Tsaile/Wheatfields/Blackrock Chapter

CHAPTER OFFICIALS: Zane James, President, David Kedelty, Vice-President & Margie R.S. Begay, Secretary/Treasurer
Council Delegate: Nelson S. Begaye

Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter Planning Meeting Minutes
December 21, 2015 at 1:00pm

I. ORDER OF BUSINESS:
   a. Meeting called to order at 2:08pm by Zane James, Chapter President
   b. Pledge of Allegiance by group
   c. Invocation provided by Zane James, Chapter President
   d. Review and Accept Agenda:
      Motion by Orlando Charley, second by Devon Begay
      Votes: 24/00/04
   e. Review and Accept Minutes
      Motion by Max Benally, second by Marie White
      • November 23, 2015: Regular Chapter Meeting
      • December 1, 2015: Planning Meeting
      Votes: 24/00/06
   f. Announcements:
      • December 25, 2015: Chapter Operation Closed
      • January 4, 2016: Grazing Meeting at Lukachukai Chapter with 2 main presentations

II. BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS:
   A. Ratifications:
      Motion by Marie Carroll, second by Mary Helen Carroll
      1. $100.00 (each) Burial Assistance:
         • Marvin Edison of Tsaile, AZ
         • Merlin DeChee of Wheatfields
         Votes: 24/00/06
   B. Resolutions:
      1. Requesting Chapter Audit 6 years back.
         Motion by Kuhyonre Nata'ani, Second by Devon Begay
         Presented by Kuhyonre Nata'ani: was a CLUPC member for about 6 months. LGA about 10 years turn back to the local communities. How does this government at this chapter who has been meeting for the past in planning for its people. Today, our voice, I want to enhance this for your generation to come. The Dine people at times say they don't feel they are assisted. Money is not provided, sovereignty, self-determination relates to LGA and Chapter Certification for financial standing with 5 areas. CLUPC certification will bid out for proposal in late December according to additional sheet handout, should have a consultant in May 2016 with a road map, CLUPC will know where all land and water status standing are for future use. Planning is here but the monies is an issue.

Questions:
   • Annette Blackhorse: Have you thought about an Auditor?
   • RESP: Navajo Nation Auditor will take about a year. So outsource bid would be faster.
• Charles Chee: Where are you getting the monies from you just got done saying there’s no monies.
• RESP: We can get the monies out and we just say wait. There are still some monies here. If we wait it will cost us more.

• Pearl White: Thank you and I like your idea. I have always wanted someone to voice for us. We vote for people and yet there is no monies for us and our children.

• Marie White: A young individual to come and help us is needed. We always discuss this and need to know where the monies are coming from and how it’s used. It would be good to know where the monies are going. Just to say thank you.

• Chapter President: We are not asking the Window Rock to fund this request but to use the chapter funds. We do need this and the audit tell you what is need. The audit will determine if we are expending chapter funds right. This LGA Certification is good and bad for different reasons. (ie the Tuba City Chapter) This will resolution will require chapter monies.

• Annette Blackhorse: supporting the audit is good. As employee to WIC we are also audited and you make the correction.

• Votes: 29/00/02

2. Requesting to Administrative Service Center for chapter evaluation.
Motion by Devon Begay, second by Orlando Charley

Comments/Questions:
• Devon Begay: Had invited Chinle ASC Latasha Kaye to come but she’s in a meeting on Monday’s. Do we still want her to come to this meeting?

• Chapter President: All we need is clarification to see if we are in line in requesting chapter audit a road map.

• Devon Begay: The ASC do not know if they will be in operation in May. I have read the Title 26 on the responsibilities of Chapter Officials duties. And the LGA certification process. We have a lot of young people coming back to help us.

• Chapter President: In the voting of the quorum I do not vote unless of a tie. LGA Certification you all need to be aware. It is good and requested you to support. If you support please know what is entailed.

• Kuhyonre Nata’ani: ASC has a small crew with 2 Accountants in the Arizona side. Getting the ASC to assist will take awhile.

Votes: 27/00/09

3. Requesting the NN Division of Health on update with Health Issues
Motion by Mildred Silversmith, second by Sarah James

2 years ago under Shelly/Jim Administration they approved to establish the Division of Health. Entailing medical transport extending into Phoenix. Navajo Nation does not monitor the hospitals and who does this. Division of Health has been in acting status for a year now.

Votes: 27/00/07

4. Requesting the Honorable Nelson S. Begaye, Council Delegate to provide status of Chuska Regional Council and t November 23, 2015: Regular Chapter Meeting the LDA position.
Motion by Charles Chee, second by Orlando Charley
Due to the work and responsibilities of the Delegate this item is requesting to be deferred to the next month Planning Meeting. This resolution will entail the Legislative Delegate Assistance position too.

Clarification: why are we deferring this resolution?
We need to still view how the delegate is to work with the Chuska Regional council. In other areas the Delegates are working with their chapters.
Devon Begay: last talking with him he said the LDA position is still open and to submit resume.
Annette Blackhorse: Is this resolution to ask him to report to us without really directing him?
Kuhyonre Nata’ani: would like to motion to put into the resolution to have the Delegate to hire LDA right away.
Votes: 26/00/03

5. Chapter Financial report Ending November 2015
Motion by Orlando Charley, second by Lucinda Davis
Votes: 25/00/04

6. Chapter Spring’16 Scholarship
Motion by Orlando Charley, second by Charles Chee
- Charmayne Henry…. Presented herself
- Darven Kedelty……. Presented by Grandfather
- Moretta Bia............ Presented herself
- Loretta Yazzie......... Presented herself
Votes: 24/00/02 - total amount assisting $2,200.00

III. OTHERS:
1. Chapter Operation Concern:
Motion by Orlando Charley, second by Mildred Silversmith
Presented by Annette Blackhorse: I work with WIC and have encountered situation with the Director of WIC funds for WIC Tsaile as approved. But director transferred the funds to another center. So on October 19, 2015 I requested to be on chapter agenda but lost quorum. At the end of the meeting I addressed to one chapter official and staff. I addressed this and I was told that this chapter official said did not want to get involved. In the subsection 5, 1003 “A” the elected Officials. This is a mishap and I don’t want this to happen again. Second one… is the agenda. Reports I have asked my children to add me to reports. But when we lose quorum this should go to the old business. I now I am right.

Comments:
Marie White: this has been addressed many times. This is the children monies and they need food.
Chapter President: According to WIC funds situation has been resolved. Mr. Haskie has contacted the CSC for meeting so Monday, October 26 we meeting regarding the WIC monies to be used in Tsaile. The issue between the WIC employee and its director is between them. I cannot reach in there and pull a say. And the funds are back. I will meet with the Navajo Personal Office on this issue and inform in the January meeting.
Devon Begay: I also have problem with the minutes. It is not rebamend. Read the responsibilities of the Chapter officials….You can get a copy of this record when called upon. The Secretary Treasurer should do the minutes and the resolution within 10 days.
Kuhyonre Nata’ani: As leaders you said you would protect us and should not be afraid.
Chapter President: yes, we have supported and stand by people. We do for the community as a whole. We have done and the new administration will possible work good. I do for the people. I am a Victoria Chee: I appreciate the work you as Leaders have done for us. It is hard to be a leader. We as community members it is hard for us to say. You need to watch you say our voice can be damaging. As an employee it is your responsibility to write up your issue and provide to your employer, Boss and Manager. It is right that our Leaders can’t infringed into personal issues. Our great grandfathers said many things for the better of us today. Thank you Leaders from here to the Window Rock level. And
not to forget our Veterans and our Elderly. I have a lot of respect for my Leaders. I am from the Tsaile area and back the second year. May you all have a Merry Christmas and have a safe trip home. Charles Chee: Greeted all the Leadership, it is very hard to be in that seat as I sat in the seat for 8 years. As a Leader you have to be humble as the many past leaders have said. I listen and viewed the elderly speak and that was why I took on that role. So thank you for work. The WIC situation we are completed renovating the building and ready for the staff to move in. We as workers there have reached into our pockets to complete it. This leadership has done this. This road is the same they haven’t let go of it yet. The Development of the Master Plan has not been let go of too. The CLUPC is also working hard on this community. It takes years and different leadership for something to get done. When I have an issue I call my leadership aside the chapter meeting and discuss the issue. A mother and elderly always say to step back and look at ourselves and the situation before addressing such. Maybe it’s hard for some to practice this. As it is said there are plans in place. Now if you want something all you have to do is google it. The road issue here is already discussed. I want to protect my Leadership and they help me help my children and the youth. November 23, 2015: Regular Chapter Meeting. It is good to think and speak of it so it doesn’t hinder you. The elderly prayers are still in effect. At the Window Rock level things are being shuffled. Extended appreciation to the Officials. Annette Blackhorse: My resolution was done and chapter officials you asked to be voted for. You need to respect us and do for us.

Chapter President: this will be a discussion and I will make following with Personal

IV. REPORTS:
Motion by Orlando Charley, second by Lucinda Davis

1. Senior Center Supervisor: No Show
2. Indian Education Policy Representative: No Show
3. Community Health Representative: No Show
4. Health Board Representative: No Show
5. Community Land Use Planning Committee: Want to thank the officials for renovation of the stone building for office space. Only need internet and working on many areas. Joint meeting tomorrow in Window Rock reservation wide. I know how it is to seat in your position. It takes time and you need to be strong. This community needs to stand together with its Leaders to get things done.
Kuhyonre Nata’ani: It has been 10 months being a CLUPC and everything is the same.
6. Grazing Committee: January 4th, District Grazing Meeting at Lukachukai and will need money for refreshments. Agency Grazing meeting was done and need to distribute the grazing permits.
7. Farm Board: None
9. Chapter Officials: the Regional Chuska needs to work together.
10. Community Service Coordinator: On vocation will be back January 4, 2016

IV. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:
January 4, 2016 at 9am.

V. ADJOURNMENT:
Motion by Orlando Charley, second by Nelson James
Votes: all in favor