

**Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter
Planning Meeting Minutes
February 3, 2015**

I. ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- 1) Meeting called to order at 3:40pm by Chapter President
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance by group
- 3) Invocation by Bessie Yellowhair Simpson
- 4) Review and Accept Agenda
Motion by Willis Becenti, second by David Tsosie
Votes: 13/00/04

- 5) Announcements:
 - Feb 12, 2015: 10:00am Water Plan Study Project Update @ T/W Chapter House
 - Feb 8: CLUPC Mtg @10AM
 - Feb 10: Veterans Mtg @ 5PM
 - Feb 16: *HOLIDAY: Presidents Day – OFFICE CLOSED*
 - Feb 19: Local Senior Advisory Council Mtg (Tsaile Sr Ctr) @ 10AM
 - CHR reported there is an alarming issue – will need to report at the regular chapter meeting.

II. BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS:

1) Ratifications:

Motion by Lorena Eldridge, second by Max Benally

- **\$100.00** Burial Assistance for the late Flemen Nave of Tsaile, AZ
Thomas Litson extend appreciation for the assistance.

- **\$1,006.68** End of Year Tax Reporting Workshop, Flagstaff, AZ Jan7-9, 2015
(Lodging: \$279.96; Meals: \$266.00; Mileage: \$460.72)
Chapter staff both attend this session for chapter work process.
Questions: Are they able to assist the community in need for tax preparation.

- **\$761.80**: Water plan Meeting with Bohannon Hudson in Albuquerque, NM on January 16, 2015.(Lodging: \$166.00; Meals: \$138.00; Mileage: \$457.80)
Chapter CSC and Chapter Secretary Treasurer attend this meeting with Chapter President by conference. We are in hopes to gather a draft proposal plan form consultant.
Question: The Water plan document that is paid by the Nation and a visit with Bohannon Hudson plan. How is that different.
RESP: When you say Navajo Nation study it is not specific to our needs. As Water Users we are really pushing this project. The Navajo Nation study is on drinking water. The only study they can share is only in Many Farms but not to our community. It is not for Economic Development. They want to host the next meeting her but our area has not been study. It would be logical to host this meeting at Many Farms.

- **\$1,504.46**: Travel Expenses: 2nd Annual Steamboat Commission LGA Governance Conference for 3 People. (Meals: \$348.00; Lodging: \$458.20; Mileage: \$698.26)

Chapter 5 FMS certification. Update the CLUP manual what is the hindering issue and how it can it be reviewed and to move forward. At end of the document this will be compiled and pose to the Council Delegate and the Navajo Nation President as Chapter needs Statement.

Votes: 20/00/01 - Maybe to direct our Council Delegate to work with the Office of the President on these concerns.

2) Resolutions: Business items are moved to the next Chapter meeting for formal support.

Supporting Mr. Francis Davis request to the Department of the Navajo Veterans Affairs for Veteran Housing Assistance.

Motion by David Tsosie, second by Max Benally

Presented by Mr. Willis Becenti presented on behalf of the Veterans. Resolution supporting documents will be available.

What can the chapter do to by pass chapter resolution.

Votes: 19/00/01 - This item will be put to the March Planning Meeting.

3) T/W/B Veterans Organization requesting travel expense assistance to attend the 70th Annual Iwo Jima Flag Raising & Parade in Sacaton, AZ on February 21, 2015.

Motion by Thomas Litson, second by Lorena Eldridge

Presented by Mr. Willis Becenti read a letter for the record with Veterans and banner carrier. Meals, Lodging and per diem is rough estimated by the chapter staff \$4,600.00 plus. Will have full cost amount. At this time the Veterans does not have any funds. The chapter will finds monies for request most likely the Chapter Sales Tax line item.

Votes: 20/00/02

4) Monetary donation for Navajo Nation Fire Department Station 50 from Chinle, AZ to assist with funds to purchase supplies to add bunk rooms to station.

Motion by Willis Becenit, second by David Tsosie

No presenter however a letter is forward and read into record.

Votes: 14/00/07 - According to the Chapter policy it is at \$50.00. Chapter needs to inform the requesting party to be available.

5) Regional Water Plan

6) Michael Tsosie requesting Veterans Housing Assistance

Motion by Thomas Litson, second by Lorena Elridge

Votes: 20/00/03

7) An Intervention to Promote Navajo Gardening, Nutrition and Community Wellness.

Motion by David Tsosie, second by Max Benally

Will be working with volunteers in the chapter to sign a contract.

Votes: 18/00/03

8) Farm Board Resolution for proposing grants for beginners farming and ranching.

Motion by Marie White, second by Catherine Benally

Presented by Farm Board and will have the resolution of support at the next chapter meeting.

Votes: 16/00/03

- 9) Requesting Chapter to purchase Hay
Motion by Angie Brown, second by David Tsosie
Votes: 14/00/04
NOTE: NAPI will be selling hay in Chinle at the old BIA office on Saturday.

III. REPORTS:

- 1) Kelly Gneiting
- 2) Council Delegate

IV. DATE AND TIME TO NEXT MEETING:

February 16, 2015 @ 2:00PM

V. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Willis Becenti, second by David Tsosie at 5:18pm
Votes: 18/00/01

Thank you for your attendance