

(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 regular chapter meeting open to the public on September 06, 2015 at Mexican Water Chapter Multipurpose Building Complex 1 locate at Highway 191 N Milepost#2, Mexican Water, Utah beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

Information regarding the following agenda items may be reviewed in the office of the Council Manager at Highway191 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 Martha Saggboy 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 @ 12:26 p.m.

Thank the people who were involved in prayer, songs, ceding of the new Flag Pole (Harry Descheenie and Sam Woody)

B. Invocation by Harry Descheey earlier for the Flag is used again here

C. Roll Call by secretary/treasurer for the record

D. Approval of previous meeting Journal of Proceedings/minutes of August 09, 2015

Motion for approval by Wilomina John to post or give copies to the community with a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried

E. Approval of Agenda

Motion for approval by Trudy Lynn Cedarrain, second by Malinda Blackhorse with a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried

II. Old Business - none

III. New Business/Action items

Chapter President asked Vice-President to run the meeting from here.

A. MWCSEPT06-110 Supporting to request our Navajo Nation President, Navajo Nation Council and Navajo Supreme Court Chief Justices to successfully use all of their power, influence and resources to assure the rightful return of Fort Wingate Army Depot lands to the Navajo People

Shush bitoo' land area, according to Council it has not been there yet and let's not get ahead so request to table it until we find out more information on it, Zuni withdrew a certain amount of land along I-40, etc.

Motion to table by Paula Sayer, second by Roy Hathale which will also include item C, D, L, N, because the amount is unknown with a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried

David requested of the motion party also the budget ending is the end of September.

B. MWCSEPT06-111 Approve to accept the FY 2016 Navajo Nation Chapter operating Budget allocation of \$295,035.00 and its budget.

Motion for approval by Trudy Lynn Cedarrain, second by Wilomina John with a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried.

C. MWCSEPT06-112 Approve to accept the FY 2015 Navajo Nation Chapter Carry-Over Budget of \$_____ and its budget.

D. MWCSEPT06-113 Approving to accept FY 2016 State of Utah Navajo Revitalization Funding of \$_____ for Chapter Project Allocation and its budget

E. MWCSEPT06-114 Supporting and approving to request the Navajo Nation Council, Budget & Finance Committee and Resources Development Committee to allocate 1.0 Million matching Fund for Utah Navajo Chapters

Motion for support/approval by Trudy Lynn Cedarrain, second by Roy Hathale with a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried

F. MWCSEPT06-115 Supporting and Approving to acknowledge and re-confirm subcommittee membership for ALERT; CLUP&Z; AFOG; EDC, Senior Citizen Council; and Keyah Energy LLC

Motion for support/approval by Trudy Lynn Woody, second by Sam Woody which includes F, G, H, I, J, K, M, T, with a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried

- G. MWCSEPT06-116** Supporting and Approving the FY 2016 Plans of Operations for all Subcommittee
- H. MWCSEPT06-117** Supporting and Approving the FY 2016 Plans of Operations and Maintenance and Operations Plans for the Chapter Assets & Equipment
- I. MWCSEPT06-118** Recommend to select and appoint a Soil & Water Conservation District Representative for Fiscal Year 2016
- J. MWCSEPT06-119** Approve and accept the FY 2016 Veterans Organization Plan of Operation
- K. MWCSEPT06-120** Approve and accept to reaffirm the FY 2016 Veterans Organization Officers
- L. MWCSEPT06-121** Approve and accept the FY 2015 Carry Over Veterans Grant Fund in the amount of \$ _____
- M. MWCSEPT06-122** Approve and accept the FY 2016 Veteran Housing Policy
- N. MWCSEPT06-123** Approve and accept the FY 2016 Veterans Trust Fund in the amount of \$ _____ and its budget
- O. MWCSEPT06-124** Approve and accept the FY 2016 Veterans Financial Assistance Policy
Has been approved and Roy Hathale turn in his paperwork: Veterans Plan of Operation, Financial Assistance Policy, and Housing Policy
- P. MWCSEPT06-125** Supporting and approving to contract for Information Technology (IT) for computer maintenance and networking monitoring services for FY 2016
Motion for support/approval by Sam Woody, second by Harry Descheeny with a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried.
- Q. MWCSEPT06-126** Approve to identify and designate the Sagg and Gray Road as Apache County Road #C664
Motion for approval by Curtis Yanito, second by Sam Woody with a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried
- R. MWCSEPT06-127** Approve to return the San Juan River to water standards for beneficial uses for the Utah Navajo Chapters and other affected Navajo Nation Chapters
Needs to go back to CLUP&Z and all other subcommittees
Motion for approval by Curtis Yanito, second by Trudy Lynn Cedarrain with a vote of
Curtis – this is right of way along highway 191 there is a mile on each side and extend water along the road and has been approved a while back. We need water to make reservoir and such things out here. This right of way has been approved so let's take a look at it again.
Jerry – according to 1950, 750 feet from the river was the right of way and council did approve it way back in 1050.
David – stated that people will be concern and they will say they were not informed so try to understand this, even though things were approved someone will come forward and complain especially permittees.
Paula Sayer – The way it stated kind of conflicts with the presentation and information. The statement needs to be reworded if we're going to vote on it the right way. This is related to contamination not economic development.
Curtis – the water has been used to make the highway 191 from the San Juan River and add economic development to this
David – we can add economic development and reword the statement later on. Curtis agreed with re-wording of the statement – resolution.
Jerry – the grazing representative works with permittees for any land withdrawal and of course people will say they were not informed. Go back to CLUP and they will discuss anything with land issue.
Ulonda Benally stated to wait for permittees and let them be informed of the issue before we vote on it
Malinda Blackhorse will go with what is stated by individual person to wait for permittees and inform them first.

Motion by Ulonda Benally, second by Malinda Blackhorse to table the item **MWCSEPT06-127** with a vote of 13 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained and motion carried.

- S. MWCSEPT06-128** Approve and requesting of USEPA to set up Reservoir and Water shedding within Mexican Water Chapter Community in Utah and Arizona sponsor by Grazing Official
Motion for approval by Trudy Lynn Cedarrain, second by Malinda Blackhorse with a vote of 9 in favor, 4 opposed, 3 abstained and motion carried

Curtis elaborated on the contamination of San Juan River, even though it is damage, you look people around different area there are Reservoir/dam and animals drink from the pond. We need to get ready for something like this and if we establish a reservoir then if something happens again then we will be ready, etc.

David – where and is it ok for the people and community and permit holders, trying to caution because of complaints, this happened before too many times, etc.

- T. MWCSEPT06-129** Approval to replace all CLUP&Z officials and other subcommittees and members due to conflicts - sponsor by Grazing Official (has to go back to CLUP&Z and refer back to them by Vice-President)
Motion for approval by Sam Woody, second by Roy Hathale with a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried.

Motion by Trudy Lynn Cedarrain, second by Sam Woody for the Council to finish his report with a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried

IV. Reports/Announcements

Tuesday – District Grazing Meeting here at Mexican Water Chapter at 9:00 a.m. and bring water for testing
Agency Meeting is at NAPI next week on Friday for Grazing Rep.

A. Financial Reports (Attached)

Motion for approval for item 1 to 9 by Trudy Lynn Cedarrain, second by Ulonda Benally with a vote of 14 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained and motion carried

1. Ratification of August 2015 Payroll Expenses of **\$12,959.49**
2. Ratification of August 2015 Chapter Official Stipend Expenses of **\$3,000.00**
3. Ratification of August 2015 Chapter Veteran Organization Expenses of **\$242.22**
4. Ratification of August 2015 Scholarship Expenses of **\$.00**
5. Ratification of August 2015 Vouchers Expenses of **\$30,831.15**
6. Budget Transfer /Modifications to cover expenses incurred August 2015
7. Approve to purchase supplies for emergency workers
8. Approval for Biological Resource Clearances (Navajo Endangered Species) payment from Housing Service
UT () Clients at \$32.50, totaling \$
AZ (2) Clients at \$32.50, totaling \$65.00 - RLittlehat/LBenally
9. Approval for Archaeological Clearances payment from Housing Services
UT () Clients
AZ (2) Clients RLittlehat/LBenally insert/request by Roy Hathale requesting of the motion party

B. Quarterly Reports (Written/Oral)

1. *Council Delegate, Davis Filfred – made his report while waiting for quorum from 11:50 to 12:25 p.m.
*Tomorrow with Navajo Nation Oil/Gas Share Holders meeting, will receive annual report
*Red Mesa Chapter meeting with Herman Farley who needs help with the Utah Fair at 5:00 p.m. also the Warren family also informs him that they are well known with Pow-Wow
*Tuesday two meetings at Teec Nos Pos chapter meeting, Resource/Development Committee meeting, and Navajo Nation budget meeting
*Wednesday NUC at Aneth
*Thursday is Wellness Grand Opening at Teec Nos Pos
*Friday, Saturday, and Sunday Navajo Nation head guard dancing at Window Rock Fair
Next Sunday is Aneth Chapter meeting

*Sept. 17 and 18 Title 26 meeting at Twin Arrows meeting with Tash Force

*Sept. 19, 2015 at Upper Fruitland with Northern Agency Council meeting at 9:00 a.m. at the same time Bluff Fair will have their Parade

*Sept. 21, 2015 meeting in Window Rock "Sacred Site Subcommittee" 2007 and before 2005 had been an issue, run off water to make into snow which also was the end of 21 council and then the start of 22nd council met with Raymond Jim at Teec Nos Pos regarding a person dress in Yei'ii and stories were told, etc. Speaker Johnny Naize was there too and was told to make a sacred site subcommittee which he did. After that they will sue the State or Federal or Flagstaff which one? Don't know when the sue will be or maybe make an agreement with them? Hopi, White River Apache, and Grand Canyon all are considering the mountain to be their sacred mountain. What about Dzil Na'oodili' there is a lot of oil field on it and there are a lot of towers and roads. There are a lot of stories regarding this mountain too.

*Whitehorse High School meeting Tuesday night regarding what happened with the death of several students committing suicide.

*Title Two has been knocked down and a lot of help has gone into it but left it at that. Siihasin Subcommittee, \$554M money in it. Federal wanted to be sue because he has been mismanaging the funds and given the people a chance to sue him. RVK from Portland, Oregon \$509M was voted on. The very next day the stock market went down but the money has not been received due to identifying certain individuals. Right now water is the main concern, let's have all the people who are working with water to find out to see how much it will cost for all Navajo Nation homes to receive water in their homes. It's in the billions and we don't have that money. We were inform that there will be a water running from Halchita down to Kayenta and then from Shiprock to Sweetwater down to Rock Point, also from Shiprock to Gallup to Mariano Lake. From Lake Powell coming down to the reservation. State of Utah has not been agreed upon yet as far as water is concerned.

**Nine (9) Priorities - Common Priorities of the Navajo Nation Government:

A. Infrastructure Development & Improvements:

1. Roads to gravel and grade
2. Power Lines, three-phase and residential
3. Water, main and individual tap-off
4. Waste water line and Sewer Lagoons
5. Telecommunication & Broadband
6. Information Technology and Sharing
7. Rural Addressing and E911
8. Former Bennett Freeze Recovery

B. Economy

1. Job Creation & Business Opportunity
2. Partnership
3. Bank
4. Energy
5. Economic Zoning
6. Revenue Generating and Investment

C. Water Rights

1. Utah Water Rights
2. Little Colorado River
3. Colorado River

D. Housing & Public Facility

1. Navajo Housing Authority, TDHE
2. Governmental Employee Housing
3. College Student Housing
4. Nursing Homes
5. Head Start Facilities
6. Multipurpose Centers at Chapters
7. Agency Office Complexes
8. Council Chambers & Executive Office Complex
9. Supreme Court Complex

- 10. Judicial Complexes
- 11. Solid Waste Transfer Stations
- 12. Trauma Centers
- E. Education
 - 1. Head Start, Early Education
 - 2. Dine Language & Culture Preservation
 - 3. Scholarships
 - 4. Grant & Contract Schools
 - 5. Tribal College & Vocational Training
- F. Human Services
 - 1. Healthy Lives & Strengthening Families
 - 2. Health Department Regulatory
 - 3. Veterans
 - 4. Elderly & Youth
 - 5. Urban Services
 - 6. Treatment Centers
 - 7. Medicare & Medicaid
- G. Governance
 - 1. Chapter Government
 - a. LGA & CLUP
 - b. Administrative Service Centers
 - c. Local Dispute Resolution & Ordinances
 - 2. Improving & Streamlining Governmental Process
 - 3. Grant & Contract Management
 - 4. Federal Law Amendments
 - 5. Procurement Rule & Regulation
 - 6. Employee Professional Development
 - 7. Independent Judiciary
 - 8. Sovereignty & Dine Fundamental Law
 - 9. Budgetary Process
- H. Public Safety & Judicial
 - 1. Additional Law Enforcement & Other First Responder Personnel
 - 2. Police Substations
 - 3. Fire & Rescue Services
 - 4. Equipment
 - 5. Restorative Justice
- I. Natural Resources
 - 1. Land
 - a. Range Land Management & Improvement
 - b. Streamline Land Purchases
 - c. Livestock
 - d. Agriculture & Farming
 - e. Fort Wingate
 - 2. Water
 - a. Navajo/Gallup Project
 - 3. Environment
 - 4. Energy Development
 - 5. Uranium Remediation

Council Delegate continued his report and thanks the people who did the dedication of the new flag pole and remembering the posting of the flag pole for the late Bennie Begay Sr. who's' plan went into this project and even though he is not here to witness this but the job continues. Enjoy your labor day weekend. Tourist season starts from Memorial Day and Labor Day. Thank the people for listening to his report.

Motion to accept the Council Delegate's report by Sam Woody, second by Malinda Blackhorse with a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried

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2. Grazing Committee Representative, Curtis Yanito

A lot of problems and issue with grazing area and water contamination, long time ago people were digging up goal and all kinds of things. Oola becomes like sand and chemicals. When it came down the River, it probably went into the little pond and along the river. A lot of tourist along the river and they're the ones wanting the river to re-open and the grazing people don't want to use the water yet and saying to wait. Due to this issue hay has been distributed to people along the river. EPA is the ones who damage the river and they are the ones doing the testing which is wrong. EOC has conference call every day and anybody can listen on it.

The water tank that was set up at five points the animals did not want to drink because they are used to drinking from the river. Bring your water to be tested here on Tuesday. Water from where you grazed, spring water, windmill water, and San Juan River, etc.

RHathale – How soon will the result be available? Testing result will be soon after the test.

Filter will be requested of the EPA and they will do the work and order it

SWoody – Water should not be purchase. Why can't there be water like the windmill? We voted for the leaders for these reasons to establish something that we will see and not just have Bilagaana kill us with contamination. The river people have the San Juan River to utilize for their farming, animals, etc.

Curtis – yes, that is why you approved item **S**, we want dam and reservoir and when the testing of the water is done, we will have the report to see what kinds of things it has in them. Due to this report we want water shedding within the local area for future use.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:48 p.m. by Chapter Vice-President due to lack of quorum.

3. UNHS, INC Health Board, Cassandra Beletso – no show
4. Chapter Officials
5. American Indian Commission Senate Bill 33 – Malinda Blackhorse

V. Meeting Adjournment by Jerry Tsosie

Planning meeting Oct. 7, 2015 and chapter meeting is Oct. 11, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

Posted by: Mary Ann Woody

Date Posted: Sept.-6-2015

Time Posted: 1:48 p.m.