

**TSAILE/WHEATFIELDS/BLACKROCK
VETERANS ORGANIZATION MEETING
Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter
March 13, 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. March 14, 2014 – Chapter Meeting @ 1:00 pm
 - 2. March 16, 2014 - Annual Water Users Association Meeting @ 9:00 am
 - 3. March 18, 2014 - Youth Council Meeting @ 1:00 pm
 - 4. March 20, 2014 – Local Senior Council Meeting @ 10:00 am
 - 5. March 24-28, 2014 – Community Clean-Up for Tsaile/Wheatfields/Blackrock Area.

II. REPORTS

- a. David Tsosie
- b. David Kedelty
- c. Paula Begay
- d. Roy Anagal
- e. Frank Begaye
- f. Willis Becenti

III. BUSINESS ITEMS

- a. Ratifying expenses from Chapter Supplemental Veterans Funds:
 - 1. Larry Deschine, \$200.00, Travel Expense for appointment in Albuquerque on March 3, 2014.
- b. Approving Emergency Financial Assistance from Veterans Trust Fund
 - 1. Micalson Bahe, \$150.00 for Educational Assistance
- c. Approving Emergency Financial Assistance from Chapter Supplemental Veterans Funds:
 - 1. Tom & Louise Tso, \$1,500.00 for Housing Assistance
 - 2. Willis T. Becenti, \$200.00 for Personal Expenses
 - 3. Larry Deschine, \$200.00 for Travel Expense for Appointment in Albuquerque on April 1, 2014.
- d. Requesting the Tsaile/Wheatfields/Blackrock Veteran Organization to presents the Color Guard Flag during the Dine College Commencement Exercise on May 9, 2014 @ 10:00 am.

IV. NEXT MEETING

Date: April 8, 2014 @ 5:00 pm

V. ADJOURNMENT

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MINUTES

I. OPENING OF MEETING

- a. Meeting Call to Order by David Tsosie @ 5:00 pm at Wheatfields Chapter
- b. Invocation by Frank Begaye
- c. Roll Call by Paula Begay
David Tsosie (present), David Kedelty (absent), Paula Begay (present), Roy Anagal (present) & Frank Begaye (present)
- d. Review/Accept of Agenda by David Tsosie
Motion by Larry Deschine, second Andrick Bahe
Vote: 08 in favor, 00 opposed and 01 abstained
- e. Review/Accept Last Meeting Minutes of February 11, 2014 by Paula Begay
Motion by Frank Begaye, second by Andrick Bahe
Votes: 08 in favor, 00 opposed and 03 abstained

>David Tsosie, Tuesday evening was our regular meeting but due to family gathering, we postpone to this evening, out of respect for the family.

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II. REPORTS

- a. David Tsosie – I have 3 reports, I purchase 4 harness, brought it from Farmington and used it in Sacaton and Chinle. Attended the Iwo Jima Parade, there was Andrick, Frank, George, Roy and myself. I attended the Friday afternoon dinner, furnished by Lt. Government. Next day at the parade, our Chapter President Zane James, Johnny Naize and Vice President Rex Lee Jim were there. Last Sunday, we posted and retrieval the colors for Myron McLaughlin, candidate for Navajo Nation President rally event. We all helped out, it was good.
> Andrick Bahe, it was a very interesting event, more bodies need to attend to carry all branches flags, need more volunteer, probably need to set up training program and get Tsaile/Wheatfields/Blackrock very active.
- b. David Kedelty – No Show
- c. Paula Begay – Mr. George James Sr. is getting a house from the Veterans Affairs Office, and I have been meeting with Tom Gorman. If the Veterans Affairs Office is requesting any assistance from the chapter, a letter will be forthcoming. I have requested the Veterans Affairs Office should be working together with the Chapter.
- d. Roy Anagal – No Report

- e. Frank Begaye – the veterans organization really need to attend the events, take part in the events.
- f. Willis Becenti – it's good to see more people here, we have new faces. I attended the meeting in Lukachukai, they have a potluck every meeting, it was good, also attended the meeting in Rough Rock, on March 7, 2014, update on the housing project, don't have qualified manager, starting a 6 months housing project for veterans, to be complete in September, or un-used funds will be going back to general funds. \$22,000. for 750 sq. ft. house, contract was signed, forgot the sand and gravel, which will asked of the chapters; \$28,000. For 900 sq.ft. nobody seems to care, were losing money. Rough Rock and Rock Point don't have anyone qualified homesite lease, survey and arch clearances.

Motion by Julia Yazzie, second by Andrick Bahe

Vote: 12 in favor, 00 opposed and 03 abstained

III. BUSINESS ITEMS

- a. Ratifying expenses from Chapter Supplemental Veterans Funds:
 - 1. Larry Deschine, \$200.00, Travel Expense for appointment in Albuquerque on March 3, 2014.

Motion by Willis Becenti, second by Tom Tso

Vote: 13 in favor, 00 opposed and 02 abstained

- b. Approving Emergency Financial Assistance from Veterans Trust Fund
 - 1. Micalson Bahe, \$150.00 for Educational Assistance
 - > Paula Begay, Micalson is from Tsaile, and attending Dine College, he submitted all his paperwork for assistance.
 - > George James Sr. he should be here, attending the meeting if he needs assistance.
 - > Max Benally, as Veterans, how do you think about one another, we should assist and support one another, and also you need think about yourself, what would happen if you were in the same shoe.
 - > Willis Becenti, lets vote on it, everything is here, his application is complete.
 - > Tom Tso, one of the things, let's be consistent, if you change it, if that's the way, the general rules, let's remember that.

Motion by Max Benally, second by Willis Becenti

Vote: 14 in favor, 00 opposed and 01 abstained

- c. Approving Emergency Financial Assistance from Chapter Supplemental Veterans Funds:
 - 1. Tom & Louise Tso, \$1,500.00 for Housing Assistance
 - > Tom Tso, thank you very much for the veterans assistance, my house is 30 years old, it needs renovation. I applied for funds for the outside, it's in the process, dragging their feet, waiting on EPA Clearance, its slowly going on 2 years. Minor stuff on the roof has been complete, now the siding, exterior needs renovation, I took pictures and submitted all documents with 3 vendors.
 - 2. Willis T. Becenti, \$200.00 for Personal Expenses
 - > Willis Becenti, we utilize the generator, no powerline extension, and need assistance for gasoline, I'm working on my house and use a lot of the generator.
 - 3. Larry Deschine, \$200.00 for Travel Expense for Appointment in Albuquerque on April 1, 2014.

> Larry Deschine, I have any appointment in Albuquerque, and have been traveling to all my appointments.

Motion by Julia Yazzie, second by Frank Begaye

Vote: 14 in favor, 00 opposed and 04 abstained

- d. Requesting the Tsai/Wheatfields/Blackrock Veteran Organization to presents the Color Guard Flag during the Dine College Commencement Exercise on May 9, 2014 @ 10:00 am.

> Edison Curtis, I work @ Dine College, each year, we do the commencement exercise, last year was the 1st time we asked for your help to do posting of colors, we requested other organization, but they haven't response, this is the only organization that can provide that services, we would really appreciated it.

Motion by Andrick Bahe, second by Willis Becenti

Vote: 16 in favor, 00 opposed and 02 abstained

IV. NEXT MEETING

Date: April 8, 2014 @ 5:00 pm

V. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Willis Becenti to adjourn the meeting, second by Tom Tso @ 6:35 pm

Votes: 12-00-04