

TSAILE/WHEATFIELDS JOINT FARM BOARD AND WATER USER MEETING
Sunday December 7, 2018 @4:00 PM
WHEATFIELDS CHAPTER HOUSE, WHEATFIELDS, AZ

AGENDA

1. ORDER OF BUSINESS

- A. Meeting called to order
- B. Invocation
- C. Roll Call
- D. Recognition of guest(s) and visiting officials
- E. Review and adoption of agenda
- F. Review and adoption of last meeting minutes of 11/18/2018

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II. OLD BUSINESS

NNFB 2017 goals - Below are the Program Performance Criteria (PPC and Goal Statements for all Farm Boards) The Farm Board elected officials will be assigned 1 or 2 PPC, see below.

- A. Each FB will submit 12 crop inventory reports from their respective Agriculture Land Use Permittees (ALUP).

Goal Statement: Each FB will submit at least 3 respective crop inventory reports quarterly in table format (3CIR x 13 FBs).

1. Crop Inventory

- B. Facilitate farm improvement/outreach activities for farmers in collaboration with tribal, state and private sectors.

Goal Statement: Conduct 2 agricultural educational outreach/workshops for farmers per quarter per 13 FBs.

1. Wheatfields Agriculture Projects
 - A. Project Update
 - B. Joint Meeting

- C. Provide training and assist farmers in updating or developing a conservation plan as required by BIA and the Navajo Nation.

Goal Statement: With farmer participation, implement conservation training and develop 2 or more plans per quarter per FB review.

1. Training

- D. Assist with farm area improvements such as land leveling, erosion control: with funding sources such as USDA.

Goal Statement: With farmer participation, each FB will implement 1 improvement per quarter according to conservation plan.

1. AIF Proposal

- E. Each FB member shell inventory at least 3 ALUP/Farm Permit within respective FB area.

Goal Statement: With BIA and Farmer participation, reconcile and inventory as to the status of each ALUP or Farm Permit. (3ALUP x each 13 FB member)

1.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. WUA Report

IV. RECEIVING REPORTS

A. Reports

B. Announcements

V. CONCLUSION

A. Next Agenda Items

B. Next Meeting

C. Adjournment

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Minutes

I. ORDER OF BUSINESS

- A. Meeting called to order
Meeting was called to order at 4:55
- B. Invocation
Invocation was given by Charles Chee
- C. Roll Call
Emerson Chee, Lucinda Davis – Present
All members of the Water Users Association - Absent
- D. Recognition of guest(s) and visiting officials
All local farmers
- E. Review and adoption of agenda
Agenda read by Lucinda Davis
Motion to accept the agenda as is by Charles Chee
Second by: Cindy Davis Votes: 3-2-1
- F. Review and adoption of last meeting minutes of 11/18/2018
Minute read by Lucinda Davis
Motion to accept the minutes by: Charles Chee
Second by: Cindy Davis
Votes: 3-2-1

II. OLD BUSINESS

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1. Crop Inventory

There is 8 crop inventory turned in by Emerson, to be included in the December Quarterly report. We need to work on the probate, there are some of the out siders that want to lease the farmland. This is according to the minutes from March, 2018.

Charles said they discussed this issue at Sanostee. According to the discussion if an individual does not work on the fencing, then we cannot push the people on leasing their land to someone else. The main problem is there is no water so we cannot really push people to farm. Everyone will say there is no water so why do you want me to relinquish the land.

Why did the farmers not go out to farm, is it because of the WUA? Or do people just want someone to work the field for them.

Emerson said he has been calling Paul Long, Jr. to see if they can open the gate back into the Lake, but no one has come out yet. Most of the water is going into the lake now and some of the water is going down the stream. The gate valve is stripped but Emerson opened it back up. We need to accept this report.

Motion by: Ambrose Chee, Second by: Emerson Chee Vote: 4-1-1

- B. Facilitate farm improvement/outreach activities for farmers in collaboration with tribal, state and private sectors.

Goal Statement: Conduct 2 agricultural educational outreach/workshops for farmers per quarter per 13 FBs.

1. Wheatfields Agriculture Projects

A. Project Status Update

December 11, 2018 Auditor General will give the final report on the audit

Vangie will accept the invoice although it still has issues

Expenditure report has been received but have not reviewed.

December 19th will be the joint meeting which is set at 1:00 here at the Chapter.

Agenda has already been done by Lorena.

Emerson said the auditor general was showing the office specialist how to do the budget.

Not all the farms have been plowed, Tony wants to get his done and Aaron is almost done. T-1 to 10 are not done.

Tsaile only 13 & 14 are done and nothing at Upper.

B. Joint Meeting

Joint meeting is scheduled to take place December 19, 2018 at 1:00, Nelson Begaye is to run this meeting.

Goal Statement: With farmer participation, implement conservation training and develop 2 or more plans per quarter per FB review.

1. Training

Training is going on with the Land Grant Office and also the Water Users. There is a schedule that was given out at the last meeting.

- C. Assist with farm area improvements such as land leveling, erosion control: with funding sources such as USDA.

Goal Statement: With farmer participation, each FB will implement 1 improvement per quarter according to conservation plan.

1. AIF Proposal

There is work on whether any of our proposals have been awarded. Water Users are not here to give a report on the status.

- D. Each FB member shell inventory at least 3 ALUP/Farm Permit within respective FB area.

Goal Statement: With BIA and Farmer participation, reconcile and inventory as to the status of each ALUP or Farm Permit. (3ALUP x each 13 FB member)

1. None

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. WUA Report

No one is here to give updates on the WUA

IV. RECEIVING REPORTS

A. Reports

1. None, there will be more at the next meeting

B. Announcements

1. None

V. CONCLUSION

A. Next Agenda Items

Same as before

C. Next Meeting

Next meeting will be on December 16, 2018 at 1:00 pm

D. Adjournment

Lorena adjourned with all in favor

Adjourned at 7:40