

# (Council of Mexican Water Chapter Government)

Notice is hereby given to the general public that the Council of Mexican Water Chapter Government will convene a <sup>Reg Chapter</sup> planning meeting open to the public on September 17, 2014 at Mexican Water Chapter Multipurpose Building Complex 1 locate at Highway 191 N Milepost#2, Mexican Water, Utah beginning at 4:00 o'clock p.m.

Information regarding the following agenda items may be reviewed in the office of the Council Manager at Highway 191 N Milepost#2, Mexican Water, Utah

The Council may vote to convene in Executive Session, which will not be open to the public for discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the Council for any agenda item below

Members of the Council will attend either in person or by telephone, video or internet conferencing.

If any disabled person needs any type of accommodation in order to attend this meeting, please notify Branial Smith at (928) 429-0986 at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the time scheduled for the meeting.

## I. REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING

- A. Call to Order by Jerry Tsosie at 4:30 p.m.
- B. Invocation by Harry Descheeny
- C. Roll Call by Mary Ann Woody for the record
- D. Approval of previous meeting Journal of Proceedings/minutes of August 10, 2014 read into record by secretary. Motion to approve by Sam Woody, second by Pauline Black, with a vote of 19 in favor, 0 oppose, 1 abstained, motion carried
- E. Approval of Agenda  
Approval of agenda by Susan Blackhorse, second by Harry Descheny with a vote of 20 in favor, 0 opposed, 6 abstained, motion carried  
Curtis Yanito requested of the motion party to add Shelby Seely-San Juan County Assessor and David Carpenter – County Recorder  
Jerry Tsosie requested maybe give a hard copy to the officials only including grazing representative and council delegate.  
Curtis Yanito requested his request for Resolution regarding water settlement, I look back into this and found it in July 9, 2014 chapter meeting not August 10 chapter meeting.

## II. OLD BUSINESS

## III. NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

- A. **MWCSEPT17-169** Approve to accept the FY 2015 Navajo Nation Chapter operating Budget allocation of \$296,370.00 and its budget  
Motion to approve/accept item A to E by Sam Woody, second by Lena Begay, with a vote of 20 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained, motion carried
- B. **MWCSEPT17-170** Approve to accept the FY 2014 Navajo Nation Chapter Carry-Over Budget of \$ \_\_\_ and its budget
- C. **MWCSEPT17-171** Approving to accept FY 2015 State of Utah Navajo Revitalization Funding of \$113,000.00 for Chapter Project Allocation and its budget
- D. **MWCSEPT17-172** Supporting and Approving to request the Navajo Nation AML to allocate FY 2015 funding of \$300,000.00 for the Phase 3 Power Line Extension Project
- E. **MWCSEPT17-173** Supporting and Approving to request the Navajo Nation AML to allocate FY 2015 funding of \$300,000.00 for the construction of the Phase II MPB Complex 2 Public Facility Project
- F. **MWCSEPT17-174** Supporting and Approving to acknowledge and re-confirm the FY 2015 subcommittee membership for ALERT; CLUP&Z; AFOG; EDC; SENIOR CITIZEN COUNCIL; and Keyah Energy LLC  
Motion to support/approve item F to H by Harry Descheeny, second by Roy Hatalie with a vote of 18 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained, motion carried
- G. **MWCSEPT17-175** Supporting and Approving the FY 2015 Plans of Operations for all Subcommittee

- H. **MWCSEPT17-176** Supporting and Approving the FY 2015 Plans of Operations and Maintenance and Operations Plans for the Chapter Assets & Equipments/rental fees
- I. **MWCSEPT17-177** Approve to accept the Fiscal Year 2015 Signature Authorizations for chapter accounts and financial documents  
Motion to approve/accept item I to L by Sam Woody, second by Sarah Yanito, with a vote of 17 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained, motion carried
- J. **MWCSEPT17-178** Approve to accept the FY 2015 Chapter Organizational Chart
- K. **MWCSEPT17-179** Approve to accept the Fiscal Year 2015 Bank Signature Authorizations for all chapter accounts and financial documents
- L. **MWCSEPT17-180** Approve to designate one of the three chapter elected officials to be the immediate supervisor to the Chapter Manager and to recommend and select an alternate for FY 2015
- M. **MWCSEPT17-181** Approve to amend the Chapter Scholarship Financial Assistance Policy & Procedures, III. Policies, e. maximum award Full-Time \$250; Part-Time \$125 and Honors \$100 due to limited Scholarship funding allocation per fiscal year and to assist more newly high school graduate students  
Motion to approve to amend by Harry Descheny, second by Sarah Yanito with a vote of 18 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained, motion carried.
- N. **MWCSEPT17-182** Approving to request Navajo Revitalization Fund Board (NRF) to authorize expenditure from the Mexican Water Chapter FY 2015 Chapter Allocation of \$1,874.25 for preliminary right of way cost to provide services to two (2) clients within Mexican Water and NTUA will commence with archaeological clearance, environmental assessment, and legal survey of ROW easement for PL extension and to reimburse the Chapter for utilizing own chapter funds for same amount  
Motion to approve N & O by Albert Lameman Jr., second by Harry W. Tsosie, with a vote of 17 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained, motion carried
- O. **MWCSEPT17-183** Approving to request Navajo Revitalization Fund Board (NRF) to allocate FY 2015 Non-Chapter Funds in the amount of \$225,000.00 for the construction of the Mexican Water MPB Complex 2 Public Facility
- P. **MWCSEPT17-184** Approving to request Navajo Nation Oil & Gas to allocate 5% annual funding of its total revenue of 500 million directly to all nineteen (19) Northern Agency Chapters that the pipeline running through their community and that have producing petroleum production (oil wells) in their chapter boundaries  
Motion to approve by Roy Hatalie, second by Lena Begay with a vote of 17 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained, motion carried
- Q. **MWCSEPT07-185** Approving to request the Navajo Housing Authority to release the Whiterock Point Community housing back to the home owners since they were identified as mutual help/rent-to-own housing development and have been paid-off by homeowners  
Motion to approve item Q to S by Sam Woody, second by Harry Descheeny with a vote of 17 in favor, 0 opposed, 4 abstained, motion carried
- R. **MWCSEPT17-186** Approving to request Navajo Revitalization Fund Board (NRF) to authorize expenditure from the Mexican Water Chapter FY 2015 Chapter Allocation of \$59,284.44 for preliminary right of way cost to provide services to eleven (12) clients within Mexican Water and NTUA will commence with archaeological clearance, environmental assessment, and legal survey of ROW easement for PL extension and to reimburse the Chapter for utilizing own chapter funds for same amount
- S. **MWCSEPT17-187** Approving to request Navajo Revitalization Fund Board (NRF) to authorize expenditure from the Mexican Water Chapter FY 2015 Chapter Allocation of \$1,014.10 for preliminary right of way cost to provide services to three (3) clients within Mexican Water and NTUA will commence with archaeological clearance, environmental assessment, and legal survey of ROW

easement for PL extension and to reimburse the Chapter for utilizing own chapter funds for same amount

- T. **MWCSEPT17-188** Approving to request the RMUSD #27 Indian Education Committee (IEC) to acknowledge \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ as the newly appointed IEC Representative to the Navajo Nation Educational Contract under the Johnson O'Malley Act for Indian Education Committee to represent Mexican Water Chapter and further  
Motion for item T & U approval by Lena Begay, second by Harry Descheeny with a vote of 17 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained, motion carried and to defer to administration
- U. **MWCSEPT17-189** Approving to request the RMUSD #27 Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) to acknowledge \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ as the newly appointed PIC Representative under the Title VII for Parent Involvement Committee to represent Mexican Water Chapter and further to provide technical assistance when needed for SY 2014/2015

#### IV. REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Motion to accept a financial report 1 to 8 veterans request by Sarah Yanito, second by Sam Woody with a vote of 18 in favor, 0 opposed, 4 abstained, motion carried

##### A. Financial Reports (Attached)

1. Ratification of August 2014 Payroll Expenses of **\$19,388.11**
2. Ratification of August 2014 Chapter Official Stipend Expenses of **\$3,000.00**
3. Ratification of August 2014 Chapter Grazing Official Stipend Expenses of **\$538.26**
4. Ratification of August 2014 Chapter Veteran Organization Expenses of **\$242.22**
5. Ratification of August 2014 Scholarship Expenses of **\$0.00**
6. Ratification of August 2014 Vouchers Expenses of **\$10,799.58**
7. Budget Transfer /Modifications to cover expenses incurred August 2014
8. Approval of Veterans FY 2008 Supplemental Navajo Nation General Funds to be expended for:
  - Purchase set of uniforms for Honor Guards  
(Need to do budget transfer to create this line item & to make the purchase)  
Mexican Water Veterans Organization need to do this through their regular meeting first before chapter membership approves
  - Financial Assistance Hardship Assistance for two (2) Veterans at \$300.00 each, totaling \$600.00: ASNahkai; ALameman Jr.  
(All prior receipt (s) for the full amount needs to be submitted before any disbursement)
  - Financial Assistance Energy Assistance for one (1) Veterans at \$300.00 each, total \$300.00: ASNahkai  
(All prior receipt (s) for the full amount needs to be submitted before any disbursement)
  - Catering Services - \$50.00/Pearl Wadsworth (Need to comply with procurement policy)  
Mexican Water Veterans Organization need to take training on how to do procurement before vendors are selected and payments are made.  
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##### B. Quarterly Reports (Written/Oral)

1. Craig Halls, Candidate for San Juan County Attorney (*office in Monticello and Blanding. learned how to work on the farm, branding, dealing with animals. U of U received his law degree. Prosecuted cases for about 7 years, been county attorney for 28 years, and been attorney for 36 years. Do prosecution, crimes against non-native that happens on the reservation). About 20 years ago it was brought to him on how to do better law enforcement? Keep cases on the reservation due to Sovereignty. Cases involved in misdemeanor for example goes to tribal court, it felony it goes to FBI and goes to federal court. There is an agreement between Tribal Court and County, for the county sheriff's office to come out and do an arrest. The race for election is based on experiences. Will be showing a video in the hallway and giving away a small flour and watermelon if you view the video.*)
2. Kendall Laws, Democratic Candidate for San Juan County Attorney – *now show*
3. Shelby Seely – San Juan County Assessor

*Introduced himself in Navajo, grandpa went to squaw dances, etc., been living in San Juan County all his life. For example if you buy a vehicle and if you live on the reservation you're exempt and pay tax on outside.*

*Richard Yanito – questioning what these people are talking about and maybe someone could interpret for him*

4. **David Carpenter – Candidate for San Juan County Recorder**

*Been living in San Juan County for 17 years now, as a county recorder you over see private land issues, but it's been brought to his attention that as a county we need to work together as a county, provide recording services and it should not be an issue of where in the county you're located. Been working with land use plan for 25 years, the county is implementing GIS System and he plans to put the technology into the county and work with it*

5. **Steven Benally – Candidate for Council Delegate**

*Home is in Sweetwater area, worked with Education for 28 years, started with elementary, administration and higher education with Navajo Technical College. Gained all these experiences through education and worked experience which turns out to be the tools which a person will utilize, etc. We have elders and youth, our grandchildren, how do we deal with these people, so it makes you think. The issues they are facing today (road, water, jobs). This were issues for many years and is still an issue. **What is in the way of our progress?** Is it us leaders, our washshindoon, who? Maybe we can go over it or around it, is there a way? Currently a president of ABNDN for Navajo Nation. Gave out his campaign rally dates and time.*

6. **Council Delegate, Kenneth Maryboy – no show**

7. **Grazing Committee Representative, Curtis Yanito**

*\*\*Attended a Navajo Horse Project Conference at twin arrows in Flagstaff. How to take care of horses, learned on dealing with horses, it's all over the place not just on Navajo Reservation and all animals have laws (wild animals).*

*Ferrell horses (tame horse becomes wild). Wild horse is covered by law; don't want to bother with it*

*Domestic horses which are corralled in such as barrel racers, horse in Indian country, different tribes came to discuss horses, food, medicine, etc.*

*\*\*Discussion of Horse Roundup, many horses injured, people injured, horse slaughter, etc. Compensation was not available, many did not get paid for the work they did. Leonard Tsosie came to talk to us and told us that we didn't do things right*

*\*\*Water (iina') wind mill, crows falling in, etc. Navajo Horse Story were told.*

*\*\*Navajo Rangeland Improvement Act, sheep herding, etc. Health, children, veterans, being affected from horses*

*\*\*Where are we going with the Horses? Nominated as task force representative, his idea is to gather some young boys to learn what the grazing representative does, branding, garden, handle cows, sheep, medicine, train horses, etc. It takes 6 hours to tame a wild horse (for barrel race, rope, sheep herder, etc.)*

*\*\*Allocation of money for education, children will become:*

*1. \*\*Veterinarian, 2. Conservation (care), 3. Policy, 4. Economic development (marketing) too many horses all over.*

*Discussion of taking pictures of wild horses so they can figure out how many horses there really are.*

*\*\* Entrapment, fences around windmill and horses go in to catch them, it does not cost anything. If it works then they will do this and put up some more in different areas. Pilot Project and allocate Veterans program*

*\$500,000.00 is going to be allocated and make some corral \$110,000.00 for youth to work through the chapter*

*\*\*Tally count closure at the end of September. Task Force (Utah Stripe) a lot of issues concerning people.*

*\*\*Water Settlement means "Buy water from you". Windmill goes out in summer time. Why is water settlement not being open to the community, why is it like being kept secret, this is the reason we need the resolution to move forward, etc. Are we getting rid of San Juan River, we need to know for our youth, garden, farming, etc.*

*\*\*Fred White got off, being rough with the horses*

**Richard Yanito** – *Things are going too fast, we need to discuss fairly with everyone, horse being an issue, what does medicine man association say about horse roundup, etc.?*

**Harry Descheny** – *Chapter road is a mess especially the old chapter, too many trees, etc.*

8. **UNHS, INC Health Board, Cassandra Deletso – no show**

9. **Chapter Officials**

*Fair Board Representative – gave out Shiprock Fair schedule and theme information*

Motion was not made and did not approve/accept all reports, officials left before we did this

V. **MEETING ADJOURNMENT** by Jerry Tsosie at 4:10 p.m. Motion adjourned by majority votes.

Posted by: Mary Ann Woody Date Posted: September 17, 2014 Time Posted: 4:10 p.m.