

Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2015
MINUTES

I. ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Meeting called to order by David Kedelty, Vice-President at 1:25pm

B. Pledge of Allegiance by group

C. Invocation provided by Mr. Roy Anagal

D. Review/Accept Agenda

Motion by Lucita Roy, second by Lorraine Sorrell

ADD to Agenda:

- 2 Resolutions: Cope Project Resolution and Mr. Anagal for Supporting Veterans Housing
- Chapter Financial Assistance for 2 applicants
- Reports: National Park Services

Votes: 34/00/14

E. Review/Accept Minutes:

Motion by Lorena Eldridge, second by Dorothea Litson

Votes: 28/00/20

F. Announcement:

1. April 21, 2015: **Chapter Closed** Navajo Nation Special Election

2. April 27, 2015 **Chapter Closed** Navajo Nation Sovereignty Day

April 20, 2015: this morning the Chinle Agency Council had its meeting at the Chinle Chapter.

April 29, 2015: at Farm Board Meeting

May 17, 2015; at 10am CLUPC

May 4, 2015: 10am Grazing Meeting

May 12, 2015: 5:00am Veterans meeting

Week of April 20 Navajo Nation Council Session

II. BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS:

A. Ratifications:

Motion by Willis Becenti to combine all the ratifications, second by Becky Nave Cling

1. \$256.80; Travel cost for a attending the Chapter Web-Site Training at San Juan College on Mar. 19, 2015, (Paula Begay/Leanna Thompson-Meals/Mileage).

NOTE: First of all Leanna is on emergency leave with son in the hospital. However in regards to the travel it was in reference to the posting items to the chapter website. There are all kinds of item that need to be posted as far as presentation, chapter meetings, minutes and etc.

2. \$1,148.81; Travel cost to attend the Navajo Land Summit at Twin Arrows on Mar. 24-26, 2015 (Margie RS Begay/Marjorie Johnson – Lodging/Meals/Mileage)

NOTE: at the Planning Meeting Margie Begay provided report. Marjorie Johnson brief on the summit with the intend of changing the government. Do not have the materials will give report at the next meeting.

3. \$1,297.94; Travel cost to attend the NN Rules & Ethics Conference in Albuquerque, NM, on Mar. 29-Apr. 1, 2015. (Paula Begay/Leanna Thompson-Lodging/Meals/Mileage)

NOTE: Upcoming election status and qualification. The responsibilities of the chapter officials. The current NN election items with policies and laws. How the CLUPC need to be aligned with the chapter policy and procedures. Chapter on line with access to the Auditor General. The auditor general can go into the chapter bank account. They monitor the check issued with amounts. You only have 30 days to updated with password. Ethic and Rules, Navajo Government and Election Administration.

Materials are available but don't just want to make copies. There were Navajo Nation Council Leadership at the conference.

4. \$121.00; White House Conference on Aging in Twin Arrow. April 9, 2015 Meals for Emma Yazzie
NOTE: Attended the conference for 4 main items, Retirement Security, Healthy Aging, Long Term Care Services. Policy for elderly services need to be strengthen. Break out session in the Elderly Feast; we were in encouraged to speak out and stand for the rights of the elderly. The break out session had interrupter. Only 3 or 4 items were recognized for information to the Washington. Supported: Social Security, Health Coverage, Elderly Abuse Services, Elderly Financial Educational, CHR Service. If you have any questions there is Senior Center Coordinator and the people that attended. Extend
5. \$124.95; 2015 NM ICIP Training Workshop in San Juan College April 9, 2015 Meals/Lodging Paula
NOTE: Chapter has 2 ICIP for this chapter community (Arizona and New Mexico.) We try to down load all information.

Questions/Concerns:

Is the report electronically available? YES

Votes: 43/00/13

B. RESOLUTIONS:

1. Requesting support and approval the report of the Regional Water Plan: SPONSOR: Mark Maryboy/Woody Lee

Motion by Angie Brown, second by Lorraine Johnson

Presented by Mr. Woody Lee, apologized for not having the materials on hand but it is in the mail and will be available upon it arrives to the chapter. History on the purpose of the water plan. Population of the community growth that will need the accommodation water resources. A few years back the NN Council allocated funds for water plan. 120 million is the pipeline for this water plan briefly.

Questions/Concerns:

- 2.5million mention at the Lukachukai is that for the chapter or for the district. That is for that chapter for short, mid, long range into the future. Where is the fund coming from?
- RESP: Each of the chapter has different amount due to population of community. .
- Where is the water coming from? Why can't you use the lake water to save you money?
- RESP: Shiprock, Mexican Water, and to chapters.
- 16million for this chapter with the many pages you may support or table it for additional clarification.
- 8.6million dollars approved by NN Council. Water management major project holder for this. Out of that the Brown and Codwell contracted. 5 areas (1, San Juan to bring out the water is it even feasible. To date from Shiprock and Tsi Nos Pos, sweet water to here. Another plan Kayenta to Mexican hat, Rough Rock. Another one in Lechee and another piece many farms and Chinle. Now Many Farms it is impossible to get water it has uranium. Chinle side to feed into Many Farms. This study is taking place. On the side Mr. Maryboy is setting goals with range. There is nothing in this proposal for Tsaille/Wheatfields. Funds are being requested for NTUA. Read a listing of funds allocated for different areas. This is a proposal to be submitted to the Navajo Nation. If we support this resolution we will be supporting everyone else but us.

Motion by Willis Becenti to TABLE, second by Angie Brown

- This proposal is through the SAS process. We have funds for this chapter that is already in process. We can ask for funds as it has engineering cost we can as for chapter. This area is still being study.
- We need to hear from Mark Maryboy
- It will be too late... we can ask for the 250,000.00
- Resolution is in place we can amend in the whereas

Willis Becenti Request to rescind the TABLE resolution.

Votes: 32/01/13 main resolution to amend whereas to include 250,000.00.

2. Requesting the Law and Order Committee, and the other Standing Committee of the NN Council, and the NN Council to exercise the authority for fill the NN Supreme Court Position with qualified and elected individuals and requiring each to have a Juris Doctorate Degree in law. SPONSOR: Becky Nave

Motion by Angela Brown, second by Lorraine Johnson

Presenter no one supported the candidate. As of today we have heard that NN Supreme Court throughout the Judge Perry ruling. Brought out agent Melvin Harrison, as of last year May this started and to date. This past Fall 17 people ran for Presidential candidate. 10 days to grieve the process. At that time nothing happened no one filed. Until the General Election 3months later filing not within the 10days time. The second ran position was disqualified. I supported the candidate as I am a veteran. Richie Nez dismissed the ruling. The 2 men filed and it was quoted on the section 341 which has nothing to do with this. We say our young will get educated and return. The testing was done within one day by the lawyers. People started gathering from each agency. We were denied public radio station and our freedom was violated. With incorporated us with article of incorporation. Tomorrow is the voting and we have nothing to do with it. We will advocate on behalf of the others. What happen to the voting results, maybe it was burned, maybe it was trashed, they need to let us know. Where does it say...11NNC24. Due process was violated 1NNC19 Navajo Bill of Rights anyone gets a criminal change. The person let go defending us. To date, we have only 2 NN Supreme Court how can you break a time when you only have 2 in the office. Do they come up with these decision in their office. Western had appointed Ms. Black. Irene Black said there were a lot of papers missing. And he is so powerful and reassigned Irene Black back to the Tuba City. NN Council wanted 88 delegates and Chief Justice and Joe Shirley wanted 24 Council. One day NN Chief Justice got up on the wrong side of the bed or something and disbarred Frank C. Senez. Separation of powers, to date the law, then you go to fundamental law. But he goes with whatever favors him. He read the fundamental law C and said he reached over his powers. We have tried everything, he doesn't listen to anyone, even the President, the Council has asked him to talk without any lawyers. We want your support to fix things. We have many people working on this.

Questions/Comments:

- I don't greet with saying shi natanai. This resolution has already gone to Law and Order. NN Council and Ben Shelly is scared. In 2 years the chapter official will be replaced. Chief Justice, Attorney, Chief of Police we need to vote these people in. We deserve what we get. I want someone to say Joe Shirley is behind this. He is making promises to Joe Shirley.
- I support what is being said. It is said the people voted in should do for us. we need to fix this so we don't have to encounter this again. Just so people don't have to say they make the discussion.
- REPLY: you are talking on the
- At the planning meeting it is discussed that this resolution was to read the Tsaille/Wheatfields to support the coalition.
- Becky: We support that change. You don't mess our voting rights. And we can make that change.

Votes: 41/00/05

3. Requesting and directing the Law and Order Committee, Department of Justice and NN Council to exercise the authority to immediately remove Chief Justice, Herb Yazzie, due to Violation of Fundamental Law, Navajo Common Law, and Navajo Bill of Rights of the Navajo People. SPONSOR: Becky Nave

Motion by Angela Brown, second by Ernie Yazzie

Votes: 44/01/08

4. Supporting to conduct formative research that will inform the development of a new Mother-Daughter Program. **Sponsor:** Marissa Begay
 Motion by Lupita McClanahan, second by Lavon Thomas, Jr.
 Presented by Marrison Begay and her colleague to strengthen the relationship for mother and daughter from 8 to 14 years old. Want to interview young and adult girls. Young girls are exposed to many things. We need to work with role models with input from outside. We want to work with the community and make it a Navajo base.
Questions/comments:
- Are you doing a research? YES
 - Very important and we like to know about our culture and language. But we need to know about the environment. Today we as grandparents raise our young. To include that into this study.
 - Will you be able to go into the school and this needs to be addressed there regarding Bullying and the teachers don't get respect.
 - In today's time our children do not understand and don't talk our language. Even in our community it is only English speaking. Yes, long ago our youth was preserved, they are running around. Even our leaders in Window Rock have no respect. As presenters you need to understand and speak Navajo and present in Navajo for a better understanding.
 - Take the concerns addressed by our elderly with respect they mean will.
- Votes: 37/00/04
5. Approving the Chapter Sales Tax Funds in the amount of \$23,890.00 for an Environmental Assessment, Cultural Resources and Biological Evaluation on N8077, South of Dine College, Black Rock.
 Motion by Lorraine Sorrell, second by Willis Becenti
 Votes: 37/00/03
6. Supporting the Dine College Student to conduct Research on Ethnography of Laughter.
 Motion by Lorraine Sorrell, second by Willis Becenti
 Votes: 39/01/04
7. Monetary Donations of \$50.00 each (set chapter policy):
- Tsaile Public School 6th Annual parent conference 5/14/15 Purchase main dish.
 - Apache County Sheriff Posse for Bike Run prizes/refreshment purchase 5/9/15
- Motion by Lorraine Sorrell to combine the requests, second by Lupita McClanahan
 Votes: 38/00/04
8. Cope
 Motion by Mildred Silversmith, second by Lorraine Sorrell
 Votes: 26/00/05
9. Supporting Mr. Anagal for Veterans Housing
 Motion by Lettie Nave, second by Willis Becenti
 Votes: 30/00/02
10. Accepting the Chapter Scholarship
 Motion by Lettie Nave, second by Lorraine Sorrell
- Marsha Tsosie summer session
 - Velma Tso No show
- Votes: 36/00/03 both applicant to support in the votes.

III. REPORTS

Motion by Thomas Litson, second by Dorothea Litson

1. National Park Services: the Canyon De Chelly lays within the Chinle Chapter and the Tsaiile/Wheatfields Chapter. The national park service wants to start a dialog with the chapters regarding the plantation that is done in the canyon. History provided and how it become a national park. The park service would protect and preserve the canyon. But allowing the people who live in the canyon. To develop the park service visitor center, hotel and restaurant, roads need to be maintained that's all. It is very hard to maintain the canyon as it does not have a management plan due to the land status. 48,000 acres that is managed. Developing a foundation documents for a monument to reserve what it has. It is not a management plan. Invited the people for respective voice into the foundation document. You still can assist with completing a form. This week conducting earth week with cleaning up trash. On Thursday will be cleaning up near the sand dunes with EPA during the national park week.

Votes: 35-00-01

IV. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING: May 1, 2015 at 9:00am

V. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mildred Silversmiths to adjourn at 5:25pm, second by Max Benally

Votes: