be supported by land use plan.

COMMENTS:

- All kind of ways to do without permits vs permit holders trying to do right.
- We still have a hold from the Interior and the Navajo Tribe also has a hold on us. They need to make a discussion on what to be done.

7. Council Delegate: No show
8. Chapter Officials: He called on a WIC called meeting and a little problem with the Police Department relinquishing the land.
9. Community Service Coordinator: No show

IV. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:

January 19, 2016 at 3:00pm

V. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Max Benally, second by Devon Begay

Votes: All in favor