

TSAILE/WHEATFIELDS CHAPTER
Tsaile Wheatfields Blackrock Communities
Chapter Meeting Agenda
Tuesday – March 5, 2019 @ 10:00 AM

I. ORDER OF BUSINESS:

A. Meeting Called to Order:

B. Pledge of Allegiance:

C. Invocation:

D. Roll Call:

E. Review/Accept Agenda:

F. Review/Accept Minutes:

December 18, 2018, January 21, 2019, and February 26, 2019

G. Announcements:

II. BUSINESS ITEMS:

A. Ratifications:

1. Burial Asst.: Ferdinand Carroll, of Wheatfields \$100.00
2. Burial Asst.: Vernon V. Billie, of Tsaile \$100.00

B. New Expenditures:

C. Action Items:

1. Approving and Accepting Financial Reports January 2019 and February 2019
2. Supporting Resolution of NTEC buying NGS

III. REPORTS:


1. Grazing
2. Farm Board
3. DWUA
4. IEC
5. Tsaile Senior Center
6. Graduate Study

IV. NEXT MEETING: Date: March 18, 2019 at 1 pm

V. ADJOURNMENT:

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I. ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- A. Meeting Called to Order: 10:38 am**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Vice President Begay**
- C. Invocation: Led by Charles Chee**
- D. Roll Call: Taken by Sec./Tres. Nata'ani**
- E. Review/Accept Agenda:**

Motion) Max Benally

Second) Ernie Yazzie

Vote: 11-0-3

Add Action Items:

President James:

- 3) Post Office Issue for Navajo, New Mexico. Re-invite to Meeting.
- 4) Navajo Resource Division for advocacy of the shortfall on the Route 12
Ernie Yazzie:
- 5) Community Chapter Needs Assessment. A needs assessment study for chapter area to be conducted. veterans counts and benefits, students in the chapter community, elders concerns, road conditions, chapter parking lot update, homesite lease updates; Does not mind taking the lead on the study.

Elvira Litson: DWUA is proposing for a meeting for all chapter leadership to present plans

- 6) Unhealthy Food Tax Budget proposal review, proposal Watershed Management by Raquel
- 7) Tsaile Senior Center IPA.

F. Review/Accept Minutes:

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G. Announcements:

March 7, 2019	Auditor General Entrance Review
March 8, 2019	Soils Workshop at Diné College
March 11, 2009	10 am Navajo Route 12 Design Phase Meeting (Pre-Scope)
March 13, 2019	Round Rock District Grazing meeting
March 14, 2019	Pinon Agency Grazing Meeting
March 17, 2019	9 am TWB Chapter
March 19, 2019	10 am Permittee meeting
March 23, 2019	DWUA
March 24, 2019	1 pm Farm Board Meeting

March 2019 O&M fees waived on fencing project – perimeter fencing of upper Wheatfields area

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A. Ratifications:

1. Burial Asst.: Ferdinand Carroll, of Wheatfields \$100.00
2. Burial Asst.: Vernon V. Billie, of Tsaile \$100.00

Motion to Combine) Max Benally Second) Ernie Yazzie Vote: 12-0-2

B. New Expenditures:

C. Action Items:

1. **Approving and Accepting Financial Reports January 2019 and February 2019**

*****Deferred to Chapter Meeting*****

2. **Supporting Resolution of NTEC buying NGS**

Motion) Marian Begay Second) Max Benally Vote: 6-3-5

President James: NTEC February 2019 Planning Meeting the discussion started with many questions that remained unanswered. Sterling Kedelty motioned to table the Supporting Resolution. community wishes for NTEC President and Vice President to present for the Supporting Resolution and not use community proxies to present to the chapter community. Community members questioned for the environmental impact study, funds allocation for the purchase.

Marian Begay: Where is the Navajo Nation planning on allocating funds to continue the NGS operations?

******Approved for Regular Meeting******

3. **Navajo Pine Post Office Assistance.**

Motion) Elvira Litson Second) Amelda Benally Vote: 9-0-5

President James: Navajo Pine Shopping Center Post Office is undergoing new management and operations.

Nathaniel Begay, CEO of Navajo Nation Shopping Centers, submitted letter for chapter financial support to continue postal services at Navajo Pine Shopping Center. Derrick Watchman Moore is the contractor pre-selected

How many residents of TWB receive their mail at the Navajo Pine Shopping Center is the posed question. Representatives from NNSC were asked to attend chapter meetings to present the proposal for chapter support.

******Approved for Regular Meeting******

4. **Supporting Resolution of Navajo Route 12**

Motion) Ernie Yazzie Second) Lucinda Davis Vote: 10-0-2

President James: NDOT, Resources and Development Committee, to assist in

securing the funding for Navajo Route 12.

Aware of prior shortfall budgets where Navajo agencies and offices will shorten a project, and the effort is to not have any plans to shorten the Route 12 construction, additionally, one source is the 5 Year T-TIP Funding.

Route 12 Phase I Meeting at NDOT next week, will ask for the NDOT to stay behind after the meeting to discuss Route 12 concerns.

*****Approved for Regular Meeting*****

5. Chapter Needs Assessment

Motion) Elvira Litson Second) Ernie Yazzie Vote: 13-0-2

Ernie Yazzie: Chapter effort to place before the entire community to participate, and help determine what kind of database to use?

Ask Dine' College Sociology Department to assist in the chapter needs assessment under their Fields Technics Course.

Elvira Litson: Community needs Assessment – a Town Hall Meeting to bring awareness of all programs and projects to present goals and objectives. An opportunity for community members to present their needs and concerns.

President James: Incorporating the Chapter Community's Needs Assessment can be easily incorporated into the Community Land Use Plan.

*****Approved for Regular Meeting*****

6. Unhealthy Food Tax Proposal

Motion) Marian Begay Second) Amelda Benally Vote: 12-0-3

Elvira Litson: Epidemiology presenter stated that many chapters are not utilizing the Unhealthy Food Tax Funds. Wish for DWUA to review the funds, and request for funds to open greenhouse – polycarbon plastics is needed for the donated skeletal frame.

President James: The master plan for a walking path at the Tsaile Senior Center is being considered to be funded through the unhealthy food sales tax.

DWUA, chapter officials, and chapter staff to look for land that is suitable for DWUA land plans.

Delegates received \$4 million, and delegates are distributing to their chapters. Wishes for the chapter track to be considered for the distributed \$4 million – powerlines and chapter blacktop parking lot.

Recommending for all stakeholders to participate.

Vice President Begay: Unhealthy Food Tax proposals are subject to NNDCCD Administrative Service Centers – and proposals can be rejected.

Elvira Litson: J.B. Kinlichini resenter introduced a wellness plan.

*****President James - Directive: April 2019 Planning Meeting, invite J.B. Kinlichini to present the Wellness Plan.*****

President James: Division of Community Development has yet to distribute funds from July 2018.

******Approved for Regular Meeting******

7. Tsaile Senior Center IPA

Motion) Elvira Litson Second) Amelda Benally Vote: 13-0-1

President James: February 2019 meeting, Minnie Tsosie delivered the Tsaile Senior Center Inter-Governmental Partnership Agreement.

The IPA was under the Russell Begay administration, is the new administration still pursuing the prior administration initiatives.

Spoke with Lucinda Martin, Director of NNDALTC, Lucinda Martin mentioned that chapters already received funding to pay for senior center expenses; which is not true

Ernie Yazzie: Comment on 47% of elders like to volunteer, want to volunteer, across the reservation as completed in a needs assessment report, delivered to Lucinda Martin.

President James: Senior Center and Navajo HeadStart area in the Tsaile area to conduct pilot projects of collaboration among the Senior Center, Navajo Headstart, and DWUA – Navajo language revitalization,

Max Benally: First year garden was established with the help of DC Land Grant Office. After the garden harvest was done, LGO helped sell, and funds were returned to unknown source. Shortly after the harvest, the water bill was higher than normal expense activity.

Many senior citizens are no longer seeking services at the Tsaile Senior Citizen Center.

Is the central government and agencies not able to handle the necessary senior center activities.

President James: Innovative strategies are need to address the senior citizen center, Head Start, and chapter projects, where funding is also addressed.

Recommending for chapter meetings at the Tsaile Senior Center

Paula S. Begay: NNDALTC is not actively participating in advocating for solution to the Senior Citizen Center administrative functions.

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IV. NEXT MEETING: Date: March 18, 2019 at 1 pm

V. ADJOURNMENT: 11:56 am

Motion) Marilyn Seocnd) Lucinda Davis Vote: All Vote Yes