

**TSAILE – WHEATFIELDS – BLACKROCK CHAPTER**

**Regular Chapter Meeting Agenda**

**Monday – April 16, 2018 @ 11:00 AM**

(Tentative agenda – subject to change)

**I. ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

**A. Meeting Called To Order: 11:37 am**

**B. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Community**

**C. Invocation: Led by President James**

**D. Review/Accept Agenda: April 16, 2018**

**Motion) Lucinda Campbell                      Second) Benny Litson                      Vote) 19-0-6**

**Add: Paula Begay – DOJ opinion on (two) 2 acre land tract  
Stephanie Calabaza – Apache County Recorder Report**

**E. Review/Accept Minutes:                      March 19, 2018**

**Motion) Charles Chee                                      Second) Sara James                                      Vote) 24-0-3**

**\*Minutes Approved\***

**F. Announcements:**

April 16-10, 2018 – Navajo Nation Council Spring Session @ Window Rock

April 17, 2018 – SPECIAL ELECTION for Farmboard vacancy

April 19 & 20, 2018 – Tsin-Nan-Tee Elderly Care Provider Mini Conference for  
Community Members @ T/W/B Chapter

**\*\*Representatives spoke on the mini conference and services offered\*\***

April 24, 2018 @ 10:00 am – CLUPC Meeting @ T/W Chapter

April 24, 2018 @ 2:00 pm – T/W/B Grazing and Farm Board Permittee Meeting @  
T/W/B Chapter

April 27, 2018 @ 9:00 am – Chuska Regional Council Meeting @ Round Rock Chapter

- Rose Tsosie, from NHA is now receiving applications for housing.

- Janie Henderson, wishing to update for

**II. BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**A. Ratifications:**

1. 2018 Ho'zhooji' Doo Hashkeejo' Na'ha't'a' Summit - March 12-14, 2018 in  
Albuquerque, NM. \$ \$1,159.62

2. 2018 Arizona Transportation Symposium – March 15 & 16, 2018 at Twin Arrows in  
Flagstaff, AZ. \$1,846.47

3. 2018 Navajo Chapters Technology Conference – March 20-22, 2018 at San Juan  
College in Farmington, NM. \$1,427.72

4. Sarah James, Monetary Donation, \$50.00

5. Steven Begay, Monetary Donation, \$100.00

**Motion to Combine) Mildred Silversmith                      Second) Lorena Eldridge                      Vote: 22-0-4**

**B. New Expenditures:**

1. Azee' Be Nahagha of Diné Nation, Monetary Donation, \$50.00

*Benny Litson:* May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018, District 11 will be hosting the meeting, and the fundraiser is to provide catering for the General Meeting.

2. Richard Campbell request for Monetary Donation, \$50.00
3. Marjorie Johnson, Monetary Donation, \$50.00

Rose Davis: Wishes to seek funding for her son.

**Motion to Combine) Lucinda Campbell    Second) Lorena Eldridge    Vote: 26-0-5**

**C. Action Items:**

1. **Accepting and Approving Financial Reports March 2018.**

**Motion) Lorena Eldridge    Second) Lucinda Campbell    Vote: 24-0-7**

**\*\*Financial Reports March 2018 Approved\*\***

2. **Accepting and Supporting the Hydrologic and Hydraulic Analysis Study of the additional (5) miles of 8077 by the Navajo Division of Transportation.**

**Motion) Lorena Eldridge    Second) Sarah James    Vote: 30-0-3**

*Vice President Begay:* Presenting the Analysis Study that accommodates the additional 5 miles of 8077 to include the year-round, elderly residents in the Black Rock area.

**\*\*\*Resolution Approved, without inquiry\*\*\***

3. **Approving the Tsaille/Wheatfields Chapter Tract for Staging Area for removal of tree thinning, during the construction of N12.**

**Motion) Aaron Begay    Second) Nelson James    Vote: 30-0-3**

*Vice President Begay:* Distribution of tree thinning staging area to establish before the construction of N12.

*Paula Begay:* Further expanded the Chapter Tract for the Staging Area.

*Marjorie Johnson:* When will the staging area start?

*Paula Begay:* Bids will be released by early May 2018?

**\*\*\*Resolution Approved\*\*\***

4. **Requesting the Navajo Division of Transportation and Bureau of Indian Affairs Road Maintenance to crack seal and pack the entrance/turnout to NHA turnout in Tsaille.**

**Motion) Lorraine Johnson-Sorrell    Second) Sarah James    Vote: 31-0-5**

*Paula Begay:* BIA right-of-way domain covers the entrance/turnout of the NHA turnout in Tsaille.

*Lorraine Johnson-Sorrell:* Who is responsible for the potholes in the NHA neighborhood.

*Paula Begay:* NHA is responsible for the potholes in the NHA (past the cattle-guard, NHA is responsible).

**\*\*\*Resolution Approved\*\*\***

5. **Approving and Requesting Funds in Amount of \$6.6 Million Dollars from Navajo Nation Sihasin Fund for “Planning and Designing” Phase of the Project for Lukachukai Community School, Lukachukai, Arizona.**

**Motion) Mildred Silversmith    Second) Lorraine Johnson-Campbell    Vote: 29-0-3**

*Lucinda Campbell:* Presenting on the on-going efforts of Lukachukai School to obtain new facilities because it the facilities is still under the Bureau of Indian Education. There are numerous efforts of Lukachukai stakeholders to continue with the funding efforts.

The “Planning and Designing” Phase of the Project for Lukachukai Community School to update and maintain the current “Planning and Design.”

**\*\*\*Resolution Approved, without inquiry\*\*\***

6. **Approving and Respectfully Requesting the “Health & Education and Human Services Committee” of the Navajo Nation Council to Introduce a Legislation to Utilize the Navajo Nation Permanent Trust Funds in the amount of Four Hundred Million (\$400,000,000.00) for the Construction and Equip of Bureau of Indian Schools and Local Community Schools with the Navajo Nation, Seven (7) Schools Total: Further to Instruct the Navajo Nation Board of Election to Initiate A Referendum During Nation 2018 General Election for Authorization from the People by “Virtue” of Casting a Ballot.**

**Motion) Lorraine Johnson-Sorrell    Second) Sarah James    Vote: 29-0-4**

*Samuel Yazzie:* Presenting on Resolution for self-reliance.

**\*\*\*Resolution Approved, without inquiry\*\*\***

((((Time given to Rex Lee Jim))))

7. **Approving an Lease Agreement of the (2) acres, of Navajo Tribal Trust Land between the Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter and Tsaile/Wheatfields Farm Board/Dineh Water Users Association, of the expired lease for the Apache County District II within the Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter Tract for Tsaile/Wheatfields Farm Board and Dineh Water Users Association to carry out its plan of operation and engage in all activities necessary to develop, promote, operate and maintain water conservation system to sustain agriculture and community activities in the Tsaile, Wheatfields, and Blackrock Community.**

**Motion) Benny Litson    Second) Lucinda Campbell            Vote: 28-1-6**

*President James:* Explaining the historical agreement and operations of the two acre tract.

NDOT was advised to request for 10 acres at a different location.

Apache County, Farm Board, WUA, NDOT, met for a meeting earlier this April 2018, to discuss the future outcome. NDOT is able to agree to the removal of machinery, equipment. Apache County is not considering the two acre tract as a partnership, rather was a hostile meeting.

The current resolution is to enable Farm Board and Water Users Association.

*Marjorie Johnson:* will there be any legal ramifications to this action?

*President James:* There is the potential, as we will be seeking the Department of Justice to assist the Tsaile-Wheatfields-Blackrock Chapter.

*Rita Bahe:* Are we moving slightly hasty on approving this resolution?

*Pearl White:* It seems that we are engaging in a pre-emptive strike against Apache County, that will damage our partnership with Apache County.

*Benny Litson:* Greetings. Re-capping on the two (2) acre tract prior and current use. Approves of the efforts to keep Apache County within the chapter by offering a larger tract of land for their use.

*Lorena Eldridge:* Explaining the historical events of the two (2) acre tract that

*Charles Chee:* The two (2) acre tract is completely under the authority of the Chapter and many sub-committees.

Tom White did not accept concrete with metal re-bars, as there are concrete slabs with metal re-bars presently in the two (2) acre tract.

Mentioned that all property would belong to the chapter if Apache County did not renew the lease.

**\*\*\*Resolution Approved\*\*\***

- 8. Supporting the Re-Authorization of the Lukachukai Community Board of Education, Inc. to continue operation of all education and education-related programs, school construction, facilities improvement and repair, and minor improvement and repair project pursuant to the provisions of the Public Law 100-297.**

**Motion) James Vecenti                      Second) Sarah James                      Vote: 28-0-4**

*Lucinda Campbell:* Presenting

**\*\*\*Resolution Approved, without inquiry\*\*\***

- 9. Supporting the Legislation Numbers; 0035-78 and 0036-18, and requesting the Navajo Nation Council to approve a supplemental funding from the Undesignated, Unreserved Fund Balance (UUFb) to fund two (2) Economic Development Projects for the Round Rock Chapter.**

**Motion) Lucinda Campbell                      Second) Benny Litson                      Vote: 29-0-6**

*Paula Begay:* Presenting Resolution.

*Dorthea Litson:* On the Navajo Nation Council Spring Session, there is a similar resolution. Are the funding sources different?

*President James:* Our chapter is only supporting the resolution.

**\*\*\*Resolution Approved\*\*\***

- 10. Request for DOJ to provide legal assistance on the Chapter Tract**

**Motion) Lorena Eldridge                      Second) Lucinda Campbell                      Vote: 28-0-4**

*President James:* Presents.

*Marjorie Johnson:* Would this need to be amended to the agenda?

*President James:* Action Item #10 was already added to the agenda.

**\*\*\*Resolution Approved\*\*\***

**Motion to Amend Agenda) Aaron Begay, Second) Benny Litson, to add Water Users Association to the report section of the agenda.    Vote: 24-0-7**

### III. REPORTS:

1. \$4.1 million for Delegates Region from Siihasin Fund. – Delegate BeGaye (*no show*)
2. Derrick Terry, NTUA presentation on Solar Energy – (*no show*)
3. Chinle Unified School District – (*no show*)
4. Lukachukai Community School – Lucinda Campbell: Song and Dance at Lukachukai Community School, 4/21 to 22/18; Lukachukai Commencement is in the morning of May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
5. Apache County Recorder – Presented by Stephanie Calabaza.

*Dorthea Litson:* what type of technical assistance is being offered? The challenge for our farmers is being able to have a DUNS# for our Farmers to sell their produce, and a DUNS# is made available once the Farmers are listed on the Rural Addressing.

*Stephanie Calabaza:* Our office offers technical writing assistance.

*President James:* Rural Addressing is an extensive process that needs to be completed. We could collaborate on a grandeur-scale of stakeholders to accomplish the Rural Addressing.

6. Water Users Association – Wheatfields Agriculture Project:

*Aaron Begay:* Presenting on the WAP.

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*Dorthea Litson:* Strongly encouraging the presence of the non-profit.

IV. **NEXT MEETING: Date: May 7, 2018 at 11 am**

V. **ADJOURNMENT: 3:18 pm**

**Motion) Benny Litson Second) Sarah James Vote: All Vote Yes**