

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** through a teleconference open to the public on **Sunday, December 11, 2022 at 1:00 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 Phoebe Begay at (928) 429-0986 at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the time scheduled for the meeting.

Teleconference/In-Person Meeting (Hybrid)

Phone: 1 484-925-0852 **PIN:** 345 150 194# **Video Link:** <https://meet.google.com/xys-gfpo-sgx>

I. REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING

- A. **The Regular Chapter Meeting was called to Order by the Chapter President at 02:04 pm.** Roll Call has the following present to the meeting: Curtis Yanito (IP), Cassandra Beletso (IP), Clifford Sagg (IP), along with other community members (see sign in sheet).
- B. The invocation was done by Richard Yanito, a community member.
- C. **The minutes from the last Regular Chapter Meeting minutes for November 06, 2022 was read and the same motioned for approval by Alice Shorty, seconded by Shayler Beletso with a vote of 20 in favor, 00 opposed and 00 abstained.**
 - i. [11.06.22 FY23 MINUTES CM Council of Mexican Water Chapter Government.pdf](#)
- D. **The current Regular Chapter Meeting Agenda was read and the same was motioned for approval by Sarah Yanito, seconded by Shayler Beletso with a vote of 19 in favor, 00 opposed and 01 abstained with two additions:**
 - i. Resolution #022 Approve to Request/Allocate Additional Utah Navajo Trust Fund Chapter Projects Funds of \$45,000 and Utah Navajo Trust Fund "Big Projects" of \$92,677 to Finish Six (06) Previously Approved Housing Projects within Mexican Water Chapter.
 - ii. Reports - Victoria Dixon-Alba, Census of Agriculture

II. Old Business /Action Items

III. New Business/Action items:

- A. **MWCDEC11-020** Accepting Monetary Donation of \$800.00 from the Running Horse Pipeline, LLC and its budget for the purchase of Food and related Supplies items for the Holiday Celebration. [MWCDEC11.020.pdf](#)
Discussion: The chapter had sent out letters of monetary donations to various organizations to pay for food and supplies for the Dec 18, 2022 Community Holiday Celebration.
- B. **MWCDEC11-021** Approving to Advertise (December 05-16, 2022) and Hire (December 19, 2022) for Five (05) College Students. [MWCDEC11.021.pdf](#)
Discussion: The chapter will hire 5 college students to work for two weeks totaling 72 hours at the chapter.

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- C. **MWCDEC11-022** Approve to Request/Allocate Additional Utah Navajo Trust Fund Chapter Projects Funds of \$45,000 and Utah Navajo Trust Fund "Big Projects" of \$92,677 to Finish Six (06) Previously Approved Housing Projects within Mexican Water Chapter.

Discussion: Additional funds are needed to finish the construction of the five clients' homes within the Mexican Water Chapter. The Trust Fund will also kick in additional funds to pay for its completion.

ACTION: *Carmelita Sagg motioned to approve the three Chapter resolutions, seconded by Martha Saggboy with a vote of 20 in favor, 00 opposed and 00 abstained.*

IV. Reports/Approvals/Announcements

A. Financial Reports/Approvals

1. Ratification of November 2022 Payroll Expenses of **\$6,578.03**
2. Ratification of November 2022 Chapter Official Stipend Expenses of **\$3,000.00**
3. Ratification of November 2022 Chapter Financial Scholarship Assistance Expenses of **\$ 0.00**
4. Ratification of November 2022 Vouchers Expenses of **\$5,014.30**
5. Budget Transfer/Modifications to cover expenses incurred November 2022 **\$0.00**

Discussion: The Financials were read to the community by the Chapter President as listed.

Action: *Martha Saggboy motioned to approve the Financials, seconded by Carmelita Sagg with a vote of 19 in favor, 00 opposed and 00 abstained.*

B. Approvals

C. Announcements:

1. 18 December 2022 - Community Holiday Dinner at 1pm - Mexican Water Chapter.
2. 09 December 2022 - Navajo Utah Commission Meeting (Zoom Meeting)
3. 16 December 2022 - Northern Navajo Veterans Meeting, Shiprock, NM.

D. Quarterly Reports (Written/Oral)

1. San Juan County Elections Office, Elsie Dee - **No report given.**
2. Census of Agriculture, Victoria Dixon-Alba
 - The Department of Agriculture will conduct a Census of the Navajo Nation Chapters to ascertain the number of farmers/gardeners and livestock holders. They will ask about the number of sheep/lambs, cows/calves, horses/ponies, goats, donkeys/llamas, etc.... They will also ask of the acres of gardens; along with the type of produce such as corn, hay, vegetables, squash, etc.
 - This is not contingent on the Grazing Permits and will not be asked to reduce their livestock numbers.
 - Would like to hire an individual to work with their program. See flier.
3. Tse T'ah Liaison - US EPA Region 9, Perry Tso - **No report given**
4. San Juan School District, Blanding UT, - Ron T Nielson, Superintendent/ Trevor Olsen, Student Services Program
 - Johnson O'Malley Program was approved for the next 5 years for Heritage, Language and Culture Programs with the entire school district.
 - Brushed on the Portrait of Graduate/Competencies and Characteristics as outlined by the San Juan School District.

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- He asked if anyone had any concerns that he could take back to Mr. Nielsen, Superintendent.
 - Questions from the audience included those of the evening activities bus runs/drop offs of students which prevents students from participating in the sports/ after-school activities. One person felt that the school schedule only is for those close to the community of Blanding without a thought for the surrounding Indigenous communities. This practice needs to be corrected and for the school to be inclusive.
5. Council Delegate, Charlaine Tso - **No report given.**
 6. Grazing Committee Representative, Christopher Haskan - **No report given.**
 7. Utah Navajo Health System, Inc. (UNHS) Board of Director, Cassandra Beletso
 - COVID-19 is still present and is on the rise again. Shots can be given at the clinic.
 - Continue to wear your mask, sanitize your hands and stay your distance.
 8. Chapter Officials - Mr. Yanito reported on the content of his Council Delegate orientation: unresolved issues related to the Navajo Nation.
- V. Meeting Adjournment - ***Carol Benally motioned to adjourn the Regular Chapter Meeting at 3:43 pm, seconded by Leslie Laselute with a vote of 20 in favor, 00 opposed and 00 abstained.***

Posted by: **Clifford L. Sagg**

Date Posted: **12/08/2022**

Time Posted: **08:00 AM**