

Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter Meeting
October 20, 2014 @ 4:00 pm

AGENDA

I. Order of Business:

- a) Meeting called to order
- b) Pledge of Allegiance
- c) Invocation by
- d) Review and Adopt Agenda
- e) Review and Adopt Last Meetings
- f) Announcements:
 1. Grazing Committee Meeting on Nov. 3, 2014 @ 10 am, Wheatfields Chapter
 2. Election Day on Nov. 4, 2004 (Office Closed)
 3. Veterans Day Holiday on Nov. 11, 2014 (Office Closed)
 4. Veterans Org. Meeting on Nov. 13, 2014 @ 5:00 pm, Wheatfields Chapter

II. Business Action Items:

1. N8077 to obtain environmental clearance quotes
2. Recommending the N8077 to the Navajo DOT Betterment Plan
3. Donation of the school supplies and coat drive
4. Ratification Expenses:
 - a. Burial Assistance: Ryan Greyeyes of Wheatfields, \$100.00
 - b. Monetary Donation: John C. Benally of Blackrock, \$50.00 (Medical Appt.)
5. Natalie James of Tsaile, requesting monetary donation for medical appt. \$50.00.
6. Accepting the Fiscal Report of September 30, 2014 (MIP-handout)
7. Travel Expenses to attend the Grant Writing Workshop:
 - a. Margie RS Begay, Oct. 21-22, 2014 – Red Lion Inn, Farmington, NM
 - b. Zane James, Oct. 29-30, 2014 – Double Tree, Flagstaff, AZ
8. Max Benally of Tsaile, requesting 50% of Cost Estimate for Electric Line Extension, in the amount of \$1,090.28.
9. Approving the Fall '2014 Chapter Scholarship Assistance, 13 Students, in the amount of \$7,000.00.

III. Reports:

1. Community Service Coordinator
2. Chapter Resources
3. Council Delegate
4. Others

IV. Date and Time of Next Meeting:

November 3, 2014 @ 2:00 pm, Tsaile Senior Center

V. Adjourn:

**Tsaile/Wheatfields Chapter Meeting
October 20, 2014 @ 4:00 pm**

MEETING MINUTES

I. Order of Business:

- a) Meeting called to order by Zane James, President @ 4:30 pm on Oct. 20, 2014
- b) Pledge of Allegiance by All in attendance
- c) Invocation by David Kedelty
- d) Review and Adopt Agenda
 - Motion by David Tsosie, Second by Rita Jishie
 - >Paula Begay, Margie Begay called from Gallup, she is on her way, she will be late, so I do what I can, until she arrives, the agenda is provided to you, but I didn't write it on the board.
 - >Zane, does anyone have any questions, or has an item that needs to be added to the agenda?
 - >Lucinda Davis, put accepting the resignation of Lupita McClanahan as CLUPC
 - >Zane James, also, accepting the reports from University of Arizona on the survey
 - Votes: 24 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained
- e) Review and Adopt Last Meeting Minutes
 - >Paula Begay, read the meeting minutes of October 1, 2014
 - Motion by Leanna Thompson, Second by Lorena Eldridge
 - Votes: 27 in favor, 0 opposed, 5 abstained
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 - 5. Nov. 9, 2014 @ 9:00
 - 6. Community Water Plan
 - 7. Reservation Wide Farm Board Workshop, Oct. 16-17, 2014 at Dine College
 - 8. LSAC Meeting, Nov 20, 2014 @ 10 am
 - 9. Council Session, started today, Oct. 20-24, 2014
 - 10. Lukachukai School Board Meeting

II. Business Action Items:

- 1. N8077 to obtain environmental clearance quotes.
 - Motion by Emma Yoe, Second by Lupita McClanahan
 - >Zane James, the environmental clearance on 8077, for betterment plan
 - >Paula Begay, I had sent out three proposals, requesting scope of work and cost quotation for Arch Clearance and Environmental Assessment. Two companies responded with cost: Elliott Environmental Consulting-\$46,685.60 and Dinetahdoo Cultural Resources Management LLC-\$23,170.58.
 - >Willis Becenti, why is the quote difference, the difference is about \$20,000
 - >David Kedelty, from where is the quote provided, from Dine College to where?
 - >Zane James, we have a planner under NDOT, an outline was provided by Marco Sells, we need to work with NDOT, we come to some agreement.
 - Stanley Kedelty, what's the limit for selecting for the quotes?
 - Zane James, three (3) is the limit, but it all depends on the responses.
 - Votes: 31 in favor, 0 opposed, 5 abstained
- 2. Recommending the N8077 to the Navajo DOT Betterment Plan
 - Motion by Lupita McClanahan, Second by Thomas Litson

>Zane James, NDOT has betterment plan, were recommending the N8077 to be included, since the chapter is working on the Arch Clearance and Environmental Assessment.

Votes: 33 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained

3. Donation of the school supplies and coat drive, 2014 Drive

Motion by Willis Becenti, Second by Lupita McClanahan

>Zane James, requesting donations and allocate funds from the chapter, due to some community member don't have funds for winter coats and school supplies. The need should be there for the families. Also, if the chapter can allocate some funds, what does the policies states, DCD, Leonard Chee, to see its disallowable, for the kids that are in need, justify the needs.

>Willis Becenti, I requested to find out if the school is willing to provide information of the needs of the kids.

>Janie Henderson, yes, our kids do need school supplies, especially for the little kids.

>Stanley Kedelty, the kids, gathering things, the school have staff, counselor or social workers, they need to get involve, which family really is in need, we should go by names and family, not only have it available. We should give them to the right people.

>Marie White, thank you, our kids have a hard time, we have done that at the church, we do that for the kids, kids that are in need, some families can't afford it. We have done that in two years. Thank you for thinking about the community and people.

>Zane James, will delegate Paula to work with the School and students that are in need, also what about the funds, do we allocate some funds?

>David Tsosie, Teachers have the first hand information.

>Zane James, Teachers are also in need, can we put an amount to this.

>Lupita McClanahan, where is the funds coming from.

>Paula Begay, chapter can allocate funds in sales taxes fund, when funds are available, since the Sales Tax policies is being revised, maybe it will considered under Sales Tax.

>Janie Henderson, if you want to disburse funds to the school, it goes to Student Council.

>Zane James, the chapter will purchase supplies and distribute from the chapter. Recommended as a Directive to the chapter administration to work with the School.

Votes: 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained

4. Ratification Expenses:

Motion by Lucinda Davis, Second by Melinda Kenny

a. Burial Assistance: Ryan Greyeyes of Wheatfields, \$100.00

>Zane James, grandson of Kee White Sr., son of Arlene White

b. Monetary Donation: John C. Benally of Blackrock, \$50.00 (Medical Appt.)

>Zane James, John Benally was assisted from the chapter for medical appointment travel.

>Marjorie Johnson, is this allowable for Veterans Funds?

>Zane James, there is a veterans organizations and they approve the funds.

>Marjorie Johnson, I sent documentation for my brother, and he didn't get the assistance.

Willis Becenti, we have not done ratification, you can come to the meeting and were working with two funds, Veterans Trust Funds and Chapter Supplemental Funds.

>Zane James, maybe revise the policies of the veterans, and make some changes, for situation like this.

Votes: 38 in favor, 0 opposed, 4 abstained

5. Natalie James of Tsaille, requesting monetary donation for medical appt. \$50.00.

Motion by Lynette Benally, Second by Willis Becenti

>Myron Chee, spoke on behalf of Natalie James, she in Phoenix at her appointment.

Votes: 37 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained

6. Accepting the Fiscal Report of September 30, 2014 (MIP-handout)

Motion by Lucinda Davis, Second by Lorena Eldridge

>Paula Begay, this is the responsibility of the Secretary/Treasurer, but since she not here, I will provide the report, it seems like, were always doing everything for her, such as agenda, resolutions, etc., here's the funds account and balance of the chapter funds, reading the MIP report as: 01-General Activities Funds \$474.05; NN General Funds \$1,153.60; Land Claim Funds \$10,668.23; Grazing Committee Stipend \$2,766.91; SYETP Funds \$13,611.96; Housing Discretionary Funds \$10,939.20; LGA Grant \$80.24; Chapter Officials Stipend \$3,482.28; Scholarship Funds \$10,553.39; PEP Funds \$20,731.50; Veteran Funds \$6,619.27; Sales Tax \$39,261.34; NN Supplemental 180K \$3,325.43; Farm Board Funds \$10,540.21; NN CIP \$32,833.67 and Grazing Activities Funds \$75.19, a total of \$223,963.65 for ending September 30, 2014. As you look the balance, we have a lot of funds, but you have to understand, funds in different accounts, with difference line items. As our Council Delegates always stress, it your money, but really it's the Auditor General that oversee all funds, they will come in during audit and state you have misused the funds here, you assisted this individual and disallowable.

Lorena Eldridge, where is the revising of the sales tax?

Paula Begay, the policies of the sales tax is been revised, when complete, it will provide to you.

Votes: 34 in favor, 0 opposed, 5 abstained

7. Travel Expenses to attend the Grant Writing Workshop:

Motion by Emma Yoe, Second Melinda Kenny

a. Margie RS Begay, Oct. 21-22, 2014 – Red Lion Inn, Farmington, NM

b. Zane James, Oct. 29-30, 2014 – Double Tree, Flagstaff, AZ

>Paula Begay, there is two workshop that taking place and invitation was sent to the chapter from Community Housing Infrastructure Development, and shared information with Chapter Officials, Margie Begay and Zane James were interested to attend.

>Zane James, I'm unable to attend, due other things that came up, maybe recommend someone to attend in my place.

>Marjorie Johnson, was recommended to other resources of the chapter?

>Paula Begay, no, only the officials

Zane James, you can recommend someone else to attend

>Lucinda Davis, what is the cost?

>Paula Begay, the cost for Farmington: Lodging \$192.84; Meals \$110.00; Mileage \$109.20 and Flagstaff: Lodging is \$262.89; Meals \$171.00; Mileage \$244.16

>Stanley Kedelty, who will utilize the workshop, and assist the chapter with it this workshop

>Marjorie Johnson, it should be advertise to all the chapters resources, the CLUPC has a great deal work to do, and its also will be working on seeking funds.

>Thomas Litson, its only a couple days, grant writing is about writing to seek funds, I don't have any time for this. Some committees are interested.

>Paula Begay, I recommend Dortha Litson, because she has worked a lot on the farm board and water users association plan, there also working with the chapter on the community water plan, the CLUPC is at a standstill, they have a lot to do, but even the Rural Addressing is not going anywhere.

>Lupita McClanahan, Grant Writing is workshop, there's the difference between Training and Workshop. We want do need to learn. I would recommend Marjorie Johnson, withdraw Margie Begay and I recommend Marjorie Johnson to go, we sent people that will

utilize the workshop, trainings here at the chapter for the people and have the cost available.

>Zane James, out of courtesy, we put all traveling before the people for your approval, we really don't need to, but we do.

>Marjorie, I appreciate the recommendation, but I decline and recommend Dorthea Litson.

>Dorthea Litson, I'm available to attend.

Votes: 32 in favor, 0 opposed, 7 abstained

>Zane James, Mr. Norman Begay, is here, we will provide him time to do a report later.

8. Max Benally of Tsaile, requesting 50% of Cost Estimate for Electric Line Extension, in the amount of \$1,090.28.

Motion by Marjorie Johnson, Second by Lucinda Davis

>Max Benally, the amount and the request is on the agenda and it has been read, just want to extend my appreciation for the assistance, thank you.

Dorthea Litson, is the cost the total amount, and is that amount from the chapter?

>Paula Begay, the construction cost is \$3,680.56, NTUA contribution is \$1,500.00, which leave a balance of \$2,180.56 and 50% of that is \$1,090.28.

Votes: 35 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained

9. Approving the Fall '2014 Chapter Scholarship Assistance, 14 Students, in the amount of \$7,600.00.

Motion by Lucinda Davis, Second by

a. Dominic Kedelty – presented by father (David Kedelty)

b. Annette Blackhorse – presented herself

c. Julian Perry – presented himself

d. Vanessa Davis – presented by sister (Valeria Davis)

e. Olivia R. Benally – presented herself

f. Kerry Chee – presented by spouse (Myron Chee)

g. Valeria L. Davis – presented herself

h. Sheree Sam – presented herself

i. Nathan R. Yoe – presented himself

j. Monique s. James – presented by sister (Sheree Chee)

k. Draven Kedelty – presented by grandfather (David Kedelty)

l. Kyle V. Sorrell – presented himself

m. Katedeleen Slowman – note from student, read & presented by Zane James.

n. Kory Klee – presented by mother (Marjorie Johnson)

Votes: 38 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained

10. Accepting the resignation of Lupita McClanahan.

Motion by Lorena, Second by Marjorie Johnson

>Zane James, a letter has been submitted by Lupita, will accept her resignation, forward to Planning Meeting for advertisement.

Votes: 30 in favor, 0 opposed, 4 abstained

11. Accepting the report of University of Arizona for the study and survey.

Motion by Willis Becenti, Second by Lorena Eldridge

>Kestrel Smith, University of Arizona provided a brief report with binder and disc.

Votes: 31 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained

Request to Add to Report Norman Begay and Janie Henderson, IEP

III. Reports:

Motion by David Tsosie, Second by Rita Jishie

1. Community Service Coordinator

>Paula Begay, we have supporting resolution from Chinle Agency Council Meeting, Lukachukai, Round Rock Chapters and Chuska Regional Council on rescinding the RDC reallocation of funds for N12. We hosted the Chuska Regional Council Meeting on Friday, Oct. 17, 2014 her at Wheatfields, we really need the involvement of our Council Delegate, Chapter Officials and Grazing Committee from all the five chapters.

2. Chapter Resources

>Dorthea Litson, Farm Board – work with Land Grant Office, identify 5 people, farm to school, for a learning experience, to show, paper is available. The expenses is on your own, funds are available for farmers.

3. Council Delegate – Absent

4. Norman Begay, Board of Election Office and Candidate of Council Delegate. About a month ago, in place of Zane James, NN BES, appointed by Agency Council, title 11, policies and procedures, at this time, every fiscal year it election, this year, before the end of the fiscal year, in General Election, in November. In 2014, deadline in May, grievance to June 3, 2014, come before the board, for candidate, election in August, two candidate Shirley and Deschene, you have 10 days for grievance, within 10 no grievance. Candidate the number & seal, after all that, file a complaint, not speak Navajo, disqualified. Dismiss the Office of Hearing Appeal, you can appeal, within the 10 days; Supreme Court to Office of Hearing Appeal, fluently was the issue, the complaint to file was lying, that was not issue, fault judgment, that the board of election; we were never a party. Process in Title 11, we stand, let there be an election, until last week, a complain was file against the board of election, but the petition was not there. Today we had to hear, had a hearing at 1:00 pm, Supreme Court has no jurisdiction, there is a process, sovereignty immunity act, there no longer a candidate. You the attorney general, the Supreme Court has the authority, but today deny that motion.

>Marjorie Johnson, filing by two individual, who had the authority to qualification, who make that the decision?

>Norman Begay, Qualification is on the election office, a couple years ago, a hearing body, Office of Hearing Appeal. Explain by Vern Lee, fundamental law, the dine people has to vote to appoint their own leaders. As board of election of supervisor, has the authority.

>Stanley Kedelty, OHA, they made a decision within 10 days, who file in the Supreme Court.

>Norman Begay, Supreme Court made decision, board can make the decision, as a board reconsideration, that will be fill, Russell Begay has plea bargain, if Russell get disqualified, it will be Donald Benally, then Kenneth Maryboy.

>Lorena Eldridge, fall session, amending the law, to the election code, will that be good.

>Zane James, it was mention at Agency Council Meeting

>David Kedelty, it just hear the people voted, 9, 000 plus, what happen to the votes, we are not going give our vote to any other candidate, and we don't want to vote.

>Norman Begay, it was on the agenda, we tell our kids to get an education and there here requesting for scholarship and we say, our veterans are our hero, and cherish them, but yet, looks whats happen. You can file, its your civil right, let the people vote.

>Zane James, our Council Delegate, who did a plea bargain to be qualified to run for Council Delegate, may be disqualified, his admitting the guilt. Please be aware, our language is our culture, speak Navajo.

>Marjorie Johnson, legislation requirement for all elected officials, Joe Shirley, why is his running for the three terms.

>Norman Begay, it went to the Supreme Court, as a board, we can't fill, but there was an opinion, it states not consistent, you are allowed after a couple years. Ethic were charged, you have to sign it, with evidence, and you can't investigate.

>Zane James, when you file, pay the fees, you sign for the qualification, until someone challenges you. The election administration and board of election supervisors don't have the authority to investigate.

>Norman Begay, I'm also a candidate for the Navajo Nation Council Delegate, in Primary Election 680 votes for me, on Nov. 4, 2014 vote for me.

5. Janie Chee, ICEP – thank you for allowing me to represent the school with a resolution, we have new school Principal at Tsaile Public School. October the school has intersession. At third grade level, retained them, only 13 students from the school, the kids that fall behind, they can catch up during intersession, in October. At the end of October, the volleyball will be going to State in Phoenix, with the Thanksgiving break coming up.

6. Annette Blackhorse, WIC client

Votes: 25 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained

>Zane James, Margie Begay, has not shown up for the meeting, and I'm requesting to amend to agenda to add and approve Paula Begay, for Pro-Temp Secretary, since she has been assisting us and we have done this before, to record the take and record the chapter meeting minutes.

Motion by Melinda Kenny, Second by David Tsosie

Votes: 25 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained

VI. Approving and accepting Paula Begay, as a Pro-temp Secretary to take the Chapter Meeting Minutes and record all documents and submit to the Chapter for records and process all approved items.

Motion by Max Benally, Second by Janie Henderson

Votes: 25 in favor, 0 opposed, 5 abstained

VII. Date and Time of Next Meeting:

November 3, 2014 @ 2:00 pm, Tsaile Senior Center

VIII. Adjourn:

Motion by Lupita McClanahan at 7:35 pm, Second by Annette Blackhorse

Votes: All in favor

Minutes record by Paula S. Begay

Submitted to Chapter on 10/20/14