

(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 ^{chapter} planning meeting open to the public on March 06, 2016 at Mexican Water Chapter Multipurpose Building Complex 1 located 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 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.

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I. REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING

Vice President stated to the community that our Chapter President out on business in Colorado for the weekend and we will excuse him for today. He also informed us during planning meeting too.

A. Call to Order by David John @ 11:05 a.m.

B. Invocation by Edward Tapaha

C. Roll Call read by secretary/treasurer for the record

D. Approval of previous meeting Journal of Proceedings/minutes of February 07, 2016

Motion for approval by Mary R. Benally, second by Tara Benally to be posted in the hallway for the community with a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried

E. Approval of Agenda

Read by secretary/treasurer for the record

Motion for approval by Mary R. Benally, second by Wilhelmina John with a vote of 18 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained and motion carried

Vice President stated to add Poll Election under item **O** and add Edward Tapaha to make his report first and second by Council Delegate to do his report, requested of the motion party

Edward Tapaha's report from election office:

Thanked all the community members and officials. The old chapter house is the growth of planning, a root and went out to here to the new chapter.

Election is coming upon us and be thinking about who to vote for, and listen to their speeches. State President, US Senator, AZ and Utah State treasurer, state attorney, state senator district 27, district 73; San Juan County Commissioner and Utah School board District 3, etc.

He also interprets the redistricting of the map which he says is temporary. Some people say that they don't want to do jury duty and some say they never get help from state of Utah and why should I vote.

He suggested teaching the young ones to understand the process of voting. A lot of people within Mexican Water but how many are register to vote? People as a voter should educate their families.

Motion to accept Mr. Tapaha's report by Mary R. Benally, second by Herbert Yanito with a vote of 18 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained and motion carried

Council Delegate's Report:

He has been dancing Friday and Saturday all day at Aneth, Utah POW-Wow for sophomore students.

-Today is planning meeting for Sweetwater at 1:00 and 3:00 in Teec Nos Pos chapter meeting

-Will be traveling to Page and be back til Friday for Resource/Development Committee meeting for Tichee chapter (NPL) and Tuesday is their regular RDC meeting at Tichee chapter

-Wednesday is NDOT, BIA, NECA, and NAPI meeting in Window Rock

-Thursday is Nabikiyati at Window Rock

-Friday St. Michaels at Twin Arrows

-Sunday is Aneth and Tolikan chapter meeting

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- Water Settlement on March 18, 2016 in Window Rock at 1:00 p.m. with chapter officials and after that is the election and Agency Council is the next day.
 - Kingman – land that was bought, take a look at it. On Sunday and Monday, inviting all chapter officials which will be in President's Office
 - 28-31 at Twin Arrows Division of Natural Resource Summit – Mike Halona and inviting all officials, grazing, and farm board
 - Face Program with Teec Nos Pos regarding reduction of the chapter which will be March 18, 2016.
 - Spring time is coming upon us, he suggested we should all pick up **TRASH** and set a certain date and day and time, sees a lot of trash on the road
 - One year legislation, some passed, 2 vetoed by NN President, some withdrawn. He gave copies to the officials
 - Legislation 43-16 "Tree of life church trust land", around Mitten Rock there are churches and land are not withdrawn, just kind of planned and make sure that land is withdrawn for certain churches, ceremonial ground which also includes burial site
 - Legislation 22-16 was approve and became a law, through NHA 20 voucher through HUD program, homeless veterans 20 of them, this is planning stages
 - Veto legislations are Grazing Officials will have stipend, eastern land board, farm board, irrigation board members, were going to take this money out of general funding which is going down, all these have been veto by the NN President but are planning to over write it
 - Trust Fund – our young ones will become leaders someday and they will use it
 - NN Oil/Gas, through forbearance agreement pay back around 6M on Dec. 31, 2015 but did not happen. Anglo are doing a good job and planning as board members, the Navajos were all retired. Due to this the share-holders to stay away from it by attorney general, but our legislative advisor says this is the reason they were appointed, etc. Attorney General is not on his side. This person is working against them, just be aware of it
 - San Juan County Election – one guy Steve Bow attorney from Durango has been working for 10 years regarding redistricting, etc. A lot of people's names were perch due to this NN sue the San Juan County. 25% Navajo are growing more than Anglos, County Commission 3 Navajo and 2 Anglo. School board should be 3 Navajo and 2 Anglo. Currently there is 5 options wants to hear from attorney general and making San Juan County bankrupt, etc. He wants to know if he supports it. We should just vote on it with k'e. It might fix itself.
 - NTUA – lots of information on May 17, they are doing a public hearing. On May 19-20 NTUA and Rocky Mountain power will do an agreement in Salt Lake City. RM power is running it now and Resolute has been around to not go for RM power. A lot of people have not received their power yet. People think that NTUA would be better. 37 ½ % should be re-done again and if he runs with 62 ½ % people might rescind again and he is trying to think about it. People working for Oil/Gas have a big concern because of the money going down and also coal is going down too.
- Motion to accept Council's report by Kenneth Maryboy, second by Mary R. Benally with a vote of 20 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained and motion carried

KMaryboy - NN Oil/Gas is our concern for people who live in Utah and would like for Council to really support this issue. It does not belong to the Government but it belongs to the people. Legislation 72 and 37 ½ the council were in favor but oil price has dropped; the price of oil/gas that drop has impacted the community.

David John – 67 ½% requests to bring it back and resolute concern with NTUA coming forth who will up their utility bill is the reason why they are requesting to go against. We did re-affirm the water rights a while back.

Mary R. Benally – Senator Hicken's stated that 67 ½% and Shaves can lobby for all the people.

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II. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion ONLY)

The Mexican Water Chapter currently does not have a Community Land Use Planning Committee (CLUPC) these land discussion items now need to be discussed at Planning Meetings, until such time a new Committee members are appointed by the Chapter President and approved by membership. It is very important that the Grazing Committee Representative attends these meetings to verify the permittee and other supporting document that will need his reviews.

- A. Possible discussion on working with the Permittees and the Grazing Committee Representative to **ONLY** investigate for possible gravel sites located within San Juan County Utah that will help with road improvement
- B. Possible discussion on working with the Permittees and the Grazing Representative to **ONLY** investigate former land withdrawal made for business site lease legal boundary survey located within San Juan County Utah that if it needs to be updated for continuance
Motion for approval by Kenneth Maryboy to hold the Chapter President to this and second by Mary R. Benally with a vote of 22 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried
Gerald Maryboy – regarding gravel pit, about a year ago the chapter came to him, consult with him and build a gravel pit. Likes to have this gravel pit get develop and keep moving forward and let's do this with the support of the chapter and the Navajo Nation, and EDC supporting for economic development for the community, etc.
Malinda Blackhorse - regarding A, how do we go about it if interested, response was go see CP.

C.

III. NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

- D. **MWCMAR07-060** Approve to accept the FY 2016 Local Governance Trust fund in the amount of \$481.74 and its budget that has been recently approved by the 23rd Navajo Nation Council appropriated from FY 16 Unreserved Undesignated Fund Balance
Motion for approval for item **D to O** by Kenneth Maryboy, second by Cassandra Beletso with a vote of 20 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried
Curtis Yanito - requesting for this money under item **D** to attend conference summit in Twin Arrows, needs to use towards travel, meal and lodging, etc.
Kenneth is ok with it but it should be up to the Administration
- E. **MWCMAR07-061** Supporting and approving to request the FY 2016 funding of \$400,000.00 from the Administration for Native Americans (ANA), Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEEDS) to fund community development projects that are sustainable and successful and that meet the community's long range strategy goals that will have a positive impact on the community
- F. **MWCMAR07-062** Approving to request the 23rd Navajo Nation Council, Budget & Finance Committee, NÁBIK' IYÁTI' Committee, Resources and Development Committee, Division of Community Development, Community Housing & Infrastructure Development/Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Program to allocate FY 2017 funding of \$1,528,525.12 for the construction of MPB Complex #2 Senior Center/Three Phase Power Line Extension Project located within San Juan County, Utah
- G. **MWCMAR07-063** Approving to request the 23rd Navajo Nation Council, Budget & Finance Committee, NÁBIK' IYÁTI' Committee, Division of Community Development, Community Housing & Infrastructure Development/Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Program to allocate FY 2017 funding of \$1,128,525.12 for the construction of a new three-phase power line extension to the 50 acre development site
- H. **MWCMAR07-064** Approving to request the 23rd Navajo Nation Council, Budget & Finance Committee, NÁBIK' IYÁTI' Committee, Resources and Development Committee, Division of Community Development, Community Housing & Infrastructure Development/Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Program to allocate FY 2017 funding of \$323,157.82 for the construction of Utah Phase II Scattered Power Line Extension to serve eleven (11) homes located within San Juan County, Utah

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- I. **MWCMAR07-065** Approving to amend chapter resolution# MWCOCT14-024 to reaffirm \$15,000.00 purchase of related housing material to rehabilitate existing house for Maxine Etsitty located in San Juan County, Utah
- J. **MWCMAR07-066** Support and approve to submit grant application to the USDA and The EPA Announce Federal Planning Assistance for Broadband and Sustainable Community Development - Cool & Connected
- K. **MWCMAR07-067** Approve and accept to hire PEP for bathroom addition garnet ridge/comb ridge area
David John – to re-select new workers
Tara Benally – two years ago some were hired, don't have the same people hire again. A lot of the workers do not have the skills for construction and some are not right as far as constructing a house or addition, etc.
CBeletso – 30 days and re-advertise for another group and is not supposed to be the same ones, there are a lot of people who need jobs, etc. Show amount how much money is there and wages, etc. job announcements, radio, newspaper, etc. It is public fund and people need to know.
MBenally – a lot of people have complained to Tara Benally, she has a different job; some of the housing is not built right, including sewer line and water line. The money that was allocated is being wasted.
EBeletso – Hiring of young guys, some of them just go out and drink. Need at least one person older on the team.
SJohn – It's not what you know but it's who you know. State vehicle are being used and just look at it and not concern about it. Materials are not there for them to use, so go to another site. We don't use chapter vehicle and they use their own vehicle and pay for their own gas money.
LGray – addition of restroom are dripping, etc. Some of them had to be re-fixed, sometimes his uncle had to go around and re-do the job and some people paid for gas themselves, etc.
KMaryboy – it's nice that our own community is directly involved in these activities and projects at the same time the deficiencies are occurring, etc. Maybe have someone who can do temporary inspection there, etc. Do what we can with what we got with more supervision.
MBlackhorse – Trust Fund construction workers, everything is written down. A lot of time these chapter construction of homes have to redo so the first time should be done correctly. Her construction workers are willing to share information. John Nakai always says that whatever the chapter wants he is willing to share with them.
EJohn – when these people are hired they get send to old chapter they hide over there and wasting time/hours. Maybe question them and check their background first, etc.
RYanito – Years ago men made and mend roads with their hands and shovel and select a supervisor to oversee them. Who are all running for chapter officials?
CBeletso – never purchase the truck, it's still the dully that was purchase way back, we do need a work truck and take care of it. Get the priority straight and go forward and work with safety which is a priority at a work site. Also there are many people who are capable to run for chapter officials, etc.
- L. **MWCMAR07-068** Approve and accept to hire sole source Americas Communication for Broadband project
- M. **MWCMAR07-069** Approve and accept for DOJ to assist for legal opinion regarding Bluff School
MBlackhorse – questioning if Chapter President wrote the letter that he was going to furnish to the parents in support of the solution on this school issue. Response was he is on travel, don't know if he did or not.
- N. **MWCMAR07-070** Approve and accept to amend title 3 code to get a stipend for all grazing officials during the budget declaration and make it as **fixed cost**
- O. **MWCMAR07-071** Approve and selection of Navajo Nation Poll Officials
There are two people from here Pauline Black and Eva John, just need poll judge

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IV. REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

KMaryboy – Protect Bears Ears Community Meeting Schedule:

1. March 20, 2016 at 2:00 in MV Welcome Center
2. April 15, 2016 at 9:00 Naat'sis'aan (Navajo Mtn.)
3. April 30, 2016 at 10:00 White Rock Community (food will be provided)
4. May 14, 2016 at 9:00 Red Mesa Chapter
5. May TBA Kayenta Chapter
6. July 15-17 all day at Bears Ears Summer Gathering

Kenneth's report:

*Dine Bikeyah – working on it and will move forward

*Water Settlement – working on it and going forward with it, all chapters will appeal if Chilly Yazzie opposed

*Bears Ears will move forward too

*800,000.00 were taken from Trust Fund and where did it go? 600,000 who agreed to this? This question is being asked, the people who are working on this are working on it.

*Our money is going down regarding oil/gas, prediction is that it will go back down or it's going to stay where it's at. Our government sunset this and lost a lot of money. 7M was lost. The governor should have at least say it's not your fault but that did not happen, it should have been budgeted to build the sunset housing but went after NRF and withdrew our own money to rebuild the houses

*NRF board had their meeting, when money is allocate, some goes to chapter and currently none chapter project money went to San Juan County Road Fund which to him is a problem. Why our money going into this and road is has their own county money?

*During Salt Lake Cucus, they were saying that the Trust money should go to Resolute and invest in them. This is a federal funding.

*Regarding Bears Ears, variety of tribes are saying they need to make offering which they did and this will support and he met with Medicine Man Association. Also met with NM medicine man association in New Mexico and there were a lot of our medicine man from here present there. NN Historic medicine man advisory board with public safety will be to enforce it. This group requested him to be a part of the board member and he accepted it.

Jerrica Maryboy – Utah Dine Advisory Committee

The last meeting they had was that whether or not that Utah Trust Fund should invest a portion of their money into the Stock Market. There are two accounts; one account is for royalty fund which is from oil revenue and is about 26M. The second account is Help Settlement Fund which is about 31M. They're talking about investing this money to prolong the life of it. The market right now is safe to say only a little portion should be invested and she voted 5M to be invested and outvoted so they are doing 20M will be invested out of the 31M. All this is for people to know

MBenally – she needs to come to planning meeting to tell the community especially when she votes on items. Anytime you vote on something the public needs to know.

KMaryboy – it is very vital that the people's voice be address and she was selected from the people. State that this is "What I stand with" is what she needs to say. Be more cautious on voting and investing and Green Energy/wind energy starting to rise

MBlackhorse –what was voted on in 2008 was discuss during the Cucus Day in Salt Lake. It was to review it and take a look at it again. What were the different options, they need to look at these, etc. It's not definite yet.

1) Financial Reports (Attached)

Motion for approval for item 1 to 6 by Emery Beletso, second by Pauline Frank with a vote of 20 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried

1. Ratification of February 2016 Payroll Expenses of **\$8,016.71**
2. Ratification of February 2016 Chapter Official Stipend Expenses of **\$3,000.00**
3. Ratification of February 2016 Chapter Veteran Organization Expenses of **\$0.00**
4. Ratification of February 2016 Scholarship Expenses of **\$0.00**
5. Ratification of February 2016 Vouchers Expenses of **\$7,211.31**
6. Budget Transfer /Modifications to cover expenses incurred February 2016 (VP mention to do a budget together and make a report for the next chapter meeting, etc.)

2) Quarterly Reports (Written/Oral)

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1. Edward Tapaha, Election Office
 2. Council Delegate, Davis Filfred
 3. Grazing Committee Representative, Curtis D. Yanito
 - *How many sheared their sheep? You all need to this year.
 - Will set a vaccination clinic for the LA 200, don't have to give them shots, working with Jim Cauz, kills all the lice and stomach worms, no running nose, strong against virus, etc. Sheep have to be sheared first.
 - *Conservation plan is mainly the discussion now, and plan of operation, the work that is being done on the grazing, a lot of unwanted plants, etc. A lot of them are planning but no documentations. Due to this a lot of permits are on hold. A lot of it has to do with EPA and told them to set a workshop for the community.
 - *Summit 2016 in Twin Arrows and this is the reason he is requesting the money to use to travel.
 - *Gravel pit and CLUP has to work on it as certified chapter and through them things are approved and through resolution, etc. Anytime there is a contract and things should be free for the people, a lot of these things pass by us.
 - *Two years ago, money has been a issue and every year it's like that STIPEN, grazing permit states that there should be a stipend but not being used and is being overlooked, etc. NN and BIA do not want us and should have our own and there are a lot of projects, rancher, water, homesite lease, business site leases and any kinds of leases and there's too many. This is what is being overlooked. This 554M was won back by grazing officials. Anytime there is land issue, they work like agents.
 - Rock Point is District Grazing Meeting on Monday at 9:00
 - Northern Agency District meeting is at Red Mesa Chapter on the 18th.
 - Vice President** stated that he will take this resolution to the Agency Council Meeting in two weeks. Then we'll find a sponsor for the Council before the next budget meeting. Utah Trust Fund is at **58M** right now. Utah power/NTUA still has to go through the public regulatory commission and they are saying they will send it back over here to the committee for public hearing, etc.
 - MBenally** – is there any money somewhere for workshop? Can he request for it? Response was he can request for a workshop on volunteer base, there is no money, etc. Mary stated to reclaim the land and we do need workshop maybe for next month. There are a lot of unwanted plants, lots of thorn, need workshop to teach us how to get rid of them.
 - CYanito** – Next month we will have a workshop here on the first week
 - EBeletso** – Thinking about making a garden but don't have anybody to break the ground
 - Response by Curtis** – has been working on it and this compact builder do these things and still working on it
 - HYanito** – regarding fertilizer which is coming to his home and come and get them, it's for all the communities, to be use however you want, etc.
 - Motion for approval and accept all reports by Cassandra Beletso, second by Herbert Yanito with a vote of 20 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried
 4. UNHS, INC Health Board, Cassandra Beletso
 - Red Mesa Clinic is what is being discussed and all doctors have left and been talking about taking over the clinic.
 - NTUA will take care of this clinic and UNHS is opposing it. Compare NTUA and Rocky Mountain and see which is better. Maybe the chapter can do a presentation and compare these two.
 - Website for UNHS if using this website and click on complaint button
 - Motion to accept Cassandra's report by Daisy Yanito, second by Herbert Yanito with a vote of 17 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried
 - MBlackhorse** – Is there a new clinic at Blanding and at Montezuma Creek. Also is there going to be a market?
 - Response was yes.** They were planning to buy a dental clinic in Monticello but Red Mesa is coming up. They are trying to expand. She has not heard about the market yet.
 - TBenally** – why does it have to be in Blanding, why not out here? Tired of driving
 5. Chapter Officials
- V. MEETING ADJOURNMENT by David John @ 2:57

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Motion to adjourn the meeting by Cassandra Beletso, second by Mary Benally with a vote of 16 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained and motion carried

Next planning meeting is April 6, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.
Next Chapter Meeting is April 10, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

Posted by: **Mary Ann Woody**

Date Posted: **3/7/2016**

Time Posted: **2:57 p.m.**